

June 4, 2017

10:00 a.m.



Pentecost

Pentecost is the anniversary of the day nearly 2,000 years ago when the Holy Spirit came powerfully upon the followers of Jesus who were gathered together in Jerusalem. They were so inspired that they rushed out into the streets and began preaching about Jesus. Most Bible scholars mark that day as the beginning of the church.

Welcome to Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church

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Celebration of Worship

It is interesting that Jesus choose to build His church upon Simon, a man he nicknamed "Rock" (Peter). For a while it looked like Jesus had blundered as this "rock" crumbled when Jesus was arrested, yet Peter became that "Rock" upon which the Church was built. Rocks show up a lot in the pages of the Bible, often as markers. Cairns are man-made piles of rocks that serve as markers to guide people on a journey. The Bible is full of Spirit inspired markers in which God guided people. What markers has God place in your life to guide you?

PRELUDE

Alayna Bailey (Viola)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from **John 4:23-24 & Joel 2:27-32**).....Liturgist Tad Hunt

Leader: "The time is coming and is already here when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. The Father is looking for anyone who will worship Him that way."

People: "God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

Leader: People of Lincoln and surrounding communities, all visitors, the LORD pour God says through the prophet Joel, "*I am the LORD your God And there is no other.*"

People: "I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old shall dream dreams, your young shall see visions."

All: "And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved."

*HYMN #315

"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

*Litany for Pentecost (based on **1 Peter 5:5-11**).....Pastor Jeff Warrick

Leader: Be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."

People: Holy Spirit, give us holy power to humbly serve You.

Leader: Yes, humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you. Have faith in His goodness.

People: Holy Spirit, give us holy power to humbly serve You.

Leader: Be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brothers and sisters in the world.

People: Holy Spirit, give us holy power to humbly serve You.

Leader: Holy Spirit, Fire, You came to Jesus' disciples as tongues of fire and gave them power to voice the Gospel before the world's people and rulers.

People: Holy Spirit, give us holy power to humbly serve You.

Leader: May the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you. To Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever.

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People: Holy Spirit, give us holy power to humbly serve You.

*Response #587 "**Amen**" (3 times through)

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION (VBS Staff Commissioning) (see insert)
Pastor Jeff Warrick

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE.....Tad Hunt
Following the Children's Message the 3-5 year old children may join Ella Bonness at the back of the sanctuary if they desire to go for the Activity Time. Note that we have a nursery on the lower level for children 2 and under should any parents wish to take advantage of it.

OFFERING MUSIC
*Hymn of Praise #579 "**Glory Be to the Father**" (*Gloria Patri*)

MUSIC "*Faith of Our Fathers*" Alayna Bailey (Viola) and Mia Rikli (French Horn)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION.....Liturgist Tad Hunt
(In honor of the birth of the Church, if you are able, please stand this day for the reading of the Scriptures)

*SCRIPTURES: **Joshua 4:8-9** (Pew Bible pg.149), **1 Samuel 7:11-12**
(Pew Bible pg. 189), **Matthew 16:15-18** (Pew Bible pg. 687), **Luke 19:29-40**
(Pew Bible pg. 733)

SERMON "*The God Who Guides*"

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Pastor: Holy God of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, & Joseph: It is our delight to give You thanks and praise. In the beginning Your eternal Spirit hovered intensely over the formless and void earth giving life to Your words, "*Let there be light!*" When we were formed from the dust of the earth, You breathed life into us. When we rejected and grieved You, chasing all manner of ways to gain glory for ourselves over giving glory to You, when we had hard hearts refusing to forgive others, when we were stingy towards those in need, Your Spirit came upon prophets, empowering them to proclaim Your truth, calling us to holy and just living. Your ways are just and true. And so with the faithful from every time and place, we lift our hearts in joyful praise:

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor: O Lord our God: we thank You for Your Son Jesus, who lived with us sharing joys and sorrows. Obeying You, He took up His cross. We praise You that though Jesus was killed on our behalf, He is not dead, not even close, but is risen. We trust Him to overcome and destroy every evil power, so that when You bring in Your promised Kingdom, we will celebrate victory with Him. Remembering the Lord Jesus, we break bread and share the cup, boldly announcing His death for the sins of the world, and telling His resurrection to all the nations.

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!

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THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PRAYER FOR THE SPIRIT

Pastor: God, pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that they may be for us the body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may be drawn together in unity by Your Spirit, and remain faithful in love and hope. Help us to avoid a phony faith and live lives of true faith, so that we do not hear those awful words, "I never knew you; depart from Me." Rather, let us hear those wonderful words, "Well done, good and faithful servant." - Amen.

Distribution of the elements.

*HYMN *Good Shepherd Sings!* pg. 57 "**Rock of Ages**"

*BENEDICTION

*Response *Good Shepherd Sings!* pgs. 80-81 "**Go Now in Peace**"

Note: *Those able to stand are invited to do so.

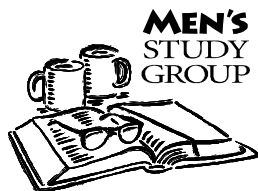


Join us to worship the Son in the Sun at the Park next Sunday, June 11th, at 10:00 a.m. We Have reserved the Tierra Briarhurst Park shelter at 27th and Tierra Drive. This park features parking close to the shelter and is very handicapped accessible. We'll worship outside with our church family and enjoy a picnic lunch and fellowship

following services with fried chicken, drinks, and tableware provided. **Bring your lawn chair and a side dish or desserts to share.** If there is rain in the forecast, we'll worship and picnic in the church. If you have questions or concerns contact Gary Heusel, Worship Team or Teri Vosicky, Congregational Outreach Team.

Men's Wed. Evening Book Study is on Summer break. Thank you to all who were able to take part for the whole year or any portion thereof. We had some excellent studies on the other two Abrahamic faiths, Islam and Judaism. But even more important than the studies, was the weekly fellowship I enjoyed. Thanks again guys and I look forward to picking back up in the fall.

Blessings, Pastor Jeff



Vacation Bible School Hero Central

Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church invites all children to soar with us at Hero Central Vacation Bible School! This Superhero Adventure experience includes music that will energize your ears, interactive Bible fun, super science, cool crafts, hands on mission hero work, delicious snacks, great games, and more. The fun runs from

June 5 through June 9 from 9:00 a.m. -12:00 noon.

You can continue to sign up on the sheet/s located on the back table of the sanctuary until Vacation Bible School begins.





We, along with the rest of Jason's family and friends, want to extend our heartfelt appreciation to the deacons and other GSPC friends for assisting with preparation and serving of the meal at his celebration of life on May 20. Even though it was a brutally cold, windy and damp day over 120 hardy souls braved the elements to help us memorialize

Jason. Thank you to all our GSPC family for supporting us throughout this most difficult time. Your love means more to us than you will ever know. Although we miss Jason terribly he will always be a presence in our lives and we will love him forever.

Gary and Karen Heusel

Do you play a musical instrument? Maybe you used to and can still make a sound or two?

Wouldn't it be fun to get together with other friends from church for a performance this summer and give glory to God in the newly formed GSPC Orchestra?



SHARE YOUR TALENTS

We are planning to play one or two times this summer.

Practices will take place for a few Sundays at 9:00-

9:40 a.m. before the worship service. **Sign up on the sheet at the back of the sanctuary, and talk to either John or Jen Bailey, if you can, so we can pick out music.** God bless you for using your talents to God's glory. - Amen.

Psalm 150:3-6 "Praise Him with fanfare of trumpet, praise Him with harp and lyre, praise Him with tambourines and dancing, praise Him with strings and pipes, praise Him with the clamor of cymbals, praise Him with triumphant cymbals, let everything that breathes praise Yahweh. Alleluia!

....John and Jennifer Bailey



Music for Summer Worship - While our wonderful choir takes a well deserved break over summer, the Worship Team is seeking those with musical talent to share those gifts with us during the worship service. If you are interested in sharing your musical talent with us or have a friend or family member with special gifts, **please sign up on the sheet/s located on the table at the back of the church sanctuary.**

Please join us after church Sunday, June 18th, for a reception honoring Kathy Fujan for her years of service to Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church. Kathy and Steve will be moving to Tuscon, AZ at the end of the month for an exciting new chapter in their lives. Join us for cake and coffee right after church and give them your best wishes.





- FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS -

The Friendship Group will meet , Friday June 16th,** at the church. Hostesses will be Ivette Bender and Marcia Moreland. Please see future bulletins for program information. Members will be called and we welcome all visitors.

Friendship Group

**Due to the Vacation Bible School being held, we will meet one week later than our usual meeting date.

Vera Karel, Moderator

FAITH IN ACTION TEAM UPCOMING EVENTS:

The Intergeneration Mission Team will be hosting a **SUNDAY BRUNCH, June 25th**, in the Parlor from 8:30 to 9:45 am. Menu items include: French toast, Scrambled eggs, Sausage, Bacon, a Fruit cup and Juice or Coffee. Cost: Free will donation requested.



The Intergeneration Mission Team will also be hosting a **VARIETY SHOW on Sunday, July 9th**, at 3:00 pm with a dessert bar to follow. Cost: Free will donation requested.

Here is your chance to shine! We are seeking talented acts to showcase something that sets you apart from all the rest. We are looking for family friendly entertainment that could include singing, dancing, juggling, poem reading, musical instruments, whittling, yodeling, joke telling, baton twirling, magician, ventriloquist, comedy and so much more.....so please take the time to create an act and sign up to be in our Variety Show!!

Sign up on the sheet provided on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

*All proceeds from these events will benefit the Summer 2017 Intergeneration Mission Trip

Praises & Prayer Requests *.... For those with cancer*

Thank you for your prayers, kind thoughts, and expressions of concern regarding **Ivette Bender's brother, Vet Beveler**. On May 17th, Vet had his final chemo treatment after a two year battle with cancer. His cat scan showed just a few small lymph nodes around the lower aorta, which, considering where he started from, this is awesome news. The oncologist feels these could just end up being scar tissue or they could dissolve eventually. He feels Vet has an excellent chance of no occurrence for at least 10 to 15 years or better yet, hopefully, never.

Please pray for Codie Meehan's sister, **Katie's father-in-law, Bruce Kosch**. He is losing his battle with cancer and they have spoken with Hospice to make plans for his comfort in his final days. Also, for his **wife and children** as they face the grief of losing someone they love so much.

Also, for Codie Meehan's **sister-in-law Audra's mother, Sandra**, who was just diagnosed with a rare form of liver cancer that has already spread. She started chemotherapy immediately.

Continued prayers for Kathy Fujan's Team Mate, **Jenna**. Her condition has improved and she's doing pretty well now. She is still experiencing extreme light sensitivity and some problems with balance. She is doing outpatient therapy at Madonna and will undergo further neurological testing. Thank you for your prayers!

Please continue to pray for **Melissa Rogers & Family, friends of Julie Havener**, as she battles a rare and serious cancer. Melissa has chosen not to treat growth of the cancer in her vertebrae and rib bones, but continues to treat existing tumors with a milder form of chemo. Her courage and optimism inspire everyone.

. . . . For those with other prayers & health concerns

Your fervent prayers are requested for **Elliott & Alicia Schuller and their families** as their unborn daughter was diagnosed with a rare birth defect. Unfortunately this defect is incompatible with life. Please pray for them as they prepare for God to take her home once she is born.

Please continue to pray for **Claryce Calkins** who has been moved to Tabitha, room 352. Short visits are welcome.

Please pray for **Julie Havener's mom, Annette**. She has been enduring severe back pain and has suffered a number of falls recently. Please pray for her comfort, and for uplifted spirits going forward.

Prayers for Manchester - from the Church of England

A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, that we, surely trusting in your defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. - Amen

A prayer for all affected

God of Hope, we come to you in shock and grief and confusion of heart after the horror of events in Manchester. We remember those who have died, and all those who mourn them; we pray for healing of body and mind for the injured, and a blessing on the work of the emergency services and hospital staff. Help us to find peace in the knowledge of your loving mercy to all your children, and give us light to guide us out of our darkness into the assurance of your love, In Jesus Christ our Lord.

NOTE: Mary Lou Philippi has moved to Tabitha Seagren House at Williamsburg, Room 8 (6120 South 34th St., Lincoln, NE 68516).

UPCOMING EVENTS AT GOOD SHEPHERD

Sunday, June 4th - Communion

- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 1:00 p.m. Communion to Homebound
- 1:00 p.m. Alice Miller's Recital (Sanctuary)

Monday, June 5th

- 7:15 p.m. Daycare
- 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon Vacation Bible School Begins

Tuesday, June 6th

- 7:15 a.m. Daycare

Wednesday, June 7th

- 7:00 a.m. Women's Book Study (Parlor)
- 7:15 a.m. Daycare
- 7:00 p.m. Christian Education Team

Thursday, June 8th

- 7:15 a.m. Daycare
- 7:30 p.m. Child Development Team

Friday, June 9th

- 7:15 a.m. Daycare
- 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon Vacation Bible School Last Day
- 1:00 p.m. Friendship Group (Parlor)

Sunday, June 11th

- 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Worship in the Park
(Briarhurst Park, 27th & Tierra Drive)

Today's Worship Assistants

- Acolyte.....Alayna Bailey
- Ushers.....Stan Docter, Gary Heusel, John Bailey, Beth Languis
- Greeters.....Paul & Betty Bartlett
- Offering Counters.....Gary Heusel & Rose Dymacek