

# SHEPHERD of the LAKES

114 E. Blue Earth Ave. Fairmont, MN 56031 Sunday Worship: 9:30am Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:45am www.shepherdofthelakes.net

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**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost** 

July 31, 2022

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.

## 920 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

#### Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

#### Confession

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord. Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against your holy law. We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord! Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

Silence for meditation and reflection

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever. **Amen.** 





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Glory to God in the Highest

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# The Word

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

#### Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O Lord, grant us wisdom to recognize the treasures you have stored up for us in heaven that we may never despair but always rejoice and be thankful for the riches of your grace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

# **First Reading**

Ecclesiastes 1:1-2,12-14; 2:18-26

<sup>1</sup>The words of the Teacher, son of David, king in Jerusalem:

<sup>2</sup>"Meaningless! Meaningless!" says the Teacher. "Utterly meaningless!

Everything is meaningless."

<sup>12</sup>I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup>I applied my mind to study and to explore by wisdom all that is done under the heavens. What a heavy burden God has laid on mankind! <sup>14</sup>I have seen all the things that are done under the sun; all of them are meaningless, a chasing after the wind.

<sup>18</sup>I hated all the things I had toiled for under the sun, because I must leave them to the one who comes after me. <sup>19</sup>And who knows whether that person will be wise or foolish? Yet they will have control over all the fruit of my toil into which I have poured my effort and skill under the sun. This too is meaningless. <sup>20</sup>So my heart began to despair over all my toilsome labor under the sun. <sup>21</sup>For a person may labor with wisdom, knowledge and skill, and then they must leave all they own to another who has not toiled for it. This too is meaningless and a great

misfortune. <sup>22</sup>What do people get for all the toil and anxious striving with which they labor under the sun? <sup>23</sup>All their days their work is grief and pain; even at night their minds do not rest. This too is meaningless.

<sup>24</sup>A person can do nothing better than to eat and drink and find satisfaction in their own toil. This too, I see, is from the hand of God, <sup>25</sup>for without him, who can eat or find enjoyment? <sup>26</sup>To the person who pleases him, God gives wisdom, knowledge and happiness, but to the sinner he gives the task of gathering and storing up wealth to hand it over to the one who pleases God. This too is meaningless, a chasing after the wind.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### 90A Fill Us with Your Love, O Lord

#### **Second Reading**

<sup>1</sup>Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. <sup>3</sup>For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

<sup>5</sup>Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. <sup>6</sup>Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. <sup>7</sup>You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. <sup>8</sup>But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. <sup>9</sup>Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices <sup>10</sup>and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. <sup>11</sup>Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

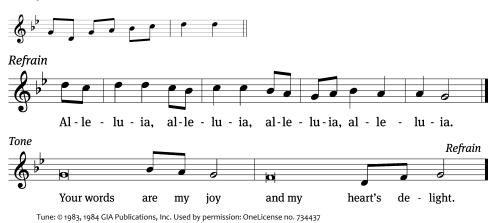
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

Stand

Colossians 3:1-11

Psalm 90A

#### **Gospel Acclamation**



#### Gospel

Luke 12:13-21

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<sup>13</sup>Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

<sup>14</sup>Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?" <sup>15</sup>Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."

<sup>16</sup>And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. <sup>17</sup>He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.'

<sup>18</sup>"Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. <sup>19</sup>And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry." '

<sup>20</sup>"But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'

 ${}^{\scriptscriptstyle 21}\ensuremath{^{\circ}}$  This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."

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

Be seated

#### 717 What Is the World to Me

#### Sermon

Stand

## **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 truly 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.

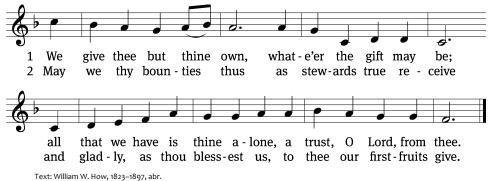
# **Prayer of the Church**

# 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.

# Thank Offering Hymn: We Give Thee but Thine Own

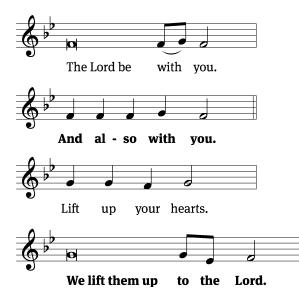
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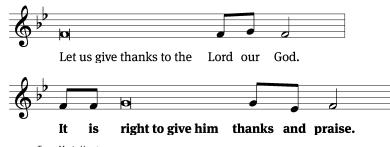
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# The Sacrament

Preface



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It is truly good and right . . . and join their glorious song:



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# Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **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.

# Words of Institution

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."

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **Amen.** 



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Be seated

# Distribution

**To our visitors:** Scripture teaches us that those who commune together are expressing a unity of 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 judgement 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.

Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### Blessing

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. **Amen.** 

Be seated

#### 699 Take the World, but Give Me Jesus

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#### Acknowledgments

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#### Notes and News for July 31, 2022

**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!

**Pastor Gone**—Pastor will be gone August 15<sup>th</sup> through August 22<sup>nd</sup> as he travels home to officiate a wedding. Don't hesitate to contact him should you need.

**Fellowship Picnic Rescheduled** — You received an email about our fellowship picnic at Cedar Creek Park this Sunday. Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances and lack of attendance, our picnic will be pushed back a week after next months Evangelism Committee meeting. Sorry for the inconvenience.

**Martin County Fair Volunteers**— August means the coming up of the Martin County fair! We will have our fair booth just like we have in the past and are looking for volunteers to man it! In the next couple of Sundays there will be a sign up sheet or you can let Pastor know if and when you'd like to help!

**Church in the Park**— The end of August is our time for our church in the park! On August 28th we will have church at the band shell in Sylvania Park! Following will be our potluck (bring your own meat to grill!) and time for yard games! All are welcome! Invite your friends!

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

+ Prayer Requests:

+ Anniversaries: Daryl & Muriel Klenz (8/2, 58 years)! Roman & Jean Johnson (8/6,34 years)!

#### Coming Up this Week

Sunday 7/31	
	Shortened Bible Class 10:45am
Saturday 8/6	Men's Saturday Morning Bible Breakfast 8:00am
Sunday 8/7	Worship 9:30am
	Shortened Summer Bible Class 10:45am
	Evangelism Committee 11:05am
	Fellowship Picnic at Cedar Creek 11:45am



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114 E. Blue Earth Ave. Fairmont, MN 56031 (507) 238-2998 Sunday Worship 9:30am Sunday Bible Class 10:45am Sunday School 10:45am

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep" (John 10:11)