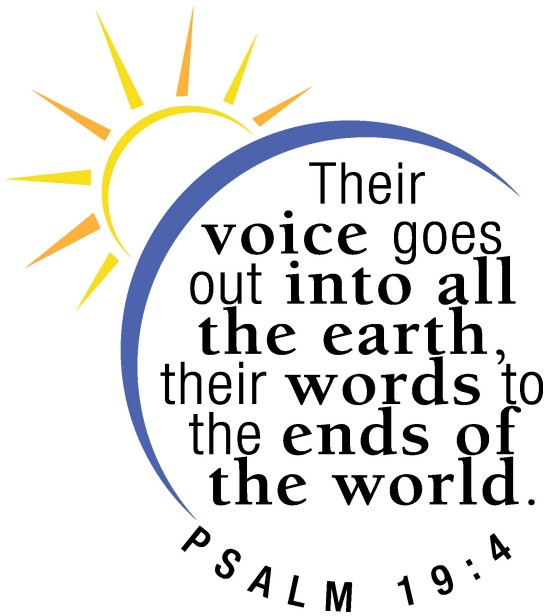


**Lutheran Church of  
the Good Shepherd**

Duluth, Minnesota



***September 27, 2015***

*Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
*8:45 & 11:00 AM Worship*

## Welcome to Worship!

We are happy you have chosen to worship at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd! Please use this bulletin as a guide for today's liturgy, found in the red *Evangelical Lutheran Book of Worship* in each pew.

**PARENTS & KIDS:** We have a few special things to help children enjoy worship:

- Just outside of the sanctuary, we have a Kids' Corner with a bookshelf filled with Bibles and other activities. You are welcome to bring a Bible into worship with you today!
- In the back of the sanctuary are Joy Bags filled with fun activities for younger kids.
- Come sit in the front of the sanctuary so your child can see everything that's happening!
- In the pews, are "Holy Art" cards for kids of all ages to draw on.
- Please come up front for the Children's Sermon! *(Parents, you are welcome to come up with your child to help them feel more comfortable.)*

We love to have children in worship, but we also understand that sometimes kids (and parents!) need a break. Stop by our church's nursery (near the bathrooms) and say hi to Kayla! She will be more than happy to help!

## September 27th 2015 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost Daily Lectionary Readings

<b>Sunday</b>	Mark 9:38-41
<b>Monday</b>	Mark 9:42-50
<b>Tuesday</b>	James 4:11-12
<b>Wednesday</b>	James 4:13-17
<b>Thursday</b>	James 5:1-6
<b>Friday</b>	James 5:7-12
<b>Saturday</b>	James 5:13-20

## Scripture Readings

### Psalm 19

<sup>1</sup>The heavens are telling the glory of God;  
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

**<sup>2</sup>Day to day pours forth speech,  
and night to night declares knowledge.**

<sup>3</sup>There is no speech, nor are there words;  
their voice is not heard;

**<sup>4</sup>yet their voice goes out through all the earth,  
and their words to the end of the world.**

**In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,**

<sup>5</sup>which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,  
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

**<sup>6</sup>Its rising is from the end of the heavens,  
and its circuit to the end of them;  
and nothing is hid from its heat.**

<sup>7</sup>The law of the LORD is perfect,  
reviving the soul;  
the decrees of the LORD are sure,  
making wise the simple;

**<sup>8</sup>the precepts of the LORD are right,  
rejoicing the heart;  
the commandment of the LORD is clear,  
enlightening the eyes;**

<sup>9</sup>the fear of the LORD is pure,  
enduring forever;  
the ordinances of the LORD are true  
and righteous altogether.

**<sup>10</sup>More to be desired are they than gold,  
even much fine gold;  
sweeter also than honey,  
and drippings of the honeycomb.**

<sup>11</sup>Moreover by them is your servant warned;  
in keeping them there is great reward.

**<sup>12</sup>But who can detect their errors?  
Clear me from hidden faults.**

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<sup>13</sup>Keep back your servant also from the insolent;  
do not let them have dominion over me.  
Then I shall be blameless,  
and innocent of great transgression.

**<sup>14</sup>Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my  
heart be acceptable to you,  
O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.**

### **Gospel:**

#### **Mark 9:42-48**

<sup>42</sup>If any of you put a *stumbling block* before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. <sup>43</sup>If your hand causes you to *stumble*, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. <sup>45</sup>And if your foot causes you to *stumble*, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. <sup>47</sup>And if your eye causes you to *stumble*, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, <sup>48</sup>where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

#### **Mark 4:14, 16-17**

<sup>14</sup>The sower sows the word. <sup>16</sup>And these are the ones sown on rocky ground: when they hear the word, they immediately receive it with joy. <sup>17</sup>But they have no root, and endure only for a while; then, when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately they *fall away*.

## Mark 14:26-31

<sup>26</sup>When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. <sup>27</sup>And Jesus said to them, "You will all *become deserters*; for it is written,

'I will strike the shepherd,  
and the sheep will be scattered.'

<sup>28</sup>But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." <sup>29</sup>Peter said to him, "Even though all *become deserters*, I will not." <sup>30</sup>Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." <sup>31</sup>But he said vehemently, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And all of them said the same.

## Worship Notes and Announcements



**AS WE ARE PRAYING FOR ALL MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION**, this week we remember in our prayers: Heather & Eric Kemp, Seth and Hazel; Cheryl & Todd Carlson, Alex and Nicole; Barbara Hanson

**CAN YOU HELP AT 11:00 SERVICE?** We are recruiting USHERS for the 11:00 service; will train and support! Ushers can usually be scheduled for the same Sunday each month to help in your planning. Please call Linda Susens (525-6610) or leave a message in the church office (525-1922).

**JOYFUL NOISE ICE CREAM SOCIAL** — Our first rehearsal is an Ice Cream Social! Join us October 7th at 7 pm. We welcome 5th Graders and up, and we LOVE new singers! All levels of singing ability are welcome and encouraged to join. Our focus this year is faith formation and worship leadership. Contact Christa Overson at [christa.overson@gmail.com](mailto:christa.overson@gmail.com) or 218-340-3348 to be added to our email list.



**Season of  
Thanksgiving—  
All are Welcome**

Home Gatherings will be held  
November 2-18th.

Stewardship Kick-Off Potluck is on Sun-  
day Nov 1st at noon.

Annual Chili Cook-off will be on Sunday  
November 22nd.

**WELCA JUNE 2016 CONVENTION CHANGE** — The location of the June convention/gathering of the Women (WELCA) of the NE MN Synod has changed from UMD to Ruttger's Sugar Lake Lodge, south of Grand Rapids. It takes about 2 1/2 hours to get there. The board is delighted about what we heard and saw at our last meeting at the resort! The lodging and meal package is together and those wishing to attend will deal directly with Sugar Lake Lodge. Contact Joyce E. Lund at 625-8270 for any further information or for questions.

**THANK YOU** — Pat and Jay Wellberg want to thank the congregation for all of your prayers for them. They feel the benefit from the prayers and are so grateful to be remembered in this way. Pat continues her rehab at Ecumen (Lakeshore).



**Wired Word  
10:00 AM in the Library**

After a miscount, a daycare left a 2-year-old behind in a park. Thankfully he was found unharmed and reunited with his parents. From the viewpoint of Christian theology, this is not a minor story. Most Christian denominations insist that every person is precious to God. We are going to use this story to look at the

biblical basis for this idea. Our second discussion considers a recent Cornell study on what people regret the most when they look back on their lives.

**FALL FOLIAGE FORAGING MORNING OCT 24<sup>TH</sup>**



The Garden Ministry Team at LCGS invites you to join in a fun morning of fellowship and fall foliage gathering in the woods surrounding the home of Sue Boutin. The foliage will be used in our fall planter workshop at church on November 8th. Please consider carpooling with a church friend.

- What* : A fall foliage gathering morning with soup lunch
  - When* : Saturday October 24, 10 am- 1 pm
  - Where* : At the home of Sue Boutin, 3480 Lady Nicole Lane, Duluth 55803
  - What to bring* : warm clothes and shoes; bags/ baskets and tools to collect foliage; some bars/cookies or bread or fruit to share
- We are limiting to about 15 (to start) so signup at church or call Sue at 525-3994.

**Thank you to the following individuals who assisted in today's worship service:**

- Welcome Center**..Karen & Wayne Kragseth (8:45); Dona Schafer (11:00)
- Greeter** ..... Lara Ahrens (8:45)  
.....Phyllis & Denis Leschishin (11:00)
- Acolytes** ..... volunteers needed
- Liturgist**..... Marge Kangas
- Reader** ..... Pat Earley (8:45); Grace Monson (11:00)
- Ushers** ..... Pat, Trish, Claire & Sarah Earley (8:45)  
.....Stevens Family, Dona Schafer, Karen Asanovich (11:00)
- Altar Guild**.....Grace Monson
- Offering Counters** .....Linda Susens, Mike Ronchetti,  
.....Elizabeth Lundgren, Sandy Scott
- Accompanist** ..... Linda Turpening
- Projectionist** .....Bruce Johnson (8:45); Rosemary Guttormsson (11:00)
- Gathering Space Treats**..... Patricia Altonen, Audrey Amundson  
..... Nancy Asperheim, Taci Ball

## You are invited to this week's activities at Good Shepherd

### **SUNDAY, September 27th**

#### **7th Grade "Welcome to Confirmation" Milestone**

8:45 AM Worship  
 10:00 AM Sunday School  
 10:00 AM Budget Forum (ULSR)  
 10:00 AM Wired Word (library)  
 10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship  
 11:00 AM Worship

### **MONDAY, September 28th**

(No Jazzercise)

10:00 AM Needle Art Board  
 10:30 AM Needle Art Guild  
 7:00 PM Girl Scouts

### **TUESDAY, September 29th**

### **WEDNESDAY, September 30th**

6:15 AM Men's Bible Study  
 (No Jazzercise)  
 5:15 PM Sing & Ring  
 6:00 PM Confirmation Orientation  
     — Grades 7-9  
 7:00 PM Ready to Affirm

### **THURSDAY, October 1st**

6:30 AM Vision Council  
 9:30 AM Bible Study  
 3:00 PM East HS Football Dinner

### **FRIDAY, October 2nd**

7:00 AM Women's "Son"rise Bible  
     Conversation  
 (No Jazzercise)  
 8:00 PM AA & Al-anon

### **SATURDAY, October 3rd**

(No Jazzercise)

### **SUNDAY, October 4th**

8:45 AM Worship & Communion  
 9:45 AM Blood Pressure Checks  
 10:00 AM Sunday School  
 10:00 AM Budget Forum (ULSR)  
 10:00 AM Wired Word (library)  
 10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship  
 11:00 AM Worship & Communion

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