

*GOOD
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Lutheran Church & School



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church & School is a welcoming, Christ-centered family, dedicated to sharing our love and faith.

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Sunday, September 8, 2024 9:15 AM

LORD'S SUPPER - As Lutherans, in joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus, we invite to His table at Good Shepherd those who trust His Word, repent of their sins, and set aside refusal to forgive and love just as we have been loved and forgiven by God. If you are unsure about whether you should commune or not, speak to an usher prior to the service. Thank you and welcome!

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"
LSB 802

THE SERVICE OF CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

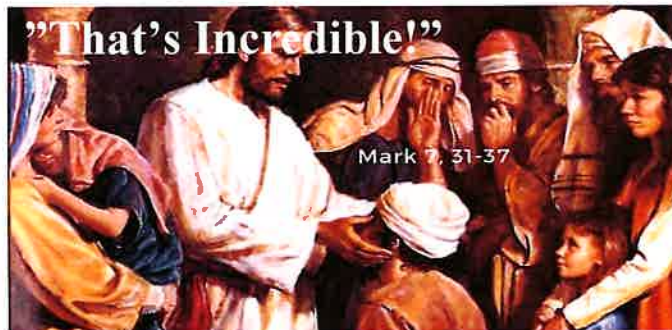
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**





1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
 2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
 You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
 Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
 In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

4 C Amen.

THIS WEEK'S THEME...*Our Merciful Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,
Does All Things Well.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING **Isaiah 35:4-7a**

Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING **James 2:1-10, 14-18**

My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, "You sit here in a good place," while you say to the poor man, "You stand over there," or, "Sit down at my feet," have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called? If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. ⁹But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. . . . What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly

clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 205

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 7:31-37

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on

him. And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED LSB 206

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY "O Son of God, in Galilee" LSB 841

SERMON Mark 7:31-37; "That's Incredible!"

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each prayer petition concludes:

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

INSTALL GSLS STAFF

THE OFFERING

While we gather the offering today you are invited to fill out the red "Record of Fellowship" forms located at the end of the pew. If you would, please pass the red pad down the pew so everyone can complete the record.

Thanks!

+Service of the Sacrament+

Preface LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

LORD'S PRAYER

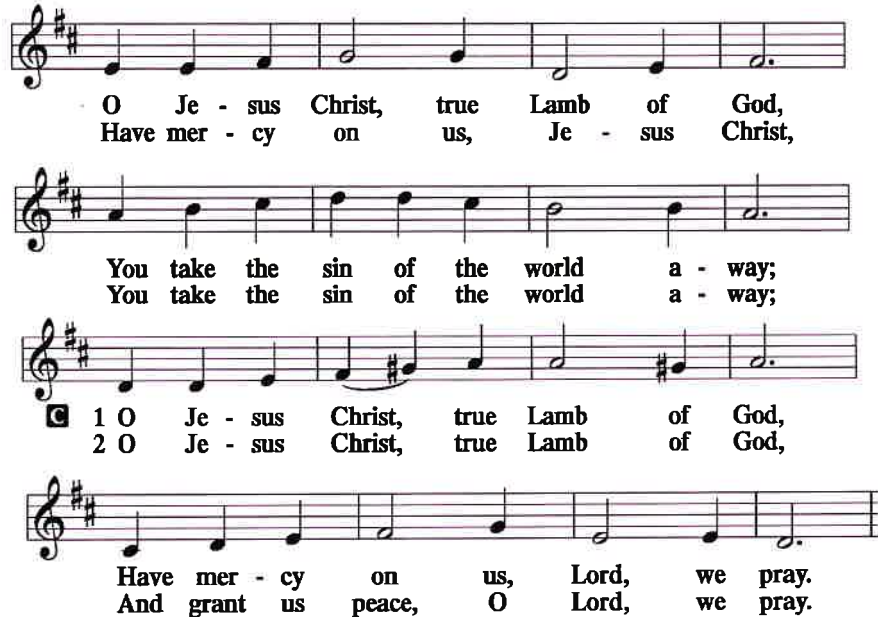
P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as
we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and
the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C And also with you.

AGNUS DEI *LSB 210*



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

THE DISTRIBUTION

We welcome you to the Lord's Table today. The first person to the rail should start at the far end of the communion rail. You may stand or kneel at the rail when you're welcomed to the Lord's Table. We have a gluten-free option for the host; please indicate to pastor if you would like the gluten-free option. We offer both the common cup and individual cups. If you want the common cup, please place your palms FLAT on the communion rail and pastor will bring you the common cup. If for medical or other reasons you would prefer a non-alcoholic individual cup, they are located in the center of each tray. If you would like to receive communion in the pew, please inform an Usher. Thank you.

HYMNS DURING THE DISTRIBUTION

“There is a Balm in Gilead” LSB 749

“Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service” LSB 848

“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” LSB 528

“Jesus Shall Reign” LSB 832

NUNC DIMITTIS LSB 211



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the



glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;



A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is



to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -



peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

P Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.
C Thanks be to God!

CLOSING HYMN "How Great Thou Art" LSB 801

POSTLUDE

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Psalm 146

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being. Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. When his breath departs he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish. Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous. The Lord watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord!



Next Week's Scripture Reading

Isaiah 50:4-10

Psalm 116:1-9

James 3:1-12

Mark 9:14-29

Cellphone Etiquette while in Church

The advanced technology of cellphones can be a blessing or an annoyance. If you carry a cellphone into our Church services, we kindly request that you put your phone in "silent" mode and/or silence all notifications. This helps minimize disruptions and allows everyone to participate without distractions. If you are expecting an important phone call, please sit in the rear of the Sanctuary and answer the call in the Narthex. Thank you.

**Come and See what God is Doing in our Midst;
Come Grow With Us!**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept.

08: Install GSLS Staff

10: School Board Mtg 5:45 PM

16: Church Council Mtg 6 PM

Oct.

5-6: Voter's Assembly Elect New Officers

12: 3rd Annual Christine Larsen Golf Tournament

16: RETURNING Wednesday Bible Study 10 AM

20: New Member Welcome

20: Pastor & Cheryl's OPEN HOUSE 2-5 PM

25: Trunk or Treat

Nov.

3: Daylight Savings Time Fall Back

6-7: New Pictorial Directory 10 AM -4 PM

16: LWML Fall Rally "We Are Thankful "

28: Thanksgiving Day

Dec.

25: Christmas

Come Join Our
BIBLE
STUDY

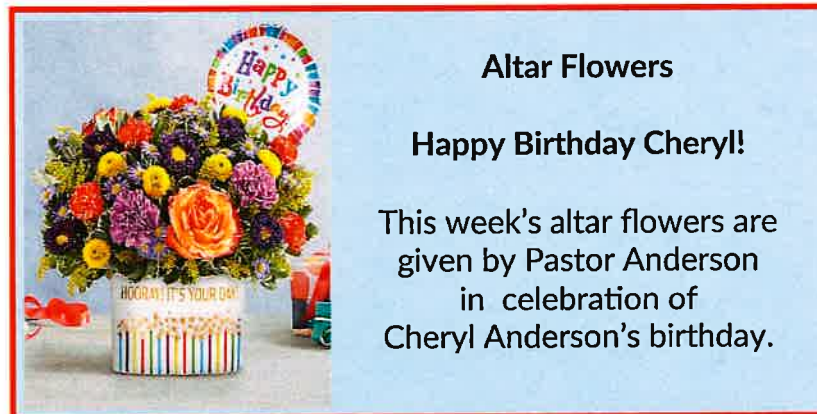
Wednesday morning Bible study is returning! Wednesday, October 16th at 10 AM. "How Do You Walk The Walk You Talk?". A study about living out your faith.

Don't miss our bible study on Sundays after our 9:15 AM service. Join us; all are welcome!



OPEN HOUSE

You are invited...Pastor and Cheryl will hosting an Open House on Sunday, October 20th from 2-5 PM at their new home at 7470 Featherstone Blvd. All are welcome!



LWML Fall Rally "We Are Thankful" is Nov. 16th in Punta Gorda. See Pastor or Phyllis Hoffman to attend/register.

- **First is Joyful Response**- sign up from your checking or savings account to the church on a recurring basis. There is no cost for either the member or church to participate in this program.
- **The second is Zelle**- sign into your bank via your cell phones and initiate a one-time transfer from your account to the church checking account. There is no cost for the member, however, the church must pay a 1% fee to the bank.

A NEW Pictorial Directory is coming for GSLCS!

Wednesday & Thursday
November 6-7 10 AM- 4 PM



The Gideons International is a body of believers dedicated to making the Word of God available to everyone and, together with the local church, reaching souls for Christ.

They have a new App for both Apple and Android phones so you can always have access to the scriptures on your phone. Additionally, Gideons has provided billions of pocket New Testaments with Psalms and Proverbs around the world since 1908. You will find instructions for downloading their App to your phone in the church entryway right in front of the cards that allow you to give funds for more pocket New Testaments. Feel free to support and utilize the ministry of Gideons International!



Cheryl Anderson	09/03	Richard Dies	09/16
Carolyn McCrum	09/04	Scott Hoepner	09/16
Linda Barnes	09/13	MaryLou Imhoff	09/20
Marshall Mallie	09/14	Carolyn Weber	09/21
Robert Weber	09/14	Connie Reitmeyer	09/23




Happy Anniversary

Scott & Katherine Hoepner

09/30 36 yrs





The voter's meeting to elect officers will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 5th & 6th. The ballot will be provided in a future bulletin.

August 31- Sept 1, 2024

Tithes & Offerings \$ 4419.00 Thank you for giving!

Attendance

Saturday 8/31: 18 Sunday 9/1: 57