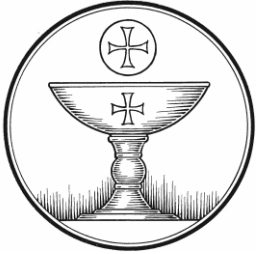
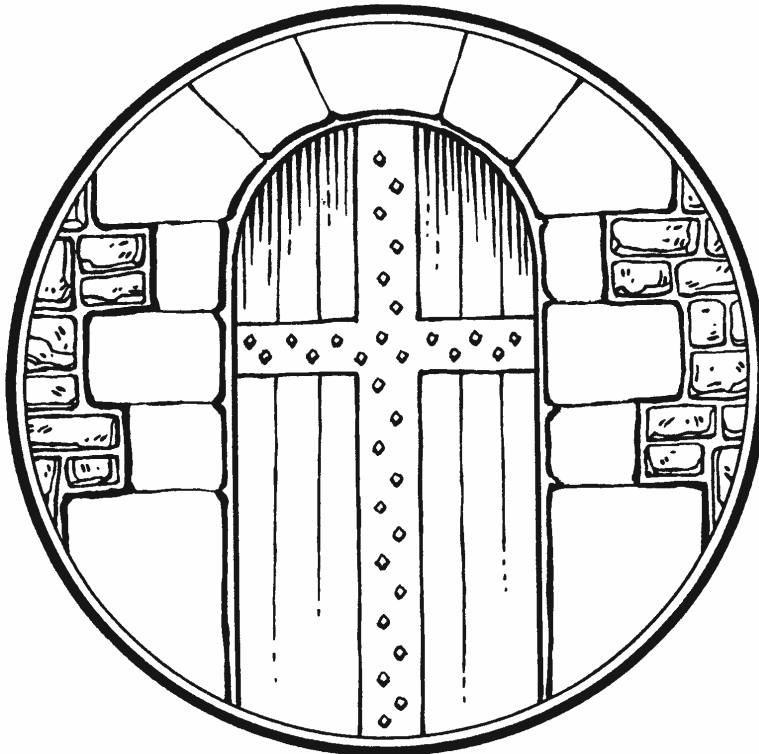


WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



We gather to celebrate the Divine Service. It is at the Divine Service that our Triune God is pleased to serve us. We are sinners who dare to stand on holy ground, confident that the Lord will receive us for the sake of Jesus' sacrificial death on the cross. We confess our sin and, therefore, our need for God's mercy and salvation. Since God is pleased to bestow his forgiveness through Word and Sacrament, that is the purpose of our gathering. In Word and Sacrament, the Holy Spirit delivers to us Jesus who presents us to the Father as his precious saints.



Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6)

5th Sunday of Easter

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AD 2020, May 10th

Worship Tidbit for the 5th Sunday of Easter

The Liturgy of the Sacrament – The Words of Institution: When we celebrate the Lord's Supper, we are not merely remembering what our Savior did. The Words of Institution consecrate the elements of bread and wine. The Words of Institution are proclaimed to the congregation to assure us that we are eating and drinking just what Jesus says: "This is my body." "This is my blood." It is a "new covenant," which is "for you, for the forgiveness of sins." One of the early Church fathers, Augustine (354–450) explains why we proclaim the Words of Institution: "*The word is added, and it becomes a sacrament.*" Through this sacrament, our Good Shepherd continues to feed, nourish, and strengthen his flock.

THE COMMON SERVICE – PAGE 15 *(without communion)*

It is a laudable custom to make the sign of the cross on yourself where you see the sign of the cross (+) in the order of service.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Stand as the hymn is being introduced and turn to face the processional crucifix. The congregation shall face the crucifix as it moves forward. As the crucifix passes by your row, you may bow toward the crucifix in reverence to Christ the crucified.

Opening Hymn -- 149 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie



M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



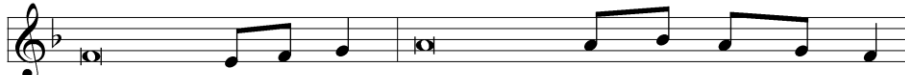
PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

GLORY BE TO GOD or another song of praise is sung.

GLORY BE TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis



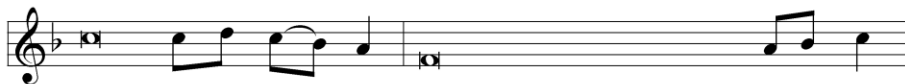
C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the



sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of



God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Let us pray.

O God, you form the minds of your faithful people into a single will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that among the many changes of this world, our hearts may ever yearn for the lasting joys of heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

FIRST LESSON

Acts 17:1-12

Now when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was a synagogue of the Jews. And Paul went in, as was his custom, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures, explaining and proving that it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead, and saying, "This Jesus, whom I proclaim to you, is the Christ." And some of them were persuaded and joined Paul and Silas, as did a great many of the devout Greeks and not a few of the leading women. But the Jews were jealous, and taking some wicked men of the rabble, they formed a mob, set the city in an uproar, and attacked the house of Jason, seeking to bring them out to the crowd. And when they could not find them, they dragged Jason and some of the brothers before the city authorities, shouting, "These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also, and Jason has received them, and they are all acting against the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, Jesus." And the people and the city authorities were disturbed when they heard these things. And when they had taken money as security from Jason and the rest, they let them go.

The brothers immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea, and when they arrived they went into the Jewish synagogue. Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so. Many of them therefore believed, with not a few Greek women of high standing as well as men.

Psalm of the Day -- Psalm 33 (sung in unison)

Refrain

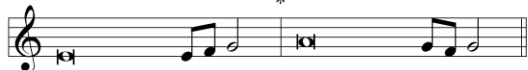


The earth is full of the good-ness of



God, the good-ness of our God.

Psalm tone



Refrain

The earth is full of the goodness of God,
the goodness of our God.

Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous;*
it is fitting for the upright to praise him.

For the Word of the LORD is right and true;*
he is faithful in all he does.

By the word of the LORD were the heavens made,*
their starry host by the breath of his mouth.

For he spoke, and it came to be;*
he commanded, and it stood firm.

Refrain

The LORD foils the plans of the nations;*
he thwarts the purposes of the peoples.

But the plans of the LORD stand firm forever,*
the purposes of his heart through all generations.

The LORD loves righteousness and justice;*
the earth is full of his unfailing love.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain

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SECOND LESSON 1 Peter 2:4-10

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in Scripture:

“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone,”

and

“A stone of stumbling,
and a rock of offense.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Verse of the Day -- CW 356



After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

M: The Holy Gospel for today is from the Gospel according to St. John, chapter 14, beginning at the 1st verse.

GOSPEL John 14:1-12

“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way to where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father.

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

Readings are from the English Standard Version

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

M: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

SERMON TEXT-- 1 PETER 2:4-10

SERMON THEME -- NOW YOU ARE GOD'S PEOPLE



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

SERMON PRAYER

Supplication during the COVID-19 pandemic

Found here: http://goodshepherdnovi.org/yahoo_site_admin/assets/docs/COVID19Supplication2020.99105734.pdf

INTERCESSIONS

Intercessions that are requested prior to the bulletin's printing will be included in the bulletin. Requests may be made prior to the service as well.

- In recognition of Mothers' Day

In our prayers...

While we offer up prayers for specific requests in our services, petitions and intercessions can be offered up throughout the week for continued concerns. Please continue to remember these in your prayers:

- Jan Papson, who continues to suffer from the effects of cancer at home

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn 529 --Built on the Rock

M: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

Recessional Hymn

As the crucifix departs from the chancel, continue to face it until it passes by your row. As it passes your row, you may bow again in reverence to Christ, the crucified. After the crucifix has passed your row, turn to face the altar again.

Closing Hymn -- 147 Like the Golden Sun Ascending

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Preacher & Celebrant
Organist

Pastor Thomas E. Schroeder
Jeanette Schneider

THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Since the 5th century, the Paschal Candle has been used in the Church from Easter Sunday to Ascension Day. The Paschal Candle is lit for all worship services, during these forty days, as a symbol of the Resurrection. The rest of the year, the candle stands beside the Baptismal Font. The Paschal Candle is lit for each baptism, and placed by the casket of each burial, reminding us we are baptized and buried into Christ our Risen Lord. Paschal means "pertaining to the Passover," or in the Christian Church, "Easter."

CONCERNING PASTORAL CARE

Online Worship: You can join in our services via Facebook Live (Sundays, 10 AM). You can find it here, or by searching for "Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church." Make sure you click to the one in Novi.

Archived Resources: We now have a YouTube channel. A search for "Good Shepherd Novi" should bring up services. Currently, there are only two posted. As always, sermon manuscripts are posted on the pastor's blog (www.LutheranSubject.blogspot.com). You can use the search bar to find a particular date, day of the Church Year, or Scripture reference.

Person-to-person care: Pastor Schroeder will be in his office to offer private devotions, Holy Absolution, and Holy Communion to members in small groups or to individuals. You may come in without appointment at these times: Mondays and Thursdays, 8:00 AM - Noon and 6:00 - 9:00 PM. You may also set up an appointment at any time. Visits by appointment can be done either at church or at your home.

In case you contract COVID-19: Please contact Pastor Schroeder. He will alert the congregation so that your fellow members may pray for you, and he will keep everyone informed of your condition. If possible, Pastor Schroeder will visit you during your quarantine. At the very least, he will keep in contact with you and provide devotional materials. If you want to ask for intercessions for loved ones, we will certainly remember them in our prayers, too. If your loved one has no pastor, ask if they would like Pastor Schroeder to visit them.

Can you make face masks?

A WELS member is handing out face masks to immigrants in Michigan, while giving them a Christian witness. If you would like to contribute some hand-made face masks (Christian symbols are permitted), please contact Tom Metzger, who is collecting them, at metzgerfam5@hotmail.com.

CARE FOR PEOPLE WITH MENTAL HEALTH CONCERNS

Despite the public health emergency that has placed limitations on in-person visits to mental health providers, Christian Family Solutions (CFS) is continuing its outpatient counseling, day treatment and intensive outpatient programming via telehealth solutions, removing obstacles for those who need care. Mental health issues are not suspended during national emergencies. If anything, anxiety, depression, and the challenges of addiction are heightened at this time.

CFS has been providing telehealth services since 2008, so we are experienced and effective at delivering services via secure, HIPAA-compliant video connection. We have been focused on refining our practices to obtain the same great outcomes for what is traditionally in-person programming – at a time when video counseling is so greatly needed.

We have expanded our reach to offer both outpatient and IOP/Day Treatment to people in a number of states via telehealth options. Telehealth means many of the old geography limitations are gone. We have openings to serve anyone regardless of their distance from a particular clinic.

If you or someone you know could benefit from evidence-based counseling integrated with a Christian perspective, please reach out to CFS, as we stand ready to assist and will remain focused on our mission to provide the healing and helping mission of Jesus Christ.

Simply call 800-438-1772 or visit www.ChristianFamilySolutions.org and click on REQUEST APPOINTMENT.

REGULAR SCHEDULE

Divine Service is Sundays at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live only)

Adult Bible Class is Wednesdays at 7:00 PM via Zoom conference. Registration is necessary at welsnovi@aol.com in order to receive class notes, Meeting ID #, and the password for Zoom.

OFFICE HOURS

Office hours at Good Shepherd have adjusted during the COVID-19 quarantine. For the most part, Lisa will be working from home. Pastor Schroeder will be in his office in case you would like to come in for Private Communion. Private Communion can be arranged at any time by appointment, or you can come without appointment at the following times:

Mondays – 8:00 AM – Noon and 6:00 – 9:00 PM

Thursdays – 8:00 AM – Noon and 6:00 – 9:00 PM

A LOOK AT THE UPCOMING SCHEDULE

NOTE: All dates will be confirmed the closer we get to them.

MAY *Note: All dates are subject to review, based on the COVID-19 updates.*

- 10 Divine Service – (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- 13 Adult Bible Class – (Zoom; registration necessary – 7:00 PM)
- 17 Divine Service – 10:00 AM
- 17 Ice Cream Social / Dedication of Church Bell Tower
- 17 Evangelism & Stewardship Committee Meetings – 11:15 AM
- 17 HVL Conference of Congregations – 2:00 PM (via Zoom?)
- 19 Church Council – 7:00 PM
- 20 Adult Bible Class – (Zoom; registration necessary – 7:00 PM)
- 21 Ascension Day
- 24 Divine Service – 10:00 AM
- 27 Adult Bible Class – (Zoom; registration necessary – 7:00 PM)

JUNE

- 1 Palabra de Vida Board Meeting – 7:00 PM
- 7 Elders' Meeting – 11:20 AM
- 16 Church Council
- 20 Meet-Your-Neighbors breakfast – 9:00-11:00 AM

TEDDY BEAR DRIVE

This will be suspended for the time being. We plan on distributing these through the hospital later in the year. For now, keep any teddy bears you may have purchased.

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

Sunday (5/10)	Divine Service – Facebook Live at 10:00 AM
Monday	Pastor's office hours for personal pastoral care – 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM Pastors' Circuit Meeting via Zoom – 10:00-11:00 AM
Wednesday	Pastor's office hours for personal pastoral care – 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM 6th Grade Bible History – 3:45 PM (via Zoom)
Thursday	Adult Bible Class -- 7:00 PM (via Zoom; registration necessary) Pastor's office hours for personal pastoral care – 8:00 AM – Noon Pastor's office hours for personal pastoral care – 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Sunday (5/17)	Divine Service – Facebook Live at 10:00 AM

ADULT BIBLE CLASS

Our Adult Bible Class meets via Zoom on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. Our series is “Bible Symbols.” Class materials are emailed out on Tuesdays. In order to make sure you receive the study guides and to get the password for the Zoom sessions, you will need to register for this class. Even if you will attend only occasionally, please register. Recordings of these sessions may be coming soon. Look on the pastor's blog for the link. Materials for the class (a pdf file) can be sent to you upon request.

If you happen to have the book, God's Imagery, you can refer to that for each class period. The chapters that correspond to each session are below. NOTE It is not necessary to have the book for the class.

The remaining schedule for this class is as follows:

- May 13 The People of the Lord (Chapter 7)
- May 20 Apocalyptic Literature (Chapter 8)
- May 27 Types of Christ (Chapter 18)

NOTES from Huron Valley Lutheran High School (HVL)

Join HVL's Mailing List - Go to HVLHS.org and click on “Sign up for Newsletter” or call or email the school office at mail@hvlhs.org to be added.

International Program

We are excited to have a new international student beginning this semester from Italy. We are currently looking for host families for the 2020-2021 school year. Please contact HVL to find out more about this rewarding program. (734) 525-0160

Attention all 8th Grade Students - HVL is now accepting applications for next year. Call the office, schedule a shadow date, check out our website (www.HVLHS.org).

End of year activities

The senior class met via zoom to talk about graduation, awards, class trip, and other end of the year events. The consensus was that if pushing dates back enables a greater chance for us to get together in person, it would be worth postponing in order to try to make that happen. Everyone was in favor of trying to do something that has real interaction, not just a “virtual” event. We are holding out hope that we will be able to hold some events, even if it means doing so a little later in the summer, and/or in a scaled down fashion.

One of the options we are considering is postponing graduation, (possibly to June 14). We are waiting until May 7, before we make a final decision to give time for feedback, questions, and ideas. Please reach out by phone or email with any thoughts.

SHUT-INS - Please remember our shut-ins in your thoughts and prayers.

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Margaretha Lester	935 Union Lake Road Apt. 218	White Lake Twp., MI 48386
Elaine Patton	42600 Cherry Hill Road, Rm. 115	Canton, MI 48188
Mary Zuehlke	29451 Halsted Road Apt. 118	Farmington Hills, MI 48331

WELS RADIO HOUR broadcasts 10:30-11:30 AM, Sundays, out of Lola Park Evangelical Lutheran Church of Redford. It airs on WLQV, AM 1500 and 92.7 FM. It is also simulcast on faithtalkdetroit.com and can be heard on the faithtalkdetroit phone app.

WELS CHURCH LOCATOR - If you are traveling out of town or on vacation, you can visit www.wels.net and click **Find a Church/School** at the top of the page, to find a WELS Church near you.

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We encourage our members to utilize opportunities for Christian education, grounded in the Evangelical-Lutheran faith. While we do not own and operate a school on our property, we are able to enroll our children at the following schools.

St. Peter Lutheran School

(Pre-K only)
1343 Penniman Avenue
Plymouth, MI 48170
(734) 421-9022
www.splp.org
Becky Lohrmann, teacher

St. Paul Lutheran School

(Pre-K through 8th grade)
17810 Farmington Road
Livonia, MI 48152
(734) 453-0460
www.stpaulslivonia.org
Mr. Paul Leifer, principal

Huron Valley Lutheran High School

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