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SCRIPTURE ALONE

Welcome to Shepherd of Life

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We are thrilled that you have chosen to spend the morning with us. As we worship, pray, and sing together, we hope that God's Spirit will fill your heart, and bring you joy and peace.

Sunday morning service times are at 8:00 am, 9:30 am, and 11:00 am. Bible Study for all ages is at 9:30 am.

We practice Open Communion. Everyone is welcome at the Lord's table.

Childcare is available throughout the morning for children up to 3 years old. The nursery is located at the east side of the narthex. A cry room is available just off the west side of the narthex near the doors to the sanctuary.

Please give us the opportunity to send you a personal thank you by filling out one of the yellow cards found in the pew and placing it in the offering.

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*"Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord."
Romans 12:11*

October 27, 2019
8:00 AM & 11:00 AM Services

Prelude

Welcome

Presider: "Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long." (Psalm 25) On this Reformation Sunday, may the Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness (*Congregation stands*)

Leader: Most merciful God,

People: **We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart: we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Leader: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you and for His sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Entrance Hymn

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

504

Apostolic Greeting

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for

2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,

hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.

has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.

People



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

Prayer of the Day

(Congregation may be seated)

Special Music

“It Is Well with My Soul”

Bell Choir

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

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First Lesson Jeremiah 31:31-34 Back Cover

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm of Praise

**“Only this I want: but to know the Lord,
And to bear the cross so to wear the crown he wore.”**

Second Lesson Romans 3:19-28 Back Cover

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Special Music

(Congregation stands)

**“Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, Alleluia.”**

Gospel Reading John 8:31-36 Back Cover

Before Reading: **“Glory to you, O Lord.”**

After Reading: **“Praise to you, O Christ.”**

Message WHAT IS TRUTH? *Pastor Mark Hadley*

Song of the Day **“Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”** 608

Opportunities for Growth and Service

Joys and Concerns

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Prayers of the Church

**“O Lord, you are the center of my life.
I will always praise you, I will always serve you,
I will always keep you in my sight.”**

Apostles Creed *(Congregation stands)*

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the *holy catholic Church the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Sharing of the Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**

(As a sign of God's peace, please take a moment to greet those around you.)

THE GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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**the true Christian Church at all times*

Dedication of Pledges

Offering Prayer

Presider: Merciful Father

People: **We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - ourselves, our time and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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Leader

I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side to be led by your staff and

People

rod and to be called a lamb of God. O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God. Oh, wash me in your pre-cious blood, my Je-sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Consecration of the Elements

The Lord's Prayer (*Congregation joins hands*)

(*Congregation may be seated after prayer*)

First Communion (11:00)

Communion Hymns

"Let Us Break Bread Together"	471
"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"	517
"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"	488

Doxology

**"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."**

Benediction

People: Amen.

Closing Hymn	"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"	886
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Dismissal

**Leader: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

Worship Participants

8:00

9:30

11:00

Acolytes	Colin Skinner		Jorgensen Family, Kaitlyn Letts
Minister Assistants	Cheyenne Peruchi	Scott Bernhart, Cathy Racette, Diana Osborn	Susan Voise
Altar Guild	Bonnie & Joe Johnson		Michael & Nora Meyer
Greeters	Scott Fields	Donna Gaarder	Pat Woods
Prayer of the Day	Vanessa Hickman	Michael Hayenga	Brian George
Readers	Tami Parker		Max Castillo
Ushers		Kent & Karen Boyse	Ray & Peggy Davidson



10/27

Jeffrey Walter
Don Patty

10/29

Sophia Selene

10/30

Kris Wood

10/31

Vi Hipple
Jim Rogerson

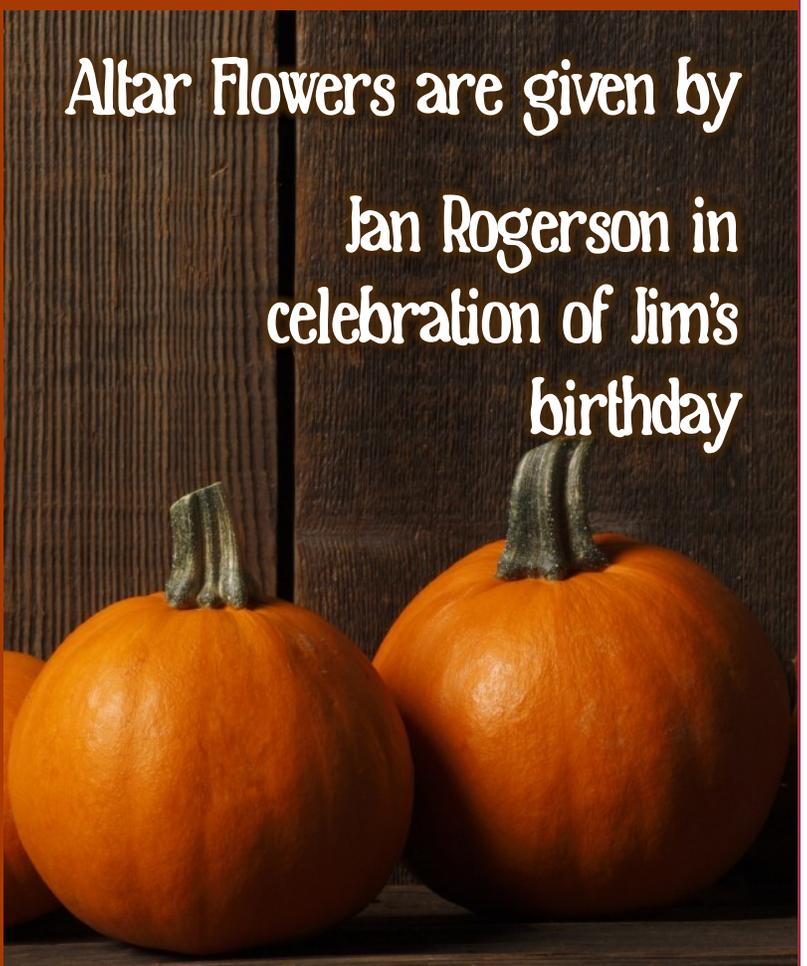
11/2

Jack Bailey
Evan Skinner



11/1

John & Ruth
Foster



Altar Flowers are given by
Jan Rogerson in
celebration of Jim's
birthday

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR SOL

HALLOWEEN PARTY!



THIS WEDNESDAY

6 TO 8 PM

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY AND
JOIN US FOR PIZZA AND
HALLOWEEN FUN!



IMPORTANT:

There will be no Wednesday night suppers or worship service on November 13th and 20th due to the renovation of our fellowship hall. Confirmation class will still be held in our administration building



**WE NEED
YOUR HELP!**

RENOVATIONS ARE STARTING SOON!

To accommodate the renovations on our daycare classrooms and fellowship hall, we will need able bodied volunteers to help move on Sundays November 10th, 17th, and 24th immediately following the 11 o'clock service. Please sign up in the Narthex if you are available to help!

Shepherd of Life's Youth and Family Page

I'll Do my Best!

Praise. I'll praise. I'll praise you Lord forever
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I'll do my best. I'll do my best. Oh.
I'll do my best for you! Oh-oh-oh
I'll do my best. I'll do my best. Oh.
I'll do my best for you!

Love...Serve...



Halloween Party!

THIS Wednesday, October 30th from 6:00-8:00pm

Join us for games, spooky treats, a pumpkin painting contest, a costume contest and prizes galore! It's fun for all ages!

Coming and want to help? Come talk to Jonathan! We will need help with running games, helping with the prize table, help keeping the food table stocked and different things we haven't even thought of yet!!



Junior High and High School Young Disciples: Make sure and come that evening! We need your help and smiles.

Registration is still happening for the NT-NL Junior High Gathering on November 15th-17th. The early bird pricing has been extended, but it won't last long!

Register by going to: bit.ly/ntnljhg2019



The following young disciples will be taking their first communion TODAY at our 11 o'clock service.

Ellie Coronado-Meyer
Finn Jackson
Grace Jorgensen
Heidi Simmons

Mason Hickman
Isaac Jorgensen
Kaitlyn Letts



Thank you to Connie Martino-Woehr for preparing our young disciples to take this important step in their faith journey.



Please join us TONIGHT at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall for our monthly Taize service

LOVE WINS

This past Sunday we began the process of dedicating our pledges toward our 2020 General Fund. Our thanks to all who were able to be with us for worship that day. Here is where we are at this point.

For 2019 we received a total of 135 pledges for \$533,140

For 2020 we have received a total of 66 pledges for \$321,236 (Thus Far)

If you have not yet turned in your pledge, there are cards in the pews for your convenience. Please feel free to fill one out and place it in the offering plate or email your pledge to: solbusiness715@gmail.com



Join us Next Sunday at 11:00 am in the Administration Building Lounge Room
Everyone is welcome!



Caring Ministries

Let us come before Him with Thanksgiving...

For our first communicants and their continued journey of faith

For I am the Lord who heals you...

- † *For Ken Jorgensen who is beginning radiation treatments*
- † *For Bonnie Johnson, recovering from eye surgery and awaiting biopsy results*
- † *For Robert Blake who is receiving chemotherapy and radiation treatments*
- † *For Linda Martzall as she undergoes treatment for back pain*
- † *For Marie Philips who is recovering from back surgery*
- † *For Will Grisham's uncle, Fred Janszen who was diagnosed with prostate cancer*
- † *For Marcia Thomas' friend Robyn who has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer*
- † *For Judi Christensen who pulled a muscle in her back*
- † *For Pastor John and Ruth's daughter Carrie who is recovering from a hysterectomy*
- † *For Lanell Hadley's nephew who is recovering from an infection*

Your continued prayers are appreciated for...

Will Grisham, Tina Rosenbaum's uncle, Sarah Wolff, Gary Burton, Dennis Bashore, Sandra Phillips, Tina Rosenbaum's mother, Marilee Frankenburger, John Jager, Bruce and Tyna Oslie's son's father-in-law; Rudy Netek

Our God is full of Compassion...

For Rhonda Hartley following the passing of her mother

- *If you have a prayer request please contact Judy Pfretzschner at jajohn16@att.net.*
- *We have prepared meals in the Administration Building. Feel free to take one to someone who needs it.*
- *There are prayer shawls in the chapel available for you to take to someone who is in need of comfort.*
- *Our James 5 Ministry can arrange pre-surgery prayers in our chapel for you. Contact Cathy Racette at grammashepherd@sbcglobal.net.*

9:30 AM Service

Call to Worship

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Children's Message

Young Disciple's Prayer

(Congregation stands and sings)

Entrance Song **"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"**

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Special Music "I'll Do My Best!" *SOL Sunday School Children*

Benediction

People: Amen.

Closing Song **"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"** 886

Dismissal

Leader: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude



The Back Page

As we remember and celebrate the Reformation, here are a few things that Martin Luther had to say about our walk of faith...

"The whole being of any Christian is faith and love. Faith brings the person to God, love brings the person to people."

"Pray like it all depends on God, then when you are done, go work like it all depends on you."

"We need to hear the Gospel every day, because we forget it every day."

"The Bible is a remarkable fountain: the more one draws and drinks of it, the more it stimulates thirst."

"If you see yourself as a 'little sinner' you will inevitably see Jesus as a 'little savior'."

"Everything that is done in this world is done by hope."

THE STORY OF THE BLUE LAMB



We believe the Lord is our Shepherd, that goodness and mercy follow us all the days of our lives, and that one day we shall dwell in the House of the Lord forever! We also believe that God wants you to know these blessings as well.

As a reminder that this promise is for all, we invite you to take this moment to gaze at our window. Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, is gently holding a lamb. We love that it's not black or white. It's blue, an artistic and beautiful reminder that every single Child of God is unique, special and welcome here.

Walking in paths of righteousness for His name's sake is a calling worthy of our best. As we seek to live out and share our Lord's joyful, life changing love through: *Radical Hospitality, Passionate Worship, Spiritual Growth, Risk-Taking Service and Extravagant Generosity*, we invite you to join us and pray that you, too, will feel the comfort and peace of his loving arms upholding you.

Our Mission

To live out and share the joyful, life changing love of our Lord Jesus Christ through....

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You can visit us online at www.bluelamb.org. Also look for us on



FIRST LESSON : Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more..

SECOND LESSON: Romans 3:19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.