



August 16, 2026

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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*Our Mission: Created, saved and strengthened through God's grace,
we give, share, love and care for all people.*



Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God Arr. Lloyd Larson

Please stand as able

Confession and forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose compassion endures forever.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God. Compassionate God, **we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love. **Amen.**

Hymn My Life Flows On in Endless Song ELW 763

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Canticle of Praise



- 1 O liv-ing Breath of God, wind at the be-gin - ning up-on the wa - ters;
2 O liv-ing Breath of God, by whose pow'r the Son came to birth a - mong us;
3 O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing us to life through bap-tis-mal wa - ters;



- O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing the cre - a - tion to won-drous birth:
O liv-ing Breath of God, who to the cre - a - tion gives life a - new:
O liv-ing Breath of God, sigh-ing with cre - a - tion for free-dom's birth:



Come now, and fill our spir - its; pour out your gifts a - bun - dant.



O liv-ing Breath of God, Ho-ly Spir-it, breathe in us as we pray.

Prayer of the Day

Response: Amen.

Word

Please be seated

First Reading

Isaiah 56:1,6-8

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the Sabbath and do not profane it and hold fast my covenant— these I will bring to

my holy mountain and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel: I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

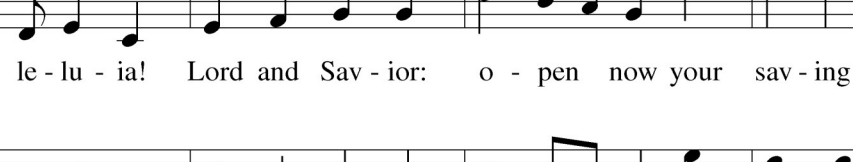
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Paul writes: ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so also they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they also may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand if able at the introduction

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing Word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 14th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and go on ahead to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated through the Offering

Homily

Response to the Word

Hymn of the Day

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

ELW 596

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under

Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

*With bold trust in God's unfailing provision ,...Merciful God, **receive our prayer**
....All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.. **Amen.***

Lord's Prayer

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.

Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Greet those near you.

Offering

All Is Well

Arr. Lloyd Larson

Please stand as able through the Holy, Holy

Offering Response





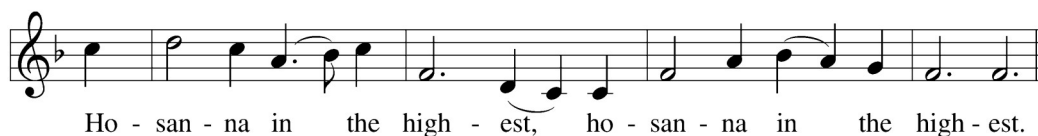
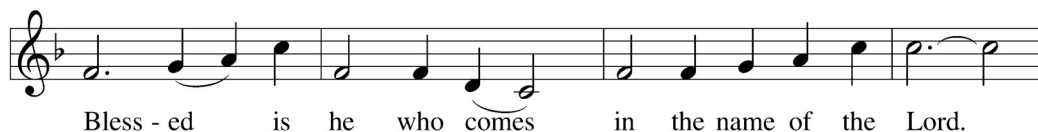
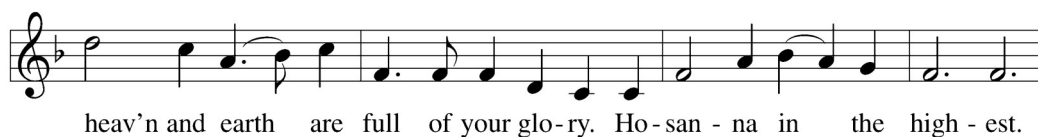
Offering Prayer

Meal

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
 Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface *join their unending hymn...*



Please be seated

Thanksgiving at the Table

Invitation to Communion

Heaven has come near. **Come, share in the feast!**

Lamb of God

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1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Communion

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

(All take the wafer located in the bottom of the chalice)

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

(All drink from the top of the chalice)

Prayer after Communion

Response: Amen

Sending

Blessing

Response: *Amen.*

Hymn

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

ELW 774

Dismissal

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news! **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

In Christ Alone

Arr. Lloyd Larson



**Activities Committee Meeting
After Service August 30th in
Pastor Eli's office.**



Today we welcome, flautist, Danielle Shaub.
Thank you, Danielle, for sharing your talents to
beautify our service!

Worship Assistants

Homilist

Lei Fahrner

Lector

Cindy Leasure

Greeter

Gay Rankin

Ushers

Nancy & TJ Miller

Main Camera/Production

Carl & Anne Fahrner

Organist/Pianist

Pat Hoffman/Linda Miller



*Today's altar flowers are given by
Pat Hoffman to the glory of God
and in honor of my niece's and
nephew's birthdays.*



Once again we will be creating hygiene kits for

Refuge of Hope

We will be collecting quart sized baggies, washcloths, and bars of soap to be assembled into hygiene kits after service on September 13th. As always, refreshments will be part of our fun and fellowship! Join us on September 13th!!

Other items needed by Refuge of Hope:

Toothpaste and toothbrushes	Shampoo and body wash	Socks
Deodorant and lotion	Razors and shaving cream	
Feminine hygiene products	NEW underwear any size men or women's	



SAVE THE DATE

**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 12**

Details are on the flyer posted on the Concern of the Month bulletin board.



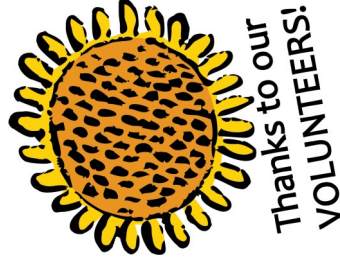
Join us for Lunch Away at Noon
Wednesday, August 26th
Maisano's Little Italian Kitchen
7831 Cleveland Ave NW, North
Canton
Sign up in the Gathering Space

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Worship

Assistants



Date	Usher	Lector	Greeter	Flower Wrapper	Pew Racks	Opening
8/16	Nancy & TJ Miller	Cindy Leasure	Gay Rankin	Linda Lautenschlager	Linda Burgess	Robinson
8/23	Lorelei & Rod Lopick	Gale Nagel	Howard Leasure	Gay Rankin	Linda Burgess	Davenport
8/30	Linda & Don Neil	Shirley Dobry	Linda Miller	Gay Rankin	Linda Burgess	Hoffman
9/6	Jill & Bill Toy	Nancy Miller	Diane Deem	Karen Pressler	Donna Jakmides	Miller
9/13	Jan & Neil Carlson	Rod Swartz	Howard Leasure	Karen Pressler	Donna Jakmides	Burgess
9/20	Linda & Gary Miller	Jan Carlson	Linda Lautenschlager	Judy Flading	Donna Jakmides	Robinson
9/27	Linda Burgess/Pat Long	Pat Hoffman	Gay Rankin	Judy Flading	Donna Jakmides	Davenport
10/4	Cindy & Howard Leasure	Anne Fahrner	Nancy Miller	Jill & Bill Toy	Pat Long	Miller
10/11	Judy & Wil Baum	Jen Lowry	Jan Carlson	Jill & Bill Toy	Pat Long	Burgess
10/18	Annick Schrader/Pat Hoffman	Gary Miller	Carolyn Chellinsky	Kathy Schmidt	Pat Long	Robinson
10/25	Kathy & Dave Schmidt	Neil Carlson	Karen Pressler	Kathy Schmidt	Pat Long	Davenport

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2 Pastor Eli Worship 9:15a	3	4 Dominoes 7p	5 AA 7p	6 Yoga 10a	7 Crafts & Conversation 10a	8
9 Pastor Eli Worship 9:15a	10	11 Dominoes 7p	12 AA 7p	13 Yoga 10a	14 Crafts & Conversation 10a	15
16 Lei Worship 9:15a	17	18 Dominoes 7p	19 AA 7p	20 Yoga 10a	21 Crafts & Conversation 10a	22
23 Lei Worship 9:15a	24	25 Dominoes 7p	26 AA 7p Lunch Away Noon-Maisano's	27 Yoga 10a	28 Crafts & Conversation 10a	29
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