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Of the Good Shepherd  
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**A congregation of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod  
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

*“We are a caring family of God nourished by the Word, guided by the Holy Spirit to  
share the love of Jesus Christ.”*

Service of the Word

July 22 – 10:30 am.

“Time after Pentecost”

*We welcome all visitors with us and ask that you sign our guest register. If you are  
looking for a church home, we invite you to consider the Good Shepherd family.*

When you see the following symbol “+”, please stand.

**Please be considerate to those around you and observe silence during the prelude and service.**

**This time is designed for personal meditation.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE** (Silent Meditation Time)

**“AIR”**

**ARR. H. HOPSON**

## **+ CONFESSON AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in  
steadfast love. **Amen.**

Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Eternal God our creator,

**In you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God ✝ forgives you all your sins.

**Amen.**

+ GATHERING HYMN

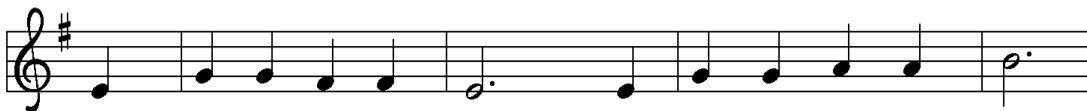
*“ALL PEOPLE THAT ON  
EARTH DO DWELL”*

ELW 883

+ APOSTOLIC 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.**

+KYRIE



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.  
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.  
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

## +HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

<sup>1</sup>Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD.

<sup>2</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD.

<sup>3</sup>Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup>I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

<sup>5</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup>In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: “The LORD is our righteousness.”

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

### PSALM: Psalm 23



The LORD is my shep-herd; I shall not be in want.

<sup>1</sup>The LORD | is my shepherd;  
I shall not | be in want.

<sup>2</sup>**The LORD makes me lie down | in green pastures  
and leads me be- | side still waters.**

<sup>3</sup>You restore my | soul, O LORD,  
and guide me along right pathways | for your name’s sake.

<sup>4</sup>**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no evil;  
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me. R**

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence | of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

<sup>6</sup>**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the | LORD forever. R**

### SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:11-22

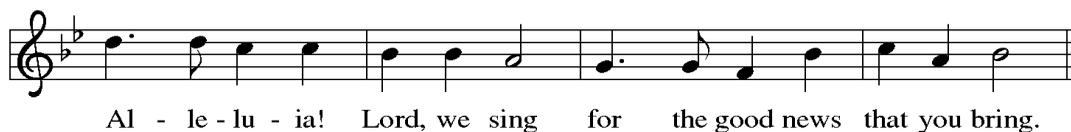
<sup>11</sup>Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision”—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—<sup>12</sup>remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup>But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup>For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. <sup>15</sup>He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, <sup>16</sup>and might reconcile

both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. <sup>17</sup>So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; <sup>18</sup>for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup>So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. <sup>21</sup>In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; <sup>22</sup>in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### +GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



### GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

The holy gospel according to St. \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>30</sup>The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. <sup>34</sup>As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

<sup>53</sup>When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat.  
<sup>54</sup>When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, <sup>55</sup>and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. <sup>56</sup>And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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

## SERMON

+ HYMN OF THE DAY      *“SAVIOR LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US”*      ELW 789

## +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.**

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\*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

## **+PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Growing in faith and discipleship, we give thanks for God's merciful compassion as we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

God, you are our cornerstone, giving your people a strong foundation of faith. Help us to seek meaningful change in the world, and lead us to places of rest where you renew us for mission. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

God, you are our shepherd, leading us to green pastures and still waters for our use and pleasure. Renew the face of the earth. Guard the land and seas, the mountains and valleys, cultivated farmland and untamed wilderness. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

God, you are our righteousness, proclaiming peace to those who are far off and to those who are near. Remove hostility that divides nations. Make us no longer strangers or aliens but fellow citizens with all your saints. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

God, you are our compassion, bringing rest to all who seek treatments and diagnoses and are left without answers or energy. Restore the aching souls and bodies of those who seek comfort (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

God, you are our creativity, creating joy and purpose through all artists in the church: composers, writers, visual artists, musicians, poets, and dancers. Open our hearts to experience your truth in new and beautiful ways through their work. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

God, you are our future, leading us through the valley of the shadow of death and preparing a table for us with all of your saints (*especially Mary Magdalene*). Let your goodness and mercy follow us until we dwell in your house forever. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, we lift to you these prayers and the prayers of our hearts, trusting in your everlasting love and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## OFFERING

### OFFERTORY

### *"PASTORALE"*

D. WOOD

## Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

*Offering Song*

Let 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 sown, that we may be  
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -  
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

### + OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Merciful God,

C as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. 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.

### + BENEDICTION

May God, whose power in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

+ SENDING HYMN      *“CHRIST IS MADE THE SURE FOUNDATION”*      ELW 645

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

*“OLD HUNDREDTH”*

*J.C. BACH*

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Barb Henderson to the Air Conditioning Fund in memory of Sue Strasser's brother and John Strasser's brother-in-law, Rick Siko.

**Thank you to Kathy Howells for supplying today.**

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Music Director  
Organist

Nancy Flinger  
Jean Brunot

**SERVING TODAY:**

10:30

Worship Assistant	Open
Lector	Shelley Cottrill
Acolyte	Riley Dunn
Greeters	Bill & Janet Ambrose
Ushers	Joe Cottrill & Ken Hill
Altar Guild	Shelley Cottrill
Counters	Sue Strasser & Barb Henderson

**CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF July 22 - 29, 2018**

Sunday	10:30 am.	Holy Communion
Tuesday	9:00 am.	Brunot - Sanctuary
	10:30 am.	Chat-n-Sew
Friday	9:00 am. – 3:00 pm.	Bridge Club
	6:00 pm.	Crafters Guild
Saturday	5:30 pm.	Holy Communion
Sunday	10:30 am.	Holy Communion

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to include something in the bulletin, please have it to the church office by Wednesday before 12:00 pm. The bulletin is run Wednesday afternoons and folded first thing Thursday Morning. Thank you.

### **Capital Fund Drive**

The congregation's Capital Fund Drive is continuing. Our immediate goal is to raise \$16,200 so we can pay for the air conditioning. So far we have raised \$2,284.00 towards the A-C. Green envelopes marked Building Fund are in the church pews to be used for this purpose. (The blue envelopes for Long Range Initiative will remain in the pews as well as white envelopes for regular offering if you need one.) Please do not confuse the three and please support your church with your continued giving.

#### **GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 2018**

Show: Noon - 4 pm

Registration: 10 am - 12 noon

Awards: 3 pm

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**PROCEEDS BENEFIT TRI-CITY MEALS ON WHEELS**

*Donations welcome. For more information, to donate or help with registration, please call 724-689-9677 or e-mail [baskey6306@yahoo.com](mailto:baskey6306@yahoo.com)*

The Car Show is in need of Auction Baskets. If you know of anyone or you yourself would like to donate a basket of goodies, please contact Gail Brown at 724-396-1648. ALL proceeds benefit Tri-City Meals on Wheels.

**BAKE SALE**

A special thank you to all our wonderful donors who contributed baked goods for our last two events; the Chicken Barbecue and Family Fun Night. We are in need of your help once again for our Meals on Wheels Car Show on August 4th. Please have your baked goods here no later than 10:30 am that Saturday morning. A sign-up sheet is in the Commons Area. Last year our baked goods alone raised nearly \$400 for Meals on Wheels. Let's do that again and more this year.