



# Welcome to Good Shepherd

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

## Today's Worship

April 10, 2016

*Peter Heals in Jerusalem*

Peter and John offered healing in Jesus' name as they went into the world with the message that Jesus loves all. The people were filled with wonder and amazement at the sight of a lame man being healed. There are many things about Jesus and about God's world that can fill us with wonder and amazement. Are we open to seeing?

## Welcome & Announcements

\*Gathering Hymn . . . . "Build us Up, Lord". . . . . ELW 670

## Confession and Forgiveness

P: As we prepare to worship, we stop and consider our hardness of heart, our shortcomings and our need for change, hoping to be transformed by Jesus. Let us pause for a moment to confess our sins before God and one another.

*Pause for silence and reflection*

P: Let us pray ... Merciful and forgiving God,

**C: Your world is filled with wonderful things. Yet we become so immersed in our worries and our problems and our work. So often we fail to see the miracles around us. Forgive us, God, and ground us in your presence.**

P: God's merciful and patient. Today your sins are forgiven. Receive the entire forgiveness of all your sins and move through this world with eyes wide open to see God in all things.

**C: Amen.**

## Prayer of the Day

**C: Holy God, your followers gave to your children something more powerful and more valuable than riches. They gave healing and hope. Bring healing and hope into our world and show us evidence of your presence in our lives. Amen.**

## Children's Message

Choir Anthem . . . . "O Day of Peace". . . . . Adult Choir

Psalm: 4 (read responsively)

<sup>1</sup>Answer me when I call, O God of my right! You gave me room when I was in distress. Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.

<sup>2</sup>**How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame? How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies?**

<sup>3</sup>But know that the Lord has set apart the faithful for himself; the Lord hears when I call to him.

<sup>4</sup>**When you are disturbed, do not sin; ponder it on your beds, and be silent.**

<sup>5</sup>Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord.

<sup>6</sup>**There are many who say, "O that we might see some good! Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord!"**

<sup>7</sup>You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound.

<sup>8</sup>**I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O Lord, make me lie down in safety.**

## Announcement of Scripture Reading:

P: A reading from the book of Acts, Chapter 3.

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

**Bible Story . . . . Acts 3:1-10**

<sup>1</sup>One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, at three o'clock in the afternoon. <sup>2</sup>And a man lame from birth was being carried in. People would lay him daily at the gate of the temple called the Beautiful Gate so that he could ask for alms from those entering the temple. <sup>3</sup>When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked them for alms. <sup>4</sup>Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, "Look at us." <sup>5</sup>And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. <sup>6</sup>But Peter said, "I have no silver or gold, but what I have I give you; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, stand up and walk." <sup>7</sup>And he took him by the right hand and raised him up; and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. <sup>8</sup>Jumping up, he stood and began to walk, and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. <sup>9</sup>All the people saw him walking and praising God, <sup>10</sup>and they recognized him as the one who used to sit and ask for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## Sermon

Hymn . . . . "There Is a Balm in Gilead" . . . . . ELW 614

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

\*Sharing the Peace

## Offering

Offertory/Song of the Season . . . "Christ is the King!" vs 3 & 4. . . . . ELW 662

\*Prayers of the Church

## The Lord's Prayer

\*Sending Hymn . . . . "Let All Things Now Living" . . . . . ELW 881

\*Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**Preaching & Presiding:** Pastor Mary Iverson

**Scripture Reader:** Sandi Hartman

**SS Teacher:** Rachael Korman

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

10-Vi Hoeg	Doris Wood	Lauren Hansen	Grace Weyhrauch
Ashtyn Kruger	11-Rollie Warmka	Maya Hansen	16-Nathaniel Cummings
Linda Stern	13-Bunny Elmore	Nancy Kruger	Elaine Sellner
Ava Theede			

**The Eternal Candle** is burning this week in loving memory of Leona Harpestad, whose birthday anniversary is April 13<sup>th</sup>. It is given by Judy Harpestad and family.

**Today we give thanks . . .** Today is Vi Hoeg 96<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Thanks be to God. Happy Birthday Vi!

**‘Food, Fun and Service’ Youth Event** - Sunday, April 10, 3:00pm-6:00pm. Grades: 6-9. Cost: free. Location: Good Shepherd basement Social Hall. A Gustavus Adolphus College Youth Outreach Team will be here at Good Shepherd to lead a fun afternoon event. They will lead us in some games and a devotion. They will also assist us packing some Lutheran World Relief School Kits and help us understand how they will help others around the world. A free meal will also be served. Bring a friend and enjoy a fun afternoon together. Please sign up for this event on the door of the office so we have enough materials and food.

**Senior Saints** - Join us for an informative talk by Jim Durfey from the Wells Food Processing Plant. He will give a short talk and then answer any questions you may have. Everyone 55 and older is invited to attend at the Broadway Apartments at 11:00 a.m. on April 20. Thanks to the April service group for providing the meal.

**April Food Collection** - During the month of April we will collect food donations of coffee/tea/hot chocolate or juice. A grocery cart is parked in the sanctuary, collecting your donations, which will go to the Wells Area Food Shelf. Thank you for your generous donations in March of vegetable oil.

**Spring Salad Luncheon** sponsored by the Women of the ELCA, May 4, 2016 11:00 to 12:30 p.m. Sign up sheet for salads, bars and workers is located on the table by the church office. Please sign up to help out where you can. Thank you.

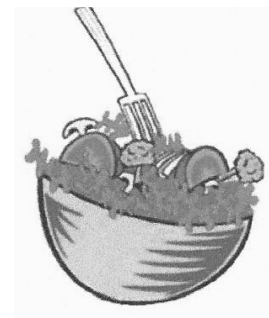
**Sunday Forum – Communities Against Student Hunger** - Sun., April 24 following worship basement Social Hall. Lauryne Stern, one of the leaders of the USC Backpack Program will share an update about the program that sends home food to qualifying students in their backpacks. In addition, several opportunities will be available in April to support this important program. A free will offering will be collected on both Wednesday, April 20 and Sunday, April 24 and envelopes for donations will be in bulletins the next week.

**500 Connect Group** - Sunday, April 24 at 2:00 p.m. at Jim & Bonnie Prust home. A new Connect Group is beginning at Good Shepherd to enjoy playing 500 card game together. Please sign up in advance to make sure that we have tables of four. The sign up sheet is on the door to the church office. Please bring a snack to share.

#### **Daily Scripture Readings**

Apr 11 - Psalm 121  
Ezekiel 1:1-25  
Acts 9:19b-31  
Apr 12 - Psalm 121  
Ezekiel 1:26—2:1  
Acts 26:1-18  
Apr 13 - Psalm 121  
Isaiah 6:1-8

Luke 5:1-11  
Apr 14- Psalm 23  
Ezekiel 11:1-25  
Revelation 5:1-10  
Apr 15 - Psalm 23  
Ezekiel 20:39-44  
Revelation 6:1—7:4  
Apr 16 - Psalm 23  
Ezekiel 28:25-26  
Luke 12:29-32



# Spring Salad Luncheon

**Wed., May 4**

**11:00-12:30 pm**

**\$6.00 per plate**

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**

**Homemade salad, garlic toast,**

**Bars, coffee, and lemonade**

**Sponsored by the WELCA**

*Take outs available*

**Man-Fair Region LSSA Spring Rally** - Tues., April 26<sup>th</sup> at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Kiester. The Man-Fair Region LSSA Spring Rally will be held there with Rev. Kathryn Tiede , who will be sharing the happenings and the needs of 'Crisis Nursery 'and 'Life Haven', a home for teenage mothers. The program is appropriately titled "The Blessed Little Ones Among Us". The meeting is at 1:30. Anyone is welcome to come and find out about the services provided by LSS. Along with our usual ingathering of quilts and Treasure boxes, you are asked to consider a 'Shower of Blessings' for the Mankato Crisis Nursery. The Crisis Nursery serves children from 0-12 years. Those needs include diapers of varying sizes, wipes, hand sanitizer, tote or duffle bags, combs, brushes, small soaps, toothbrushes, blankets, pillows, PJ's, underwear, hair ties, books, games, toys, crayons, color books and simple items that they may have when they come into care and take with them when they return home. A box is located in the hall by the church office for donations.