



# Welcome to Good Shepherd

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

## Today's Worship

October 30, 2016

### "Confirmation Sunday - Reformation Sunday"

Baptism is the most powerful moment when God claims us and redeems us for a life of faith in this world and for eternal salvation. Baptism begins a life-long relationship with God. Today seven of our young people are given the opportunity to "say yes" to the relationship that was born with God at their baptisms. Today also marks the 499<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the day when Martin Luther began questioning the actions of the church that led to the reforming and development of the Protestant Church.

#### Prelude

Special Music . . . . "Borning Cry"

Tiffany & Mackenzie Boraas, Bethany Fischer, acc. by Sue Bentz

#### Welcome

\*Gathering . . . . "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God". . . . . ELW 504

Confession and Forgiveness. . . . . ELW page 95

#### Prayer of the Day

**C: Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Children are excused for Sunday School

Choir Anthem . . . . "My Savior Loves Me" . . . . . Adult Choir

#### Psalm 46 (read responsively)

<sup>1</sup>God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

<sup>2</sup>**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;**

<sup>3</sup>though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

<sup>4</sup>**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**

<sup>5</sup>God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

<sup>6</sup>**The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.**

<sup>7</sup>The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

<sup>8</sup>**Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth.**

<sup>9</sup>He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

<sup>10</sup>**"Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth."**

<sup>11</sup>The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

#### \*Announcement of Scripture Reading:

P: A reading from the book of Matthew chapter 16.

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

**Bible Story . . . Matthew 16:13-19**

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" <sup>14</sup>And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." <sup>15</sup>He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." <sup>17</sup>And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. <sup>18</sup>And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup>I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

#### The Sermon

The Song of the Day . . . . "We Are Called". . . . . ELW 720

Presentation of Confirmands. . . . . Sandi Hartman, Church Council Representative

Affirmation of Baptism/Confirmation of Faith. . . . . ELW page 234

Presentation of Stoles. . . . . Mentors and Confirmands

#### \*Sharing the Peace

#### Offering

Special Music . . . . "In Christ Alone". . . . . Mikenna Erickson

Offertory Response. . . . "10,000 Reason". . . . . Printed

#### Prayers of the Church

#### 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!**

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

**Scripture Reader:** Jon Melby

**SS Teacher:** Lana Wegner

**Servant Stole** - Today the church presents a servant stole to each confirmand. The stole represents the yoke of servanthood and the commitment to proclaim the Gospel in word and deed. The stole will be carried in by the mentors and presented to the confirmands. The placing of the stole today symbolizes the intention of the confirmand to continue in the faith. And thanks to all who helped along the way to nurture the faith of our confirmands.

## Emma Katherine Beyer

Daughter of Michael & Michele Beyer

Baptized on April 30, 2002

Baptismal Sponsors: Mary Beyer Attig, Steve & Nicole Kapplinger, Sue Bentz

Confirmation Mentor: Shelly Tibodeau

Confirmation Verse: 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

*Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end.*

## Jacob Billings

Son of Jerad & Paula Billings

Baptized on October 12, 2002

Baptismal Sponsors: Robert Marsh, Diana Brauch, Chad & Shannon Billings

Confirmation Mentor: Linda Stern

Confirmation Verse: Matthew 28:19-20

*Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*

## Connor Alvin Ehlert

Son of Brian & Kathleen Ehlert

Baptized on September 23, 2001

Baptismal Sponsors: Joe & Tina Hiedelberger, Mark & Angie Kleithsch

Confirmation Mentor: Kent Stern

Confirmation Verse: John 8:12

*Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."*

## Mikenna Ann Erickson

Daughter of Jeff & Ann Erickson

Baptized on May 12, 2002

Baptismal Sponsors: James & Jacque Sorensen, Kim & Chris Jensen

Confirmation Mentors: Stacy Magnuson

Confirmation Verse: 1 Corinthians 16:13

*Be on your guard, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong.*

## Andrew Michael Heggen

Son of Brad & Beth Heggen

Baptized on November 4, 2001

Baptismal Sponsors: Carrie Nearing, Barb Jahnke, Todd Heggen, Scot Heggen

Confirmation Mentor: Ryan Crabtree

Confirmation Verse: John 14:27

*Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.*

## Kylie Ann Loegering

Daughter of Travis & Lisa Loegering

Baptized on August 4, 2002

Baptismal Sponsors: Pat Lopez, Dennis Stevermer, Becky Levorson

Confirmation Mentor: Kristy Neubauer

Confirmation Verse: Matthew 21:22

*And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive if you have faith*

## Olivia Anne Niebuhr

Daughter of Sheila Niebuhr and the late William Niebuhr  
Baptized on June 30, 2002  
Baptismal Sponsors: Brad & Kris Evenson, Paul & LuCinda Zbaracki  
Confirmation Mentor: Amy Anderson  
Confirmation Verse: Revelation 2:10b  
*Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.*

## Zachary Niebuhr

Son of Kurt & Melissa Niebuhr  
Baptized on December 9, 2001  
Baptismal Sponsors: Tracey & Kenneth Hahn, Jr., Ken & Pat Stenzel, Vicki Johnson,  
Judy & Terry Hawley  
Confirmation Mentor: Brett Niebuhr  
Confirmation Verse: Philippians 4:13  
*For I can do everything through Christ who gives me strength..*

## Kayla Marie Nowak

Daughter of Scott & Tiffany Nowak  
Baptized on May 15, 2002  
Baptismal Sponsors: Jason Nowak, Melissa Weber  
Confirmation Mentor: Kathy Ehlert  
Confirmation Verse: Joshua 1:9  
*I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.*

## Cody David Paal

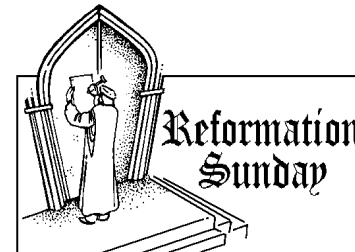
Son of Sara Salisbury & David Paal, Jr.  
Baptized on December 26, 2009  
Baptismal Sponsors: Brian & Melissa Rath, John & Kathy Sunding  
Confirmation Mentor: Beth Heggen  
Confirmation Verse: Psalm 119:105  
*Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light on my path*

## Halle Diana Schrader

Daughter of Brian & Jessica Schrader  
Baptized on May 10, 2002  
Baptismal Sponsors: Jeremy Staloch, Ed DuBois  
Confirmation Mentor: Amy Schroeder  
Confirmation Verse: Psalm 13:5-6  
*But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord for he has been good to me*

## Ongelle Schroeder

Daughter of Bryan & Amy Schroeder  
Baptized on September 8, 2002  
Baptismal Sponsors: Mark Schroeder, Brenda Bird  
Confirmation Mentor: Nancy Elmer  
Confirmation Verse: Jeremiah 29:11  
*"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.*



**Birthdays-Oct 30-Nov 5** (If your birthday is not listed please contact the church office with mm/dd/yy.)

31-Evelyn McLain	Alyson Swanson	Renee Soto	Rahj Soto
1-Paula Billings	Leigha Tolzmann	Tracy Warmka	5-Marlene Sievers
Sandy Lorenz	2-Josey Schroeder	3-Cristian Soto	

**The Red Carnations** on the Altar are in honor of the Confirmation students. Please keep the students in your prayers as they continue their journey through faith.

**The flowers** on the altar are in memory of Emma Beyer's Grandpa Ron Sander.

**The Eternal Candle** is burning this week in loving memory of Harvey McLain, in honor of his birthday anniversary which was Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>. It is given by Evelyn McLain and family.

**Thank you** Tiffany & Mackenzie Boraas, Sue Bentz, Bethany Fischer and to Mikinna Erickson for the special music during today's worship service.

**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.

**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. 4<sup>th</sup> 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. 2<sup>nd</sup> on the door of the church office.

**Youth Event** - Sunday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> 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. 2<sup>nd</sup> on the door of the church office.

### Daily Scripture Readings

Oct 31 - Psalm 142  
1 Corinthians 5:9-13  
Nov 1- Psalm 142  
Jude 5-21  
Nov 2 - Psalm 142  
Luke 19:11-27  
Nov 3 - Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21  
Acts 22:22—23:11  
Nov 4 - Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21  
Acts 24:10-23  
Nov 5 - Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21  
Luke 20:1-8

## 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. 13<sup>th</sup> 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.