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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!

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Our Sunday School open house and rally day was a huge success. Pastor Steve was able to bless over 15 backpacks. We also are holding a contest to name our Mascot dragon for the year!

Sunday School classes begin Sept. 10th. Please contact Ruth Frey for more info— Dozygit@gmail.com.

FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH RETURNS September 10th 9:30-11am in Fellowship Hall. Wear your favorite sports jersey to church if you like and join us for our Tailgate Brunch! A free will offering will be accepted.

MEN'S LUNCH: The United Methodist Men will be having their monthly Men's Luncheon at Mission BBQ, 376 Route 59, Naperville on Wednesday, September 20th at noon. Please join us for fellowship and a fine meal.

JOYFUL NOISE HANDBELLS practices on **Mondays at 6:30** in the sanctuary. New people are always welcome. You do not have to be able to read music or carry a tune to join. We practice weekly and play for church services, usually on the third Sunday of the month. Please consider joining us and having lots of fun learning to play a new instrument. You may call Cheryl Todd at 630-554-2102 if you have any questions.

New ACE CLASS – A new study, *Reading the Bible, Missing the Gospel*, by **Ben Connelly** will start in the Meditation Room on **Sunday, Sept. 10, at 9:30 am**. Connelly gives readers a new gospel-focused lens that addresses common frustrations and helps them see with renewed hope, clarity, and courage. Having a copy of the book will strengthen your study. You may obtain your own copy or contact Janet McCarty at jmmccarty70@gmail.com or 630-636-7233 and she will order one for you. Come and join our discussion.

THE CHOIR RESUMES on Tuesdays. Rehearsals are at 7 pm downstairs in the choir room. New members (Ages 16 and up) are always welcome! Contact Jonathan Tatar or the office with any questions. jonathan.w.tatar@gmail.com



THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
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“OPEN HEARTS. OPEN MINDS. OPEN DOORS.”

September 10, 2023
15th 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 *Pastorale on Blessed Assurance* Cheryl Todd

WORSHIP IS CELEBRATING GOD'S LOVE AND POWER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol God, all peoples!

People: For great is God's steadfast love toward us; and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever.

Leader: Praise the Lord! +

SPECIAL MUSIC *How Great Thou Art* Reborn

WORSHIP IS SHARING AND PRAYING

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Leader: "Lord, in your mercy"

People: "Hear our prayer"

HYMN *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

PRAYER OF PRAISE

You are worthy of all praise, O God, more than could ever flow from our mouths. The birds sing of your glory; the day's sun rises to honor you. The mountains owe their grandeur to your design for creation; the seas have their depth, as you have decreed. We blend our voices with all your creatures and join with your people in praising your name. **Amen.** +

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORDS PRAYER #895

WORSHIP IS HEARING GOD'S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* Joyful Noise Handbells

SCRIPTURE: Romans 13:8-10, * Matthew 18:15-20 Laura Galindo

SERMON: *Before You Unfriend* Rev. Steve Good

WORSHIP IS WITNESSING TO THE WORLD

HYMN *And Are We Yet Alive*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Immortal, Invisible* Cheryl Todd

+ Kirk When We Gather

Let Go music and lyrics by Jon Conover
Blessed Assurance by Phoebe Palmer Knapp and arranged by Robert Lau
How Great Thou Art by Stuart Wesley Keene Hine
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Immortal, Invisible based on the Welsh hymn St. Denio and arranged by Roger Wilson

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Romans 13:8-10

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Owe no one anything, except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not murder; you shall not steal; you shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

*Matthew 18:15-20

"If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."