



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

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

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost. . . . . July 6, 2014

9:00 a.m. Worship. . . . . \* Please stand

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Gathering Song** . . . . . “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!” v 1, 2, 6 . . . . . ELW 873

**\*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: You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Lesson** . . . . Romans 7:15-25a

<sup>15</sup>I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.

<sup>16</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup>But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup>For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh.

I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. <sup>19</sup>For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

<sup>21</sup>So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup>For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, <sup>23</sup>but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup>Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? <sup>25</sup>Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

**Psalms 45:10-17**

<sup>10</sup>Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely; forget your people and your father's house.

<sup>11</sup>**The king will desire your beauty; he is your master, so bow before him.**

<sup>12</sup>The city of Tyre brings tribute; the wealthiest of the people seek your favor."

<sup>13</sup>**All glorious is the princess as she enters; her gown is cloth-of-gold.**

<sup>14</sup>In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king; after her the bridesmaids follow in procession.

<sup>15</sup>**With joy and gladness they are brought, and enter into the palace of the king.**

<sup>16</sup>"In place of ancestors, O king, you shall have sons; you shall make them princes over all the earth.

<sup>17</sup>**I will make your name to be remembered from one generation to another; therefore nations will praise you forever and ever."**

**Announcement of Gospel**

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, chapter 11.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**\*Gospel** . . . . Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

<sup>16</sup>But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, <sup>17</sup>"We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn."<sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; <sup>19</sup>the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."<sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup>yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup>All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup>Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Children's Message**

**The Sermon**

**\*The Song of the Day** . . . . "Great is Thy Faithfulness". . . . . ELW 733

**\*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**

**Special Music** . . . . . Julie Forderer

**The Prayers of the Church** (kneel or sit)

**Words of Institution/The Lord's Prayer**

**Distribution**

**Prayer after Communion**

**\*The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Blessing**

**\*Sending Song** . . . . "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory". . . . . ELW 890

**\*Dismissal**

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**Birthdays - July 6-12** (If your birthday is not listed please contact the church office with mm/dd/yy.)

6-Terry Schroeder	Lois Groskreutz	Andrea Huper	Kallie Rollenhagen
7-Susan Kauffmann	Caroline Tatge	Kereen Johannsen	12-Liza Christensen
Halie Stern	10-Addison Goldman	11-Richard Olson	Ione Stern
8-Jerelyn Eckhardt			

**Thank You** to Julie Forderer for sharing with us today her gift of Music.

**Do you enjoy the Kernel Days Hamburger Stand?** Church Council is looking for someone to chair/co-chair this years stand. Please call the church office if you are interested!

**Women of Good Shepherd** - Do you long for a time of relaxation spent with friends? A time to get away from the busyness of life and study God's amazing word? Join us July 23<sup>rd</sup> for our summer retreat. Pastor Laurie will be leading our study. Kathy Ehlert will be our hostess at their Bass Lake home. Space is limited - sign up by calling the church office or the sign up sheet by the office. Meet at 9:30 a.m. at church to car pool. Pot luck lunch.

**Senior Saints** - Join the senior saints for a picnic lunch provided by the July service group. Be at the Broadway Apartments on July 16<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 a.m. to participate in the fun and fellowship. We will celebrate "America". Bring a thought to share about what makes being an American special to you.

### **Daily Scripture Readings**

**July 7-** Psalm 131

Jeremiah 27:1-11, 16-22

Romans 1:18-25

**July 8 -** Psalm 131

Jeremiah 28:10-17

Romans 3:1-8

**July 9 -** Psalm 131

Jeremiah 13:1-11

John 13:1-17

**July 10 -** Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13

Isaiah 48:1-5

Romans 2:12-16

**July 11 -** Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13

Isaiah 48:6-11

Romans 15:14-21

**July 12 -** Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13

Isaiah 52:1-6

John 12:44-50