

**THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

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.

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**God speaks to us from the Scriptures:**

**The First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-10**

*Jesus himself is the ultimate example of patient endurance in suffering. When we walk through dark times now, we should trust in God's promise still. When the dark times have passed we will see that God always remains faithful to his Word.*

**The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 96**, on page 102 in your hymnal

**The Epistle Reading: James 2:1-5, 8-10, 14-18**

*God uses the trials of the poor and needy to test the faith of those who love him.*

**The Verse of the Day:** Alleluia! Everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures, we might have hope." Alleluia!  
Romans 15:4

**The Gospel Reading: Mark 8:27-35**

*Even the one who is God Incarnate expected to suffer. He knew the depths of his coming sorrow. But he embraced it. For by it he would enter into his glory, namely, the glory of his office as our Savior.*

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

Sermon: Acts 16:31-34

Theme: God's Word is for You and Your Family

**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.**

**OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS TO US**

Worship service attendance for Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> was 32. 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 \$1411.00 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**

September 27<sup>th</sup> — 2

\*denotes Communion Sunday

**NEWS AND NOTES**

**Today's Theme** Last week's comfort that the Lord does all things well is an article of faith, not sight. Trials and tribulations will be faced until the Lord calls us home.

We thank Pastor Lindke for bringing us the Word of God this morning while Pastor Seelow is preaching in Pigeon for their Mission Fest. We pray the Lord blesses his ministry in Kawkawlin.

Our midweek Bible Class will resume on Wednesday September 30<sup>th</sup> at 10am. Our topic will be "Dealing with the sins of Society."

**Next Sunday** Worship – 9am/Bible Class – 10:15am

**OUR PATH OF  
WORSHIP**

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**PREPARATION p.10**

**Opening Hymn: #573**

Confession of Sins: **p. 26**

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**THE WORD**

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**Psalms 96, page 102**

James 2:1-5. 8-10, 14-18

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Mark 8:27-35

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**Hymn of the Day: #343**

The Sermon

**Nicene Creed, p.31**

The Offering

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**THE SACRAMENT  
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**Communion hymn: #309**

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**Closing Hymn: #399**

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