

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

A Reconciling in Christ Congregation

... **We Are God's People and the Sheep of God's Pasture** ...

Psalm 100:3

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OUTDOOR PRAYER AND HOLY COMMUNION

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*Because the safety of all is vitally important, please remain physically distanced. Please wear a mask throughout the service other than when you are partaking of the communion elements at your seat. **Congregational responses are in bold.** Please offer spoken responses quietly.*

Our gathering this morning is a continuation of the recorded worship offered on YouTube and as a podcast, you can access the service at [goodshepherdddecorah.org](https://www.goodshepherdddecorah.org)

PRAYER BELI

GREETING: The grace of Christ Jesus, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And also with you.**

BLESSING FOR VICAR KATHRYN

...It is your opportunity as members of this congregation to accept this collaborative student as a minister within our congregation and community, to support Vicar Kathryn in her studies, to invite and welcome her into life-giving relationships in the name of Jesus, and in every way strengthen and encourage her in formation for ministry. Now I ask you, will you receive this servant of God as a co-laborer in the Gospel of Christ and uphold and support Kathryn in every way? **Yes, with God's help!**

Almighty God, by whose call we are at work, bless and empower us in our collaborative ministry together. Let us pray together: **Gracious God, we ask you to bless Luther College Ministries and Good Shepherd, and to offer your continual help to those who labor in it in your love and service; grant us your spirit, power and wisdom, steadfastness of faith, and hope for all good things; through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

PEACE: The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you**

You are invited to share peace by bowing towards others around you.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also 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...we praise your name and join in proclaiming:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God...with every breath. **We praise you, O God.**

Generations bless your faithfulness... into the future. **We bless you, O God.**

We give you thanks for your dear Son...with us now. **We thank you, O God.**

In the night in which he was betrayed...

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end,
we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit...without end. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

RESPONSE: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Grant us peace.

At this time, you are invited to come forward in household groups. As you pick up individually wrapped Holy Communion elements Pastor Amy will say, "The Body of Christ given for you," and "The Blood of Christ shed for you." Please return to your seating area before removing your masks to partake of communion. Empty glasses and wrapping should be placed in the garbage can on your way out of worship.

TABLE BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. **Gracious God, we give you thanks that you have fed us with your goodness and united us into your body. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

PRAYER BELL

DISMISSAL: Go in peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**

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You are welcome to share in conversation and community following worship. Please continue to wear a mask and practice physical distancing.

ALL ARE WELCOME AT GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH. God makes no exceptions. In the spirit of Jesus Christ, we offer trust and respect to all, including those who may experience alienation, distrust, or rejection. We rely on the healing, unconditional love of God to shape our community in the name of the Good Shepherd. In keeping with our welcome, Good Shepherd is a *Reconciling in Christ* congregation, affirming our welcome to gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and queer identifying persons to participate fully in the life of our congregation. We are an *AMMPARO Welcoming Congregation* - Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities.

PRAYER LIST

Good Shepherd Family: Wanda and Dale Rueber on the death of Wanda's cousin Eugene Buhr, the family of Tabita Green, Janet Gall, the Blair family, Don Berg, Jutta Anderson, Mary Fritz, all residents and staff at Aase Haugen, Eastern Star, Wellington Place, Mosaic Homes, Bartels Lutheran Retirement Community, and those preparing for public ministry: Daniel Grainger, Amalia Vagts, Menzi Nkambule, Joseph Tiegen, Angie Sadler and Kathryn Thompson

Relatives and Friends: Sarah Jane and Scottie Sinclair (Jane Jakoubek's daughter and son-in-law), Chris Knox (friend of Anna Norris), Jacob Sheridan (Bev Sheridan's grandson), Emma, Evan, Lori and Jason (daughter and family of Linda Wolfs), Lyndi Buckingham-Schutt and Andrew Schutt (sister and brother-in-law of Megan Buckingham on the death of their daughter Etta Edith Schutt), Joanne Kramer (mother of Kerry Johnson), Barb Post (friend of the congregation), Katherine Hollander (Liz Fritz's sister), Justin, a friend of Brooke Joyce, Jared Rude (relative of Al Anderson and friend to many), Freyja Peterson, David Raney (father of Dan Raney), Tanner Kelm (cousin of Nathan and Abby Larson), Adam Thompson (brother of Kathryn Thompson), Donna Struve (mother of Jonathon Struve), Cinda Levik (mother of K J Rebarcak), Marian Brynsaas (sister of LaVerne Ramsey), Mary Beth & Bayo Oyebade and the Mashiah Foundation in Jos, Nigeria, and our Companion Synod in Hungary.