

## Calendar for Week of 9/17/2023

### SUNDAY

- 8:30 / 9:45 - Contemporary [Worship Center]
  - 9:45 - Sunday School
  - 9:45 - Christianity, Cults... [Lounge]
  - 11:00 - Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]
  - 11:00 - Parenting SS Class [Lounge]
  - 11:00 - COGS Kids pageant practice [Hall]
- Youth Grades 6-12** please see Youth Page in the Announcements

### MONDAY

- 10-12 - Staff Meeting
- 5:00 - CR Praise Team Rehearsal [WC]
- 5:00 - Private [Sanctuary]
- 7:00 - Board of Trustees [Lounge]
- 7:00 - Mission Team [Rm 21]

### TUESDAY

- 6:30 - Disciple study [Hall]
- 6:30 - Flourishing study [gather area/lounge]

### WEDNESDAY

- 9:00am - MOMS Group [rms 200 & 202]
- 5:00 - Celebrate Recovery
- 7:00 - Traditional Choir [Sanctuary]

### THURSDAY

- 5:00 - Contemporary Design Team
- 5:30 - Traditional Design Team
- 6:00—Young Adult Group [Hall]

### FRIDAY

### SATURDAY

- 9:00 - Contemporary Worship Rehearsal
- 10:00—Safe Sanctuary Training [Hall]

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- 11:00 - COGS Kids pageant practice [Hall]
- 11:00 - Reckless Love study [rm 23]
- 11:00 - Safe Sanctuary [Hall]
- 12:15 - Golf Outing
- 5:00—Fire Extinguisher Training [Hall]

**WE EXPRESS APPRECIATION** this morning to everyone who helped with this service.

Welcome to Contemporary Worship. We are so glad you are here this morning!

### Mission Statement for the Church of the Good Shepherd

We are committed to:

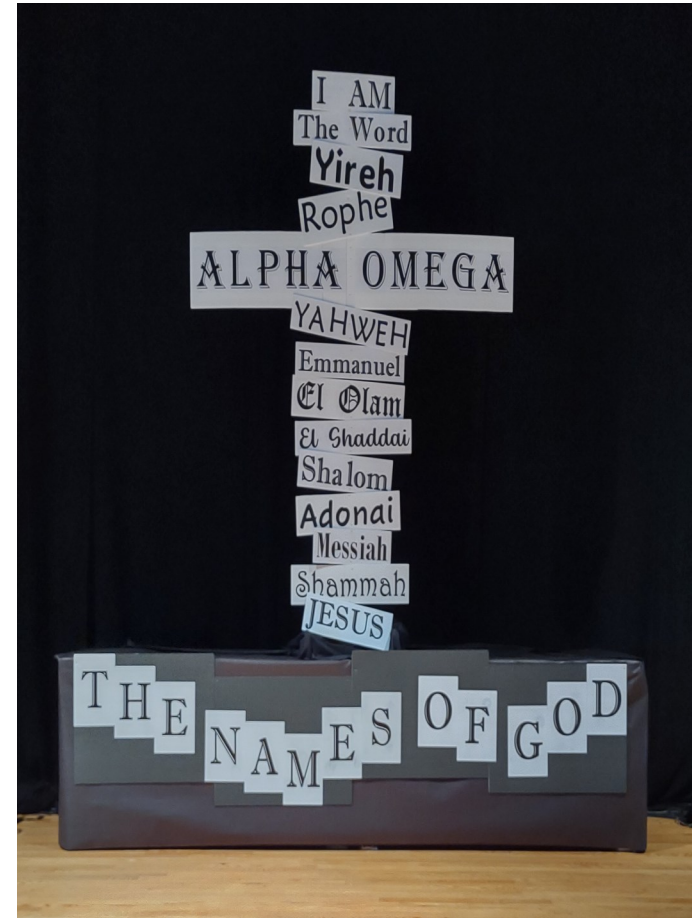
- Connecting persons to Jesus Christ
- Connecting with broken and hurting people
- Challenging persons to grow and celebrate their relationship with Jesus Christ
- Equipping persons and partnering with them to serve in God-powered ministry



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**September 17, 2023**  
**16th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Sunday worship 8:30 / 9:45 p.m.**  
**Contemporary Worship**  
**in the Worship Center**

**The Names of God:  
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Genesis 22:1-8a, 11-14

We cannot see what lies ahead, but we can put our trust in Yahweh Yireh – the God who Sees and who provides.

Additional Scriptures: Hebrews 11:1, 7-19;  
1 Corinthians 13:12; Jeremiah 29:11

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Welcome

Announcements

Opening Music: *What Faith Can Do*  
By: Davis/ Krippayne

Call to Worship  
Scripture: Genesis 22:1-8a CEB

Giving of Our Gifts  
Musical Offering-*Instrumental*  
*God Is in Control*

Song Celebration  
*Awesome God*  
*I Walk by Faith*  
*Strong God*

Message: "*Yahweh Yireh: The God Who Sees*"  
Scripture: Genesis 22:11-14 NRSV  
Speaker: Reverend Janet Sattel

Prayer  
Prayer Response: *Instrumental*  
*Great is Thy Faithfulness*

Closing Song: *Know You Will*  
By: Hastings/ Houston/ Thomas

Sending Forth

A ram has been caught in the thicket - with great relief, Abraham names the place: "the Lord will provide" - which speaks to the character of God. In Hebrew this is Yehovah Yireh or Yahweh Yireh

*Yireh* is *RA-ah*, which means "to see" or "to see to it." God sees – God sees our situation and God sees to it – or God provides.

Knowing the character of God, gave Abraham the faith that he needed to trust in God. Abraham had faith in the God who sees, who provides and who fulfills his all his promises.

Faith in God opens our eyes, enabling us to see God and his character. Abraham's faith allowed him to see farther ahead, because he knew he could trust in the God who sees.

The God who sees is the God who provides. God would provide the ram in the place of Isaac, and God would provide the Lamb of God in our place - for all of Abraham's promised descendants. God provided his one and only son so that we might live. The God who sees is the God who provides.

Why put Abraham to the test at all? Because God knows that we must die to those things that would replace God in our hearts.

It is only when we are willing to give God all that we love and all that we are, it is only then that we find the freedom to truly worship God. When we fully trust in God, then we can experience his loving provision for our lives.

The God who is in all time at once, Yahweh Yireh, is here with us now – in the present.

Church Office Hours  
Monday-Friday: 9am-2pm

Would you like to speak to someone regarding a personal or spiritual issue? Please contact the church office: 717-272-7741 to set up a time to speak with a pastor.

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Rev. Lisa Flory, Pastor  
Mary Smith, Coordinator of  
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