



Welcome to Good Shepherd

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

Today's Worship

October 23 2016

A God Who Answers Us ~ God's Promise for David. After bringing the Ark of the Covenant to Jerusalem, King David promises to build a temple as a permanent home for God in order to honor God. But more than an earthly house, God wants to see the promise of David's ancestry fulfilled.

Welcome & Announcements

***Gathering Hymn** "All Are Welcome" ELW 641

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection

P: Hear us as we lay our sins before you and pray for your forgiveness...

C: King David longed to build you a home and instead you gave him a dynasty. We too long to do great things but we so quickly forget that only through you comes greatness. Forgive us when we put our own desires above what you desire for us. Show us how to live in you, and how to love as you have loved.

P: The Lord God in greatness forgives us all our sins and places in us the Holy Spirit, who moves us to be God's hands and feet in the world. We are chosen, we are loved and we are forgiven. Receive the blessings of God's forgiveness and walk as beloved Children of God.

C: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Prayer of the Day

C: Gracious God, we claim to know what pleases you, yet you desire only our faithfulness. Help us to trust in your promises and to make your home our only dwelling. Amen.

Children's Message

Psalm 146 (read responsively)

¹Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

²**I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**

³Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

⁴**When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.**

⁵Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God,

⁶**who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;**

⁷who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free;

⁸**the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.**

⁹The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

¹⁰**The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!**

Announcement of Scripture Reading:

P: A reading from the book of 1King chapter 17.

C: Praise to you, O Lord.

Bible Story 1 Kings 17:1-16

¹Now Elijah the Tishbite, of Tishbe in Gilead, said to Ahab, "As the Lord the God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall be neither dew nor rain these years, except by my word." ²The word of the Lord came to him, saying, ³Go from here and turn eastward, and hide yourself by the Wadi Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. ⁴You shall drink from the wadi, and I have commanded the ravens to feed you there." ⁵So he went and did according to the word of the Lord; he went and lived by the Wadi Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. ⁶The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning, and bread and meat in the evening; and he drank from the wadi. ⁷But after a while the wadi dried up, because there was no rain in the land. ⁸Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, ⁹Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you. ¹⁰So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." ¹¹As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." ¹²But she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." ¹³Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth." ¹⁵She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God!

Hymn "Prophets and Kings" Chorus, vs, Chorus Printed

Sermon

Hymn "Song of David" Printed

Apostle's Creed page 105

*Sharing the Peace

Offering

Offertory "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" vs 1 ELW 693

*Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

*Benediction

*Sending Hymn "Soon and Very Soon" ELW 439

*Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Presiding & Preaching: Rev. Mary Iverson

Scripture Reader: Gary Hagen

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

23-Dale Tatge	Sara Teskey	28-Bonnie Beckmann	Chelcie Tolzmann
Barb Ziegler	25-Carl Forderer	Jase Crabtree	29-Dave Foley
24-Braden Rucker	27-Chloe Lutteke	Megan Ehlert	Nathan Stern

In Memory of Elmer Ziegler's birthday anniversary which was Sept. 24th and in honor of Barb's birthday which is Oct. 23, a gift has been received towards the Choir Fund. It is given by Barb Ziegler.

In Memory of Marian Hummer memorials have been received towards the General Fund.

October Food Collection - During the month of October we will collect food donations of canned stews and soups. A grocery cart is parked in the sanctuary, collecting your donations, which will go to the Wells Area Food Shelf. Thank you for your September donations of Macaroni and Cheese that also went to the Food Shelf.

Overnight Youth Retreat ~ grades 7-9 - November 11-12 @ Good Earth Village Bible Camp, Spring Valley. Cost: \$25 (reduced from \$55 for Good Shepherd members). We will carpool from Good Shepherd at 5pm on Nov 11 and return by 6pm on Nov 12. Pick up required registration forms at the church office and return with fee by Nov 1.

Fall Luncheon - Wed., Oct. 26th serving from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Free will donation. Menu: Goulash, Homemade Bread, Bars, Pickles, Coffee and Lemonade. Sponsored by Women of the ELCA. All are welcome.

Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 6, 2016 following the 9:00 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary for the purpose to consider the following:

The Church Council recommends to accept Pastor Mary's request to move out of the parsonage due to unfortunate family circumstances and pay the housing allowance according to the Synod Compensation Guidelines.

"The background that has led to this request from Pastor Mary will be shared in detail and the congregation will get the opportunity to have questions answered."

A 2/3 vote of members present is required to approve the recommendation.

Youth Night at the Church - Fri., Nov. 4th from 6-10 p.m. for grades 3-6. Taco Supper, Games, Your friends are welcome. We will meet in the basement Social Hall. Cost: Free. Please sign up by Wed, Nov. 2nd on the door of the church office.

Youth Event - Sunday, Nov. 20th from 3:30-4:30 p.m. for grades K-2 in the basement Social Hall. Games, devotion and snacks. Cost: Free. Please sign up by Wed, Nov. 2nd on the door of the church office.

Daily Scripture Readings

Oct 24 - Psalm 87
1 Peter 4:12-19

Oct 25 - Psalm 87
Matthew 21:28-32

Oct 26 - Psalm 119:137-144
2 Corinthians 1:1-11

Oct 27 - Psalm 119:137-144
2 Peter 1:1-11

Oct 28 - Psalm 119:137-144
John 8:39-47

Oct 29 - Psalm 32:1-7
Luke 19:1-10

Mystery Dinner

Sunday, November 6, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.
Food and fellowship

Come join us for a "night out" on November 6. All adults who attend Good Shepherd are invited to a mystery dinner. We will meet at the church for appetizers at 5:00 p.m. and then car pool to the mystery destination for dinner. You will be required to pay for your own meal with the average cost of \$10 per plate. Hurry and sign up in the church office by November 1. There is a limit of 40 people.

_____ Yes, I would be willing to provide an appetizer for the event.

Name _____ Phone _____

"Tailgating" Potluck - Mark your calendars for a fun meal together. On Sun., Nov. 13th we will have a potluck following 9:00 a.m. worship (at approximately 10 a.m.) before the noon Vikings game. Wear your favorite team apparel and bring a tasty treat to share for this delicious meal.