



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

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

Third Sunday in Lent. March 23, 2014

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion

* Please stand

Song "Worthy is the Lamb" (Revelation Song). Seeking Him
 Welcome

*Gathering Song "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer". Red Book #618

*Greeting

P: 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.

*Prayer of the Day

C: Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Lesson Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" ³But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" ⁴So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." ⁵The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Song "Create in Me a Clean Heart". Seeking Him

Announcement of Gospel

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, chapter 4.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

*Gospel John 4:5-26, 39-42

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

*The Song of the Day "Baptized and Set Free". Red Book #453

Sacrament of Holy Baptism pg 227

Song "The Father's New Child" (*To the tune of "Away in the Manger"*)

O Nora, O Nora, today you are Mine.

My Word and this water to you are My sign,

That I am your Father and you are My child

A brand new creation on whom I have smiled.

We welcome you, Nora, to God's Family!

Your brothers and sisters forever we'll be!

God's very own Spirit through faith makes us one.

And brings us together to live in his Son.

O Nora, O Nora, your sins I forgive,

By water of rebirth and grace that I give;

For you are now cleansed by the blood of My Son,

Who by His own death your salvation has won.

The Prayers of the Church (kneel or sit)

The Offering

Song "I'm Gonna Sing and Shout". Seeking Him

*Words of Institution/The Lord's Prayer

Communion will be served in a continuous manner using intinction. Ushers will direct you from both sides down the center aisle. You receive the bread at the center station and then walk to the side where you will dip the bread in the wine or grape juice. All who believe in the real presence of Jesus in the sacrament are welcome at the table. Please sign the pew pads and mark with your communion.

Distribution

Song "Come to the Table" Red Book #481

Choir Anthem "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross". Adult Choir

*Prayer after Communion

*The Benediction

*Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Birthdays - March 23-29 (If your birthday is not listed please contact the church office with mm/dd/yy.)

24-Andrea Groskreutz	Brian Niebuhr	28-Linda Buendorf	Weston Korman
Kathy Raimann	26-Bill Harnack	Elmer Ehlert	Jolette Linde
Brenda Rebelein	Kameron Lutteke	29-Erik Hengesteg	Dianna Soto
25-Ken Eckhardt	27-Chris Warmka		

Holy Baptism - Nora Sofia Theede, infant daughter of Matthew & Sara (Jacobson) Theede, born Oct. 19, 2013. Her Christian sponsors are Kevin and Holly Robling.

A Gift has been received towards the Roof Fund from Barb Ziegler in memory of Elmer Ziegler.

Healing and the First-Fifteen - The theme for this year's mid-week Lenten worship is Our Need...God's Healing. This theme has been chosen more for the adults of the congregation. The first fifteen minutes of the worship will be especially designed for youngsters. There will be guests in the form of puppets visiting worship and helping younger ones think about the different themes and learning new songs. Then the children (up through 6th grade) will be invited to go to the social hall for more music and active learning will take place while the worship continues in the sanctuary.

March 26	6:15 p.m.	Healing for Disease and Disability
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Wells Area Food Shelf Thank You Event - An evening of music featuring several groups including Good Shepherd's Seeking Him and Pastor Katie Fick to name a few. Please come and enjoy the evening on March 23rd starting at 4:00 p.m. at St. Casimir's Catholic Church. The concert will be followed by a baked potato bar supper in the church hall.

Waterpark Family Outing - Sun., April 13th, at the Serengeti Holiday Inn in Owatonna. Cost is \$8.00/person with a \$4.00 deposit due by April 4th. We will meet at Good Shepherd to car pool at 1:00 p.m. and returning by 6:00 p.m. Please sign up on the church office door.

Thank you for your support at the Social Concerns Breakfast. Donations will be matched by Thrivent Chapter 31187. The funds have been earmarked as emergency funds. Thanks to the dedicated volunteers who the Holy Spirit has called give service.

Tyler Doyle Benefit – There will be a spaghetti supper benefit for Tyler Doyle on Sunday, April 6th from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at St. Casimir's Catholic Church in Wells. Take-outs will be available. A silent auction and bake sale will also be held. Tyler, is the son of Kerry & Angie Doyle of Easton. He is recovering from a bone marrow transplant. To donate items for the auction, contact Dorothy Wach or Sharon Parriott. Bake sale items may be dropped off at St. Casimir's on Saturday or Sunday by 4:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Wells Lions and Fusion.

50's Malt Shoppe – The annual 50's Malt Shoppe will be held Sun., March 30th, from 4:30-7:15 p.m. at the Wells United Methodist Church. Go back to the 50's...slick back your hair, put on your poodle skirt & saddle shoes, and cruise on down for a burger and malt and enjoy dancing and listening to 50's music by "Undercover." Contests for the best 50's costume, limbo, hoola hoops, and bubble blowing. Proceeds go to support youth missions and activities.

With Linda Stern retiring soon and very busy with VBS we need about three families to help take care of the pop can barrel outside. The money collected helps send children to Good Earth Village Camp. Please pray and come forward to help.

Council - Call Committee - Transition Team members will hold a Visioning Retreat on April 6. As a reminder members are asked to RSVP by calling or emailing the church office.

"The Fathers New Child" - Words written by Rev. Wm. B. Wagner Jr. St. John's Lutheran church and School, Iona, MI Distributed in Cross Talk (1-3/98) CPH

Daily Scripture Readings

- Mar 24** - Psalm 81
Genesis 24:1-27
2 John 1-13
- Mar 25** - Psalm 81
Genesis 29:1-14
1 Corinthians 10:1-4
- Mar 26** - Psalm 81
Jeremiah 2:4-13
John 7:14-31, 37-39
- Mar 27** - Psalm 23
1 Samuel 15:10-21
Ephesians 4:25-32
- Mar 28** - Psalm 23
1 Samuel 15:22-31
Ephesians 5:1-9
- Mar 29** - Psalm 23
1 Samuel 15:32-34
John 1:1-9