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The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. August 16, 2026

OUR THEME FOR THIS YEAR IS LOVE AND ZEAL: A GOOD MIX FOR 2026!

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

We welcome you to Our Shepherd. It is a joy to have you with us today! We pray that you will be strengthened and uplifted through our worship.

Welcome and thank you to Rev. Jim Klug, our guest Pastor this weekend.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Songs: Lord, I Lift Your Name On High . . . Rick Founds

Lord, I lift your name on high.

Lord, I love to sing your praises.

I'm so glad you're in my life.

I'm so glad You came to save us.

Chorus:

You came from heaven to earth to show the way

From the earth to the cross my debt to pay

From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky

Lord, I lift your name on high.

Lord, we come before your throne

Bowed in humble adoration.

We're so glad to be your own,

So we sing in exultation.

Repeat Chorus 2x

Lord, I lift Your name on high!

Lord I lift Your name on high!

Great is Thy Faithfulness (Beginning to End) . . . Michael Weaver

Great is Thy faithfulness

O God my Father

There is no shadow of turning with Thee

Thou changest not

Thy compassions they fail not

As Thou hast been Thou forever will be

Chorus:

Beginning to end my life in Your hands

Great, great is Your faithfulness

You never let go this one thing I know

Great, great is Your faithfulness

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest

Sun moon and stars in their courses above

Join with all nature in manifold witness

To Thy great faithfulness mercy and love

Repeat Chorus

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth

Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide

Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow

Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside

Repeat Chorus

Confession (All): Lord, we confess our lack of faith. We see a glimpse of what we ought to be and we know we fall short of the goal. We desire faith that is solid and unchanging, yet we crumble under trials and temptations. We want to be strong, but we know our weaknesses. Our sinful condition strips us of any spiritual gain that we humbly devise. Lord, forgive us. Accept us as we are, unworthy for the task, yet gifted for your purposes. Grant us Your gift of faith.

Absolution (Pastor)

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 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

Communion Song (8:00): Give Thanks . . . Paul Wilbur, Don Moen

Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks unto the Holy One
Give thanks because He’s given
Jesus Christ, His Son

Chorus:
And now let the weak say, I am strong
Let the poor say, I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us

Repeat Chorus

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Let the poor say, I am rich
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Repeat Chorus Twice

The Lord’s Supper (8:00 a.m.)

The Bible is specific about who should attend the Lord’s Supper (1 Corinthians 10: 16-17; 11: 27-30). We invite those who wish to confess their sins and believe they receive Christ’s body and blood in this sacrament, for their forgiveness, to join us at the Lord’s Table for their spiritual strengthening.

Scripture Readings (Back of Bulletin)

Message from the Word:
Sermon Theme: Boats, Dogs, and Faith
Sermon Text: Matthew 15:28

Offering

Prayers/Lord’s Prayer

Closing Song: Shine Jesus Shine . . . Graham Kendrick

Lord the light of Your Love is shining
In the midst of the darkness shining
Jesus Light of the world shine upon us
Set us free by the truth
You now Bring us
Shine on me shine on me

Chorus:
Shine Jesus shine
Fill this land with the Father’s glory
Blaze Spirit blaze Set our hearts on fire
Flow river flow
Flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth Your word
Lord and let there be light

Lord I come to Your awesome presence
From the shadows into Your radiance
By the blood I may enter Your brightness
Search me try me consume all my darkness
Shine on me shine on me

Repeat Chorus

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
So our faces display Your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory

Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story
Shine on me shine on me

Repeat Chorus Twice

Benediction

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWERS: Flowers are given to the glory of God this weekend by Dean and Jenny Schumacher in celebration of their 34th wedding anniversary. God’s blessings to them!

FIRST-TIME VISITORS: Welcome, guests and visitors! Please take home an Our Shepherd gift bag located on the table in the narthex as a “thank you” for being here!

MILKMEN OUTING: In partnership with Michelle's Action Angels Community Outreach, the evangelism committee is hosting a *Milwaukee Milkmen* game on *Monday, August 24th at 6:30 PM*. Michelle's Action Angels, founded in 2015 by longtime Our Shepherd members Jeff and Denise Gildersleeve in memory of their daughter Michelle, supports individuals with intellectual disabilities by making public spaces accessible. The organization also provides scholarships for accessible recreational activities and delivers personalized welcome totes to individuals transitioning to supported living. A portion of ticket sales will be donated to Michelle's Action Angels. Please sign up by August 16th so we can order tickets. Our seats will be in the skybox section – the cost is \$23.46 per ticket. (Kids 12 and under eat free!)

COLLECTION OF WINTER ITEMS: It is not too early to start our annual collection of warm winter wear for those in need! If you knit or crochet, yarn is available in the room off the nursery to make hats, mittens, and scarves. Completed items can be left in the church office.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Tuesday	Share Our Strengths (S.O.S.)	6:00 PM
Saturday	Worship Service	6:00 PM
Sunday	Worship Service	8:00 & 10:30 AM
Sunday	Teen Bible Class	9:30 AM
Sunday	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:30 AM

The Word Today is aired locally on Sunday mornings at 7:45 on WJYI 1340 AM and at 8:30 on WRJN 1400 AM

Listener Responses to The Word Today – Vietnamese

- I am a sinner before God for not believing in Him. I worshipped idols and did not recognize God. When I was young, I was very rich and well-known in my local area. However, my wealthy and satisfied lifestyle made me become a profligate, polygamous and gambling person. I had kept indulging in that life until all of my possessions were gone. I had to sell everything out—my house, my car, my land and farm, and become an empty-handed person, ending up in poverty. My wife and children have abandoned me, my relatives have stayed away from me and my friends thought scorn of me. I was depressed and a stroke resulted. My legs are paralyzed. I cannot walk or do anything except wait for death.

Then I heard about Jesus and I decided to take Him as my Savior. I was taken to church on Sunday for worship and there I got a radio as a gift from the church’s pastor in order for me to listen to your program. I really found interest in listening to the programs every night and never miss a session. I really like the TWT programs. His words make me come to life again. It has touched my heart and I sincerely repented of my sins to God. Now I want to serve Him wholeheartedly. May God take care of my life in my old age and my failing health. Please hold me in your prayer so I will keep listening to God’s word faithfully.

- My body has not been developed well from birth like other normal people. I found myself feeling pity when growing with a hunchback, uneven legs and poor health. I have got difficulty in breathing because of heart problems, resulting in frequent unconsciousness. My poor health plus financial problems and distance from school made my schooling end at finishing the primary level. Many times I cried to God and questioned Him why He created me like this? What is His plan for my life? Is it a judgement on me? Well, it seems I have to wait forever for His answer and my life keeps going on that way until one day I heard God’s Word through your program. In every sermon and every story, the Lord has taught me that I have to value my life. This world is only a temporary place, and one day when He is coming back my perished body will be transformed into a glorious body and I will stay with Him forever. Thanks God and thanks to your program for giving me an opportunity to hear His word so that my heart is changed and I am able to enjoy His Word every day. Amen!