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Good Shepherd Fort Dodge

Little Lambs Preschool
576-6308

We extend a special welcome to all who worship with us in God's House today. If you have no church home, we invite you to make Good Shepherd your church home.



September 13, 2026
The Sixteenth Sunday
after Pentecost

Please sign the attendance binder in the pew and mark Communion if you partake

If you need communion at your seat, please let pastor know before service.

Order of Service

Divine Service: Setting 4 Page 203
Opening Hymn: 912
Sermon Hymn: 838
Distribution: 625, 425, 427, 627
Closing Hymn: 917

THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD

TODAY

9:00am-Divine Service w/HC Blessing of the Quilts
10:15am-Anchors Aweigh SS kick off
10:30am-Sunday School/Adult Bible Study
5:00-Anchors Aweigh fun, fellowship and Bounce House
6:00pm-End of Summer BBQ Potluck

MONDAY

12:00pm-LL 4YR Preschool

TUESDAY

8:15am-LL 3YR Preschool
9:00am-Sewing
11:30am-JOY Group
12:00pm-LL 4YR Preschool
6:30pm-Trustees
7:00pm-Council

WEDNESDAY

10:30am-Lamplighters
12:00pm-LL 4YR Preschool
5:15pm-Anchored

THURSDAY

7:00am-Men's Bible Study
8:15am-LL 3YR Preschool
12:00pm-LL 4YR Preschool

FRIDAY

8:15am-LL 3YR Preschool
9:00am-Ardys Mae Bible Study
12:00pm-LL 4YR Preschool

SATURDAY

8:30-12 Lutheran World Relief
5:00pm – Divine Worship w/HC

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00am-Divine Service w/HC
10:30am-SS/Adult Bible Study

In Our Prayers:

Wanda Wiese
Sharon Musselman
Bill Peterson
Sharon McNeil
Norman Prewitt
Mardell Prewitt
Brexton Hines
Ken Ropte
Peggy Anderson
Sherry Richardson
Dorothy Kester
Debbie Monical
Marlys Ditzenberger
Caroline Eichor
Leland Dencklau
Julie Sampson
Violet Dencklau

The family of Ron Naeve. He was taken to his eternal rest this week.

Baptismal Birthdays:

Noah Essman-September 13
Diane Sullivan-September 13
Nicole Ahrens-September 16
Javi Morales-September 16

Attendance – 22, 72

Gifts to the Lord:

Envelope/Plate - \$4470
Online \$850
Mission Central-\$40
Produce Table-\$12
Total of all Gifts: \$5372

Organist/Pianist:

9/12-Judy Zoch
9/13-Mandy Kastendieck

Elders in Charge of Communion:

9/12-Dwight Wedemeyer
9/13-Rick Mandernach &
Dennis Detmering

Ushers:

Dean Fowler & Steve Doty



Flowers gracing our chancel

today are given by the
Schulze Family in memory of
Roger Schulze.



JOY GROUP

Join us for a served meal on
Tuesday, **September 15th** at
11:30am in the Fellowship Hall.
Invite a friend, it will be fun!

**Please be sure to sign up on
the clipboard in the Narthex.**



Fall LWML Rally @ St. Paul

September 19th. Registration
starts at 8:30am and Rally is at
9am. Cost is \$5 to register.
In-Service items being collected
are:

Children's socks & underwear
Non-perishable food items
Hygiene products
White cotton sheets

Stewardship

Gathered by Christ around His
Word and promise, we offer our
presence, resources, and gifts
in love for His Church and for
reconciliation with one another.

"For where two or three are
gathered in my name, there am
I among them."

—Matthew 18:20

Introit

Psalm 98:1, 4, 6; antiphon: v. 2

P: The LORD has made known his sal- vation;

C: he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

P: Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

C: His right hand and his holy arm have worked salva- tion for him.

P: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;

C: break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

P: With trumpets and the sound of the horn

C: make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

A: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the be- ginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: The LORD has made known his sal- vation;

C: he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.



Collect

Merciful God, Your Son, Jesus Christ, was lifted high upon the cross that He might bear the sins of the world and draw all people to Himself. Grant that we who glory in His death for our redemption may faithfully heed His call to bear the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

WORD OF GOD VERSE *833 v 3 Listen, God Is Calling*

Leader: Listen,

All: listen, God is calling Through the Word inviting, Offering for- giveness, Comfort, and joy.

Leader: Help us to be faithful,

All: Standing steadfast,

Leader: Walking in Your teachings,

All: Led by Your Word.

Leader: Listen,

All: listen, God is calling Through the Word inviting, Offering for- giveness, Comfort, and joy.

Old Testament Reading

Numbers 21:4–9

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.



Epistle

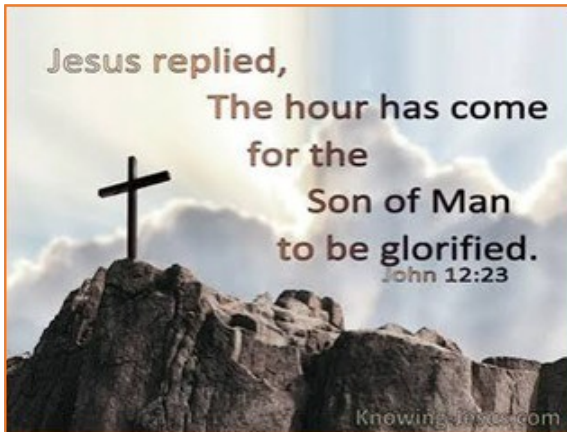
1 Corinthians 1:18–25

¹⁸The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” ²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

Holy Gospel

John 12:20-33

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. ²¹So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²²Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him. ²⁷"Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." ²⁹The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." ³⁰Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." ³³He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die.



IDW SENIOR YOUTH GATHERING-OCTOBER 3-4

Any 9th-12th grade students planning to attend the Senior Youth Gathering must have paper registration forms to
Tina Kastendieck

no later than Monday 9/14!

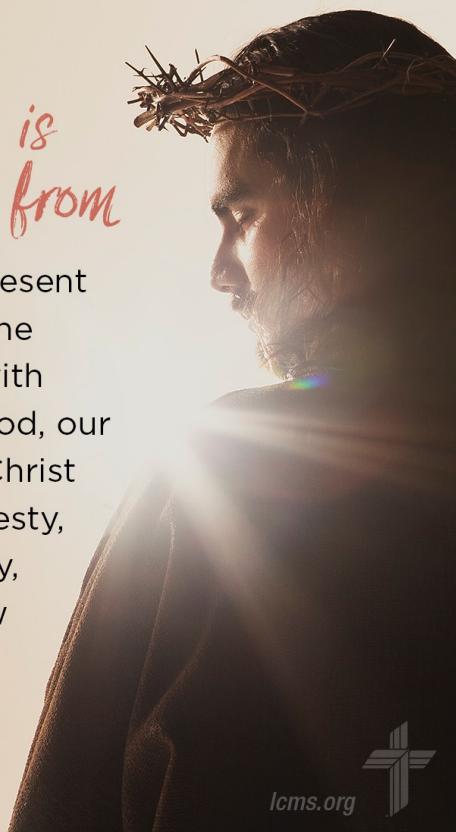
Extra forms available in the church office if needed.

MEMORY VERSE

*Now to him who is
able to keep you from
stumbling*

and to present
you blameless before the
presence of his glory with
great joy, to the only God, our
Savior, through Jesus Christ
our Lord, be glory, majesty,
dominion, and authority,
before all time and now
and forever. **AMEN.**

JUDE 24-25

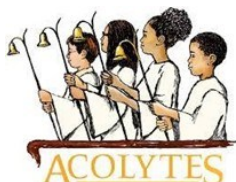


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Acolyte Training

Training for 3rd-8th grade students will be Saturday, September 26th 11:00am-Noon with Pastor Thackery. Parents please check your mailbox for the Acolyte schedule that will begin on Sunday, October 4th. If you can not attend the worship date your child is scheduled for, please try to trade with another family and email the office (office@goodshepfortdodge.org) so their names will be correct in the bulletin. Contact information will be included with the schedule.



Stewardship Corner:

Romans 14:7 – “For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself.” We just don’t belong to ourselves — we belong first of all to God, and through Him, we belong to our neighbors. We are here to serve God in our service to one another. God has called you to this service through your vocation: as a Christian you serve others in the church, as a neighbor you serve others in society, and as a son or daughter, husband or wife, father or mother, you serve your family.

Building Healthy Families:

Want to be closer to your spouse, children, or grandchildren? Praying as a couple or as a family is one of the most powerful and intimate things you can do together. Start simply by praying for things you’re thankful for, things you need, or things you’re worried about. Pray for people you know who are struggling. If you’re not currently praying aloud together, consider the many positive impacts of doing so. You will be drawn closer to God, and to each other. Find a creative, practical, and free downloadable resource for fun ways to build prayer into you and your family’s daily life, created by our friends at Concordia Center for the Family at <https://www.concordiafamilystore.org/resources/p/family-prayer-handout>. www.LutheranFamilyService.org
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“Again, our worth is never determined by what we do. God has given us value by creating, redeeming, and calling us as His own. Still, we can be comforted knowing that even as we age and reach the point where we can no longer be active, God not only watches over us and cares for us, He accomplishes great and wonderful things through us. May the Lord of life grant us the faith and the strength to bear the crosses of aging in such a way that others are led to see the love of Christ manifest in us!” *Rev. Dr. Aric Fenske, Executive Director of Lutherans For Life* **A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org**

"Forgiveness Is a Non-Negotiable" In God’s family, forgiveness is non-negotiable. It’s not up for debate because forgiveness is what makes us who we are.

(Matthew 6:12)

Hear about it on the Lutheran Hour WHO (1040 AM) 7:30 am. Sunday, KTLB (105.9 FM) at 8:00 am Sunday, KQWC (95.7 FM) at 11:00 am KHBT (97.7 FM) at 11:30 am Sunday. Log on to www.lhm.org for other stations and details.

Red Record Books in the Pew

Please do not use the date at the top right. Write your name and write the date in the local address box to the far right. Or you can write the date real small to the left of your name. Don’t flip to the next page until the page is full. We just don’t want to waste the pages. Thank you.

Anchors Aweigh

Rally Sunday, September 13th

THE FIRST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL

AFTER THE 9AM SERVICE (10:15-11:45)

DONUTS • JUICE • MILK • COFFEE

FUN BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL AGES

FELLOWSHIP, GAMES AND BOUNCE HOUSE AT 5PM

END OF SUMMER BBQ 6PM-BRING A SIDE DISH OR DESSERT TO SHARE



Everyone
WELCOME!

Omelet Breakfast Fundraiser

Sunday, October 4th

Following the 9am service

Free Will Donation

Funds raised will go to the
LWML's adopted Seminary Student

