



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

May 22, 2016

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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Music Director

Nancy Flinner

Organist

Jean Brunot

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.

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.

Service of the Word and Sacrament
May 22, 2016
“Time after Pentecost”
8:30 & 10:30 am.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE (Silent Meditation Time)

“ARIA”

G. F. HANDEL

+ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Let us come into the light, the revealing and healing light of God.

God of grace and glory,

You have brought us through the night of sin into the light of Jesus’ resurrection. Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin. Make us alive in Christ, O God. Make us new as you make all things new. Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin, renew us in grace, and restore us to living in your holiness, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen

Rejoice with all creation around God’s throne! The light of risen Christ puts to flight all evil deeds, washes away sin, restores innocence to the fallen, casts out hate, brings peace, and humbles earthly pride. Jesus Christ loves you and † frees you from your sins by his blood. To him be glory and dominion forever and ever!

Amen.

+ GATHERING HYMN

“COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING”

ELW 408

+ 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.

+ HYMN OF PRAISE (WOMEN VERSES 1 & 3, MEN VERSES 2 & 4)

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb




who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

- ¹Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice?
²On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;
³beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
⁴“To you, O people, I call,

and my cry is to all that live.

²²The LORD created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago.

²³Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.

²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth—

²⁶when he had not yet made earth and fields,
or the world's first bits of soil.

²⁷When he established the heavens, I was there,
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,

²⁸when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,

²⁹when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,

³⁰then I was beside him, like a master worker;
and I was daily his delight,
rejoicing before him always,

³¹rejoicing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 8



Your glo - ry is chant - ed a - bove the heav - ens.

¹O | LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!—

²**you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of in- | fants and children;**

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe | and avenger. R

³When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,

⁴**what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of them,
human beings that you should | care for them? R**

⁵Yet you have made them little less | than divine;
with glory and hon- | or you crown them.

⁶**You have made them rule over the works | of your hands;
you have put all things un- | der their feet:**

⁷all | flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts | of the field,

⁸**the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.**

⁹O | LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in | all the earth! **R**

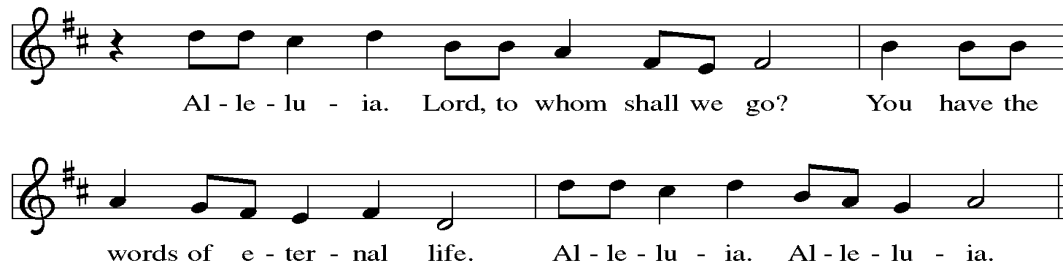
SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-5

¹Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: John 16:12-15

The holy gospel according to St. _____, the _____ chapter.



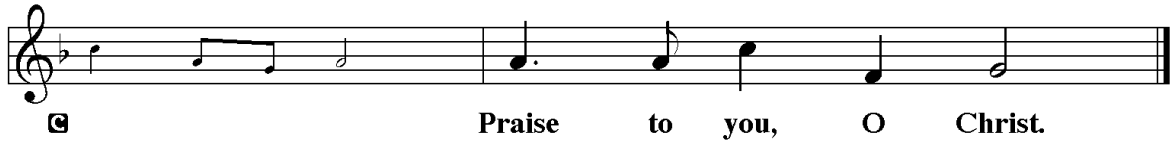
Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ^{12c}I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.

¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak

on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

The gospel of the Lord



SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”

ELW 413

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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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic 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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing in the triune God, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

O Lord our sovereign, your name is majestic in all the earth. Enliven your church by your Spirit to live into the name bestowed on us in baptism. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Holy Wisdom, we praise and thank you for the mountains and hills, the earth and fields, the skies above, the fountains of the deep, and your delight in the human race. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Peace-bringing God, the nations of the world are ever and always dependent on the peace that only you give. Guide the leaders of nations to make choices that lead to peace. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Spirit of truth, heal us, reconcile us, break the bonds of the oppressed, give sanctuary to refugees, end the exile of those who are marginalized, and pour your love into all hearts. Especially we pray for Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Father of Jesus, keep us mindful of how we use the names of others. Keep us from bearing false witness, and help us honor your name above all others. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

O God, you have called the saints your own. Gather us, with them, into your kingdom, in the promise of life forever with you. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY (8:30)

“SICILIANO”

G. BLAKE

ANTHEM (10:30)

“SOON AND VERY SOON”

SENIOR CHOIR

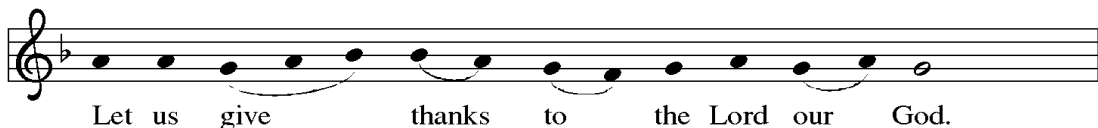
Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful *Offering Song*

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 Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth.
C **Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

+ GREAT THANKSGIVING



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:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness
to the land of milk and honey.
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.
With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.
Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us. Send us forth,
burning with justice, peace, and love.
Come, Holy Spirit.

With *name/s and* your holy ones of all times and places,
with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity,
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.**

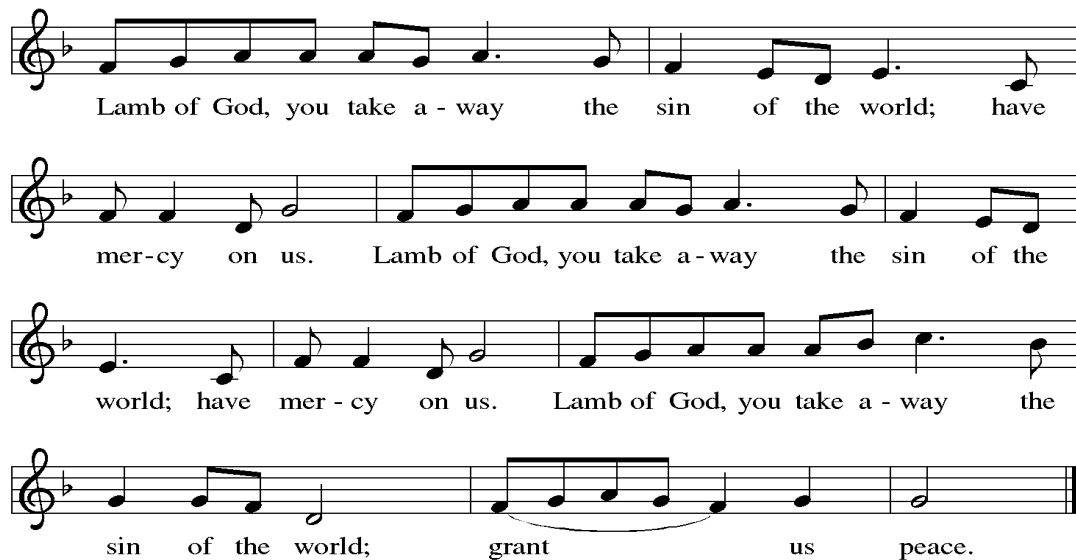
**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The table of life is spread before you. Feast on the goodness and mercy of God.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

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



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please continue singing during distribution of communion the following hymns: ELW 412, 415, 518.

+ POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.
Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with
shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

+ POST COMMUNION PRAYER

We give you thanks, O God, that you make your home with us, bringing heaven to earth in this holy meal. Fill us with your Spirit as we go from here, that we may wipe away tears, tend to those in mourning and pain, seek the healing of the nations, and bring to earth the presence of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

+ BENEDICTION

The blessing of the Lord God Almighty, the blessing of † Christ, the Lamb who was slain, and the blessing of the Holy Spirit of truth be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN *“HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE YOUR NAME”* **ELW 414**

DISMISSAL

Alleluia. Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

POSTLUDE

“HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE THY NAME” **P. MANZ**

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SERVING TODAY:	8:30	10:30
Worship Assistant	Open	Open
Lector	Jennifer Connor	Jacob Podolinski
Acolyte	Riley Dunn	Drezden Gesalman
Crucifer	XXX	Mackenzie Halfhill
Greeters	Open	Howard & Mary Ann McMurtrie
Ushers	Open	Chuck & Brady Luffy
Altar Guild	Open	Mina Rutter
Counters		Jack Gesalman & Bill Benton

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF May 22 - 29, 2016

Sunday	8:30 am.	Holy Communion
	9:30 am.	Coffee Hour
	10:30 am.	Holy Communion
	Following 10:30 service	Congregational Meeting
		CROP WALK
	2:00 pm.	Cub Scout Graduation
Monday	5:00 pm. – 6:30 pm.	Kindermusik
	7:00 pm.	VBS Meeting
Tuesday	9:00 am.	Brunot – Sanctuary
	10:00 am. – 2:00 pm.	Chat-n-Sew
	5:00 pm. – 7:00 pm.	Kindermusik
Wednesday		NEWSLETTER FOLDING
	9:30 am.	Kindermusik
	7:00 pm.	Troop 416
	7:00 pm.	Bible Study
Thursday	6:00 pm.	Dryridge Garden Club
Friday	10:00 am. – 3:00 pm.	Bridge Club
	6:00 pm.	Wedding Rehearsal
Saturday	9:00 am. – 5:00 pm.	Wedding

	5:30 pm.	Holy Communion
Sunday	8:30 am.	Holy Communion
	9:30 am.	Coffee Hour
	10:30 am.	Holy Communion
Monday	Office Closed	

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.



The Blood Drive for June 8th has been cancelled. Please watch for rescheduling information.

SYNOD ASSEMBLY – June 17 & 18 at California University. Good Shepherd is able to send two delegates. See Pastor Frank or call the church office if you are interested.

MEALS ON WHEELS is looking for drivers and/or partners to drivers for meal delivery. Contact Alice Podolinski if interested (724)858-9382.

CROP WALK

Sponsor the Good Shepherd Team – Sign up in the Commons area. The Greensburg area CROP Walk to raise money for the local food bank has been scheduled for Sunday May 22, 2016, at Twin Lakes Park, beginning at 2:00 P.M. (Registration begins at 1:30 at Pavilion #6). We are looking for volunteers to participate in the walk and solicit pledges/contributions that will go to Church World Services programs to combat hunger around the world and to the Westmoreland County Food Bank.

There is a lot of weeding to be done on the Good Shepherd grounds. Any help would be appreciated. No appointment necessary. The weeds will be waiting for you!

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

May 22, 2016
Following the 10:30 service

General Discussion

Motions to be made on the following topics:

- 1. Purchase/Lease of New Copy Machine*
- 2. Summer Bulletin*
- 3. Long Range Planning – Fund Drive & New Hire*