



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church ● School ● Preschool

Welcome

We ask all worshipers to help us by signing the *Friendship Register*, a maroon book at the end of the pew.

- If you need assistance of any kind, see an usher.
- Restrooms are located south of the main church lobby.
- Children's bulletins are available from the ushers.
- Audio versions of the service are available upon request.
- Please keep pews in the back of the church open for families with small children.
- Live video of the service is available in the room at the end of the hallway, where parents may calm a child and still hear and see the service.
- If you would like to know more about Good Shepherd, visit our website at www.gsdg.org.
- Believing that Holy Scripture teaches that Holy Communion is intended for those who are truly one in faith, this congregation practices close Communion. That is, we share the supper with those who have confessed their close oneness in faith with us by registering with one of our pastors before worship.

GOOD SHEPHERD'S MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of Good Shepherd is to sustain each of our members in the faith by working together in harmony for the spiritual growth and health of the congregation and reaching out to bring the gospel of Christ to others.

Seeking the Lost, Feeding the Flock, Serving the Savior

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 19TH , 2018

The Savior's Message:

Have you ever wondered what heaven is like? It is impossible for us to imagine the glory of heaven. The Apostle Peter called in an inexpressible and glorious joy. If we were to ask someone who is in heaven to tell us what it is like, I imagine them simply saying, "You have to see it to believe it!" In the section of the book of Revelation we will look at today, the Apostle John is gives one of his many glimpses into heaven where he sees this glorious group of people, too numerous to count, dressed in white robes singing the praises of Jesus. How glorious it will be for us when the day come for us to join in their glorious song.

PERSONAL PRAYER UPON ENTERING GOD'S HOUSE

Hymn 230 vs 1

Lord Jesus Christ, be present now; Our hearts in true devotion bow.

Your Spirit send with grace divine, And let your truth within us shine.

Unseal our lips to sing your praise; Our souls to you in worship raise.

Make strong our faith; increase our light That we may know your name aright. Amen

SERVING AT WORSHIP

PRESIDING PASTOR

Rev. Doug Semenske

ORGANIST

Jan Henriksen

OPENING HYMN

Glory be to God the Father | 239

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Common Service with Communion

STAND

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

GLORY BE TO GOD



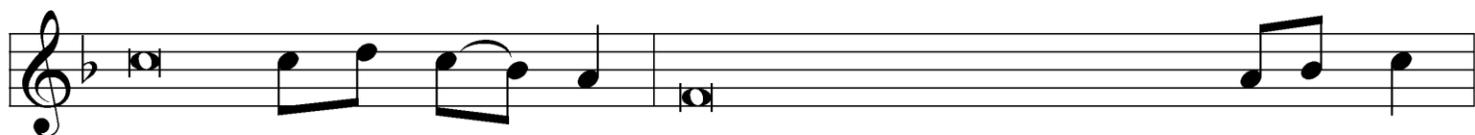
C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the



sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of



God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,

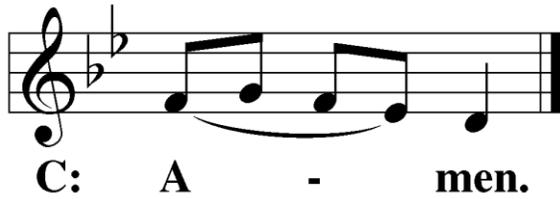


are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift of grace that we come into your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that our worship on earth may always be pleasing to you, and in the life to come give us the fulfillment of what you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

M: Let us pray.



The Word

FIRST LESSON

Proverbs 9:1-6

This proverb encourages us to seek wisdom. True wisdom comes from the Lord and is found in his Word.

Wisdom has built her house; she has set up its seven pillars. ² She has prepared her meat and mixed her wine; she has also set her table.

³ She has sent out her servants, and she calls from the highest point of the city, ⁴ “Let all who are simple come to my house!” To those who have no sense she says, ⁵ “Come, eat my food and drink the wine I have mixed.

⁶ Leave your simple ways and you will live; walk in the way of insight.”

Refrain

Bless-ed are they who hope, who hope in the Lord.

Psalm tone

Blessed is the man
who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked*
or stand in the way of sinners.

But his delight is in the law of the LORD,*
and on his law he meditates day and night.

He is like a tree planted by streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season*
and whose leaf does not wither.

Whatever he does prospers.

Refrain

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,*
nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,*
but the way of the wicked will perish.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

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SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 5: 15-20

Paul tells us the days were evil at the time he wrote his letter to the church in Ephesus. He was correct. The days we live in are evil as well. He tells us to be careful how we live.

¹⁵ Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶ making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is. ¹⁸ Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, ²⁰ always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. The Word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. Alleluia.



After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

GOSPEL

John 6:51-58

In this section of John's Gospel, it sounds very much like Jesus is talking about reception of the Lord's Supper. When Jesus spoke these words the Lord's Supper had not yet been instituted. Jesus is encouraging us to feed on him through his word. As we need physical food to sustain our bodies, so we need spiritual food to sustain our souls.

⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.” ⁵² Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³ Jesus said to them, “Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. ⁵⁵ For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. ⁵⁶ Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.”

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

**who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and
glorified,**

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Message – Jesus tells us to, “let the little children come to me and do not hinder them for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” (Mark 10:14).

HYMN OF THE DAY

Behold a Host, Arrayed in White | **550**

Sermon Text – Revelation 7:9-17

⁹ After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ And they cried out in a loud voice: “Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.” ¹¹ All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² saying: “Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!” ¹³ Then one of the elders asked me, “These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?” ¹⁴ I answered, “Sir, you know.” And he said, “These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵ Therefore, “they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. ¹⁶ Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat upon them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷ For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

STAND

CREATE IN ME



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

BE SEATED

OFFERING

The offering is an expression of faith and gratitude of the members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Our guests should not feel compelled to give an offering unless moved to do so in response to God's grace.

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom

and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT



Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - - - men.

BE SEATED

PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, O my Savior. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Around the Throne, a Glorious Band | 549

What is This Bread? | 742

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

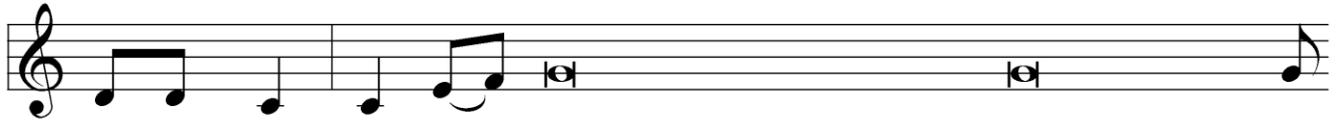
Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

STAND

SONG OF SIMEON



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing



to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-

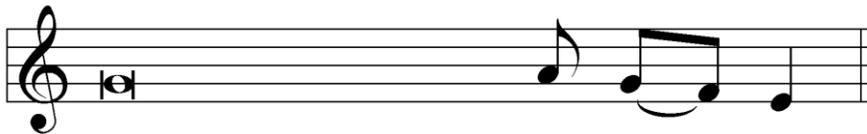


pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the



Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

SILENT PRAYER AS THE CANDLES ARE EXTINGUISHED

Around the throne, a glorious band,
The saints in countless numbers stand,
Of ev'ry tongue, redeemed to God,
Oh, may we tread the sacred road
That saints and holy martyrs trod,
Wage to the end the glorious strife,
And win, like them, a crown of life. Amen



2 Timothy 4:2 “Preach the word: be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage – with great patience and careful instruction.”

We’ve been blessed to have Pastor Rutschow at Good Shepherd since 1977.



Here’s another bit of history.



Pastor Rutschow was ordained in Creve Coeur, IL, on July 12 1970, and served Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in Marquette Heights, IL, in the Peoria area. It was a new mission congregation and, while there, he became involved in serving a small existing congregation in Jacksonville, IL and in starting 3 churches - Bloomington-Normal, IL, Champaign, IL, and Burlington, Ia.



In February of 1977, Pastor accepted the call to come to Good Shepherd, Downers Grove. On March 6, 1977 he was installed by Reverend E. A. Mahnke of West Chicago at the Willowbrook Holiday Inn where services were being held until they were able to build the current church in Downers Grove. While here at Good Shepherd Pastor has been able to be part of 3 building projects as the church and school continued to grow. The first was the parsonage and original church and multi-purpose room (which also served as our one-room school), then an addition of three classrooms, (our current fellowship hall),

library and kitchen. After that was the expansion of the narthex and sanctuary and the addition of the current school and office wing.

For the first 2 years, 1977 to 1979, he and his wife, Pauline and their 3 children, Paul, Kristin & Annette, lived in an apartment off Cass Avenue. They moved into the newly built parsonage in March of 1979.

Hebrews 2:12 “He says, “I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters; in the assembly I will sing your praises.



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SERVING THE LORD AND US

USHER/S

08/19 8:00 am Andy Rush & Dave Bowen
10:30 am Scott Wolfram & Joe Abegg
08/26 8:00 am Dan & Erik Schindler
10:30 am Randy Weaver & Dale Graefnitz

Greeters

08/19 8:00 am Dave Rardin
10:30 am Joan Richmond
08/26 8:00 am Debi Vose
10:30 am Hannah Roekle

Altar Care

08/19 Joan Richmond & Cindy Oard
09/02 Karen Bassler & Laura Swiatnicki

Coffee Schedule

08/19 Roxanne Zikis & Inge Wegner
08/26 Sue Mecklenburg & Carol Miller

Folding Schedule

08/19 Jan & Gary Henriksen
08/26 Joan Richmond

Communion Assistant Schedule

08/19 8:00 am John Roland & Dave Rardin
10:30 am Dave Roekle & Ken Jordan
09/02 8:00 am Dave Rardin & Rick Brands
10:30 am John Roland & Volunteer Needed

Watering Schedule

08/19 Laurie 08/21 Mark 08/23 & 25 Sherrie/Jay 08/27 Debi V.
08/29 Karen 09/01 Debi V 09/03 Deb O 09/05 Karen 09/07 Laurie
09/07 Sherrie/Jay 09/11 Mark 09/13 Karen 09/15 Debi V

Caring and Sharing

"Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds" (Hebrews 10:24)

What's New At Good Shepherd?

PASTOR BERGEMANN LETTER

08-09-2018

Dear Members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,

After much prayer and deliberation, I have decided to accept your call to serve as your pastor. I look forward joining with you in pondering, planning, and implementing ways that we can seek the lost, feed the flock, and serve the Savior in Downers Grove and beyond!

I thank you for your prayers and your patience throughout this process. You have demonstrated great understanding in these past weeks as I have wrestled with the decision on where I might serve God best. I humbly request that you would continue to share your patience and understanding with me in the weeks to come, as it will most likely take some time to prepare our Virginia home for sale, look for a new place in your community, and move. I also feel compelled to help prepare our Christian brothers and sisters in Woodbridge, Virginia for a time of transition and for a new pastor. This is a special congregation on the front lines of our WELS mission efforts. It has been my joy to serve them for 15 years. While preparing to move, I will also use this time to rejoice in our past ministry together and look forward with them to the future.

With that being said, I look forward to meeting you. I am humbled and honored that the Holy Spirit has given me this opportunity to serve God's Kingdom and you.

May our Good Shepherd keep us in his care in the days to come.

In Him, Pastor Jon Bergemann

PASTOR RUTSCHOW'S "CELEBRATION OF SERVICE" - REMEMBER!!

Please RSVP by Sept. 1st whether or not you'll be attending the luncheon/program for Pastor Rutschow's "Celebration of Service" on Sept. 16th. To RSVP online go to gsdg.org and click on the invitation. It will take you immediately to the form to fill out. Please do this even if you're not able to come. We want to make sure everyone has seen an invitation.

If you're NOT able to RSVP online, there are sheets to fill out on the table in the narthex where the "bucket list" wishes and treats have been by the front door.

And THERE WILL BE A COLLECTION TAKEN. There are envelopes by the collection box in the narthex.

This will be a very special day! We hope everyone can come!!

SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR GS COUNCIL & SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Seven positions will be open for election in November, 2018 for the Ministry Coordinating Council (MCC) and school committee. The MCC is seeking qualified voters as candidates for the seven positions listed below. Interested candidates will be reviewed by the MCC before nomination to the voters. The election for office to fill these positions will be held at the semi-annual voters meeting in November. Elected candidates become members of the MCC or School Committee, accordingly, for a term of two years.

The open positions are:

Treasurer

The Secretary-Treasurer is responsible for the financial reporting of receipts and disbursements in the applicable funds as determined by the congregation. This includes proper accumulation and safeguarding of receipts and timely payment of all obligations incurred. The Secretary-Treasurer acts as an advisor and consultant on all congregation financial matters.

Shepherding Coordinator

The Shepherding Coordinator is responsible for making provision to visit the sick and infirm and the spiritually indifferent, for communicating action, news, etc. of general interest to the congregation, for routine publication of a congregational newsletter, and for assimilating new members into the life and work of the congregation.

Property Coordinator

The Property Coordinator is responsible for proper insurance, repair, maintenance and cleaning of the all congregational facilities.

Outreach Coordinator

The Outreach Coordinator is responsible for gospel outreach and supporting the mission statement of Good Shepherd. The responsibilities of the Outreach Coordinator include publicizing our congregation and its activities, conducting canvasses in the area of our church, welcoming newcomers to our area and visitors to our services, providing for a program of visitation to announce and witness to the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

School Committee Member (3)

The School Coordinator, along with the other elected members of the School Committee, is responsible for assuring that the mission statement of Good Shepherd Lutheran School is being carried out. The responsibilities of the School Committee include establishing school policy, evaluating staffing needs and make staffing recommendations to the congregation, and communicating with parents of school children.

Interested candidates should contact President Dean Gerdes or any member of the MCC. A list of the current MCC members and positions is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the narthex. More detailed position descriptions are available.

THANK YOU

The faculty, staff, parents, and students want to thank Marian Masa for serving the last four years as the 7th and 8th grade math teacher. In addition to teaching, Marian used her gifts in countless other ways such as coordinating our student spotlight, serving hot lunch, running the concession stand for our track meets, posting school pictures on the bulletin board and the list goes on and on. You will be dearly missed, Ms. Masa! God's blessings!

2019 HOLY LAND TRIP

Walk in the footsteps of Jesus. Sail on the Sea of Galilee. Visit Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jerusalem, and many other Bible sites. Pastor Roekle, of First Lutheran Church in Racine and Pastor Dale Reckzin, of St. John's Lutheran Church in Oak Creek, will be hosting a ten-day trip from June 11-20, next summer. There will also be an option for adding a three-day extension to the city of Rome on the way back from Israel. Anyone interested can access a brochure at RegisterNow.ittworld.com (tour code is "Roekle19" or contact Pastor Roekle (pastorroekle@firstracine.org or 637-7142) or Pastor Reckzin (d.reckzin@gmail.com 414-232-2953) if you have any questions.

LWMS Fall Retreat – Save the Date & Register Now

Sing to the Lord a New Song at the LWMS (Lutheran Women's Missionary Society) Retreat on Friday, October 19, 5:15 p.m. to Saturday, October 20, 2:00 p.m.

Join us at a beautiful log lodge on 47 wooded acres with a lake, creek, and nature trails in Plano, Illinois (57 miles southwest of Chicago). Learn more about the location at www.lasallemanor.org. Missionary Terry Schultz will lead a fireside sing-along on Friday evening and on Saturday he will show us how he uses music in missions around the world. The early bird registration fee (postmarked by September 20) is \$100/person and includes a private room and three meals. The fee for registration postmarked September 21 to October 5 is \$115. The one day (Saturday only, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.) registration fee is \$50/person (includes lunch).

To obtain a registration form contact Paula Danekas (pkdanekas@comcast.net). The registration deadline is October 5.

A MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

The true treasure of our church is Jesus Christ our Savior, growing in our knowledge of him, and making him known to all people. The cheerful and generous freewill offerings of God's people not only support the work God has given us as a church, school, and preschool, but also provides for the training of future pastors and teachers and supports world mission work being carried out through our synod, the WELS. The information below is a summary of how the Holy Spirit has moved the hearts of God's people to make use of their time in attending worship and make use of their treasures to support the work God has given us as a congregation.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE IN GOD'S HOUSE (08/12/2018)

Saturday – No Worship

Sunday Early – 74

Sunday Late – 82

Weekend Total – 156

WEEKLY OFFERINGS FOR GOD'S WORK

	Week Ending	Weekly Offering	YTD Offering	YTD Budget	% of Budget
Week 6	08/05/18	\$18,503.00	\$67,458.51	\$63,500.00	106.2%

STEWARDSHIP ENCOURAGEMENT FROM GOD'S WORD

I Timothy 6: 6 – 8 – Godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing we will be content with that.

CALENDAR

TODAY	8:00 am	Worship Service with communion
	9:20 am	Adult Bible Class / BLAST Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service with communion
MONDAY 08/20	6:30 pm	Back-to-School info Meeting
TUESDAY 08/21		
WEDNESDAY 08/22	8:10 am	K-8 Classes Begin
	11:30 am	K-8 Early Dismissal
THURSDAY 08/23		
FRIDAY 08/24		
SATURDAY 08/25		
SUNDAY 08/26	8:00 am	Worship Service
	9:20 am	Adult Bible Class / BLAST Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service

SAVE THE DATE

August 28	6:00 pm	Servae Christi Leadership Meeting
September 2	9:20 am	NO BLAST Sunday School
September 3	8:10 am	No School – Labor Day
September 4	8:10 am	First Day Pre K
Septmeber 9	10:30 am	Outdoor Worship with Koine
September 10	8:30 am	Hearing & Vision Screeing
September 19		Picture Day
September 20	7:00pm	MCC Meeting



Welcome!

The mission of Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church is to sustain each of our members in the faith by working together in harmony for the spiritual growth and health of the congregation and reaching out to bring the gospel of Christ to others

Seek the Lost + Feed the Flock + Serve
our Savior

If you are new to our area or looking for a church to call your own, please accept our invitation to meet with one of our pastors. Please feel free to return to worship with us again!

Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church is part of a group of more than 1200 churches called the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, or WELS. The WELS is a world-wide church body with congregations across the United States as well as in Mexico and Canada. The WELS also serves over 26 foreign countries through world mission work. We are united in faith and teaching with the other churches of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod as well as churches of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod, or ELS.

Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church, School, and Preschool
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Check us out on the web at www.gsdg.org

Contact Information (Pastors, Full-Time Teachers, and Secretaries)

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