



# WE HAVE HIS SPIRIT

*Summer Stewardship Series:*

*"It's Test Time..."*

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH | Kearney, Nebraska

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*Sunday, June 12, 2016*

## WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD!

We are so happy you could join us today! If we can assist you in any way with questions about our confession of faith, spiritual struggles, understanding our liturgical service, or any other need, please let us know. It is our prayer that the Gospel of Jesus Christ will strengthen and comfort you.

For your convenience, **Listening Devices** are available for those who need assistance in hearing the service. Please speak with an usher if you need one. A **Nursery** is also available and is equipped with a speaker so that a minimal amount of the service is missed. The nursery is located in the hallway just off the entryway (first door on left).

## SERVICE NOTES FOR THE 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**It's Test Time** once again this morning. Based on Paul's encouragement from 2 Corinthians 8:8, "*I want to test the sincerity of your love...*," we find out **Why** we would want to test our faith. Our attention this morning as the basis for our test turns to the power of the Holy Spirit. We know that we are able to face the daily tests of faith that our Lord gives us with confidence because ***We Have His Spirit.***

Our mission as Christians is really no different than that of the disciples. We exist as a congregation not as a social club or a place of entertainment. We are here not only to be fed with the Word and Sacrament, but to take what the Holy Spirit has taught us and share that Good News with others. That charge poses many challenges to Christians today. How's this aspect of your love for your Savior working in your life? How is this showing in your life as a Christian and in the life of our congregation? Are you passing the test? Is Good Shepherd passing the test? Our gracious God has equipped us for the work at hand: he has given us his Holy Spirit, even as he did to the disciples and the Christians of the early Church. His Spirit alone gives us power and strength to prove the sincerity of our love with the faithful use of our time, our talents, and our treasures.

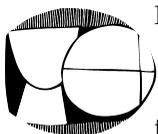
## THE LORD'S SUPPER AND STEWARDSHIP

The Apostle John wrote in his first letter: "We love because he first loved us." The principles of stewardship are rooted in love: God's love for us and our love for God. God gave his only Son

out of love for this world (John 3:16). Jesus tells us that love has not greater example than this: “that a man give up his life for his friends” (John 15:13). It is in the Lord’s Supper that we physically “taste and see that the Lord is good” (Psalm 34:8) and receive in Christ’s body and blood the pledge of God’s forgiveness of sins and a promise of new life. So, the love we find in Christ through the Supper compels us then to serve Christ and our neighbor (2 Corinthians 5:14).

For the next four weeks we will be serving the Supper each week during the service. You are by no means “required” to partake in the Supper. But it is available for those who wish to know in a physical way that they are loved and forgiven by their Lord. You, too, are invited to receive the Sacrament and to taste and see the goodness of your Lord!

### HOLY COMMUNION IS OFFERED TODAY



In Holy Communion, we share in the mystery of the bread and wine offered together with the body and blood of Christ. As Christians who believe that the Bible is inspired by God and that every word written in it is God’s holy Word, we believe that we receive the body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine. While this is something that goes beyond our human understanding, our faith allows us to accept this as true. God warns us in the Bible that anyone who doesn’t understand this teaching or who denies this real presence of Christ’s body and blood will do damage to his or her soul if not taught first.

As a congregation we care about people and about the spiritual well-being of individuals, especially those attending the Lord’s Table today. If you are a guest and desire to commune, please speak to the pastor before the service. Our altar is open to those who confess oneness with us in doctrine, are not under church discipline in another congregation, and are members of our congregation, one of our sister congregations in the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod [WELS], or a member of our sister synod, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod [ELS].

### SERVING IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

- Preaching & Presiding Minister** .....Pr. Nathanael Seelow
- Keyboardist** .....Logan Hansen
- Ushers**.....Tony Wenz & Rick Reinsch
- Greeters** .....Mark & Jamie Darby and Family
- Sound Technician** .....Chaden Darby

# THE DIVINE SERVICE

*Divine Service II — Christian Worship: Supplement, pg. 28*



*During the time of Luther, the organ would usually not play along with people singing. The organ would introduce a hymn, and then people would sing it “a capella,” without accompaniment. Occasionally, the organ would play in between stanzas of a hymn.*

*“When you feel in your conscience that you are guilty, be very, very careful not to contend with either God or men in an effort to defend or excuse your sin. Rather, do this: When God points his spear at you, do not flee from him; on the contrary, flee to him with a humble confession of guilt and a plea for pardon.”*

*— Martin Luther*

## OPENING HYMN

*To Your Temple I Draw Near | CW 226*

## INVOCATION

*Please stand.*

**M** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## CONFESSION OF SINS

**M** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*1 John 1:8-9*

**M** Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

*Silence for meditation on God’s Word and for self-examination as you consider your thoughts, words, and actions according to the Ten Commandments.*

**M** Lord of Life,

**C** **I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.**

**For faithless worrying and selfish pride,**

**For sins of habit and sins of choice,**

**For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,**

**You should cast me away from your presence forever.**

**O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus sake.**

## ABSOLUTION

**M** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son ✚ and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## LORD, HAVE MERCY — *Kyrie*

*Mark 10:47*

**M** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**M** For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C** Christ, have mercy.

**M** For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**M** Lord of Life, live in us that we may live for you.

**C** Amen.

*“The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners...”*

*— Small Catechism,  
The Office of the  
Keys, Part I*

GLORY BE TO GOD — *Gloria in Excelsis*

Luke 2:14

Tune: O HEILIGE DREIFALTIGKEIT [CW 480]



1 All glo - ry be to God on high!  
 2 Our grate - ful thanks to you we bring,  
 3 O Lamb of God, to you we pray.  
 4 You, Christ, are ho - ly— Lord a - lone;



Your name, O Lord, we glo - ri - fy;  
 For your great glo - ry, heav'n - ly King,  
 You take all hu - man sin a - way.  
 The Fath - er's glo - ry you made known.



We praise you for your peace and grace,  
 For all, O Fath - er, you have done  
 Have mer - cy, Lord; re - ceive our prayer;  
 We by your Spir - it sing a - gain:



Your fav - or toward our fal - len race.  
 Through Je - sus Christ, your on - ly Son.  
 From God's right hand, your mer - cy share.  
 "All glo - ry be to God!" A - men.

One often hears the comment that our Lutheran liturgy is too "German," but this is simply not the case. The format of the **Service of the Word** harkens back to temple and synagogue worship of the Old Testament. The basic structure was a "speak—sing—speak—sing..." rhythm, which we see in the order of our lessons and liturgical songs.

*The Service of the Word*



**SALUTATION**

**M** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY — *Collect*

**M** Let us pray.

O God, protector of all the faithful, you alone make strong; you alone make holy. Show us your mercy and forgive our sins day by day. Guide us through our earthly lives that we do not lose the things you have prepared for us in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Be seated.*

## FIRST LESSON

*2 Samuel 11:26–12:10, 13-15*

<sup>26</sup> When the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she lamented over her husband. <sup>27</sup> And when the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD.

<sup>12:1</sup> And the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him and said to him, “There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. <sup>2</sup> The rich man had very many flocks and herds, <sup>3</sup> but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. And he brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children. It used to eat of his morsel and drink from his cup and lie in his arms, and it was like a daughter to him. <sup>4</sup> Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was unwilling to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the guest who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb and prepared it for the man who had come to him.” <sup>5</sup> Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man, and he said to Nathan, “As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die, <sup>6</sup> and he shall restore the lamb four-fold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.”

<sup>7</sup> Nathan said to David, “You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, ‘I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you out of the hand of Saul. <sup>8</sup> And I gave you your master's house and

*What a warning this lesson brings to Christians! What an admonition to daily contrition and repentance! Here is the infamous blight on the reign of King David. Unrepentance was leading to David's spiritual destruction. So the Lord sends Nathan to bring David to recognize his guilt and return to the Lord. The Lord's judgment is just and right. But such is the grace of our God, that immediately sinners who repent hear that the Lord has taken away their sins.*





Then I acknowledged my | sin to you\*  
and did not cover up my in- | iquity.

I said, "I will confess my transgressions | to the LORD,"\*  
and you forgave the guilt | of my sin.

***Refrain***

You are my | hiding place;\*  
you will protect me from | trouble.

Many are the woes of the | wicked,\*  
but the LORD's unfailing love surrounds those who | trust in him.

**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.**

***Refrain***

**SECOND LESSON**

*Galatians 2:11-21*

<sup>11</sup> But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. <sup>12</sup> For before certain men came from James, he was eating with the Gentiles; but when they came he drew back and separated himself, fearing the circumcision party. <sup>13</sup> And the rest of the Jews acted hypocritically along with him, so that even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy. <sup>14</sup> But when I saw that their conduct was not in step with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before them all, "If you, though a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew, how can you force the Gentiles to live like Jews?"

*[This lesson is the third in a five-week series of lessons from the book of Galatians.] The Law is necessary to show us our sins, to curb our actions, and to guide our lives. The Law, however, cannot save us; only the Gospel can. The sinful flesh continually tempts us to believe that God loves us because of who we are rather than in spite of who*

*we are. Men came from Jerusalem and wanted the Galatians to believe that fulfilling the ceremonial laws of the Old Testament was a necessity for salvation. Paul shows us that not even Peter can change what God ordained: salvation is by grace.*

<sup>15</sup> We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; <sup>16</sup> yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.

<sup>17</sup> But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! <sup>18</sup> For if I rebuild what I tore down, I prove myself to be a transgressor. <sup>19</sup> For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. <sup>20</sup> I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. <sup>21</sup> I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.

**M** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God!

VERSE OF THE DAY

Romans 10:17



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Faith comes from hear - ing the mes - sage, and the



mes - sage is heard through the Word of Christ. Al - le -



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Please stand.*

**M** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, chapter seven.

**C** **Praise be to you, O Lord.**

<sup>36</sup> One of the Pharisees asked him to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. <sup>37</sup> And behold, a woman of the city, who was a sinner, when she learned that he was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of ointment, <sup>38</sup> and standing behind him at his feet, weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head and kissed his feet and anointed them with the ointment.

<sup>39</sup> Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, for she is a sinner."

<sup>40</sup> And Jesus answering said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he answered, "Say it, Teacher."

<sup>41</sup> "A certain moneylender had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. <sup>42</sup> When they could not pay, he cancelled the debt of both. Now which of them will love him more?" <sup>43</sup> Simon answered, "The one, I suppose, for whom he cancelled the larger debt." And he said to him, "You have judged rightly." <sup>44</sup> Then turning toward the woman he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair.

<sup>45</sup> You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet. <sup>46</sup> You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. <sup>47</sup> Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little." <sup>48</sup> And he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." <sup>49</sup> Then those who were at table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this, who even forgives sins?" <sup>50</sup> And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

*Jesus uses the parable of the money lender to show the Pharisees the value of forgiven debt. Tears of guilt and shame still flow in a repentant flood from the heart at Jesus' feet. The man who fails to see his own sin, considers himself to have little need of a Savior. The heart of faith, however, recognizes its own debt of sin and can truly appreciate the depth of God's gracious forgiveness. The life of a Christian is one of constant repentance of sins, and trust in Christ for forgiveness.*

*The Hymn of the Day is assigned to each Sunday, not chosen by the pastor. It is assigned by the historical Church because of its rich content and connection to the Gospel.*

**M** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise be to you, O Christ.

*Be seated.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Forgive Us, Lord* | **CW 482**

## SERMON

*Acts 1:1-14*

<sup>1</sup> In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, <sup>2</sup> until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup> He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

<sup>4</sup> And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; <sup>5</sup> for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

<sup>6</sup> So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup> He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. <sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." <sup>9</sup> And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup> And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, <sup>11</sup> and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

<sup>12</sup> Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup> And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas,

Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. <sup>14</sup> All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

*It's Test Time: Why? We Have His Spirit.*

## APOSTLES' CREED

**C** 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.

*Be seated.*

## OFFERING

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*Please stand.*

*Moved by God's love  
in Christ, by our  
**Offering** we offer  
him our first and best  
gifts, purely out of  
thanks to him. If you  
are visiting with us  
today, please do not  
feel obligated to give  
an offering.*

“Surely there can be no more faithful, firm, or efficacious sign and seal of the promise and grace which have been shown and applied to us than that Christ himself in the Supper shows to us his very body which has been given for us and his very blood which has been shed for us, not at some enormous distance, but he offers and gives it to us in so present a manner that we receive it to our very selves.”

— Martin Chemnitz

# The Service of the Sacrament



## SALUTATION

**M** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## PREFACE

**M** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them up to the Lord.

**M** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is good and right so to do.

## PROPER PREFACE

**M** It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has called us to be his own so that we may live under him in his kingdom and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY — Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

Tune: LANCASHIRE [CW 166]



1 O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and  
2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly blest is



might, Your glo - ry, earth and heav - en In  
he Who in God's name is com - ing To

count - less ways re - cite. Ho - san - na! Come and  
 set his peo - ple free! He comes to bring sal -  
 va - tion And with his blood out - poured, De - liv - er  
 grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.  
 us from bond - age— Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**M** Blessed are you, O Lord God, King of the universe. Before the creation of the world, you chose to redeem us with the precious blood of your Son, a Lamb without blemish or defect.

We give you humble and heartfelt thanks that by the mystery of Christ's holy incarnation. By his precious cross, death, and burial, you have turned the gloomy portal of death into the bright gateway to the everlasting Eden.

Remembering your Son's death and resurrection, we receive in repentance and joy his body and blood. Strengthen us through this gift for our pilgrimage on earth until, together at last, we shall eat and drink with our Savior anew in the kingdom of God. It is through his name we pray as he has taught us:

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**C** **Our Father in heaven,**  
**hallowed be your name,**  
**your kingdom come,**  
**your will be done**  
**on earth as in heaven.**  
**Give us today our daily bread.**  
**Forgive us our sins,**  
**as we forgive those**

*"The Lord's Prayer is a prayer above all prayers, the greatest of all prayers, which has been taught by the greatest Master of all, in which all spiritual and bodily trouble is comprehended and which is the strongest consolation in all temptations, tribulations, and in the last hour."*

— Martin Luther



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
 you take a - way the sin of the world;  
 grant us your peace. A - men.

## DISTRIBUTION

Those who will be receiving Holy Communion today may wish to read **Personal Preparation for Holy Communion**, found on page 156 in the front section of the hymnal. This page helps us put into practice what the Bible encourages: "Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup." (1 Corinthians 11:28)

**Prayer suggestions for before and after receiving the Lord's Supper** can be found in the hymnal on pages 10-11 and 134-139.

*In dismissing the communicants, the minister says:*

**[M]** Now, may this true body and blood strengthen and keep you in the true faith to life everlasting. Your sins ❖ are forgiven. Go in peace. Amen.

*Good Shepherd confesses and practices the Biblical teaching of a **Closed Communion**. We ask that only members of the Wisconsin Synod [WELS] or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod [ELS] join us at the Lord's Table. If you have questions concerning our communion practice, or would like to inquire about how you, too, can commune with us, please speak with the Pastor following the service.*

SONG OF SIMEON — *Nunc Dimittis*

Luke 2:29-32

Tune: KUORTANE [CW 388]

*Please stand.*

1 O Lord, now let your serv - ant De - part in peace, as -  
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All glo - ry to the

sured: For I have seen your prom - ised In -  
 Son, All glo - ry to the Spir - it, For -

car - nate, sav - ing Word— A Light that will en -  
 ev - er three in one; For as in the be -

light - en All gloom where Gen - tiles dwell; The bril - liant,  
 gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une

crown - ing glo - ry Of those in Is - ra - el!  
 name re - sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

**M** O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

**C** And his mercy endures forever.

**M** We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*This prayer, which we often pray, was included in a version of the Divine Service written by Martin Luther in 1526. We ask God to work powerfully in our lives through what he has just given to us in the Supper.*

## BLESSING

**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** Amen.

*Be seated.*

*The blessing of Aaron has been spoken over God's people for over 3,500 years. The Lord said, "So they will put my name on [them], and I will bless them." (cf. Numbers 6:27)*

## CLOSING HYMN

*Almighty Father, Bless the Word | CW 323*



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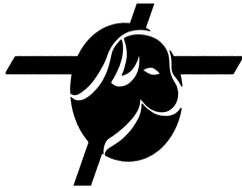
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# Announcements

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**SUMMER SESSION OF BIBLE CLASSES TODAY** The Summer Session of Bible Class continues today! The class will last 19 minutes (we promise!) and will cover some *Very Important Chapters of the Bible*. Please make time in your schedules to attend this great opportunity to continue to grow in faith and fellowship. Today’s study: **GENESIS 41—JOSEPH RULES EGYPT**

**NEBRASKA BIENNIAL DISTRICT CONVENTION** The Nebraska District in Convention met this past Tuesday, June 7 and Wednesday, June 8 at Nebraska Ev. Lutheran High School in Waco, NE. Randy Kahle and Pastor Seelow represented the congregation at the convention. A report on the convention will be presented following the Divine Service next Sunday, June 19.

**ONE IN CHRIST OFFERING** Next week’s service folder will contain a special offering envelope designated for the One in Christ offering. We will be celebrating the One in Christ Sunday on June 26. *This offering is intended to be given over-and-above your regular congregational offering.* Please consider making a special offering on June 26 to support the ongoing work of our Synod.

**CONGREGATION AT PRAYER** A copy of the newest “A Congregation at Prayer” is available on the table in the entryway. This packet is not only a good outline for personal and family devotions, but it also includes an up-to-date prayer list for those in (and outside) our congregation.

## This Week’s Calendar

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**Sunday, June 19** .....9:30a — Divine Service with Holy Communion  
10:45a — *Very Important Chapters* 19-Minute Bible Class  
**Ushers:** George Scott & Jamie Scott  
**Greeter:** Donna Haas & Bert Mues  
**Sound Tech:** Chaden Darby

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**Cleaning (6/12-6/18)** .....*Church*—Powers; *Fellowship*—Reinsch; *Ed. Bldg.*—Riggins  
**Mowing**.....Harp  
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