GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America ... We Are God's People and the Sheep of God's Pasture ... Psalm 100:3



June 18th

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 partner congregation, affirming our welcome to persons of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, and our commitment to anti-racism work so that all may participate fully in the life of our congregation. We are an AMMPARO Welcoming Congregation - Accompanying Migrant

Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities.

During this Pride month, the rainbow drape on the cross is another sign of welcome.

Welcome guests! There is more information for you on the back of the bulletin. ORDER OF WORSHIP

Evangelical Lutheran Worship-ELW (red book), All Creation Sings-ACS (purple book) Behold, I Make All Things New Liturgy (blue booklet)

Page numbers (p.) in front of the blue booklets, (#) in back of ELW and ACS congregational responses in **bold**; rise in body or spirit when indicated by *

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC "Swipesy" - Scott Joplin and Arthur Marshall PRAYER BELL - WELCOME – ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITANY OF LAMENT

Today as we commemorate the Emanuel Nine and remember Juneteenth, we are called to cry out against the horrors and agonies of racism. So we cry, **Have mercy**, **O God**, **have mercy on us**.

Evil besets us in our land. White Supremacy infects us, kills siblings of color, and harms all your people. And so we cry out, **Have mercy**, **O God**, **have mercy on us**. Present generations, the children whose ancestors were kidnapped and sold into slavery, those forced to labor not on their own behalf, still suffer and struggle to live in freedom while the children of colonizers, live out of "white privilege," denying the fullness of your presence in all people. And so we cry out, **Have mercy**, **O God**, **have mercy**, **O God**, **have mercy on us**.

Assaults born of greed and murder continue propping up white privilege that is institutionalized in our church and nation, preventing us from recognizing the twin evils of racism and nationalism still perpetuated among us. And so we cry out, **Have mercy**, **O God**, have mercy on us.

Open our eyes, O God, open our hearts. Open our ears, O God, open our minds. Help us to behold one another as you behold us. Help us to be more firmly rooted in the practices of the gospel—so that, when we pray, the way we live will make real the dream of your beloved community within and among us. And so we cry out, **Have mercy**, **O God**, have mercy on us.

With the help of your mercy and grace, lead us to think, believe, and change. May your gospel's transforming power by the working of the Holy Spirit be present in us, in our churches, in our nation and all the nations of the earth. May it be so. And the people said, "Amen." **Amen.**

*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-HYMN OF PRAISE: P. 2-5

*PRAYER OF THE DAY: Let us pray... Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7

¹The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed

down to the ground. ³He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "**Do as you have said**." ⁶And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." ⁷Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." ¹⁰Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. ¹¹Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. ¹²So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" ¹³The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' ¹⁴Is anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." ¹⁵But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh." ¹The LORD dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did for Sarah as he had promised. ²Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. ³Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. ⁴And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. ⁵Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. ⁶Now Sarah said, "God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me." ⁷And she said, "Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

- Word of God. Word of life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 116:1-2, 12-19

¹I love the LORD, who has ¹ heard my voice, and listened to my ¹ supplication,
²for the LORD has given ¹ ear to me whenev-¹ er I called.
¹²How shall I re-¹ pay the LORD for all the good things God has ¹ done for me?
¹³I will lift the cup ¹ of salvation and call on the name ¹ of the LORD.

¹⁴I will fulfill my vows ¹ to the LORD

in the presence of [|] all God's people.

¹⁵Precious in your | sight, O LORD,

is the death | of your servants.

¹⁶O LORD, truly I ¹ am your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me $^{\mid}$ from my bonds.

¹⁷I will offer you the sacrifice | of thanksgiving

and call upon the name | of the LORD.

¹⁸I will fulfill my vows [|] to the LORD

in the presence of ¹ all God's people,

¹⁹in the courts of ¹ the LORD's house,

in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. | Hallelujah!

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Romans 5:1-8

¹Since 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. ⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

- Word of God. Word of life. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

*HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 325 | Want Jesus to Walk with Me

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me



Text: African American spiritual Music: SOJOURNER, African American spiritual

***BLESSING OF FATHERS AND FATHER FIGURES**

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: Each petition ends: God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

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

We share peace by waving to those worshipping online or through the public access channel and then with those in the sanctuary. Bows, signs, fist bumps, handshakes, are all honored!

MEAL

OFFERTORY MUSIC "Gymnopedie" – Erik Satie ***OFFERTORY SONG:** Create in me a clean heart ... P. 8

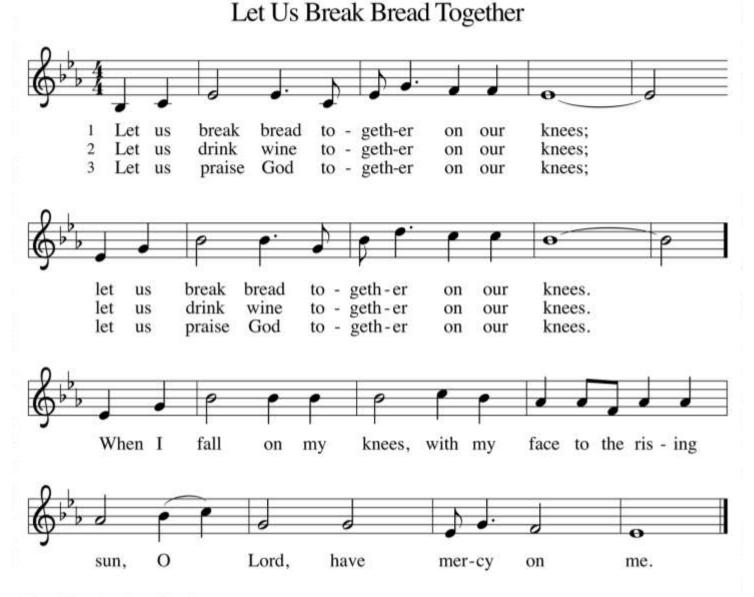
*OFFERING PRAYER: Let us pray...Amen. *GREAT THANKSGIVING P. 10 *HOLY, HOLY, HOLY P. 11

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION-THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Our Father, who art in heaven...

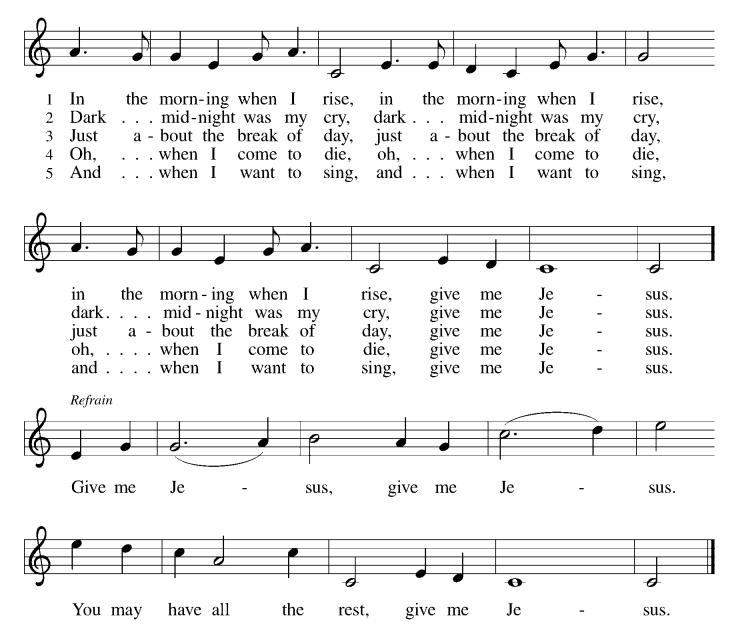
HOLY COMMUNION: All are welcome at Christ's table. Ushers will direct you out of your pew, up the aisle near parking lot and to the altar rail where you can hold out your hands to receive gluten and dairy free bread. The plate of cups will then be offered for you to select wine or grape juice. If you prefer a blessing, indicate by placing your hands in front of your heart. If you need an individual, pre-packaged serving of bread and wine, please request that of your server. Place wine/juice cups in the basket by the altar as you return to your pew.

COMMUNION HYMNS: P. 12 Lamb of God, ELW 471 Let Us Break Bread Together, ELW 770 Give Me Jesus



Text: African American spiritual Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

Give Me Jesus

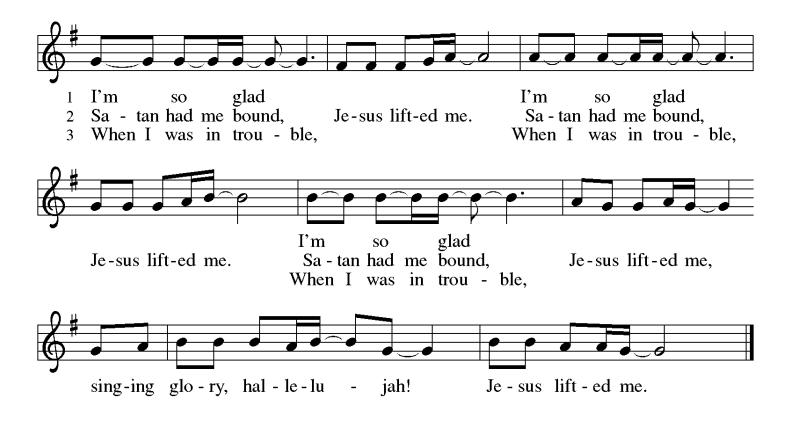


Text: African American spiritual Music: GIVE ME JESUS, African American spiritual

SENDING TABLE BLESSING - PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS *BLESSING- SENDING SONG: ELW 860 I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted me

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me



Text: African American spiritual Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

*DISMISSAL: Go in peace. Share the harvest. Thanks be to God.

PRAYER BELL – POSTLUDE "Nocturne" - Frédéric Chopin

The postlude sends us out for service in the world. Feel free to use this time in any way that helps to send you out!

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TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP AND HOSPITALITY – USHERS: John Moeller; CANTOR: Jonathon Struve; READER: Harland Nelson; ASSISTING MINISTER: Cindy Bellrichard; FELLOWSHIP: Carol Hasvold, Marty Steele, Connie Buresh, Tom Buresh; ORGANIST & PIANIST: Brooke Joyce; PREACHER & PRESIDER: Pr. Amy Zalk Larson

Thanks to Elizabeth Craft (Naomi's granddaughter) for providing music in worship today!

Music Notes: All the hymns this Sunday are African American Spirituals. The composers of these hymns were never compensated. Our Reparations Royalties commitment is one way we are acknowledging and seeking to repair this injustice.

SUMMER SOLSTICE WORSHIP SERVICE: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Come for a short service of evening prayer and readings on this longest day of the year. All are welcome! Afterwards, there will be S'mores outside over a campfire.

YOUTH & FAMILY WEDNESDAY MEET-UP: YARD GAMES: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 7:30-8:30 p.m., following Summer Solstice Worship Service. Families are invited to play some fun yard games together and make S'mores over a campfire. (Note the time change from the information in the June/July newsletter.) All are welcome! Rain Alternative: Board games in the Fellowship Hall.

RUN BY FAITH SUMMER RUN CLUB: Middle and High School youth are invited to join Kelli Gapinski, Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministry, on Thursday mornings for a Summer Run Club. All running experience welcome! Participants meet at the church at 9:00 am, share a tiny devotional, run 2-3 miles together, and come back for a healthy snack. There will be different routes throughout the summer. This will run no later than 11:00 am.

- Adult volunteers are needed for either the caboose or run leader. To volunteer, please contact Kelli at kelli@goodshepherddecorahorg

GATHERING FOR REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE: SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 10:00 a.m., Water Street Park (next to Oneota Community Food Co-op) Bring your friends, bring a sign or a song, and join arms to support each other and the reproductive rights of all women. Please feel free to let interested others know about the gathering. Call Marty Steele, member of the Good Shepherd Social Justice Team, with any questions at 563-419-6163.

PANEL ON TRANS RIGHTS: SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 4:00 p.m., First Lutheran Church. Join members of the Good Shepherd Social Justice Team in attending a Trans Rights Panel at First Lutheran, featuring a local youth and parent who organized the event to raise awareness of the effect of anti-LGBTQ+ laws on youth and their families. Representatives from One lowa, ACLU, and lowa Safe Schools will be present. Please come and learn more about how our community and we as individuals can support and encourage our siblings in Christ.

JUNE GATHER BIBLE STUDY: TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 7:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall. This summer's three part Gather Bible Study is "Salvation Now", written by Reverend Dr. Anna Madsen. All are welcome! Lindy Moeller will lead the study, with Ann Naslund providing refreshments. If you need a copy of the study, contact Bev Sheridan at sherida701@gmail.com.

HELPERS NEEDED IN THE CUTTING GARDEN: A couple of volunteers are needed to join Elizabeth in checking on and harvesting flowers from the Cutting Garden that's within Good Shepherd's fenced garden. These flowers are used for our sanctuary vases and also made available along with veggies on Sunday mornings. Scheduling and time commitment are very flexible. For additional information, contact Elizabeth: <u>elizabethkaschins@gmail.com</u> or 563-419-0764.

GOOD SHEPHERD MEMBERS IN NMP SUMMER MUSICAL: Many congregation members are involved in New Minowa Players The Hunchback of Notre Dame, a new musical based on Victor Hugo's 1831 novel. Performances are Thursday-Sunday, June 22-25 – learn more on the New Minowa Players website.

DECORAH COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY NEEDS DONATIONS OF CANNED FRUIT AND

PASTA: The Decorah Community Food Pantry welcomes donations of all varieties of canned fruit, pasta, and other shelf stable foods. These items are currently hard for the Food Pantry to obtain in quantity from the NE Iowa Food Bank. Donations can be dropped off 24-7 at 110 Railroad Street, as there are donation bins located just outside the Food Pantry door.

SUMMER BOOK DISCUSSION SERIES: Living as Disciples: A summer series of book discussions hosted by Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, First Lutheran Church, and Decorah Lutheran Church. There will be two more opportunities to discuss each book in community. You can come to either discussion (or both!)

- Dancing in the Darkness: Spiritual Lessons for Thriving in Turbulent Times by Rev. Dr. Otis Moss III. Wed. July 19, 7pm @ Pulpit Rock Brewery and/or Thurs. July 20, 10:30am @ The Landing
- Belonging: 5 Keys to Unlocking Your Potential as a Disciple by Rev. Dr. Karoloine Lewis Wed. Aug 16, 7pm @ Dixie's Biergarten and/or Thurs. Aug. 17, 10:30am @ The Landing

YOUTH SERVICE TRIP: Youth finishing grades 6 and up are invited on a service trip to Waterloo July 9-10! Youth and leaders will be blessed during worship on Sunday, July 9, then spend the afternoon at Lost Island Water Park. On Monday, everyone will have an opportunity to learn and serve at House of Hope (one of the receiving organizations chosen for the Youth Lenten Project), returning home that evening. Register ASAP please! More information is on the bulletin board in the hallway to the Fellowship Hall.

MESSAGE FROM ANN NASLUND: Erica Yaneff, Good Shepherd's Ministry and Communications Coordinator, is expecting a baby due on July 2. We would like to give Erica and husband Nicky a gift of Chamber Dollars to be used to welcome their new little one. You can contribute by bringing money to the Decorah Chamber of Commerce office and noting they are for Good Shepherd. You can also give money directly to Ann.

KIDS LUNCH CLUB BEGINS JUNE 6 - VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! From June 6 - August 11, Decorah Kids Lunch Club (KLC) will provide kids aged 18 and under with free lunches Monday-Friday from 12:15-12:30 p.m. at Freeport Park, and 12:45-1:15 p.m. at John Cline Elementary School. Volunteers are needed to pack lunches on Mondays and Wednesdays and/or to distribute lunches each weekday. Sign-up schedules for volunteers are at the KLC website: decorahucc.org/kidslunchclub/.

VBS AT GOOD SHEPHERD: Operation Restoration! July 24-26th – 5-7:30 pm – Dinner provided to start each night. All youth entering grades K-6 are invited! The cost is \$20 per child, with an additional \$5 for each additional household member. Scholarships are available—contact the church office : <u>office@goodshepherddecorah.org</u> Please register by July 5. Registration information is on the website under "Ministries" or found on the bulletin board going to the Fellowship Hall.

STEPHANIE HOFF'S REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE: Our member Stephanie has Stage 5 chronic kidney disease and needs a kidney transplant. Information about Stephanie and living kidney donation is available here: <u>www.goodshepherddecorah.org/mystory/</u>

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK: Tristan: 9:00-1:00 PM M-F, Erica has begun her maternity leave! PRAYER LIST: Good Shepherd Family: Kerry Johnson, Donna Bahr, Helen Hermeier, Rachael & Aaron Palmer, Bev Nelson, Laura Barlament, Martha Monson Lowe, Sue Luzum, Marv & Mickey Slind, James Barth, Melanie Folkerts, Marion Hanson, Stephanie Hoff, Ed Hover, Harland Nelson, Glenn Nelson, Janet Gall, Jutta Anderson, all residents and staff at Aase Haugen, Eastern Star, Wellington Place, Mosaic Homes, and Bartels Lutheran Retirement Community, and those preparing for public ministry: Joseph Doegen, Kathryn Thompson, and Kristin Kopperud-Stinn Relatives and Friends: Josh Flora (nephew of Melanie & Tim Folkerts), Bobby Lambert (stepnephew of Melanie & Tim Folkerts), Bob Fahrenkrug (grandfather of Sarah Wicks), The family of Amber Einck (friend of Jane Borelli), Maryn Olson (daughter of Ginny Olson), Noi Tran (Kim Kavan's mother), Karen & John Silseth (brother and sister in law of Kris Peterson), Frank Barth (James Barth's Brother), Sylvia Clisham (member of the Prayer Shawl Ministry), Parents of Dan Raney, Richard Caton (Brian's father), The family of Luke Hackman (Friends of the Bureshs), Ann Hovde Nelson (Daughter-in-law of Glenn Nelson and Jane Borelli), Sarah Jane, Tim and Sue Broderick (friends of Jerry and Ruth Bruce), Nathaniel Judisch (son of Dave and Gail), Robin Darland (Friend of Erik Berg), Dennis Martin (brother-in-law of the Slinds), Nathan Scheuerelein (grandson of Bonnie Flora), Lynzee Makowski (friend of Laurie Biedermann), Todd Hove (son of Gloria Hove), Aaron Buzza (son of Jim and Kathy), Marilyn Walli (Cousin of Marv Slind), Marian Brynsaas (sister of LaVerne Ramsey), Mary Beth & Bayo Oyebade and the Mashiah Foundation in Jos, Nigeria, and our Companion Synod in Hungary

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WELCOME GUESTS. THERE IS A PLACE FOR YOU HERE. All are invited to share in coffee, juice, and treats in the Fellowship Hall on the far side of the building.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO SHARE IN HOLY COMMUNION. It is Christ's table and Christ is the host. Instructions are included in the communion section of the Order of Worship.

THE PRESENCE, ENERGY, AND NOISE OF CHILDREN ARE MOST WELCOME HERE. The sound of a child in worship is the sound of a new Christian being formed. This congregation is glad to share in this work. We welcome and encourage kids to move and play. A nursery with toys and activity bags are available. Mothers are welcome to nurse anywhere that works for you and your child. An Infant Feeding Chair is available in the music office (hallway outside of sanctuary) for more privacy if desired.

RACIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT: This Statement was approved meeting of the congregation on February 6th, 2022. It was through the work of the Racial Justice Team which held listening congregation. A portion of the Statement is printed here each statement at goodshepherddecorah.org/racial-Justicescanning the code.



at the annual developed sessions with the week. Find the full Statement or by