

 **Second Sunday of Lent** 
March 12, 2017

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (9:57)

WE COME TO GOD WITH PRAISE

PRELUDE "Praise The Lord Who Reigns Above" arr. Dan Forrest

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

***HYMN OF CELEBRATION** "God Himself Is with Us" **Page 565**

***APOSTLE'S CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

JOYFUL NOISE OFFERING The Potter House
(The Joyful Noise Offering is the collection of loose coins that we place in a tin can you shake that makes "Joyful Noise". The Noise is joyful because an agency/program is selected to receive the offering every two months)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *(Children leave for Children's Church after message)*

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "How Lovely, Lord, How Lovely" **Page 46**

WE CONFESS OUR SINS AND RECEIVE FORGIVENESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, You sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from You and turned aside from Your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored Your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

PRIVATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE WITH GRATITUDE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Loving Father, we praise and thank You for Your amazing grace to us, for Your undeserved favor to us, for Your steadfast love and kindness toward us. While we were yet sinners, our Lord Jesus died for us. Your goodness overwhelms us, and we have no words big enough to give You thanks. May our gratitude be shown in the lives we give to You. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

OFFERING

Special Music "Fear Not I Am With Thee" Dr. Josephine Munyao

- *Doxology
- *Prayer of Dedication

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament: Psalm 73
New Testament: Galatians 2:11-21

SERMON "Living in Accountable Community"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

PASTORAL PRAYER..... concluding with the Lord's Prayer

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** "They'll Know We Are Christians" **Page 256**

***BENEDICTION**

***SUNG BENEDICTION** "What does the Lord require of you"

POSTLUDE "If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee" J. S. Bach



*Denotes to Please Stand if able

Participants in Today's Service

Rev. Dr. Laura Smit, Preaching
Bob Brooks, Liturgist
Corey Noble, Organist
Julie Koenes, Usher
Bettye Kay & Henry Gachini, Greeters

Joseph Cook, Media Director
Dan Vanderberg, Media Technician
Dana Lehmann, Children's Message
Bolu Olayemi & Jared Swanson, Children's Church
Viola Kenyi, Children's Program Sub



NEWSLETTER - "Shepherd's Voice" is in need of someone to step up to replace Cindy Cook as she leaves GSPC for Dallas. If you have computer skills and would be interested in the position, please see Betty Rittersdorf or Pastor Mike. Cindy's last day with us will be April 2 so you may also talk to her if you have questions. Thanks to Cindy for what she has done with the newsletter and all of her contributions to GSPC.

POWERPOINT - The Media Team is looking for someone to take over the designing and completion of the Sunday PowerPoint that is displayed on the screen. Please see Dan Vandenberg or Joseph Cook for more information.

YOU'RE INVITED - Josephine Munyao, who has been attending our worship services, will be presenting a talk titled "Disruptions, Disharmony and Disillusionment: The challenge of Women's Empowerment to Marriage Theological Instruction among the Akamba." Josephine is the Nagel Institute's latest visiting scholar, from Daystar University in Kenya. The lecture is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 29, 3:30 pm in the Meeter Center Lecture Hall** on the campus of Calvin College.

MAUNDY THURSDAY - A very special Maundy Thursday dinner and devotion will be held on April 13th at Distinctive Catering located at 4945 S. Division in Wyoming. Children six and under will be free with a minimal cost for others. Tickets will be available after the service during coffee area beginning March 26th. This will be a nicely catered meal and a meaningful devotion and time of fellowship so please mark your calendar.

EASTER LILIES AND SPRING FLOWERS - The order form for the purchase of flowers for Easter Sunday is on the table outside the sanctuary. Please complete the form and give to Donna Baynai or Anne Vanderberg. All orders must be turned in by the end of worship on March 26th. Please include payment when you order.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - Sunday, May 7, 2017 is Consecration Sunday for our church. We are celebrating moving from an ECO "plant" church, to an ECO church. Come join in the celebration. More details to come!



Building the family of God, one soul at a time

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**Sunday Services 10:00 am
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TODAY AT GOOD SHEPHERD

10:00am – Worship Service
11:00am – Loving Team Meeting (Sanctuary)
2:15pm - Devotions at Samaritas (The Lodge)
4:30pm – Baynai's Home Group

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

Monday – Bob Brooks' Home Group @4:30pm
Wednesday – Session Meeting
Thursday – Jolly Beans Meeting at Dana Bilyea's @1:00pm
Friday - Calvin Seminary Chapel Services @10:00am
Saturday – Children's Bowling and Pizza

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY

10:00am – Worship Service
3:00pm - Devotions at Vista Springs



MONDAY: GOVERNMENT. Pray for all those who serve the people of this nation, be they national, state or local officials that they would serve with integrity. That they would be honest and hardworking and that they would obey the laws which they have sworn to uphold. That God would move upon the institutions of our government and call them to humility and righteousness.

TUESDAY: ENTERTAINMENT. God has blessed our nation with such prosperity that we enjoy an entire industry known as the Entertainment Industry. Pray that these men and women would be decent people, providing for us that which is spiritually, culturally and intellectually enriching. While forsaking that which is destructive and immoral. And that as we enjoy recreation and leisure, we would understand it as a gift from God to be enjoyed and appreciated.

WEDNESDAY: EDUCATION. Thank God for those who have dedicated themselves to building us intellectually. Those who seek to stand on the shoulders of those who have gone before us and bring further knowledge and wisdom to all citizens. That these folks would teach honestly and with diligence. And that those who serve in administration would do so with fidelity and care.

THURSDAY: INDUSTRY. We have been abundantly blessed to partake of the greatest industrial society in history. Thank God for the men and women who make products and jobs. For those who labor on behalf of the culture and their families. That God would continue to bless America with great companies and business, and that all men and women might work for the good of all.

FRIDAY: FAMILY. Family is the bedrock of our society. It is where love and nurture is first and best shared. It is God's building block for a godly people and culture. Pray that our families stay together. That love and mercy and encouragement are given and received. That we become more patient with each other and that children learn the truth about God. Pray for the safety, care and nurture of our children.

SATURDAY: RELIGION. Pray for those who seek God. Those who desire to know "the Higher Power". Pray that the debates about religious convictions and claims are thoughtful and kind. Pray that Jesus would open the hearts, ears and minds of those who want to know and worship The One True God.

SUNDAY: YOURSELF. Nothing changes until we ourselves change. Pray that God would show you His truth and glory. That God would change you into a kinder and more loving person. And then, that God would use you like a tool to do for others, and to do for Himself all that He desires.



JOHN AND LORRAINE KAPELLER as their son-in-law Trent Harmond has suffered a heart attack. Please keep the family in your prayers

MARSHA HAMMER who went to the hospital last week and was found to have a small aneurism and after many tests was sent home and is waiting for the doctors to determine the course of treatment

JEAN BAILEY as she continues treatments for cancer and as she prepares for surgery

LOIS STEPHENS prayers for an upcoming surgery

TODD & CYNDI COLE friends of Jean Bailey, as they mourn the death of a son

JABE HEPBURN (Bettye Kay's grandson) prayers for him and the family

KIM a township co-worker of Dana Lehmann, pray for clear a pathology report, full recovery, and no other problems

CATHY JO who lives at Samaritas and who is in constant pain

CALVIN COLLEGE AND CALVIN SEMINARY students and faculty that God would continue to bless them as they prepare to return to their studies this month

NORMA VANDEN BROEK, RACHEL KIMBREL, PAT DOORN AND EVONNE KRUIS as they worship at home