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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

ONLINE GIVING: Zeffy.com which is a 100% free service for not-for-profit organizations like Good Shepherd. (You do NOT need to leave a tip- it is optional.

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/donation-form/donate-to-support-church-of-the-good-shepherd-umc> Please contact the office if you have any issues. Thank you!

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please contact Pat Rogerson for prayer requests or to be added to the email list to join our prayer warriors at prayerchaingoodshepherd24@gmail.com

ICE CREAM SOCIAL: “I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream!”. Mark your calendar and plan to join your friends and neighbors as the Fellowship Team of Church of the Good Shepherd hosts a good old-fashioned ice cream social on Sunday, August 23rd, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. in the church’s Fellowship Hall! The community is invited to stop by the church and enjoy ice cream and all the trimmings. There’s no charge, however donations will be accepted.

NEW BIBLE STUDY will start on Thursday, September 10th, at 7 pm in the Gathering Room for an hour led by Janet McCarty. We will study the book, *Questions Jesus Asked* by Magrey R. Devega. What does Jesus want to know about us? Jesus was fond of asking questions, many of which cut right to the heart of what it means to be human. Why are you terrified? What do you live for? Who do you say that I am? In this study we will explore six of the most provocative questions Jesus posed to others and guides us in answering them for ourselves. Having the book will enhance your learning. It is available through Amazon, Cokesbury, or Christianbook.com or Janet is willing to order it for you. Contact her by cell 331-588-0064 or email jmmccarty70@gmail.com.

MEN'S LUNCH: The United Methodist Men will be having their monthly Men’s Luncheon at Sunfield's Restaurant at 382 E. Veterans Pkwy, Yorkville on Wednesday, September 16th at noon. Please join us for fellowship and a fine meal.

BOOK CLUB: As a group, we decided to read *The Calamity Club* by Kathryn Stockett. It is a long book so we decided to give everyone more time to read it and not be pressured as we enjoy the rest of summer. We will meet **September 22nd** at our usual time of 1:00. Everyone is welcome! Please contact the office if you need a ride.



THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Online Worship Service August 23, 2026

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“OPEN HEARTS. OPEN MINDS. OPEN DOORS.”

August 23, 2026
13th Sunday after Pentecost

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	<i>The Gift of Love</i>	Cheryl Todd
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WORSHIP IS CELEBRATING GOD’S LOVE AND POWER

CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth!
People: We will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord and the wonders which God has wrought. +

SONG OF PRAISE	<i>In Christ Alone</i>	Reborn
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WORSHIP IS SHARING AND PRAYING

JOYS AND CONCERNS
Leader: “Lord, in your mercy”
People: “Hear our prayer”

HYMN	<i>And Are We Yet Alive</i>
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PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION
We broadcast your glorious deeds, O God, and spread abroad the good news of the gospel. You have not forsaken your people, but promise your presence through the gift of your Spirit. In Christ you redeem us from a past that enslaves us, and free us for a future of life lived in your love. Hear us now as we sing your praises, and fill us as we learn of your way. +

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORDS PRAYER #89

WORSHIP IS HEARING GOD’S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>Abide with Me</i>	One A ‘Chord
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SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 6:10-20, *Matthew 16:13-20	Rev. Steve Good
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SERMON: *Practice Makes Perfect*

WORSHIP IS WITNESSING TO THE WORLD

HYMN	<i>Choral Benediction</i>
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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE	<i>O God Beyond All Praising</i>	Cheryl Todd
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* Kirk When We Gather

Let Go music and lyrics by Jon Conover
The Gift of Love English folk Melody arranged by Hal Hopson
“*O God Beyond All Praising*” by Gustav Holst arranged by Anna Page

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

Sunday August 23rd

8:30am Traditional Service

10:00am Contemporary Worship

11:30am Youth Group

2:00-4pm Ice Cream Social

Tuesday August 25th

7pm Church Council zoom

Wednesday August 26th

10am Bible Between Bytes Zoom

5:30pm Youth Group

Friday August 28th

7am Men's Coffee

Sunday August 30th

8:30am Traditional Service

10:00am Contemporary Worship

11:30am Youth Group

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