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| CONTEMPORARY MUSIC | Jon Conover and ReBorn |
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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.

VBS: Thanks to everyone that has volunteered to help with VBS. **There will be a meeting of all VBS volunteers on Tuesday, July 9 at 5:30 pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone wanting to help please join the meeting.** Contact Janet McCarty at jmmccarty70@gmail.com or text/call 331-588-0064 with any questions.

Now we need **CHILDREN** to register to be a VBS Knight of North Castle. Pick up an information sheet in the Gathering Room or go to goodshepherdoswego.org and click on the Vacation Bible School is Back, tab.

MISSIONS is serving a Sloppy Joe Supper at the **Hesed House Family Shelter on Monday, August 5 from 5:30-7:00pm.** We are in need of the following items:

- Cookies (approx. 3 dozen - any variety)
- Please reach out to **Sara Poniatowski** at poniatowski@att.net or text/call (773) 251-8372 if you'd like to help with any of these needs.

BOOK CLUB: The next book club discussion will be Tuesday, July 30 at 1:00 p.m. at Nancy Patush's house. This month's book is *The Secret Life of Bees* by Sue Monk Kidd. Please join us.



THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
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July 28, 2024**

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“OPEN HEARTS. OPEN MINDS. OPEN DOORS.”

July 28, 2024
10th 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 *How Beautiful* Cheryl Todd

WORSHIP IS CELEBRATING GOD'S LOVE AND POWER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In God be glad, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

People: You are a hiding place for me, you preserve me from trouble; you encompass me with deliverance, O God most high.

Leader: Let us worship God. +

SONG OF PRAISE *Like a Summer Day* Reborn

WORSHIP IS SHARING AND PRAYING

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Leader: "Lord, in your mercy"

People: "Hear our prayer"

HYMN *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

O God of deliverance, our knees bow down before you; with our voices we sing you praises. Our hands are uplifted to give you honor; our eyes are opened to behold your blessings. You are merciful in providing us a haven; you are caring and know all our needs; your presence is our assurance that you accept our worship. Send forth your Spirit, and touch all who wait before you. Amen. +

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORDS PRAYER #895

WORSHIP IS HEARING GOD'S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC: *When Morning Guilds the Skies* *Joyful Noise Handbells*

SCRIPTURE: Romans 8:31-39, *Luke 15:1-10 Jessie Livingston

SERMON: *A Love That Is Out of This World* Rev. Patrick Fish

WORSHIP IS WITNESSING TO THE WORLD

HYMN *Gift of Love*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* Cheryl Todd

+ Kirk When We Gather

How Beautiful composed by Twila Paris and arranged by Jane Holstein

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing arranged by Terry Osman.

Like a Summer Day words and music by Jon Conover

Romans 8:31-39

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Luke 15:1-10

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

So he told them this parable: “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.’ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

“Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”