



SHEPHERD *of the* LAKES LUTHERAN CHURCH

114 E. Blue Earth Ave.

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Sunday Worship: 9:30am

Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:45am

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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.**

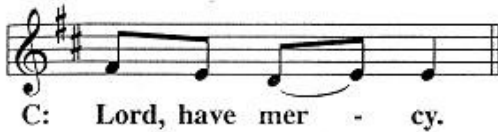
M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY—*Kyrie*

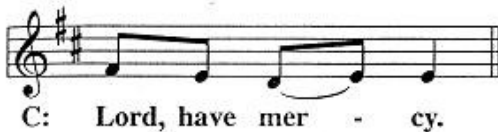
M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



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.



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.



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

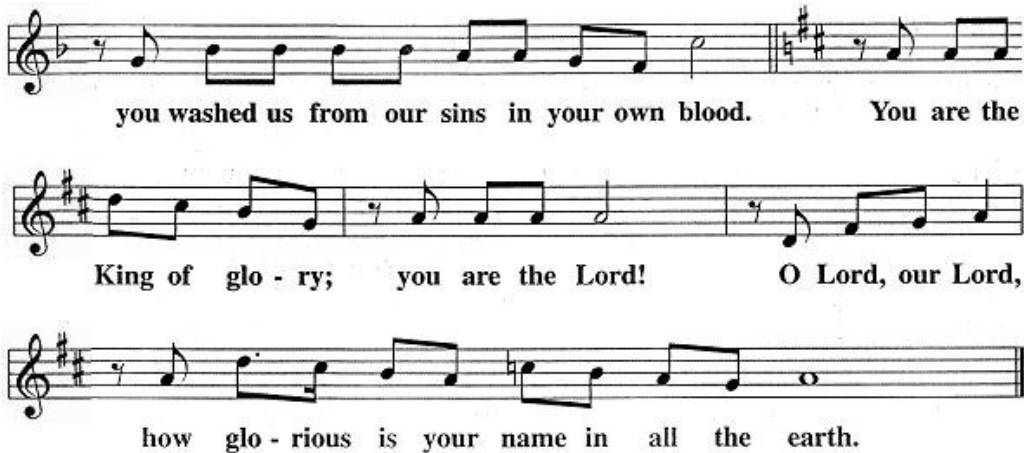


M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

O LORD, OUR LORD

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of ten staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther, you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin; you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son, but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in all the earth. O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther, you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;"

C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in
all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,
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O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,
you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;



you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the
 King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,
 how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Mercifully grant, O God, that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts, for without your help we are unable to please you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

PLEASE BE SEATED

GOD’S WORD FOR TODAY

FIRST LESSON: Numbers 12:1-15

¹Miriam and Aaron began to talk against Moses because of his Cushite wife, for he had married a Cushite.²“Has the LORD spoken only through Moses?” they asked. “Hasn’t he also spoken through us?” And the LORD heard this.

³(Now Moses was a very humble man, more humble than anyone else on the face of the earth.)

⁴At once the LORD said to Moses, Aaron and Miriam, “Come out to the tent of meeting, all three of you.” So the three of them went out.⁵Then the LORD came down in a pillar

of cloud; he stood at the entrance to the tent and summoned Aaron and Miriam. When the two of them stepped forward,⁶ he said, “Listen to my words:

“When there is a prophet among you,
I, the LORD, reveal myself to them in visions,
I speak to them in dreams.

⁷But this is not true of my servant Moses;
he is faithful in all my house.

⁸With him I speak face to face,
clearly and not in riddles;
he sees the form of the LORD.

Why then were you not afraid
to speak against my servant Moses?”

⁹The anger of the LORD burned against them, and he left them.

¹⁰When the cloud lifted from above the tent, Miriam’s skin was leprous—it became as white as snow. Aaron turned toward her and saw that she had a defiling skin disease,¹¹ and he said to Moses, “Please, my lord, I ask you not to hold against us the sin we have so foolishly committed.¹² Do not let her be like a stillborn infant coming from its mother’s womb with its flesh half eaten away.”

¹³So Moses cried out to the LORD, “Please, God, heal her!”

¹⁴The LORD replied to Moses, “If her father had spit in her face, would she not have been in disgrace for seven days? Confine her outside the camp for seven days; after that she can be brought back.”¹⁵ So Miriam was confined outside the camp for seven days, and the people did not move on till she was brought back.

PSALM OF THE DAY: CW Psalm 62 (*p. 88 in the front part of your hymnal*)

SECOND LESSON: James 3:13-18

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom.¹⁴ But if you harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth.¹⁵ Such “wisdom” does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic.¹⁶ For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.

¹⁷But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.¹⁸Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.

VERSE OF THE DAY:

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we 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!

PLEASE STAND

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 9:30-37

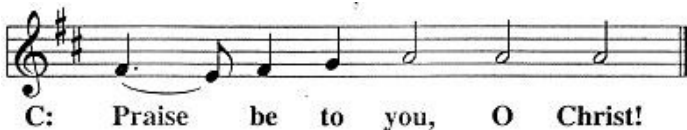
³⁰They left that place and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know where they were,³¹because he was teaching his disciples. He said to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after three days he will rise.”³²But they did not understand what he meant and were afraid to ask him about it.

³³They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the road?”³⁴But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest.

³⁵Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, “Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.”

³⁶He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷“Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me.”

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



PLEASE BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY: CW 523.....*God of Grace and God of Glory*

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

*Your offering 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 al - so 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: A - men.

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

take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace. A - men.

PLEASE BE SEATED

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.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: CW 310vv1,8,15I Come, O Savior, to Your Table

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 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: A - men.

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: A - men. A - men. A - men.

PLEASE BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN: CW 486.....Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

Verse 1

*Lord of glory, you have bought us
With your lifeblood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones
That tremendous sacrifice,
And with that have freely given
Blessings countless as the sand
To th' unthankful and the evil
With your own unsparing hand.*

Verse 3

*Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you
Gladly, freely, of your own.
With the sunshine of your goodness
Melt our thankless hearts of stone
Till our cold and selfish natures,
Warmed by you, at length believe
That more happy and more blessed
'Tis to give than to receive.*

Verse 5

*Yes, the sorrow and the sufferings
Which on ev'ry hand we view
Channels are for gifts and off'rings
Due by solemn right to you.
Right of which we may not rob you,
Debt we may not choose but pay
Lest that face of love and pity
Turn from us another day.*

Verse 2

*Come, O Christ, and reign among us,
King of love and Prince of Peace;
Hush the storm of strife and passion;
Bid its cruel discords cease.
By your patient years of toiling,
By your silent hours of pain,
Quench our fevered thirst for pleasure;
Stem our selfish greed for gain.*

Verse 4

*Wondrous honor you have given
To our humblest charity
In your own mysterious sentence,
"You have done it unto me."
Can it be, O gracious Master,
That you need what we can do,
Saying by your poor and needy,
"Give as I have giv'n to you"?*

Verse 6

*Lord of glory, you have bought us
With your lifeblood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones
That tremendous sacrifice.
Give us faith to trust you boldly,
Hope, to stay our souls on you;
But, oh, best of all your graces,
With your love our love renew.*

Notes and News for September 19, 2021

Prayer Requests

As a we love each other as the body of Christ, we want to "rejoice with those who rejoice [and] mourn with those who mourn" (Romans 12:15). If you have any prayer requests, please pass them on to Pastor that we may take them to the Lord with you!

Sunday School

Sunday School has begun and is at 10:45AM. If you or someone else you know might like to register children, register with Pastor by calling (507) 238-9663 or emailing sotlfairmont@gmail.com. It was requested to hold off on our Sunday School teacher installation until the 26th when the rest of our Sunday School teachers will be back

Monday Night Bible Class

Monday night Bible Class will be returning in September. Currently it is scheduled to begin at 6:30pm on September 20th. We will be going through Martin Luther's Large Catechism!

Lutheran Women

The Lutheran Women have begun meeting again on the first Thursday of the month, beginning at 6:00pm with a project followed by a devotion and business meeting at 7:00pm. This is also a reminder of the Minnesota Valley Fall LWMS Rally happening on September 25th. If planning on attending, please RSVP to Sharon Scheff by September 12th!

Chimes and Choir

It has been a long time but choir and chimes will once again be returning to Shepherd of the Lakes! Practices will begin on September 21st, with choir beginning at 6:30pm and chimes beginning at 7:30pm! If you have never played or done choir before, no worries! We would still love to have you and so would the Lord!

WELS Connection

We did not view our WELS Connection in August, so over the next couple of Sundays before Bible Class, we will be watching our August and September editions of our synod's WELS Connection!

Wine, Women, and the Word Hosting?

If you are interested in hosting Wine, Women, and the Word at your home with our ladies this year, be sure to see the signup sheet in the fellowship hall!

Watch Our Worship Live

You can watch us worship live on Sundays at 9:30am by going to our YouTube page. You can scan the QR code to the right to be taken there!



Remember in your Prayers this Week

- + Birthdays: Isaiah Johnson 9/23!
- + Anniversaries: Gerald & Lois Urban 9/22 (48 years)!
- + Prayer Requests:

Coming Up this Week

Today 9/19.....Worship 9:30am
Bible Class 10:45am

Monday 9/20.....Monday Night Bible Class 6:30pm

Wednesday 9/21.....6th Grade Confirmation 4:30pm
7th & 8th Grade Confirmation 6:00pm

Sunday 9/26.....Worship (with Sunday School Installation) 9:30am
Sunday School 10:45am
Bible Class 10:45am