



# Welcome to Good Shepherd

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

Today's Worship

*"Called to Tell"*

August 9, 2015

*"When we live the Christian life, we are a people who are called to tell others the story of God's love. While we often show people our faith in our kindness and care, too often we are shy about pointing beyond our good actions to the God whose love inspires it all. Who, in your life, can you tell about God's love?"*

## Welcome

**\*Gathering Song** . . . . *"Build Us Up, Lord"* . . . . . ELW 670

## \*Confession and Forgiveness

P: Forgiving God, Have mercy on us as we strive for a better way.

**C: Lord of compassion, we are unfaithful creatures, ready to follow our own wills, eager to control our own lives. Help us to see the futility of our selfish efforts, and forgive us for striving to become independent of you. Make us one with your spirit.**

P: Our Lord God offers peace where there is strife, presence where there is a struggle for independence, and forgiveness where there is sin. In God's abundant grace we have been offered a new way, a new hope, and a new life. Receive God's forgiveness in the name of the one who helped make us whole, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## \*Prayer of the Day

**C: Almighty God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit, we may love one another and share the Good News of God's love, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

## Children's Message

**Special Music** . . . . . Shirley Lesto

**Psalm 66:8-20** (read responsively)

<sup>8</sup>Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard,

<sup>9</sup>**who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.**

<sup>10</sup>For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried.

<sup>11</sup>**You brought us into the net; you laid burdens on our backs;**

<sup>12</sup>you let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.

<sup>13</sup>**I will come into your house with burnt offerings; I will pay you my vows,**

<sup>14</sup>those that my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

<sup>15</sup>**I will offer to you burnt offerings of fatlings, with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams; I will make an offering of bulls and goats.**

<sup>16</sup>Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for me.

<sup>17</sup>**I cried aloud to him, and he was extolled with my tongue.**

<sup>18</sup>If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

<sup>19</sup>**But truly God has listened; he has given heed to the words of my prayer.**

<sup>20</sup>Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me.

## \*Announcement of Gospel:

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter

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

**Scripture** . . . . . Luke 5:1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God,<sup>2</sup>he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets.<sup>3</sup>He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.<sup>4</sup>When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch."<sup>5</sup>Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets."<sup>6</sup>When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break.<sup>7</sup>So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink.<sup>8</sup>But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!"<sup>9</sup>For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken;<sup>10</sup>and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people."<sup>11</sup>When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Sermon

**The Song of the Day** . . . . *"I Love to Tell the Story"* . . . . . ELW 661

**\*Apostles' Creed** . . . . . page 105

## \*Sharing the Peace

## Offering

**Offertory Response** . . . *"For the Fruit of All Creation"* v 1. . . . . ELW 679

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

## \*The Lord's Prayer

## \*Benediction

**\*Sending Song** . . . . *"This Little Light of Mine"* . . . . . ELW 677

## \*Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**Preaching & Presiding:** Rev. Mary Iverson

**Scripture Reader:** Chris Tatge

**Birthdays-Aug 9-15** (If your birthday is not listed please contact the church office with mm/dd/yy.)

9-Ryan Crabtree	11-Connor Ehlert	Geraldine Wilder	15-Kim Kruger
Mariah Lutteke	Jon Melby	13-Barry Lutteke	Peyton Rollenhagen
Brett Niebuhr	12-Rick Hotzler	Riley Willner	
10-Gordon Kruger	Gabriel Schroeder	14-Samantha Archer	

**Thank You** to Shirley Lesto for sharing with us today her gift of Music.

**In memory** of Ione Stern memorials have been received towards Crafty Quilters and the Wells Area Food Shelf.

**Holy Baptism** - Nathan Daniel Steinborn, infant son of Tim Steinborn & Kelsey Fraker, born June 11, 2015. His Christian sponsors are Jessica Schubbe and John Steinborn. Nathan will be baptized following worship this morning.

**The Eternal Candle** is burning this week in loving memory of Mandy Stern's birthday anniversary which is Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>. It is given by the Halie Stern, Lyle & Sharen Stern and family.

**Good Shepherd Hamburger and Pie Stand** - August 14 & 15, 2015 at Half Moon Park during Kernel Days Come enjoy a hamburger and a slice of pie and all the activities at Half Moon Park!

**August Food Collection – Feeding Hungry Children** - During the month of August we will collect food donations of individual fruit cups (packages of 4 or 8). A grocery cart will be parked near the pulpit in the sanctuary, collecting your donations which will all go to the Backpack Food Program (also known as the Communities Fighting Student Hunger program.) Thank you for your generous donations this summer.

**Supplies for Sunday and Wednesday School** - Next time you are near some of the great "Back to School" sales events, perhaps you could pick up some of our much needed supplies for both Sunday and Wednesday School. We are in need of markers, both fine tip and regular, as well as scotch tape and glue sticks. Boxes to collect the supplies will be by door to the office.

**Senior Saints** - Pastor Adam Nathason and his family will be with us at our August 19<sup>th</sup> gathering at 11:00 a.m. at the Broadway Apartments to share some of his experiences as a missionary to Caracas, Venezuela. Following the presentation we will join in fellowship as we enjoy the food provided by the August service group. Everyone 55 and older is invited to attend.

### Daily Scripture Readings

Aug 10 - Psalm 81  
1 Kings 17:1-16  
Ephesians 5:1-14  
Aug 11 - Psalm 81  
Ruth 2:1-23  
2 Peter 3:14-18  
Aug 12 - Psalm 81  
Jeremiah 31:1-6  
John 6:35-40  
Aug 13 - Psalm 34:9-14  
Job 11:1-20  
Acts 6:8-15  
Aug 14 - Psalm 34:9-14  
Job 12:1-25  
Romans 16:17-20  
Aug 15 - Psalm 34:9-14  
Job 13:1-19  
John 4:7-26

## Youth and Family Bonfire

August 29<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:30pm

Ron and Jody Wegner Farm, 57536 110<sup>th</sup> ST, Wells

Youth meet at the Church at 6:10 pm if you need a ride to the farm

**Serving:** Hotdogs, S'mores and homemade root beer.  
All food, beverages and dishes will be provided.

**Cost:** free.

Please sign up at the church office so we can have enough food.

Games, food, fun for all ages.

All youth and all families are invited and welcome!

