# THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 8<sup>th</sup>, 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 worshiping 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.

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# God speaks to us from the Scriptures:

## The First Reading: Acts 16:6-10

How richly the Lord blessed the proclamation of his Gospel in the provinces of Asia Minor. Yet, in keeping with divine will, Paul is directed by the Spirit of Jesus to take the Word of Life to the continent of Europe.

The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 8 on page 67 in your Hymnal

#### The Epistle Reading: Revelation 22:12-17, 20

A final revelation of encouragement promises that the High Priest who now prays for us will come again, and soon! He will come with reward in hand to invite the faithful into the eternal city.

The Verse of the Day: Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Alleluia. (John 14:18)

## The Gospel Reading: John 17:20-26

Our High priest has ascended his throne to sit at the right hand of the Father and intercede for his Church. In his High Priestly Prayer Jesus prays for the future Church, for us.

#### **Applying God's Word to our Lives this Week:**

Sermon text: John 17:20-26

Theme: Out of love Jesus prayed for you!

#### STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS TO US

Worship service attendance for Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup> was 32. 29 received the comfort of Holy Communion. Our hearts acknowledged God's love for us in all he has blessed us with and showed our trust in his continued blessing by offering him \$2791.01 for the work of his church.

"Whatever you do, do it all to the glory of God!"

#### GOD'S PEOPLE GROWING AND SERVING

#### **Usher/Altar Guild Schedule**

May 15th — 2\*

May 22nd — 3

May 29th — 1

\* denotes Communion Sunday

#### **NEWS AND NOTES**

<u>Today's Theme</u> Jesus prays for Spirit-inspired unity between the Father and his church.

**Council Meeting** The council will meet today after Bible Class.

Midweek Bible Class meets Wednesday at 10am.

<u>Mementos for Mom</u> was held yesterday and we had a good turnout. Thank you to everyone who helped make it a success.

**Entryway Banners** The banners in the entryway were provided by our Ladies Guild. Thank you for the beautiful reminders as we enter and exit God's house!

Next Sunday Worship W/ Communion—9 a.m. BC/SS—10:15

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