

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 21st, 2020

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: Hosea 5:15-6:6

Jesus' words of condemnation for the Pharisees came from the mouth of Hosea, a prophet long familiar with unfaithful Israel.

The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 119c, page 111 in your Hymnal

Second Reading: Romans 4:18-25

How could God chose the people he did? Because of the alien righteousness credited to all of us who believe in him who raised Jesus from the dead.

The Verse of the Day: Alleluia. God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Alleluia.

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 9:9-13

The call of Matthew makes known the mercy of God. Jesus turned to the sinner, Matthew, and called him from his life of sin to a life of ministry with those merciful words, "Follow Me.

Applying God's Word to our Lives this Week:

Text: Matthew 7:24-27

Theme: God Desires Mercy

1. Not by our sacrifice
2. By faith in the sacrifice he made for us.

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, June 11th was 26. 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 \$1883.00 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

NEWS AND NOTES

Today's Theme The Holy Ministry is filled with people God called out of his boundless mercy.

OUR PATH OF WORSHIP

"The Service of Word and Sacrament" p. 26

PREPARATION p.10

Opening Hymn: #283

Confession of Sins: **p. 26**

Prayer and Praise: **p. 27-29**

THE WORD

Hosea 5:15-6:6

Psalm 119c, page 111

Romans 4:18-25

Matthew 9:9-13

Response, p. 30

Hymn of the Day: #183

The Sermon

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The Offering

Prayers, p. 32

**THE SACRAMENT
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Distribution Hymn: #Insert

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Blessing, p. 37

Closing Hymn: #249

Next Sunday Worship – 9am

740 Draw Near

Refrain

Draw near, draw near! Take the body of your Lord.

Draw near, draw near! Drink the blood for you outpoured!

1 Draw near and take the body of your Lord,
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured.
Saved by his body and his holy blood,
With souls refreshed we give our thanks to God.

Refrain

2 Christ our Redeemer, God's eternal Son,
Has by his cross and blood the vict'ry won.
He gave his life for greatest and for least,
Himself the off'ring and himself the Priest.

Refrain

3 Let us approach with faithful hearts sincere
And take the pledges of salvation here.
Christ, who in this life all the saints defends,
Gives all believers life that never ends.

Refrain

4 With heav'nly bread he makes the hungry whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
Lord of the nations, to whom all must bow,
In this great feast of love be with us now.

Refrain

This paraphrase of an ancient Communion hymn is set in responsorial fashion.

Text: Sancti, venite, Christi corpus sumite, 7th century hymn; tr. by John M. Neale, 1818–1866, alt.

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