

***And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.***

**Matthew 16:18**



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114 E. Blue Earth Ave.

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Sunday Worship: 9:30am

Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:45am

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**Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 6, 2020**

## *Welcome to Shepherd of the Lakes*

We're here to shepherd Christ's flock and seek the lost sheep by sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with all. Come, let us worship!

### *For Your Convenience. . .*

A room for any parents with children in need of a quiet place is located just outside of the back of the sanctuary. Restrooms are located in the hallway toward the front of the sanctuary. Please ask if you have any further questions or concerns.

### *Prayer before worship*

Heavenly Father, as I worship you today, curb my wandering thoughts. Speak to my heart. Encourage me with your Word, that my faith is strengthened, my confidence and hope renewed, and I am recommitted to serve you faithfully. In Jesus' name, amen.



# THE SERVICE of WORD and SACRAMENT



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**OPENING HYMN: CW 184**.....*O Holy Spirit, Enter In*

*PLEASE STAND*

**M:** The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

## CONFESSION OF SINS

**M:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**C:** **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

### LORD, HAVE MERCY—*Kyrie*

**M:** For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C:** Lord, have mercy.

**M:** For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C:** Christ, have mercy.

**M:** For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C:** Lord, have mercy.

**M:** Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care.

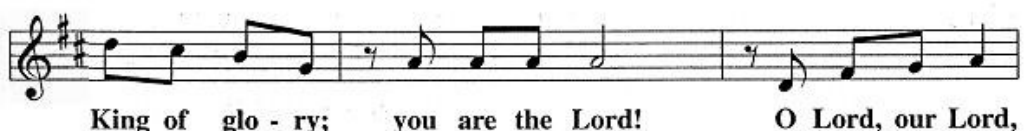
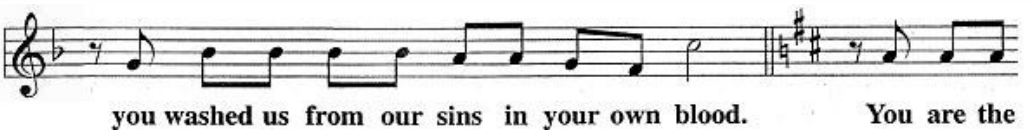
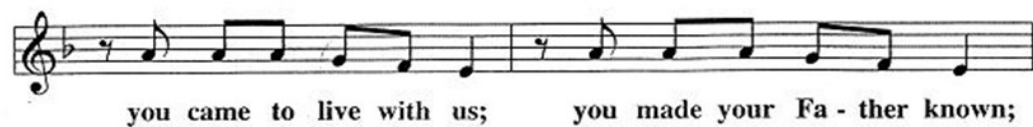
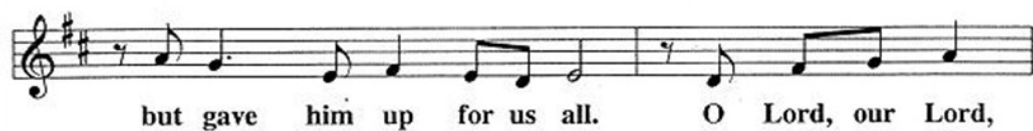
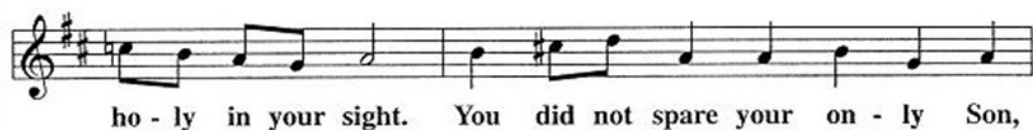
**C:** Amen.

**M:** The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

### O LORD, OUR LORD



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in  
all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,





how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

M: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

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## **GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY**

### **FIRST LESSON: Exodus 34:5-9**

<sup>5</sup> Then the LORD came down in the cloud and stood there with him and proclaimed his name, the LORD. <sup>6</sup> And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, <sup>7</sup> maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation."

<sup>8</sup> Moses bowed to the ground at once and worshiped. <sup>9</sup> "Lord," he said, "if I have found favor in your eyes, then let the Lord go with us. Although this is a stiff-necked people, forgive our wickedness and our sin, and take us as your inheritance."

**PSALM OF THE DAY:** Psalm 34 (*p. 80 in the front part of your hymnal*)

## **SECOND LESSON: Romans 10:5-13**

<sup>5</sup> Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: “The person who does these things will live by them.” <sup>6</sup> But the righteousness that is by faith says: “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup> “or ‘Who will descend into the deep?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup> But what does it say? “The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,” that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: <sup>9</sup> If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. <sup>11</sup> As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup> For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, <sup>13</sup> for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

### **VERSE OF THE DAY:**

Alleluia. Jesus Christ has destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia. (I Timothy 1:10b cf. NIV)

*PLEASE STAND*

## **GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 16:13-20**

<sup>13</sup> When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?”

<sup>14</sup> They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

<sup>15</sup> “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”

<sup>16</sup> Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

<sup>17</sup> Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. <sup>18</sup> And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. <sup>19</sup> I will

give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”<sup>20</sup> Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

**M:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** Praise be to you, O Christ!

*PLEASE BE SEATED*

**HYMN OF THE DAY: CW 536.....***Lord Jesus Christ, the Church’s Head*

**SERMON**

*PLEASE STAND*

**CONFESSION OF FAITH: NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## OFFERING

*Offerings can be placed in the offering plate in the back of our sanctuary. They can also be mailed to our church office at **114 E. Blue Earth Avenue, Fairmont, MN 56031** or made on our website under the “Donate” tab at the top of the homepage or taken to Profinium Bank in Fairmont*

***To our visitors:*** *Our offering is not a debt we owe God, but a way that we return to God a portion of what he generously gave to us. Our motivation, then, is not obligation, but love for God. The members of Shepherd of the Lakes have joined together to spread God’s message both in this community and around the world. As our guest, please do not feel obligated to contribute. We’re happy that you’re with us to hear about God’s love for you.*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & 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.**

## THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.



## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY—*Sanctus*



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** And also with you.

## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD— *Agnus Dei*



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



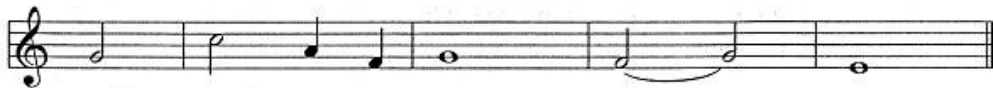
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



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O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; grant us your peace. A - - men.

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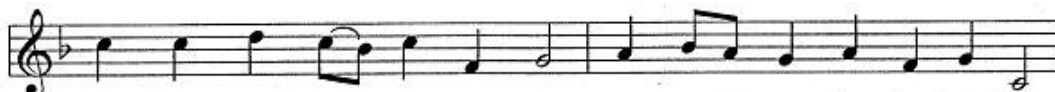
### DISTRIBUTION

**To our visitors:** Scripture teaches us that those who commune together are expressing a unity in faith and all of Scripture's teachings. This is called close communion. Therefore, if you are not a member of Shepherd of the Lakes, the Wisconsin Synod, or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod, you will want to wait to commune with us until you've had the opportunity to learn more about what we believe and teach and then publicly express that unity at your confirmation. This is not a judgment in any way on your faith. Rather, we want you to be sure you agree with us before you express that unity at the Lord's Table. If you are interested in learning more about what we believe and teach or if you have any questions, please talk with our Pastor.

PLEASE STAND

## THANKSGIVING

### THANK THE LORD



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**M:** Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

### THE BLESSING

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace; live in harmony with one another; serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you + peace.

**C:** Amen.

## **Notes and News for September 6, 2020**

**Trailer Court Sale Voters Meeting**—As many already know, we have a buyer of our trailer court property, Trees Trailer Court at 1528 Albion Avenue. We will be selling the property for \$165,000. We need to hold a special voters meeting to approve the trustees to make this sale, and currently are looking to hold this meeting after our church service on September 27th.

**Bible Information Class**—Bible Information Class is resuming at 9:30am on Saturday mornings. The class is open to anyone who wishes to join. Join it as a simple refresher or invite a friend or acquaintance who may be learning the basics of the truth of the Bible for the first time! It's not too late to join! Talk to Pastor if you're interested in learning more!

**Hymnal Return**—After the meeting with the Worship Committee, it was decided that we would be reintroducing hymnals to the congregation with precautions in mind. Currently, we have enough hymnals for individuals to make one their own. They will be able to take their own hymnal home after worship and bring it back to worship the next week.

**Sunday School**—Sunday School will begin on September 13th at 10:45am! If you would like to enroll your child, you can visit the Sunday School registration link on our website, [www.shepherdofthelakes.net](http://www.shepherdofthelakes.net)

**Confirmation Class Returning**—Confirmation will be starting up again this month. Many things will be the same as in previous years if your child was in Confirmation already. There will also be some slight changes. To discuss the class, its importance, and what will be happening, Pastor will be holding a class orientation for parents and students on Wednesday, September 9, at 6:30pm at church! Hope to see you all there!

### **Remember in your Prayers this Week**

+ Anniversaries: Norm & Michelle Anderson (9/10, 9 years!)

### **Coming Up this Week**

**Sunday 9/6** Worship 9:30am/Bible Class 10:45am

**Tuesday 9/8** Elders 6:30pm / Council 7:00pm

**Wednesday 9/9** Building Committee Meeting 5:30pm / Confirmation Orientation 6:30pm

**Saturday 9/12** Bible Information Class 9:30am