



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
Ministers: All The People of The Congregation
Called by God to: Grow; Serve; Love; Care and Worship

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 28, 2014
9:00 a.m. Worship * Please stand

Welcome
***Gathering Song** “We Are Called”. ELW 720

***Confession and Forgiveness**
P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the Sovereign over all the earth, the Wisdom from on high, our merciful Judge and Savior.

C: Amen.
P: Let us boldly approach the throne of grace, trusting in God's mercy and love.

Silence is kept for reflection.
P: Generous and faithful God,

C: We confess to you all the ways, known and unknown, that we reject and undermine your steadfast love. Though you made us your people, we treat strangers with suspicion. Though you forgave our debts, we collect without mercy. Yet we are quick to pass judgment on others. Have mercy on us, O God, and remember your promise to us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever. Through the living Word, Jesus Christ, God forgives your every debt, your every sin, and gives you a new heart and a new spirit.

C: Amen.
***Kyrie Eleison** ELW page 184

***Prayer of the Day**
C: God of love, giver of life, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism Printed
Choir Anthem “You Are Holy”. Adult Choir
Lesson Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, ²make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. ⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. ¹²Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; ¹³for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Psalm 25:1-9 (read responsively)

¹To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
²**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.**
³Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.
⁴**Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.**
⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
⁶**Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.**
⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.
⁸**You are gracious and upright, O Lord; therefore you teach sinners in your way.**
⁹You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

Announcement of Gospel
P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 21st chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.
***Gospel** Matthew 21:23-32

²³When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" ²⁴Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' ²⁶But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." ²⁷So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. ²⁸What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' ²⁹He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children’s Message
The Sermon

***The Song of the Day** “Here I Am, Lord”. ELW 574
***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.

***Sharing of the Peace**
The Offering
Offertory Prayer

C: Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

The Prayers of the Church (kneel or sit)

The Lord's Prayer

***Benediction**

***Sending Song/Song of the Month "Build Us Up, Lord". ELW 670**

***Dismissal**

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Preaching & Presiding: Rev. Roger Haug

Assisting Worship Leader: Sandi Hartman

Scripture Reader: Coni Olson

Birthdays -Sept 24-Oct 4 (If your birthday is not listed please contact the church office with mm/dd/yy.)

28-Jon Huper	Melany Ehlert	Dennis Sellner	3-Craig Anderson
Hannah Warmka	30-Nick Niebuhr	2-Ciara Schrader	Amy Crabtree
29-Russ Bathke	1-Tammy Mandler	Clayton Solberg	Jackie Huper

Holy Baptism - Cora Jane Evan, infant daughter of Brandon & Sarah (Rask) Evan, born Aug. 7, 2014. Her Christian sponsors are Robyn Hillman and Josh Evan.

A Gift has been received towards the Choir Fund from Barb Ziegler and the late Elmer Ziegler in honor of Elmer's birthday anniversary which was Sept. 24th.

Women of the ELCA Salad Luncheon - Oct. 8th, 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. If you are able to make a salad or a pan of bars or work that day please sign up on the sheets by the church office. Thank you.

Our sincere sympathy to the family of Stu Fullarton, who died Sun., Sept. 21st at his home and was buried Fri., Sept. 26th from Peace Lutheran in Menomonie WI. Cards may be sent to Pastor Kathy Fullarton at 1032 Creek Ridge Court, Menomonie WI 54751.

Daily Scripture Readings

Sept 29 -Psalm 28 Judges 14:1-20
Philippians 1:3-14

Oct 4 - Psalm 80:7-15 Jeremiah 6:1-10
John 7:40-52

Sept 30 -Psalm 28 Judges 16:1-22
Philippians 1:15-21

Oct 1 - Psalm 28 Judges 16:23-31
Matthew 9:2-8

Oct 2 - Psalm 80:7-15 Jeremiah 2:14-22
Colossians 2:16-23

Oct 3 - Psalm 80:7-15 Jeremiah 2:23-37

THE BAPTISM OF

Cora Jane Evan

Sept. 28, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

(L: Pastor; P: Parents; S: Sponsors; C: Congregation)

God's Promises in Baptism

L: Baptism is an action of God. In the waters of Baptism, we are reborn children of God and given eternal life. Baptism liberates us from sin and death by joining us to Jesus Christ.

S: We present Cora Jane Evan to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

L: You have presented Cora Jane Evan, for Baptism. Will you share Christ's love with her by your words and actions? Will you treasure her as a special gift from God and care for her with the love of Christ? Will you pray for her, that God's presence fills her life?

P/S: We will.

L: Will you teach her how much Jesus loves her? Will you teach her that she is a child of God forever? Will you bring her to the gathering of God's people so that she grows up worshiping and praising God? Will you teach her to pray, introduce her to the Scriptures, and see that she is given every opportunity to grow in Christ?

P/S: We will.

L: I ask you to publicly take a stand for Jesus Christ. Do you renounce the forces of evil, the devil and his empty promises?

P/S: I do.

L: Do you believe in God, our Creator, Savior, and Counselor?

P/S/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.

Baptism

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Dedication

L: God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising them up to a new life through this holy sacrament. Pour your Holy Spirit upon Cora Jane Evan; the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence.

C: Amen.

The Sign of the Cross

Baptismal Candle

Prayer

L: O God, the giver of all life, look with kindness upon the father and mother of this child. Let them ever rejoice in the gift you have given them. Make them teachers and examples of righteousness for their child. Strengthen them in their own Baptism so they may share eternally with their child the salvation you have given them, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

L: Members of Good Shepherd, you have witnessed the Baptism of Cora Jane Evan. Will you pray for her and share your faith with her? Will you remind her that she belongs to Christ and that as Christ's people we all belong to each other?

C: We will.

L: Then, welcome your new sister in the name of Jesus.

C: Cora Jane, you are a child of God with us. Together we belong to Christ and together we are called to praise and serve him. We welcome you into the Lord's family, into Good Shepherd's congregation, and into our hearts and lives.

