

**Lutheran Church of
the Good Shepherd**
Duluth, Minnesota



**Celebrating Their
Confirmation**

October 25, 2015

Reformation/Confirmation Sunday
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!

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Daily Lectionary Readings

Sunday	John 8: 1-11
Monday	John 8: 12-20
Tuesday	John 8: 21-30
Wednesday	John 8: 31-33
Thursday	John 8: 34-38
Friday	John 8: 39-47
Saturday	John 8: 48-59

Scripture Readings

Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It 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. ³³But 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. ³⁴No 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.

Psalm 46

¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;**

³though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

**⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.

**⁶The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.**

⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

**⁸Come, behold the works of the LORD;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.**

⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow,
and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

**¹⁰"Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the
nations, I am exalted in the earth."**

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Reading: Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Worship Notes and Announcements

AS WE ARE PRAYING FOR ALL MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION, this week we remember in our prayers: Martin Lee; Dan Olson; Linda & Joe Johnson; Rebecca Maul.



Today we welcome
Andrea & Jonathan Pfeiffer's son
Felix Pfeiffer
into the body of Christ and into the
mission we share. Join us in giving
thanks and praise to God!

Congratulations to our
10th grade students confirming
their faith today!



We celebrate all that you've learned and experienced throughout the past three years in confirmation. We pray that your faith will continue to grow as you live out your baptismal promises. God bless you and your faith journey!

Spencer Bubacz
Chloe Cederstrom
Kaitlyn Dexter
Pearl Elliott
Olivia Helland
Jessica Jahn
Jack Jarvela
Dustin Meyer
Katherine Momont
Lauren Nyenhuis
Hannah Partch
Breanna Symens
Samantha Velander
Peyton Vogt
Nicole Weber

ALTAR FLOWERS — Today the altar flowers are given *in honor of Nicole Weber and Jessica Jahn as they confirm their faith this morning*. The flower calendar is posted on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary. Sign up to sponsor altar flowers in honor of or to memorialize loved ones, or celebrate a special event. The cost is \$35.

“A SEASON OF THANKSGIVING” 2016 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN— Next Sunday we kick off our 2016 stewardship campaign with a congregational potluck following the 11:00 AM worship service. (See the gold insert for details.) If you haven’t already signed up for a Home Gathering, there are still plenty of spaces available! Sign up sheets are on the long table in the Gathering Space. After you sign up, pick up a reminder slip from the envelope on the end of the table.

ALL SAINTS DAY & “CLOUDS OF WITNESSES”— In preparation for All Saints Day, November 1st, we wish to honor those who have shaped the personal faith of our members. As Hebrews talks about the people who have gone before us (from the history and stories of our Bible), these individuals are referred to as “Clouds of Witnesses.” Beginning today, we will supply paper clouds for you to write the names of your personal “witnesses.” We will provide directions and supplies to place these clouds on the walls of the sanctuary.

FOOD SHARE DRIVE REMINDER — Duluth Food Share is TODAY (8 am to 4 pm) at local grocery stores. Bring your food items or purchase extra items at the store to donate to local food shelves and leave them at the store exit with a volunteer. See more information this morning in the Gathering Space.

AARP SAFE DRIVING COURSE — The next AARP refresher course to renew your automobile insurance discount will be held at Good Shepherd on November 12th, 1-5pm. The cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$25 for non-AARP members. Call Jerry Asperheim at 218-724-7733 to pre-register (required) or for more information.



Wired Word

10am Upper Lakeside Room

We have heard the term “spiritual but not religious” used to describe people who yearn for something larger than themselves but who are not affiliated with organized religion. They may or may not believe in God but some of these individuals are now attending divinity schools to learn the “language of moral discourse” and receive the training in congregational leadership that they consider applicable to other fields.

PASTY BAKE SALE — DECEMBER 3-5, 2015

“Coming together is our beginning; working together is our success!”

We plan to sell 2,200 pasties in December to support the ongoing mission of LCGS. Each 16-ounce pasty is made with potatoes, onions, carrots, rutabaga and a blend of pork and beef. Cost this year is \$5.

How can I get involved?

- Help us solicit sales. Tell your friends, neighbors and co-workers about our sale.
- Volunteers are needed to peel potatoes, carrots, onions and rutabaga on December 3rd from 5-9 pm.
- Volunteers are needed to make & bake pasties December 4th from 8 am—8 pm; and December 5th from 8 am to finish!

This is a fun event from beginning to end. ***Please sign up for the shift of your choice*** in the Gathering Space or call the church office at 525-1922.

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

- Welcome Center**Mae Nelson (8:45); volunteer needed (11:00)
- Greeters**Rhonda Bolin (8:45); Dona Schafer (11:00)
- Acolytes** Matthew Ball, Victoria Ball (8:45)
.....Ethan Neveau, Ben Keppers (11:00)
- Liturgist**..... Joe Johnson
- Reader** Rosemary Guttormsson (8:45); Confirmand (11:00)
- Ushers**John & Nancy Carlson, Craig & Deb Sanders,
..... Mary Thorene, Lois Opseth (8:45)
.....Volunteers needed (11:00)
- Altar Guild**.....Pat Johnson
- Offering Counters** Linda Susens, Mike Ronchetti,
..... Elizabeth Lundgren, Sandy Scott
- Accompanist**..... Linda Turpening
- Projectionist** Cyndi Venberg (8:45); Craig Sanders (11:00)
- Gathering Space Treats** Gina Cole, Jodi Coole,
.....Betsy Crist, Mary Davidson

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

SUNDAY, October 25th

Confirmation Sunday

8:45 AM Worship
 10:00 AM Sunday School
 10:00 AM Wired Word (ULSR)
 10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
 11:00 AM Worship —
 Confirmation Service

MONDAY, October 26th

8:30 AM Jazzercise
 10:00 AM Needle Art Board
 10:30 AM Needle Art Guild

TUESDAY, October 27th

6:30 AM Finance Task Force
 6:30 PM Prayer Shawl

WEDNESDAY, October 28th

6:15 AM Men's Bible Study
 8:30 AM Jazzercise
 5:15 PM Sing & Ring
 5:30 PM Resource Development
 6:00 PM Confirmation
 7:00 PM Joyful Noise Choir

THURSDAY, October 29th

9:30 AM Bible Study

FRIDAY, October 30th

7:00 AM Women's "Son"rise Bible
 Conversation
 8:30 AM Jazzercise
 5:00 PM Joyful Noise Hangout
 8:00 PM AA & Al-anon

SATURDAY, October 31st

8:30 AM Jazzercise

SUNDAY, November 1st

Christ the King Sunday

8:45 AM Worship & Communion
 9:45 AM Blood Pressure Checks
 10:00 AM Sunday School
 10:00 AM Wired Word (ULSR)
 10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
 11:00 AM Worship & Communion
 12 Noon Stewardship Kick-Off
 Potluck

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Katie Kaiser Rich, Director of Youth & Family Ministry; Debbie Sanders, Director Good Shepherd Choir; Christa Overson, Amie Abenth & Kayla Nyenhuis, Leaders Sing & Ring; Christa Overson, Director Joyful Noise; Linda Turpening, Organist; Patti Hallback, Office Manager; Tammy Newman, Interim Communications Coordinator; Kayla Hoeft, Nursery Director; Rick McConnell, Custodian