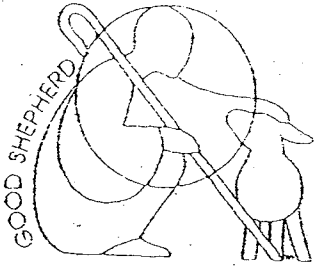


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SUNDAY WORSHIP
9:00 a.m.



A GUIDELINE FROM GOD

PUT IT ON THE LIST:

Something needs done or taken care of. Put it on the list. No, not YOUR list. Put it on MY to-do-list. Let ME be the one to take care of the problem. I can't help you until you turn it over to Me. And although My to-do-list is long, I am after all... God. I can take care of anything you put into My hands. In fact, if the truth were ever really known, I take care of a lot of things for you that you never even realize.

WELCOME!

We're glad you joined us today to praise our Good Shepherd, Jesus, and to hear His Word. If this is your first time here, we're honored that you chose to worship with us! If you have visited us before, welcome back! It's great to see you again! I pray that your worship with us will be meaningful and worthwhile. A Nursery is available for parents who may be struggling with a little one during worship. Please ask an usher for assistance. If you have questions about our congregation, please ask. And please come back soon! We value your friendship and the opportunity to share the love of Jesus together with you.

Again – **WELCOME!**



The Order of Worship

Sunday, November 25, 2007

Welcoming Song:

**“Go forth, baptize all nations in My great Name of love
“The Father, Son and Spirit, the gracious God above.”
His Word and simple water conveys eternal grace
And so we bring our daughter, to this God’s holy place.**

**Believe and trust in Jesus, Redeemer of mankind,
For people, even infants, are dead in sin and blind.
Through this God’s act of mercy the Spirit gives new life!
The Lord’s own Name is on us; in Jesus Christ we rise!**

Order of Holy Baptism .

Leader: (from the altar area) Dear members and friends of Good Shepherd. We worship in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

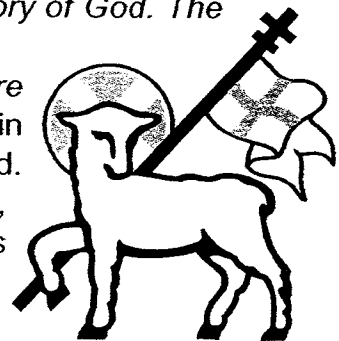
People: We worship in the name of the gracious God and our Savior. Amen.

Leader: We need God’s mercy for *all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. The wages of sin is death, separation from God now and forever.*

God, who is rich in mercy, is love. The Bible says: While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. When Jesus Christ physically rose again from the dead, He assured all people the debt of sin has been removed.

He promises: Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, whoever does not believe will be condemned. Therefore, God tells us to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. We are saved through the washing of water and the Word. Whoever believes in the Son has life and has crossed over from death to life.

Even how our church building is laid out displays these basic teachings of the Word. We sit as a body of believers in God’s presence to praise and glorify Him. Every Sunday on our way in, we walk past a piece of church furniture, a Baptismal Font. It is placed there at the entrance to the church sanctuary to remind us of how we gained entrance to the presence of God our Father. The Word works saving faith in baptism. Through this sacrament we have joyful confidence to approach God as our Father who dearly loves us.



God's Word powers the miracle we are about to witness. So now let us rise and turn to the Baptismal Font. Today we give joyful witness to this awesome miracle of God's love.

(At the Baptismal Font)

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Dear Parents,

Through Baptism, the holy and gracious God washes away all sin, gives new life and complete salvation. What parent would want to keep such blessings away from their child!? Jesus urges us: *Let the little children come to Me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these!*

You have brought your daughter to be baptized, adopted as God's own child. This is the beginning of a life-long journey of blessings that the Lord has planned for your little girl. The Lord God almighty richly bless you for seeing to it that she is baptized, washed and renewed through His sacrament. For here, Mikayla receives the covering of Jesus Christ's righteousness and new life in Him.

Dear Mikayla, receive the sign of the cross on your head and over your heart to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ! Someone may ask you what Christians believe. Mikayla, we who are Christians clearly and without shame profess our faith:

✠ We believe in one God, the *Father*, 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. 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, Who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, Who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian 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.

By the power of God's Word, God's sacrament delivers from death and the devil and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

Therefore, Mikayla Grace Becker, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The almighty God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit– has forgiven you all your sins. You are born again, adopted by your Father in heaven. God strengthen you with His Word to live in your baptismal grace now and all the days of your life. Enter into God's peace now and forever. Amen.

Dear members of Good Shepherd,

Our Lord commands that we care for souls He entrusts to our congregation. We are to carefully and faithfully teach His precious truths to all who are baptized, young and old. Christ's love compels us to help Mikayla and her family in whatever ways we can. Faith begun with the water and God's Word only grows with that God's Word.

Therefore I ask you, will you do this? Will you pray for and encourage her and her family, building them up in the one true faith as God provides you opportunities? Will you keep Sunday School teachers, our Educator and pastors in your prayers? Will you offer your spiritual guidance and wisdom, freely, in love, as God desires? If so, then in God's confident joy declare: By the grace of the living God we do so promise! **By the grace of the living God, we do so promise.**

Dear Friends who stand here in witness of God's mighty miracle.

You have heard and seen this gracious working of God. I ask you in the awesome presence of the Triune God, the congregation and Mikayla's parents: Will you make use of every opportunity to remind Mikayla of her baptism? Will you assure her that water was applied in the name of the Triune God? Will you assist her to mark this day of his spiritual life as one of special joy and freedom purchased for her by Jesus Christ. If so, then declare it by saying, Yes, we do so promise. **Yes, we do so promise.** The Lord God give you many such opportunities to do this favor for Mikayla and her family during your time of grace.

As an under-shepherd of Jesus Christ, the good Shepherd, I charge you all to keep your solemn oaths made before Him. And God give you His Holy Spirit in generous measure to carry out His will for His glory just as He has in the past. Let us join together and pray:

Dear heavenly Father, as we come into Your presence, we praise You for Holy Baptism through which You bring us into the Body of Christ. We thank You for working godly attitudes in Your people to see to the eternal care for children You create. Thank You for gathering us together once again in this sacred place. Here we sing and pray together and receive Your instruction from Your Bible.

May Your holy Word continue to be more precious to us than all riches, honor and glory. As you have granted Mikayla new life, so continually be at work in us. Grow us deeper in our faith and knowledge of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

As the parents and God's new daughter, Mikayla, return to their seats, let us remain standing, turn again to the altar of God's Presence and sing:

**Deep in Your love eternal, You freed humanity
Through Jesus' precious life blood You set the prisoner free
O Lord, our LORD, how wondrous, This truth I now embrace:
Through You, my Lord and Savior, I'm justified by grace.**

Tune: #538 CW #473 TLH
Text: Paul A. Tullberg © 2007

The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
And also with you.

Confession of Sins

Merciful Father in heaven I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

Amen.

Response: #220cw stanzas 1-2



1 O'er the dis - tant moun - tains break - ing Comes the red - d'ning
2 Come, O Long - Ex - pect - ed; wea - ry Waits my spir - it
3 Near - er is my soul's sal - va - tion; Spent the night, the
4 With my lamp well - trimmed and burn - ing, Swift to hear and



dawn of day. Rise, my soul, from sleep a - wak - ing;
anx - ious - ly. Life is dark and earth is drear - y
day at hand. Keep me in my hum - ble sta - tion,
slow to stray, Watch - ing for your glad re - turn - ing,



Rise and sing and watch and pray. 'Tis your Sav - ior,
Where your light I can - not see. O my Sav - ior,
Watch - ing for you till I stand, O my Sav - ior,
Wait - ing for the bless - ed day. Come, my Sav - ior,



'Tis your Sav - ior, On his bright re - turn - ing way.
O my Sav - ior, When will you re - turn to me?
O my Sav - ior, In your bright, your prom - ised, land,
Come, my Sav - ior, O my Sav - ior, quick - ly come!

Prayer of the Day and Bible Readings

Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Pre-sermon hymn: #220 stanzas 3-4

Instruction in the Word of the Living God

Return to the Lord our Offering of Thanks and Praise

DEAR VISITORS AND GUESTS: Every week at Good Shepherd we return a portion of our livelihood as freewill offerings to the Lord for our local and worldwide ministries. Please do not feel that you have to participate in this act of our worship. We do appreciate each gift of support and are thankful the Lord Jesus brought you to be with us today. We invite you to come again.

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

The Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Songs from Christian Worship (Red Songbook) to use during distribution:

Hymns: #241cw, 288, 389, 297, 316, 318 if needed

A MESSAGE TO OUR VISITORS ABOUT THE LORD'S SUPPER:

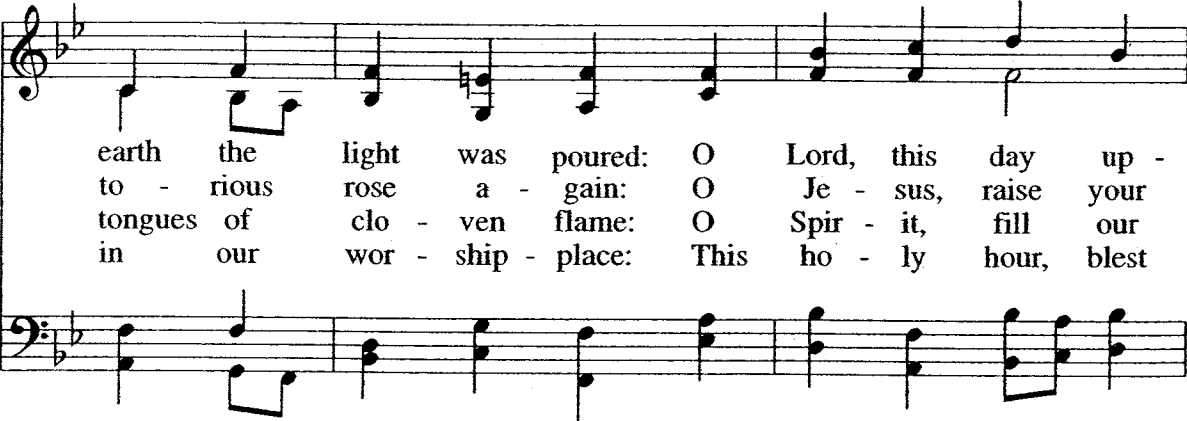
Today our congregation is celebrating the Lord's Supper. At Good Shepherd we believe and teach that when we come forward to receive the Supper, we are publicly stating that we agree with one another on the teachings of the Bible. Before you are able to take such a major step, we would like to explain to you what we teach and believe. We feel we owe that to you. So please refrain from coming forward for the Supper today. But by all means, speak with Pastor Tullberg about receiving the Lord's supper soon, so that you can enjoy all the blessings of this meal together with us in the future.

Benediction

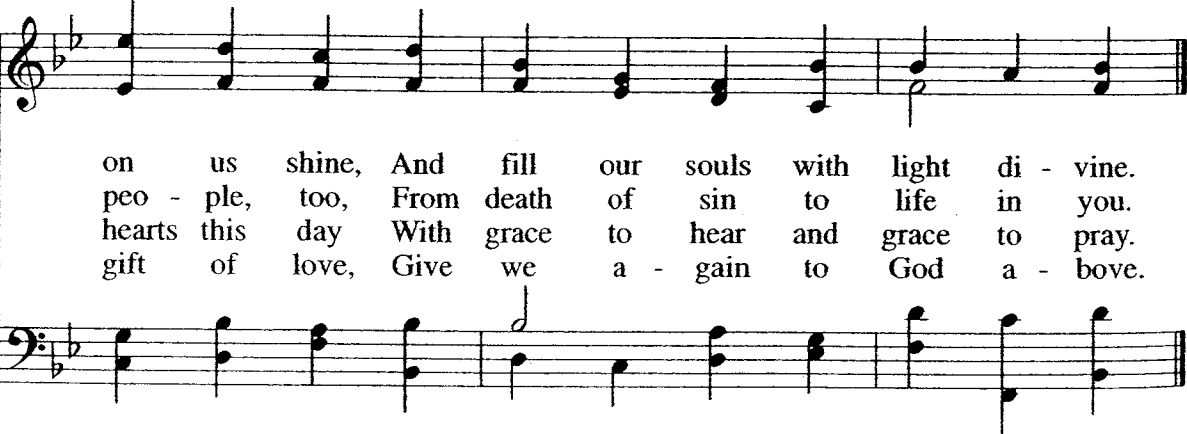
Parting Hymn:



1 This day at your cre - a - ting word First o'er the
2 This day the Lord for sin - ners slain In might vic -
3 This day the Ho - ly Spir - it came With fi - ery
4 This day of light and life and grace We gath - er



earth the light was poured: O Lord, this day up -
to - rious rose a - gain: O Je - sus, raise your
tongues of clo - ven flame: O Spir - it, fill our
in our wor - ship - place: This ho - ly hour, blest



on us shine, And fill our souls with light di - vine.
peo - ple, too, From death of sin to life in you.
hearts this day With grace to hear and grace to pray.
gift of love, Give we a - gain to God a - bove.

5 All praise to God the Father be,
To Christ, who set his people free,
Whom with the Spirit we adore
Forever and forevermore.

Psalm 98

Lord, I learned something new
by studying something old.

I kept asking why I had to study history—
all of those weird names and places
and dates that I can never remember.
(I think a date should be for a boy and girl,
not a war or an invention.)

But now I may have figured it out—
maybe I found the answer to my own question.
Attila the Hun and Hitler both bit the dust.
The Romans and the Communists have come and gone.
The pyramids are still there,
but the people and the power that made them
are out of here.

Everyone who thinks they can run the world
gets their day—
and then they lose it.

Except for You, Lord.

You're the only one who survives.

People attack You all the time.

Some say You don't exist.

Some think they are smarter than You.

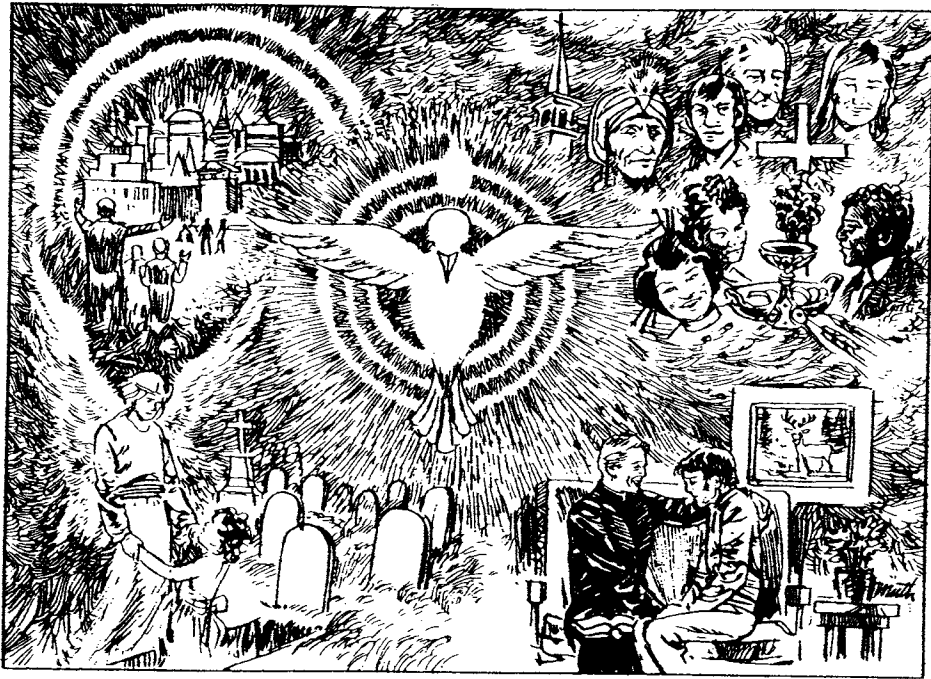
Some think they are stronger than You.

You sent Your Son to us, and we killed Him.

People always think You are out of date.

But You're always with us, Lord!

I'm glad that You'll never give up on us.



On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead
and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.

This Week at Good Shepherd:

Today: Bible Time @ 10:15 a.m.
Sunday School @ 10:15 a.m.
Jubilate Choir 11:15 a.m.

Monday Newsletter deadline

Wednesday Confirmation Class 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.

Thursday Church with Communion 7:00 pm

If you would like to watch today's service again, or know of someone who missed it, have them check out Channel 3 on Charter and Solarus Cable TV at 6:00pm.

Sunday-7:30 am "Time of Grace" worship service available on Channel 7 WSAW or Solarus cable Channel 7. This is a WELS service from St. Marcus Church in Milwaukee, Pastor Mark Jeske

Sunday, December 2 Church 9:00a.m.

Bible Time @ 10:15 a.m.
Jubilate Choir 11:15 a.m.

WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

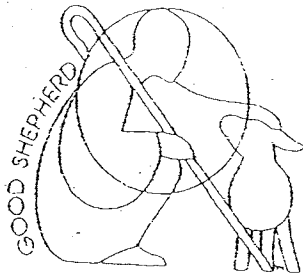
There are many ways to join our growing family of faith: 1) through transfer from a sister WELS or ELS congregation; 2) by declaring unity with us after coming from a church outside our fellowship, and 3) there's a Bible study that addresses the six basic teachings of God's Word, after which you are able to ascertain membership or not based on what God reveals in His Bible.

Our mission is simple and bold: We seek to grow in faith and knowledge of our Savior Jesus; we want to make Him known to others so they, too, might share in the joy which Jesus won for them.

We look forward to helping people find a spiritual home and family.

CURRENT MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH COUNCIL

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