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Church Services are held on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. and Wednesday evenings at 6 pm.

#### WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to sign our guest book and/or complete a visitor card to help us remember you. Please let us know if we can serve you in any way. Everyone is welcome to Holy Communion at Shepherd of the Lakes. Come forward as ushers direct, receive the wafer in your hand and move to the wine which is served in the chalice or individual portions as you prefer. We offer grape juice as an alternative to wine. Gluten-free wafers are also available at your request from communion servers when you partake.

#### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

Empowered by the power of the Holy Spirit and rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ, we are a loving community that follows Jesus & seeks to hear the Word of God and practice it in our daily lives.

For those of you worshipping with us at home – You can mail your donations to:

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Or on the church website – <u>www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org</u> You can donate through our PayPal account. "Thank you for your continued support of our ministry together."

#### **Recorded Services**:

All Sunday services at Shepherd of the Lakes are recorded and put on You Tube.

Go to the Church website at

www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org

and look for the Synulube symbol.

Click on this symbol to take you to the Church's YouTube site.

#### Readings for August 13, 2023:

First Reading 1 Kings 19: 9 -18

**Psalm** 85: 8 - 13

**Second Reading** Romans 10: 5 - 15 **Holy Gospel** Matthew 14: 22 - 33

## Silencing the Wind

In a world filled with noise and empty words, God comes to us as stillness and silence, even to the point that wind ceases (Matt. 14:32). Jesus walks over stormy waters to his disciples, entering their boat and being present with them despite their fears and doubts. Today's readings encourage us to keep our words spare and meaningful, lay aside our little faith with its wordy worries, and listen for God, who comes to us as quieting comfort.

The wind blows us powerfully, frighteningly, making even familiar places seem strange, stirring up the water to obscure our vision and make our journey fearful and slow. Today Jesus comes to us in our drowning panic, responding to our "Lord, save me" with a quick response. The little faith of Peter (and our little faith) is not only a chiding to "do better" in our faith lives and respond with discipline, but it offers forgiveness: even when we risk and screw up anyway, God's hand is there to reach out and catch us.

To command even the wind to be still is a powerful thing. If a very strong wind suddenly stopped near one of us, we would probably panic, wondering who did it, whether it was the calm eye of a storm, or whether a still bigger tornado is coming. There are giant turbines now that capture the wind to convert it to energy, but Jesus walked out upon the water and helped Peter in his fear to return to the boat's safety and security. Jesus gives powerful reassurance and the gift of presence. God is not distant from our fears, but close to keep us safe.

#### **FINANCIAL NOTES:**

July 30, 2023 Attende	dance: 52
General Funds	\$1,648.00
Awakening Lives to World Mission	\$ 5.00
Caritas	\$ 85.00
TOTAL	\$1,738.00*
*Does not include Designated	
Donation to Northwood Share	\$ 25.00

#### **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:**

August 27th, at 10:30 a.m.

#### **FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH:**

Please join us for coffee and fellowship each Sunday after worship. The second Sunday of each month will be our regular fellowship brunch. Bring a dish to pass as you wish.

#### **CHURCH SERVICES:**

Regular Sunday morning services at 9:00 am. and regular Wednesday evening services at 6 pm. Both services offer Holy Communion at every service. All are welcome. The Sunday service will be live-streamed and recorded and available for viewing on YouTube later on Sundays.

#### **CARITAS URGENT DONATION PLEA:**

Caritas-Minocqua, serves Vilas and Oneida counties by distributing funds to those in urgent and immediate need of assistance. They are currently experiencing a very high level of need and are in urgent need of donations to continue their work in assisting our community members that are desperate for help. They have two anonymous donors that have offered to match donations, each matching up to \$5,000. Donate now and have your gift matched dollar for dollar! There are pink envelopes available in the Narthex for your donations.

#### **FOOD PANTRY:**

There are a lot of people in our area who depend on the food pantry. Please pick up an extra can or two as you shop and place in the brown basket in the coat room. Thank you!

#### **CORRECTION:**

The candy that was distributed during the Fourth of July parade was donated by Brian and Julie Krueger, seasonal residents of Plum Lake.

#### SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES CHOIR:

For anyone who is interested in joining the choir, Beth Von Ende will be directing us and is planning to hold weekly choir practices on Thursdays from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. and also one hour before Sunday worship, at 8:00 a.m. Please come and join us if you would like to be in the church choir!



## PRAYER REQUESTS

(Please note: "Current Issue" listings remain in the bulletin for three weeks and then are removed unless instructions are received to move that listing to the "ongoing health issues" list)

#### Pray for those dealing with current issues:

LuAnn, Amy, Graham, Phyllis, Bob, Beth, Ken (friend of Laura), Craig and David (friends of Doug and Betsy)

#### Pray for those with ongoing health issues:

Gus, Larry, Mary Lou, Brian, Lyn, Melody

#### **Pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:**

Brian, Adam & Brittany, Brooks, Will, Sgt. Keara, Alex, Jared, Noah, and Zachary.

## Pray for those in nursing homes or homebound:

Elisabeth.

## **Pray for the families of those who have passed:**

Please email Bill Wendorf at pastor@SOTLsayner.com or text to 715-617-6477 or email Jean Maines at <u>secretary@SOTLsayner.com</u> if you would like to be included on the prayer chain list. Prayer requests are sent out via email.

# Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

# 10th Sunday After Pentecost

August 6th, 2023

## **Greeting & Announcements**

#### Invocation

(Please remain seated.)

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

Amen.

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God.

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

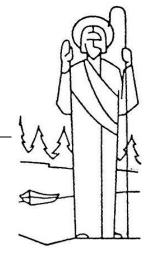
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,

so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of  $\pm$  Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.** 



#### **Gathering Song** "O Jesus, Joy Of Loving Hearts" ELW 658 vs. 1,3,4.

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

# O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts



Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153; tr. Ray Palmer, 1808-1887, alt.

Music: WALTON, W. Gardiner, Sacred Melodies, 1815

## **Opening Dialogue**

When the world divides us,

Come, Holy Spirit, make us one.

When the world calls us orphaned,

Come, Holy Spirit, make us family.

When the world leads us astray,

Come, Holy Spirit, call us home.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

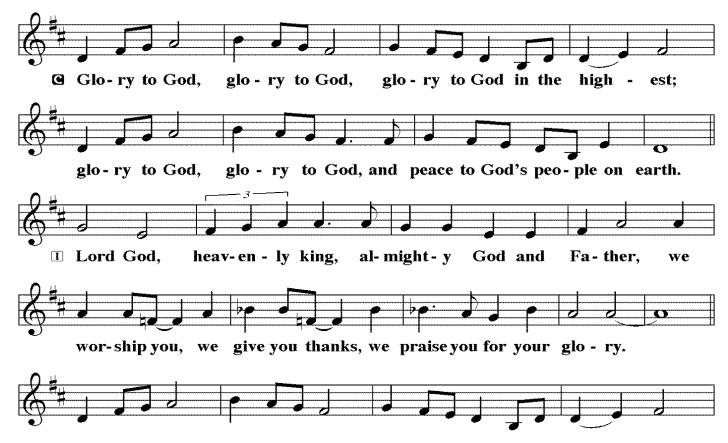
Come and fill this place.

## Greeting

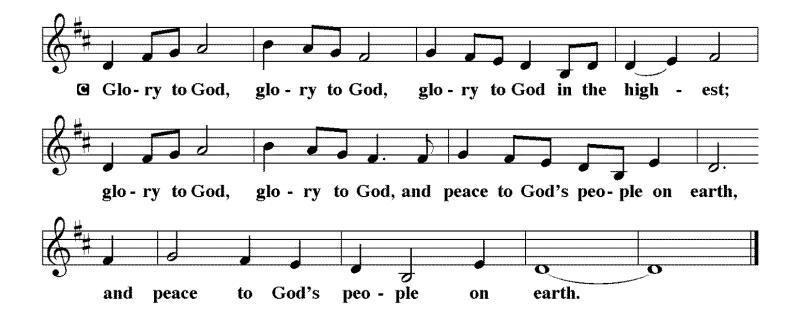
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

#### **Hymn of Praise**







## **Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us Pray.....

Glorious God,

your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(*Please be seated*)

## First Reading Isaiah 55:1-5

<sup>1</sup>Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. <sup>2</sup>Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. <sup>3</sup>Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. <sup>4</sup>See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. <sup>5</sup>See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

The Word of the Lord....

Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21

8The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
9LORD, you are good to all, and your compassion is over all your works.
14The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.
15The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.
16You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.
17You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.
18You are near to all who call upon you,

to all who call upon you faithfully.

<sup>19</sup>You fulfill the desire of those who fear you; you hear their cry and save them.

<sup>20</sup>You watch over all those who love you, but all the wicked you shall destroy.

## **Second Reading** Romans 9:1-5

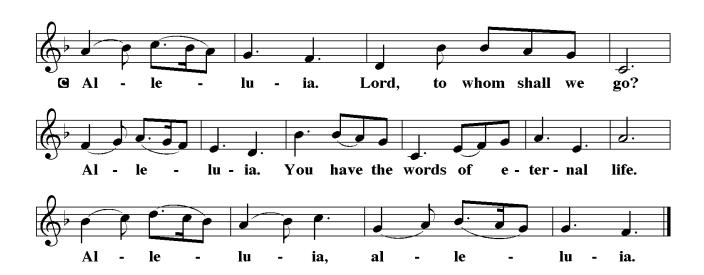
<sup>1</sup>I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—<sup>2</sup>I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. <sup>3</sup>For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. <sup>4</sup>They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; <sup>5</sup>to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord....

Thanks be to God.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

(Please stand as you are comfortable)



## **Holy Gospel**

The Holy Gospel According to....

Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup>My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD; let all flesh bless God's holy name forever and ever.

#### Matthew 14:13-21

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist], he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup>When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. <sup>15</sup>When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." <sup>17</sup>They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." <sup>18</sup>And he said, "Bring them here to me." <sup>19</sup>Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>20</sup>And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. <sup>21</sup>And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

(Please be seated)

## Hymn of the Day

#### "Break Now The Bread Of Life" ELW 515

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

# Break Now the Bread of Life



Text: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841–1913, alt.

Music: BŘEAD OF LÍFE, William F. Sherwin, 1826–1888

## **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 the Church**

#### The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(I invite you to share the peace as you, and your neighbor, are comfortable.)

## **Offering**

(We will receive our offering today in the traditional manner)

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As our offering is received and the Lord's table is prepared, Choir: Be Still for the Spirit of the Lord, Composer David Evans

#### **Presentation of Gifts**

## **Offertory Hynm** (please stand as you are comfortable) the vine- yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of bless ing. Gath - er a har-vest from the seeds that were fed with the that bread of life. sown, we may be Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace ta - ble with your pres - ence, our

## **Offertory Prayer**

Lord,

and

give

us

Merciful God,

you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord......

fore-taste of

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feast

to

come.

Amen.

## **Great Thanksgiving**

(Service of Distribution)

The Lord be with you.... and also with you.

As we gather before these <u>consecrated</u> elements of bread and wine for the celebration of Holy Communion, we hear again the story of God's mighty acts and of the love shown us in the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. With thanksgiving we remembered that "in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

We are given assurance of our Lord's presence through the gift of his Holy Spirit. As we prepare to receive this bread of life and this cup of blessing, we pray that we may be strengthened through our participation in the body of Christ.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

I invite you join with me and let us pray with confidence the words that our Savior gave us.

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.

#### COMMUNION INVITATION

As often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. All is ready, all are welcome, our Lord and Savior invites us to come.

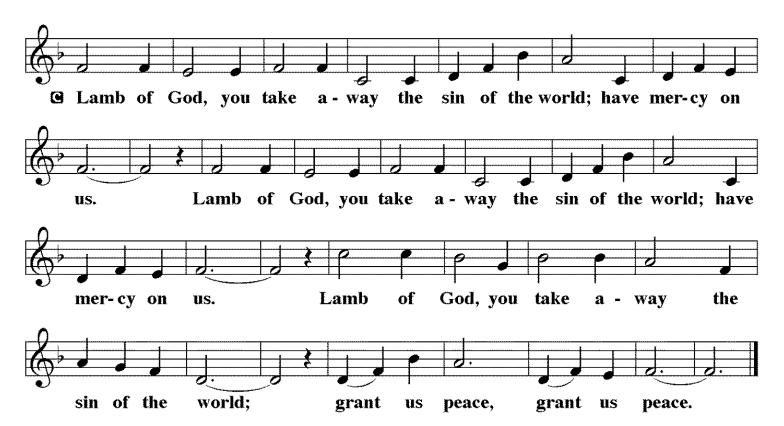
#### **Distribution**

(Please come forward as the ushers direct.)

(Children and others not wishing to commune are invited to come forward and receive a blessing.)

## Lamb of God

## (please be seated)



## Communion Hymns "Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross" ELW 335 vs. 1,3,4.

## Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross



Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915 Music: NEAR THE CROSS, William H. Doane, 1832–1915

#### Gather Us In



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#### "Amazing Grace, How Sweet The Sound" ELW 779 vs. 1,2,5.

# Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5 Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1851–1921, alt.

## **Communion Blessing**

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen and keep you in his grace.

#### Amen

## **Prayer**

We give you thanks,

generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

Amen.

## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

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

Amen.

## Sending Hymn "Let Us Talents And Tongues Employ" ELW 674

# Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



- 1 Let us tal ents and tongues em ploy, reach-ing out with a shout of joy:
- 2 Christ is a ble to make us one, at the ta ble he sets the tone,
- 3 Je sus calls us in, sends us out bear-ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro-ken, the wine is poured, teach-ing peo-ple to live to bless, gives us love to tell, bread to share:

Christ is spo-ken and seen and heard. love in word and in deed ex-press. God (Im-man-u-el) ev-'ry-where!



Je - sus lives a-gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the Word a-round: loaves a - bound!

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929

Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925–1980

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#### **Dismissal**

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service. Second Sunday of each month join us for brunch after the service.

## Calendar for Week of August 7 – August 13, 2023

Wednesday	August 9,2023	Worship Service	6:00 p.m.
Thursday	August 10, 2023	Text Study	9:00 a.m.
Thursday	August 10, 2023	WELCA	1:00 p.m.
Thursday	August 10, 2023	Choir Practice	5:30 P.M.
Thursday	August 10, 2023	Newsletter Articles Due!!	Thank you!
Sunday	August 13, 2023	Choir Practice	8:00 a.m.
Sunday	August 13, 2023	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.

#### **Next Council Meeting:**

Sunday, August 27, at 10:30 a.m.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Check our calendar of events on the church website for times and dates of events and worship services.

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