MAUNDY THURSDAY March 24th, 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.

God speaks to us from the Scriptures:

The First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Jeremiah prophesies of the New Covenant. Quoted in Hebrews 10 and fulfilled in Luke 22, this prophecy proclaims a time that has now come. Gone is the covenant of old. It is replaced by knowledge of the Lord, membership in his family, and the forgiveness of sins.

The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 116 on page 107 in your Hymnal

The Epistle Reading: Hebrews 10:15-25

Linking promise to fulfillment, shadow to reality, the Holy Spirit testifies to the new covenant. The sacrifice has been made, once for all. The purifying waters of baptism have connected us to his death and life. His blood marks the door frames of our hearts. Yes, all barriers have been removed so that we may approach the God of the Covenant in the full confidence of forgiveness.

The Verse of the Day: For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (1 Corinthians 11:26)

The Gospel Reading: Luke 22:7-20

Here is the final Passover and the establishment of the New Covenant meal. Through the sacrifice of his own body and blood, the Lamb of God brings assurance of the forgiveness of sins and strengthening of faith. Participation in this, his body and blood, proclaims his death until we eat and drink it with him in eternity. Applying God's Word to our Lives this Week: Sermon: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 Theme: Do this in remembrance of me.

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.

Sermon Text:

1 Corinthians 11:23-29 For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵ In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶ For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

²⁷ Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸ A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. ²⁹ For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself.

T T T

Good Friday Join us for our Good Friday service, tomorrow at 6:30pm. Given the solemn nature of the service, please gather and depart in relative silence.

Easter Sunday Our Easter Suday Worship is at 9am, followed by an Easter Brunch Potluck.

OUR PATH OF WORSHIP

"The Common Service" PREPARATION p.10 Opening Hymn: #121

Confession of Sins: p. 15

Prayer and Praise: p. 16-17

THE WORD

Isaiah 12:1-6

Psalm 32, page 78

1 Corinthians 1:18-25 Verse of the day, p. 18

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 Response, p. 18

Nicene Creed p. 18-19

Hymn of the Day: #437

The Sermon Create in Me p. 20

The Offering

Prayers, p. 20

THE SACRAMENT p.21-23

Distribution Hymn:Insert

THANKSGIVING p. 24

Blessing, p. 25

Closing Hymn: #379

<u>Shepherd of the Lakes</u> Ev. Lutheran Church

241 E. Federal Highway, Roscommon, MI 48653



The Fourth Sunday ín Lent 2016

Pastor Adam Seelow Phone: Office: 989.275.3070 Cell: 989-324-7162 Email: <u>Shepherdofthelakeswels@gmail.com</u> Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/sotlwels</u>