



*Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd*  
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."*

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*The Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Of the Good Shepherd  
501 Fairfield Drive  
Greensburg, PA 15601*

*August 9, 2015*

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.

**ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS** are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Children may come forward for a blessing. During communion, we offer wine and grape juice, if you would like to receive grape juice do not bring a cup, it will be provided by the Worship Assistant.

Our congregation's Stephen Ministry equips gifted lay people to provide confidential, one-to-one Christian Care to individuals in our congregation who are experiencing difficulties in their lives and extends the care that Pastor Frank continues to provide.

If you could benefit from the confidential, one-to-one care and support of a Stephen Minister, please speak to Pastor Frank. Or you may refer to the Stephen Ministry flyers and cards available in the pew racks.

Please take a moment to fill out a yellow RCR card located in the pews. Please place completed cards in the offering plate.

When you see the following symbol "+", please stand.

Service of the Word and Sacrament

August 9, 2015

“Time after Pentecost”

10:30 am.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

**“BREAD OF THE WORLD IN MERCY BROKEN” M. BARTLETT**

**+ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the creator of wind and rain. Field and ocean, the bread of life coming down from above, the power at work within us and this world.

**Amen.**

Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin.

God and Father of all,

**We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed. We have thought better of ourselves than others. We have told lies, said hurtful things, acted in ways we wish we could take back, and looked the other way when action is needed. In your mercy, O God, forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior.**

**Amen**

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything has become new! In Christ, you are a new creation; your sins are taken away and you are made new. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. **Amen.**

**+ GATHERING HYMN**

**“GOD IS HERE”**

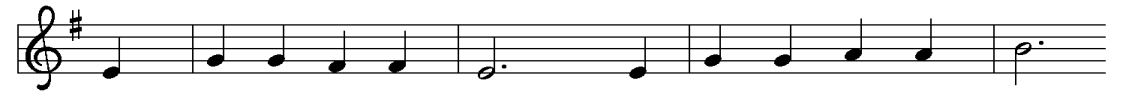
**ELW 526**

**+ 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!

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**+ HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Glory Be to God in Heaven**



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!

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:4-8

<sup>4</sup> [Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors."<sup>5</sup> Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat."<sup>6</sup> He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again.<sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you."<sup>8</sup> He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM: Psalm 34:1-8 (Read Responsively)

<sup>1</sup> I will bless the LORD | at all times;  
the praise of God shall ever be | in my mouth.

<sup>2</sup> **I will glory | in the LORD;**  
**let the lowly hear | and rejoice.**

<sup>3</sup> Proclaim with me the greatness | of the LORD;  
let us exalt God's | name together.

<sup>4</sup> **I sought the LORD, who | answered me**  
**and delivered me from | all my terrors. R**

<sup>5</sup> Look upon the LORD | and be radiant,  
and let not your faces | be ashamed.

<sup>6</sup> **I called in my affliction, and | the LORD heard me**  
**and saved me from | all my troubles.**

<sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear the LORD  
and de- | livers them.

<sup>8</sup> **Taste and see that the | LORD is good;**  
**happy are they who take ref- | uge in God! R**

## SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2

<sup>25</sup> So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. <sup>26</sup> Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup> and do not make room for the devil. <sup>28</sup> Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. <sup>29</sup> Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup> And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup> Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, <sup>32</sup> and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. <sup>5:1</sup> Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, <sup>2</sup> and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation



## **GOSPEL: John 6:35, 41-51**

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

### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>35</sup> Jesus said to [the crowd,] “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. <sup>41</sup> Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” <sup>42</sup> They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven’?” <sup>43</sup> Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. <sup>44</sup> No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. <sup>45</sup> It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. <sup>46</sup> Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup> Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup> I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup> Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup> This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup> I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The gospel of the Lord.

### **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“O LIVING BREAD FROM HEAVEN”*

**ELW 542**

### **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

Gathered by the Holy Spirit and fed by the word, we come together as the people of God to pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

O God, build up your church throughout the world. Teach it to share the living bread from heaven that you provide so that all are fed. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Send rain and sun in their season so that fields of grain and fields of flowers thrive. Provide clean water for people and animals alike. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Draw leaders away from bitterness and into your ways of kindness and mercy. Replace blame and malice with forgiveness and justice. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Sustain all whose journey feels too hard to bear. Restore the hope of all who despair. Comfort those who are poor, oppressed, persecuted, or homeless. Heal the sick and comfort the grieving (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Bless those who prepare the bread and wine for our worship, communion servers, and those who carry from this assembly the bread of life and cup of salvation to those who are *sick/homebound/imprisoned*. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Keep us in communion with our ancestors in the faith until we are raised up on the last day and join them at the table of the Lamb. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## OFFERING

### OFFERTORY

*“JESUS, THOU ART MINE”*

*J.S. BACH*

### 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.

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### + OFFERTORY PRAYER

A God of mercy and grace,  
C **the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.**

## + GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

A Lift up your hearts.  
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

A Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

### Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.  
You are most holy,  
and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish  
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world  
to fulfill for us your holy will  
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus 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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

### Christ Has Died



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,  
 his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,  
 and the promise of his coming again,  
 we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,  
 not as we ought but as we are able;  
 we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving  
 and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,  
 and these your own gifts of bread and wine,  
 so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ  
 may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,  
 and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,  
 may be formed to live as your holy people  
 and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
 be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

**Amen**



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### 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.**

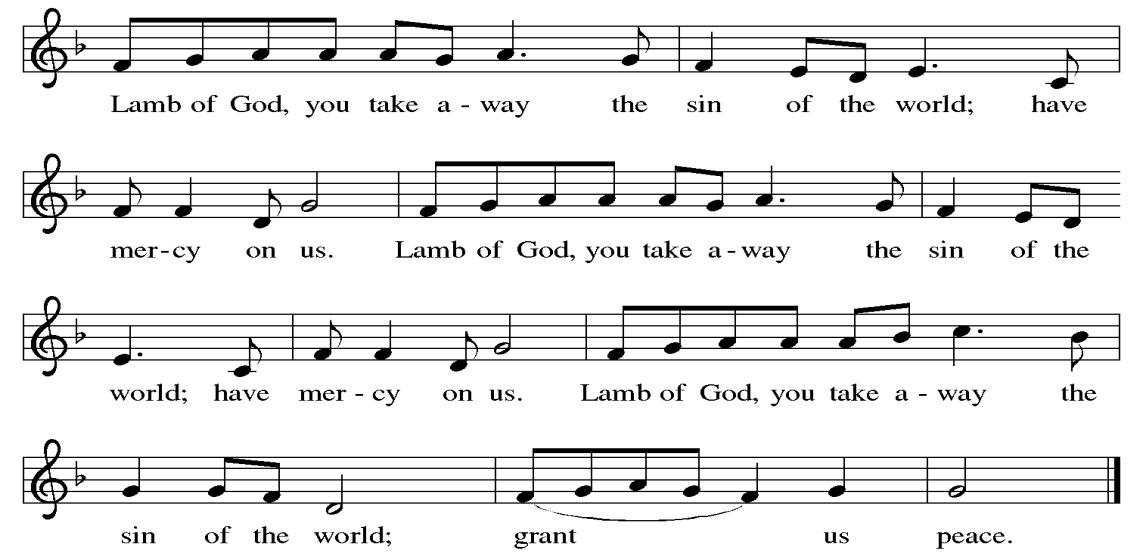
**For thine is the kingdom,  
 and the power, and the glory,  
 forever and ever. Amen.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus said, "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

### DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

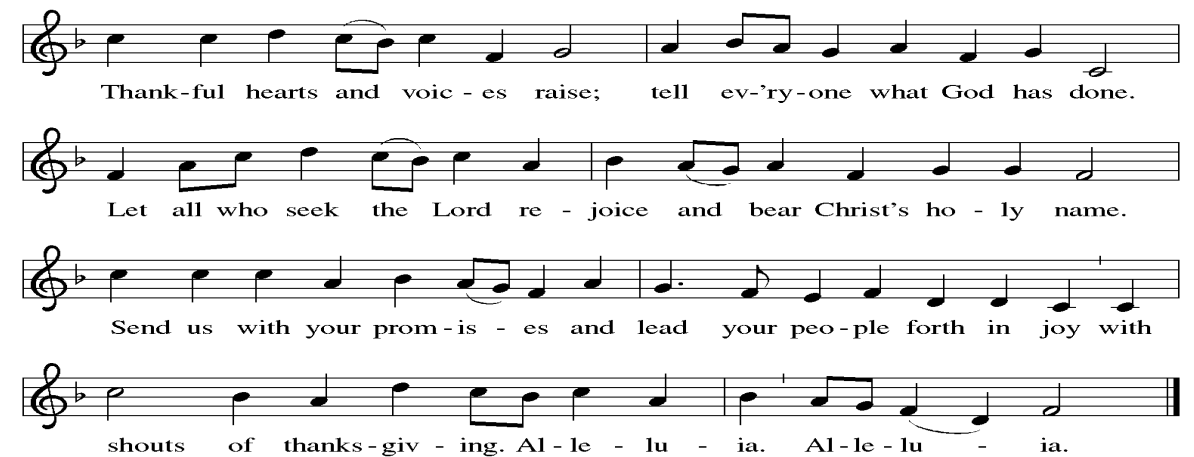
*During the distribution the congregation and choir shall join in singing **Lamb of God***



*Please continue singing during distribution of communion the following hymns: ELW 611, 491, 494.*

### + POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

#### Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



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**+ POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Wise and generous God,  
We thank you that at this holy table you have fed us again with the food of everlasting life.  
Send us with your blessing to seek the good of our neighbor and call others to your feast;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**+ BENEDICTION**

Almighty and merciful God, Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you this  
day and forevermore. **Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**      *“GO MY CHILDREN WITH MY BLESSING”*      **ELW 543**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*“VERSO IN G MINOR”*      **D. ZIPOLI**

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**ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the honor and glory of God by Ed & Judy Monchak in  
honor of their 61<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

**A LIVING GIFT** has been designated by:

Sally Hall to Paige’s Playroom at Hurley Medical Center, Flint, MI in loving memory of her  
husband, Richard on the anniversary of his birthday today.

<b>SERVING TODAY:</b>	10:30
Worship Assistant	Open
Lector	Jennifer Connor
Acolyte	Zach Petrozza
Crucifer	Abigail Fox
Greeters	Jim & Lisa Hook
Ushers	Don Bridges & Ken Hill
Altar Guild	Lisa Hook
Counters	Bill Benton & Jim Stewart



CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF August 9-16, 2015

Sunday	10:30 am.	Holy Communion
Tuesday	10:00 am. – 12:00 pm.	Chat-n-Sew
	1:00 pm.	Parkinson's Support Group
	7:00 pm.	Mutual Ministry
Wednesday	9:00 am.	Kindermusik
	6:00 pm.	Hand Chimes
Friday	10:00 am. – 3:00 pm.	Bridge Club
Saturday	5:30 pm.	Holy Communion
Sunday	10:30 am.	Holy Communion
	4:00 pm.	Coppetti

***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

**Please be considerate to those around you and observe silence during the prelude and service. This time is designed for personal meditation.**

A Call for Help...Bonnie Altman is moving and needs some help packing boxes. If you are able to give an hour here or there, please give Bonnie a call (724)2005-6293.

The Finance Committee has directed the Financial Secretary to make available a 6 month statement of the "Estimate of Giving" for 2015. Statements are available. E-mails were sent under Good Shepherd Lutheran Church to those whose e-mail we had available. Printed statements for those without e-mail will be available in the commons area until August 15<sup>th</sup>. We will not be mailing the statements. Any questions contact Sally Hall, Financial Secretary.



Annual Golf Outing  
 August 16, 2015  
 Shotgun start 2:00 pm.  
 Glengary Golf Course

It is not too late to sign up. Call Harry Harbaugh 724-837-8361