

*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

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Organist

Jean Brunot

Trumpet

Greg Bittner

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.

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

*October 26, 2014*

Service of the Word and Sacrament  
October 26, 2014  
“Reformation Sunday”  
8:30 & 10:30 am.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE (Silent Meditation Time)**

**“BUILT ON A ROCK”**

**ORGAN & TRUMPET**

**+ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,  
The Sovereign over all the earth, the Wisdom from on high, our merciful Judge and Savior.  
**Amen.**

Let us boldly approach the throne of grace, trusting in God’s mercy and love.

Generous and faithful God,

**We confess to you all the ways, known and unknown, that we reject and undermine your steadfast love. Though you made us your people, we treat others with suspicion. Though you forgave our debts, we collect without mercy. Yet we are quick to pass judgment on others. Have mercy on us, O God, and remember your promise to us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

**Amen**

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever. Through the living Word, +Jesus Christ, God forgives your every debt, your every sin, and gives you a new heart and a new spirit.

**Amen.**

**+ GATHERING HYMN**

**“THE CHURCH OF CHRIST IN EVERY AGE”**


**ELW 729**

**+ 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**



In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



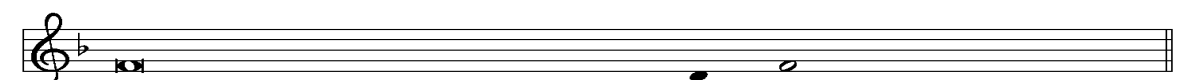
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



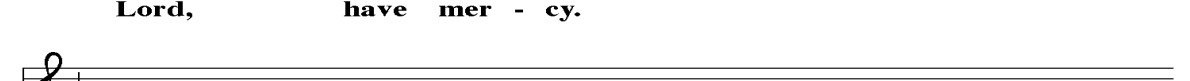
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



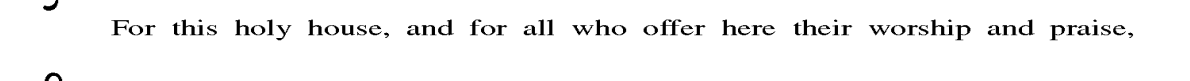
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



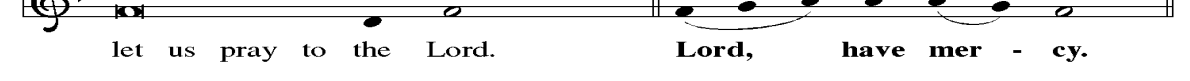
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

+ HYMN OF PRAISE

## Glory to God

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31–34

<sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM: Psalm 46

<sup>1</sup>God is our ref-<sup>1</sup>uge and strength,  
a very present<sup>1</sup> help in trouble.

<sup>2</sup>**Therefore we will not fear, though the<sup>1</sup> earth be moved,  
and though the mountains shake in the depths<sup>1</sup> of the sea;**



## SERMON

### HYMN OF THE DAY

*“RISE, O SUN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS”*

ELW 657

### 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;**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit**

**he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,**

**and was made man.**

**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.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**

**He 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

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

Make us free to be the church in the world, God of grace. Form our mission and ministry in ways that truly and tangibly give new life, hope, and grace in abundance. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Make us free to be one with your creation, God of grace. Fill us with your Spirit and lead us to find better ways to honor what you have given us. Help us to abandon wasteful habits. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Make us free to be brothers and sisters, God of grace. Shatter the distinctions that create hatred and fear. Open our eyes to see one another as people who bear the image and likeness of Christ. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Make us free to be whole and healthy persons, God of grace. Give respite to caregivers, infuse medical workers with skill, inspire scientists to find cures, and make us well in mind, body, and soul (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Make us free to be people of purpose, God of grace. Reform apathy into action, bless us with a determination to let go of those things that keep us stagnant, and drive us to witness to the gospel. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Make us free to be still and know you, God of grace. Join our voices with the saints (*especially Philipp Nicolai, Johann Heermann, Paul Gerhardt, and the men and women of the Reformation*) who now sing in one heavenly choir. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Trusting in your mercy and goodness, we bring before you these prayers and whatever else you see that we need, in the name of the one who sets us free, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**OFFERING**

**ANTHEM "A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD" SENIOR CHOIR**

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.

**+ GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
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:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. 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.

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:  
Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.  
You have filled all creation with light and life;  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age:  
the promise to Israel,  
the rescue from Egypt,  
the gift of the promised land,  
the words of the prophets;  
and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son,  
who proclaimed the good news in word and deed  
and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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 is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup  
we remember the life our Lord offered for us.  
And, believing the witness of his resurrection,  
we await his coming in power  
to share with us the great and promised feast.  
**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,  
that we who share in Christ's body and blood  
may live to the praise of your glory  
and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.  
**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Join our prayers with those of your servants  
of every time and every place,  
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest  
until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father,  
now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

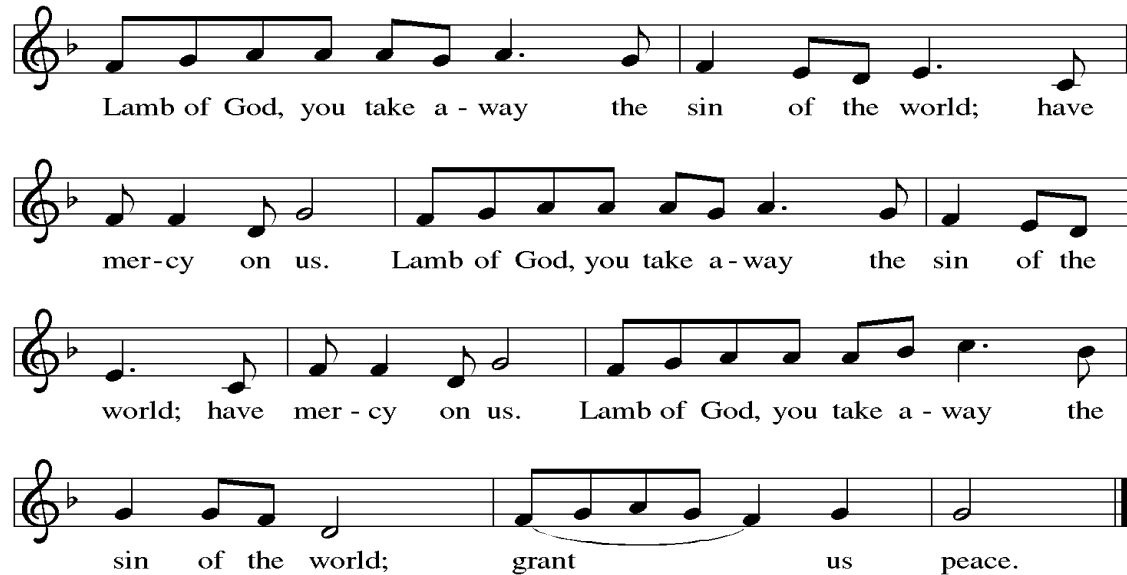
**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

The reign of God is at hand, Come, taste the joy prepared for you.

## DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

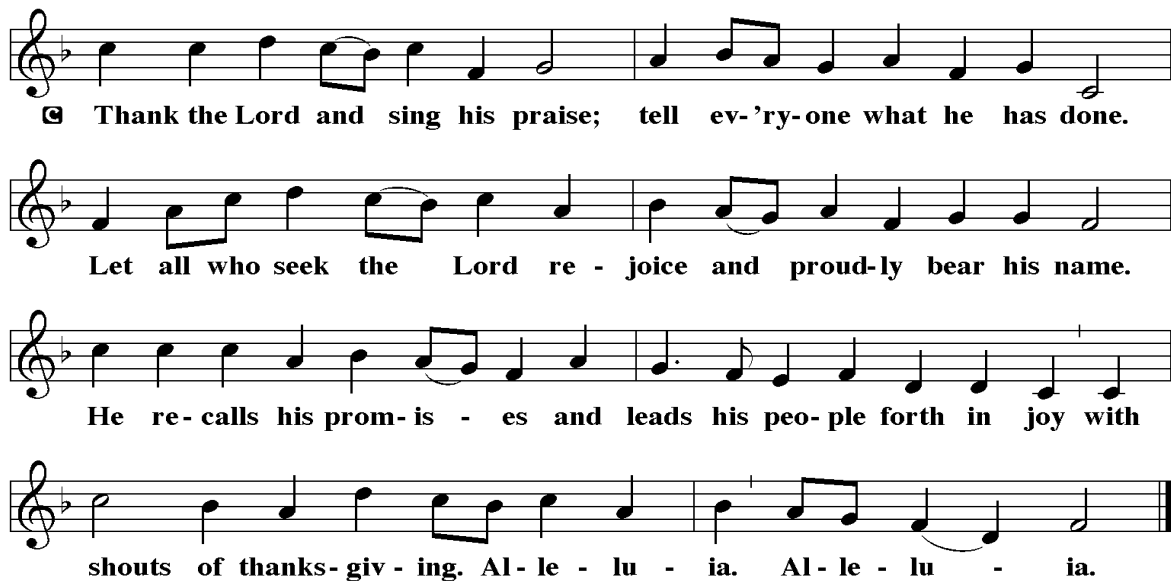
During the distribution the congregation and choir shall join in singing *Lamb of God*



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 591, 645, 627, 775.

## + POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear his name.  
He re- calls his prom- is - es and leads his peo- ple forth in joy with  
shouts of thanks- giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## + POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

O God, the host at every meal, at this table you spread out a feast for all peoples, the bread of life and the cup of salvation. Send us from this banquet to invite others into these good things, to let justice roll down like waters, and to care for the least of our sisters and brother; through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and our Savior.

**Amen.**

## + BENEDICTION

The blessing of Almighty God, the Father of glory, + Jesus Christ our peace, and the Spirit of truth, be upon you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

*“A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD”*

ELW 504

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*“GOD IS OUR HOPE AND STRENGTH”*

G. BLAKE

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**Senior Bell** practice has been changed to Sunday evenings at 7:00 pm.! Any questions, contact Nancy Flinner.

## CHRISTMAS CHOIR

Christmas Choir began on Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Practice will be 7:00 pm. until 7:45 pm. All are welcome (especially altos) to join us. The concert is Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at the 10:30 service.

## ALL SAINTS WEEKEND

Next weekend is All Saints Weekend. We will honor family and friends that have passed away in the last year with the tolling of bells and lighting of candles. There is a list posted in the commons area. Please add your loved one.

## VETERAN'S DAY SERVICE

The Veterans Day service is Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at the 10:30 service. Please sign up your veterans on the sheet in the hallway if you have not done so in previous years.

There is a beautiful cradle that was used for the Advent Play last year. We are looking for its home. Did anyone lend it to the church? Call the church office.

MEALS ON WHEELS is looking for a driver that would be available to deliver on Mondays. Contact the church office (724)834-1940.

There is a need for greeters at the 8:30 & 10:30 service. If you are interested in greeting, please contact Linda Harbaugh at 724-837-8361.

### Important Dates

October 26

November 1 & 2

November 8

November 9

November 15

November 22 & 23

CROP Walk

All Saints Weekend

Boy Scout/Church Clean up

Veteran's Day Service (10:30)

Food Drive

Harvest Home Weekend

Christ the King Weekend

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the honor and glory of God by Marion Bendl in loving memory of Husband Dick Bendl and good friend, Pauline Yenkala Bowman.

**A LIVING GIFT** has been designated by Susan Rhome to Meals on Wheels in honor of Pat Gatons birthday.

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<b>SERVING TODAY:</b>	8:30	10:30
Worship Assistant	Open	Open
Lector	Madison Ryan	Charles Luffy
Acolyte	Peyton Ryan	Abby Podolinski
Crucifer	XXX	XXX
Torchbearers	XXX	XXX
Greeters	Open	Chuck & Fran Ober
Ushers	Open	Chuck & Brady Luffy
Altar Guild	Sue Strasser	Lisa Hook
Counters		Janet Ambrose & Shelley Cottrill

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF October 26 – November 2, 2014

Today is “Air Condition” Sunday

Sunday	8:30 am.	Holy Communion
	9:30 am.	Sunday School
	9:30 am. – 10:20 am.	Fellowship Coffee
	10:30 am.	Holy Communion
	1:30 pm.	CROP Walk Registration at Lynch Field
	6:30 pm.	6 – 12 Youth Group
	7:00 pm.	Bell Practice
Monday	6:30 pm.	Webelos I
Tuesday	9:00 am. – 12:00 pm.	Brunot in Sanctuary
	10:00 am. – 2:00 pm.	Chat-n-Sew
	1:30 pm.	Parkinson’s Support Group
	3:00 pm.	Kindermusik
Wednesday	9:30 am.	Kindermusik
	9:30 am.	NEWSLETTER FOLDING
	10:00 am.	Bible Study
	6:30 pm.	Brownies
	7:00 pm.	Bible Study
Thursday		RHP Halloween Party
	7:00 pm.	Christmas Choir
	7:45 pm.	Choir Practice
Friday		RHP Halloween Party
	12:00 pm. – 4:00 pm.	Bridge Club
	5:00 pm.	Stynchula
Saturday	8:00 am.	Stynchula
	8:30 am.	Pack 416 Popcorn Pick up
	5:30 pm.	Holy Communion
Sunday	8:30 am.	Holy Communion
	9:30 am.	Sunday School
	9:30 am. – 10:20 am.	Fellowship Coffee
	10:30 am.	Holy Communion
	4:30 pm.	Troop 416 Patrol
	5:30 pm.	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Pre-Confirmation
	6:00 pm.	Troop 416 Committee
	6:00 pm.	Pack 416 Committee
	6:30 pm.	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation

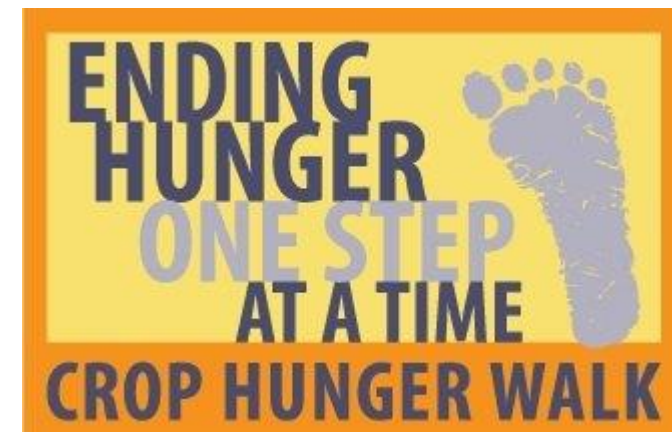
# Youth Group

Grades 6 – 12

Tonight  
October 26, 2014

6:30 pm.

We will be planning for the Veteran’s Day Service. Attendance is important.



1:30 pm Registration at Lynch Field

Sponsor the youth or come walk with them. Sponsor sheet is in the commons area.