



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
Ministers: All The People of The Congregation

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

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost. July 27, 2014
9:00 a.m. Worship. * Please stand

Prelude

Welcome

***Gathering Song “Gather Us In”. ELW 532**

***Confession and Forgiveness**

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

L: In the presence of God, who sees our hearts and our minds, let us confess our sin,

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: God our strength,

C: We confess that we are captive to the power of sin that dwells with us. We put ourselves first and others last. What we think will make us happy leaves us longing for more. Even when we want to do what is good, we find ourselves doing the opposite. Rescue us from death's grip on our lives, and raise us up day by day, that we may be alive to God in Christ Jesus. Amen.

P: Sisters and brothers, all have fallen short of the glory of God; therefore we are justified by God's grace as a gift. Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, in whom we have forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation.

C: Amen.

***Kyrie Eleison. Printed**

***Prayer of the Day**

C: Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Lesson 1 Kings 3:5-12

⁵At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, “Ask what I should give you.”

⁶And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?” ¹⁰It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹God said to him, “Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.

Second Lesson Romans 8:26-39

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. ²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he

called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.” ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Announcement of Gospel

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 13th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

*Gospel Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

³¹He put before them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.” ³³He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.” ³⁴The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. ³⁵Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ³⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. ³⁷Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ³⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ³⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁴⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴¹Have you understood all this? They answered, “Yes.” ⁴²And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

The Sermon

***The Song of the Day “Be Thou My Vision”. WOV 776**

***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.

***Sharing of the Peace**

The Offering/Loose Change Offering

The Prayers of the Church (kneel or sit)

Special Music “Lord's Prayer”. Jeanette Groskreutz and Shirley Lesto

***Benediction**

***Sending Song “On Our Way Rejoicing”. ELW 537**

***Dismissal**

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Birthdays - July 27-Aug 2 (If your birthday is not listed please contact the church office with mm/dd/yy.)

27-LaVonne Linde 30-Kristina Neubauer 31-Arnold Carlson 1-Corey Ehlert
29-Ami Hart Loren Vogelsang LaVaun Schroeder 2-Mason Malwitz

Thank You to Jeanette Groskreutz and Shirley Lesto for sharing with us today their gift of Music.

Special Congregation Meeting - There will be a Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday, August 3, 2014 following the 9:00 a.m. worship service in the Social Hall for the purpose to approve the following recommendation to the congregation:

- 1) To approve the Shared Ministry Agreement between Good Shepherd Lutheran, Wells and Medo Lutheran, Mapleton

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

3rd Annual Youth Blast – Fri., Aug. 8th starting at 3:00 p.m. at Half Moon Park. The Dodgeball tournament begins at 3:00 p.m. there will be inflatables, face painting, balloon creations, bean bag toss and other yard games along with food. Concert starting at 8:00 p.m. by Lightswitch and speaker Micah Mac. Sponsored by FUSION.

Kernel Days Stand - Kernel Days is just around the corner, Good Shepherd Hamburger & Pie Stand is looking for members to work and donate food. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex and by the church office, so please sign-up early it would greatly be appreciated. This years Co-chairs are Denny Rollenhagen and Ryan Crabtree, thank you for stepping forward to help.

Daily Scripture Readings

July 28- Psalm 119:121-128

1 Kings 3:16-28 James 3:13-18

July 29 - Psalm 119:121-128

1 Kings 4:29-34 Ephesians 6:10-18

July 30- Psalm 119:121-128

Proverbs 1:1-7, 20-33

Mark 4:30-34

July 31 -Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21

Proverbs 10:1-5 Philippians 4:10-15

Aug 1 - Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21

Isaiah 51:17-23 Romans 9:6-13

Aug 2 - Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21

Isaiah 44:1-5 Matthew 7:7-11