



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

Ministers: All The People of The Congregation

Pastor: Kathleen Fullarton

Good Shepherd Lutheran Mission Statement

Called by God to: Grow; Serve; Love; Care and Worship

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost. August 18, 2013

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion

* Please stand

Prelude

Welcome(Please remember to sign the pew pad by the center aisle of each pew. Mark your communion in the last column with HC)

*Gathering Song "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty". ELW 858

*Confession and Forgiveness. pg 94-96 (right side)

*Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

*Kyrie Eleison. pg 184

*Prayer of the Day

C: O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Lesson Jeremiah 23:23-29

²³Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? ²⁴Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. ²⁵I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" ²⁶How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back--those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? ²⁷They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. ²⁹Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

Second Lesson Hebrews 11:29 - 12:2

²⁹By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. ³²And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets--³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented--³⁸of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. ³⁹Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Announcement of Gospel

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

*Gospel Luke 12:49-56

⁴⁹I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵²From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." ⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon. Pastor Kathy Fullarton

*The Song of the Day . . . "Lead On, O King Eternal!" ELW 805

*The Apostles' Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Offering/Loose Change Offering

Special Music. Karen Bergemann

Offertory Response . . . "We Give Thee but Thine Own" v 1 & 2. ELW 686

The Prayers of the Church (kneel or sit)

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

C: And also with you.

*Sharing of the Peace

*Words of Institution/The Lord's Prayer

Communion

Prayer after Communion

*The Benediction

*Sending Song "Earth and All Stars!" ELW 731

*Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Church Phone: 507-553-3513

Birthdays - Aug. 18-24 (If your birthday is not listed please contact the church office with mm/dd/yy.)

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| 18-Dan Drugg | 20-Zach Niebuhr | 21-Andrew Heggen | 22-Sara Salisbury |
| 19-Leslie Drugg | 20-Tatum Stangler | 21-Gary Kauffmann | 23-Linda Sauer |
| 19-Nancy Elmer | 21-Jeff Erickson | 21-Tom Schroeder | 23-Mark Seedorf |

Thank You to Karen Bergemann for sharing with us today her gift of Music.

A Gift has been received towards the Flooring Fund from Barb Ziegler and the late Elmer Ziegler in honor of their wedding anniversary which was Aug. 17th.

Flowers on the altar are in memory of Harry & Kathryn Lindorff and in honor of Jane & Tom Hansen's 50th Wedding anniversary which is Aug. 18th. They are given by Jane & Tom Hansen, Shirley & Bill Pickett, Karen & Duane Bergemann, Neil & Nell Lindorff.

Flooring Project - A new floor sample may be seen in the Narthex before and after worship services.

Special Congregation Meeting - There will be a Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday, August 25, 2013 following the 9:00 a.m. worship service in the Church Sanctuary for the purpose to approve the following recommendation to the congregation:

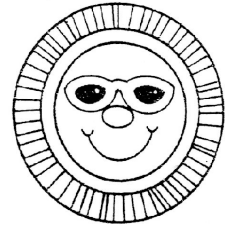
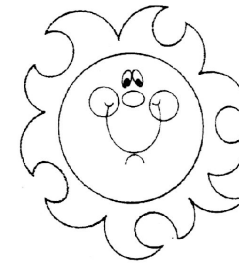
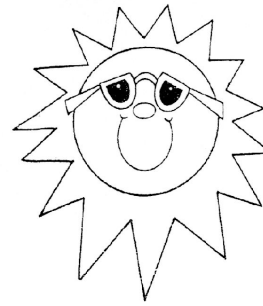
- 1) To elect a Call Committee of 6 and 1 alternate

In the event that a quorum of voting members (80) is not present, the meeting will be held on the next consecutive Sunday.

Senior Saints - Join us at Senior Saints on Wed., Aug. 21st at 11:00 a.m. at the Broadway Apartments for a time of food and fellowship as we continue our "Getting to Know You" program featuring Linda Hagen. Everyone 55 and older is welcome as we enjoy the food provided by the August service group.

Bishop's Installation Service - You are invited to attend the installation service for Rev. Steven Delzer, the 3rd bishop of the Southeastern Minnesota Synod, on Sat., Sept. 7, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. at St. John Lutheran Church, 1301 Lincoln Ave, Owatonna. Rev. Mark S. Hanson, Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America will preside.

God's Blessings Charity Fundraising Auction - Tues., Aug. 20th at 5:00 p.m. 1030 S Brdwy, Albert Lea. Proceeds go towards God's Blessing Charity which helps those in need.



Women of Good Shepherd,

You are invited to our W.E.L.C.A. Women's Retreat.

Where: Dave & Carol Jacobson's cabin on West Lake Jefferson.

When: Tuesday, August 20 Inform the church office that you plan to attend and meet at the west side of church to leave at 8:00 a.m. We'll enjoy rolls when you arrive.

What should I bring? Your Bible, a dish to share for our lunch. A few people could bring lawn chairs. Carol will provide beverages, plates, napkins, and utensils.

What's the plan? Pastor Kathy will lead a Bible study. Jean Carlson will lead singing.