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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GIVING: Online giving is available and is appreciated as we will still have our regular operating costs and bills. Please mail in your giving to P.O. Box 695 5 W. Washington St. Oswego IL 60543 or use our E giving for online giving

<https://giving.ncsservices.org/app/giving/goodshepherdoswego>

which can also be found on our website under the giving tab. ~ Thank you!

PRAYERS FOR THE HOLY LAND: The Methodist Liaison Office in Jerusalem is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. Topic: MLO - Jerusalem's Update and Prayers Every Wednesday at 1:00 PM US Midwest. Join our Zoom Meeting on Wednesdays. See the Eblast or email the office for the link.

ACE: The **Adult Christian Education** class began a new study on April 14th at 9:30 am in the Meditation Room entitled *Jesus Revealed: The I Am Statements in the Gospel of John*. Light. Join us as we watch the DVD that goes along with this study and then discuss the ideas presented by the author. Questions, contact Janet McCarty, the leader.

SUMMER MUSIC: People who are interested in performing special music during our summer services in June, July, and August for the 8:15 service? You can also include my email and encourage people to contact me if they are interested.

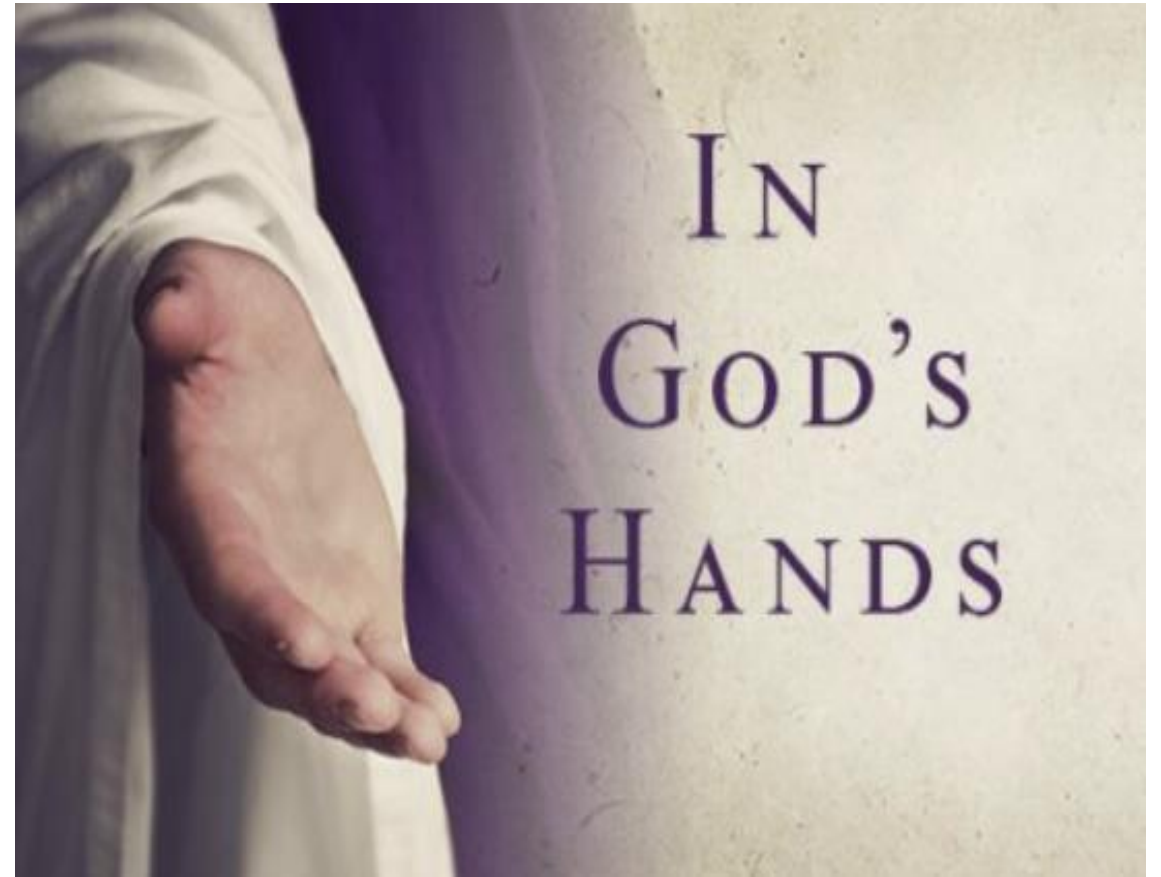
2024 GRADUATES: Our church would like to celebrate this year's Good Shepherd graduates from High School and Higher Education. Please let us know of your graduate and their school so we can recognize and celebrate their achievement later this spring. You may contact the church office with your info. Thankyou!

BOOK CLUB: This month's book is *The Measure* by Nikki Erlick. We will meet at Nancy Patush's house on Tuesday April 30th at 1:00 P.M. We welcome new members. Please join us! See Judy McGregor or Nancy Patush with questions.

GLOBAL 6K WALK/RUN FOR WATER (part of the Christian organization World Vision) to raise awareness and money to give permanent access to water for millions of children and women who have to walk an average of 6k to get water for their families, The \$50 registration per person is all you need to join (\$25 for children 18 and under). If you want to fundraise beyond that, great!

The event will be **Saturday June 1st at Hudson Crossing Park in Oswego.**

<https://global6k.worldvision.org/team/ChurchOfTheGoodShepherdOswego>



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“OPEN HEARTS. OPEN MINDS. OPEN DOORS.”

April 28, 2024
5th Sunday of Easter

WELCOME! We are happy you came to worship with us today. If you would like to join our mailing list please subscribe on our website. www.goodshepherdoswego.org

PRELUDE *Thine is the Glory* Cheryl Todd

WORSHIP IS CELEBRATING GOD'S LOVE AND POWER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: From thee comes my praise in the great congregation.

People: My vows I will pay before those who fear God.

Leader: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to God.

People: And all the families of the nations shall worship before God. +

SONG OF PRAISE *Who You Say I Am* Reborn

WORSHIP IS SHARING AND PRAYING

CHILDREN'S TIME

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Leader: "Lord, in your mercy"

People: "Hear our prayer"

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORDS PRAYER #895

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Ruler of nations, you have dominion over all the earth We praise your name and bow down before you. You bring pride to the humble, and cause the boastful to be brought low. The afflicted find hope through your mercy; the comfortable you challenge and chasten. As your wisdom led our fathers and mothers throughout the ages, make us receptive to the testimony of your love, for we pray in the name of Christ Jesus, the Word made flesh. Amen. +

WORSHIP IS HEARING GOD'S WORD

SONG OF PRAISE *This is Amazing Grace* Reborn

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16,*John 14:1-14 Kim Mattern

SERMON: *In God's Hands* Rev. Steve Good

WORSHIP IS WITNESSING TO THE WORLD

SONG OF PRAISE *Carrying You* Reborn

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *God Will Take Care of You* Cheryl Todd

+ Kirk When We Gather

Thine is the Glory written by Handel and arranged by Benton Price

Who You Say I Am words and music by Hillsong Music

Carrying You words and music by Jon Conover

This is Amazing Grace by Phil Wickam

God Will Take Care of You composed by W. Stillman Marten and arranged by Robert Hughes

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

In you, O LORD, I seek refuge;
do not let me ever be put to shame;
in your righteousness deliver me.
Incline your ear to me;
rescue me speedily.
Be a rock of refuge for me,
a strong fortress to save me.
You are indeed my rock and my fortress;
for your name's sake lead me and guide me;
take me out of the net that is hidden for me,
for you are my refuge.
Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

My times are in your hand;
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.
Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love.

John 14:1-14

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.