



Welcome to Good Shepherd

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

Today's Worship

May 10, 2015

Paula and Denny Lofstrom, missionaries in Tanzania. Good Shepherd has provided long time support to Paula and Denny. We will hear an update on the progress being made in building a pediatric hospital in Zinga. International Health Partners is a non-governmental non-profit organization formed to facilitate partnerships from all over the world with Tanzania to improve health care.

Welcome

*Gathering Song "This Is My Father's World". ELW 824

*Confession and Forgiveness. ELW page 94(right side)

*Prayer of the Day

C: O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Children's Message

Choir Anthem "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light". Adult Choir

Psalm 98 (read responsively)

¹ Sing a new song to the Lord, who has done marvelous things, whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

² O Lord, you have made known your victory, you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.

³ You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

⁴ Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

⁵ Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.

⁶ With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the king, the Lord.

⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it, the world and those who dwell therein.

⁸ Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, who comes to judge the earth.

⁹ The Lord will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

*Announcement of Scripture Reading:

P: God's story and our story continue in the reading from James, the 2nd chapter

C: Thanks be to God!

Scripture James 2:14-24

¹⁴What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead. ¹⁸But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your

works, and I by my works will show you my faith. ¹⁹You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe-and shudder. ²⁰Do you want to be shown, you senseless person, that faith apart from works is barren? ²¹Was not our ancestor Abraham justified by works when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? ²²You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was brought to completion by the works. ²³Thus the scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness," and he was called the friend of God. ²⁴You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone.

P: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Praise to you, O Lord!

The Sermon

The Song of the Day "Take My Life, That I May Be". ELW 583

*The Apostles' Creed. ELW page 105

*Sharing the Peace

Offering

Offertory Response. . . . "Create in Me a Clean Heart". ELW 186

Prayers of the Church (sit or kneel)

*The Lord's Prayer

*Benediction

*Sending Song/Song of the Season. . . "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia" vs 1 & 2 . . . ELW 364

*Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

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Broadcast Cable Mediacom TV Channel 7 Sunday at 4:00 p.m.

Broadcast Cable Bevcomm TV Channel 7 Tuesday at 10:15 a.m. & Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Preaching & Presiding: Pastor Mary Iverson

Scripture Reader: Gary Hagen

Acolytes: Collin Foley, Kameron Lutteke

Birthdays - May 10-16 (If your birthday is not listed please contact the church office with mm/dd/yy.)

11-Lori Hueper Joan Morgan Judy Melcher Sandy Schroeder

12-Marshall Bye 16-Rich Hueper Margit Rodahl Aldoris Strand

15-Danika Diekmann

Defibrillator Training has been rescheduled for May 18th at 7:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. If you have signed-up or are interested in being trained on the defibrillator please come.

New Pictorial Directory - Our church will be producing a new pictorial directory with Lifetouch. July 24 & 25, 27-31, 2015. Sign up in 3 easy ways:

- Online at goodshepherdwells.org available now for early registration (you will receive a link to a \$10 coupon, with your reminder email, by signing up this way)
- At church on the sign up Wednesday and Weekends

- Or call the office at 507-553-3513 for assistance

Remember our directory won't be complete without you!

Your HELP is needed! - Highway Clean-Up - Wed., May 13th at 6:50 p.m. Adult drivers and chaperones are needed to assist the confirmation youth in the Highway Clean-up, just west of Wells on Highway 22. Please meet at 6:50 p.m. in the Church Social Hall to gather together with a group and go out together to our adopted highway. After clean-up we will meet together for some ice cream at the Dairy Queen. Please sign-up on the office door.

Songs of Faith - Sunday, May 24th at 9:00 a.m. Worship. So many of the beloved worship hymns we sing are written out of personal experience, including both joys and hardships. On May 24 we hear the story of several hymn writers and hear the stories of faith that led them to write songs that we love to sing.

Vacation Bible School is June 8-12th, 9:00-11:30 a.m. The theme this year is "Everest" Conquering challenges with God's Mighty Power. *The giving tree is up!* Please help by picking an item off the tree to donate for VBS.

The Wells Community Ambulance Service will be hosting their annual Continental Breakfast Benefit on Sunday, May 17th, from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Please stop in and visit with the members, meet the new members, and enjoy some refreshments.

Daily Scripture Readings

May 11 - Psalm 93

Deuteronomy 7:1-11

1 Timothy 6:11-12

May 12 - Psalm 93

Deuteronomy 11:1-17

1 Timothy 6:13-16

May 13 - Psalm 93

Deuteronomy 11:18-21

Mark 16:19-20

May 14 - Acts 1:1-11

Psalm 47 *or* Psalm 93

Ephesians 1:15-23

Luke 24:44-53

May 15 - Psalm 47

Exodus 24:15-18

Revelation 1:9-18

May 16 - Psalm 47

Deuteronomy 34:1-7

John 16:4-11