

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 1st, 2016

Welcome to Shepherd of the Lakes!

The members of Shepherd of the Lakes are very pleased to have you worship with us today. We invite you to join with us in worshipping the Triune God: the Father who created us, the Son who redeemed us, and the Holy Spirit who sets us apart to be God's people through his powerful word. Our church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, a group of Lutheran churches committed to the Bible's teaching about life and salvation.

God speaks to us from the Scriptures:

The First Reading: Acts 14:8-18

Their first missionary journey continues as Paul and Barnabas flee to Lystra. Filled with the Spirit, Paul and Barnabas heal a man crippled from birth.

The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 65, on page 89 in your hymnal

The Epistle Reading: Revelation 21:10-14, 22, 23

Like a brilliant jewel the Church built on the prophets and apostles is prepared for an eternity with her loving Lord in the temple of the Lamb and the radiance of his light.

Verse of the Day: Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Alleluia. (John 14:23)

The Gospel Reading: John 14:23-29

Jesus continues to prepare the disciples for his visible departure. The new command to love one another also means loving him and his Word.

Applying God's Word to our Lives this Week:

Sermon: **Revelation 21:10-14**

Theme: Prepared for Eternity

Through the Gates of God's Promise

Built on the Foundation of God's Word

Holy Communion: In Holy Communion we are receiving Jesus' true body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins, new life, and salvation. But that's not all. We also receive strength, encouragement, and comfort knowing that in this sacrament **we are at one with our God** through Jesus' death on the cross for our sins, **we are one in faith with those communing beside us**, and **we are joined with all the saints**, who share our common faith. For this reason we practice **close communion**, inviting only WELS or ELS members to partake of the sacrament so as not to call into question the communion that we share. **If you are a visitor, please speak to Pastor Seelow before communing.**

GOD'S PEOPLE GROWING AND SERVING

Usher/Altar Guild Schedule

May 8th — 1

May 15th — 2*

May 22nd — 3

May 29th — 1

*denotes Communion Sunday

NEWS AND NOTES

Today's Theme Love for Christ shows itself in obedience to his teaching and trust in his peace.

Council Meeting The council will meet next Sunday following Bible Class.

Voters' Meeting The voters will meet after Bible Class.

Thank you to our trustee, Dave Bodey, for arranging the work day yesterday and for all those who came and helped clean and improve the look of God's house.

Clutter Some items have accumulated on the table in the fellowship wing. If it's yours, please take it home. Thank you!

Midweek Bible Class Our MBC will continue this Wednesday at 10 a.m..

Next Sunday Worship – 9am; Bible Class 10:15; Council Meeting 11:00

OUR PATH OF WORSHIP

“The Common Service”

PREPARATION p.10

Opening Hymn: #145

Confession of Sins: **p. 15**

Prayer and Praise: **p. 16-17**

THE WORD

Acts 14:8-18

Psalm 65, page 89

Revelation 21:10-14, 22,23

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John 14:23-29

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Hymn of the Day: #377
vs. 1,2,4,5,8,10

The Sermon

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The Offering

Prayers, p. 20

THE SACRAMENT
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Distribution Hymn: #141

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Closing Hymn: #215

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