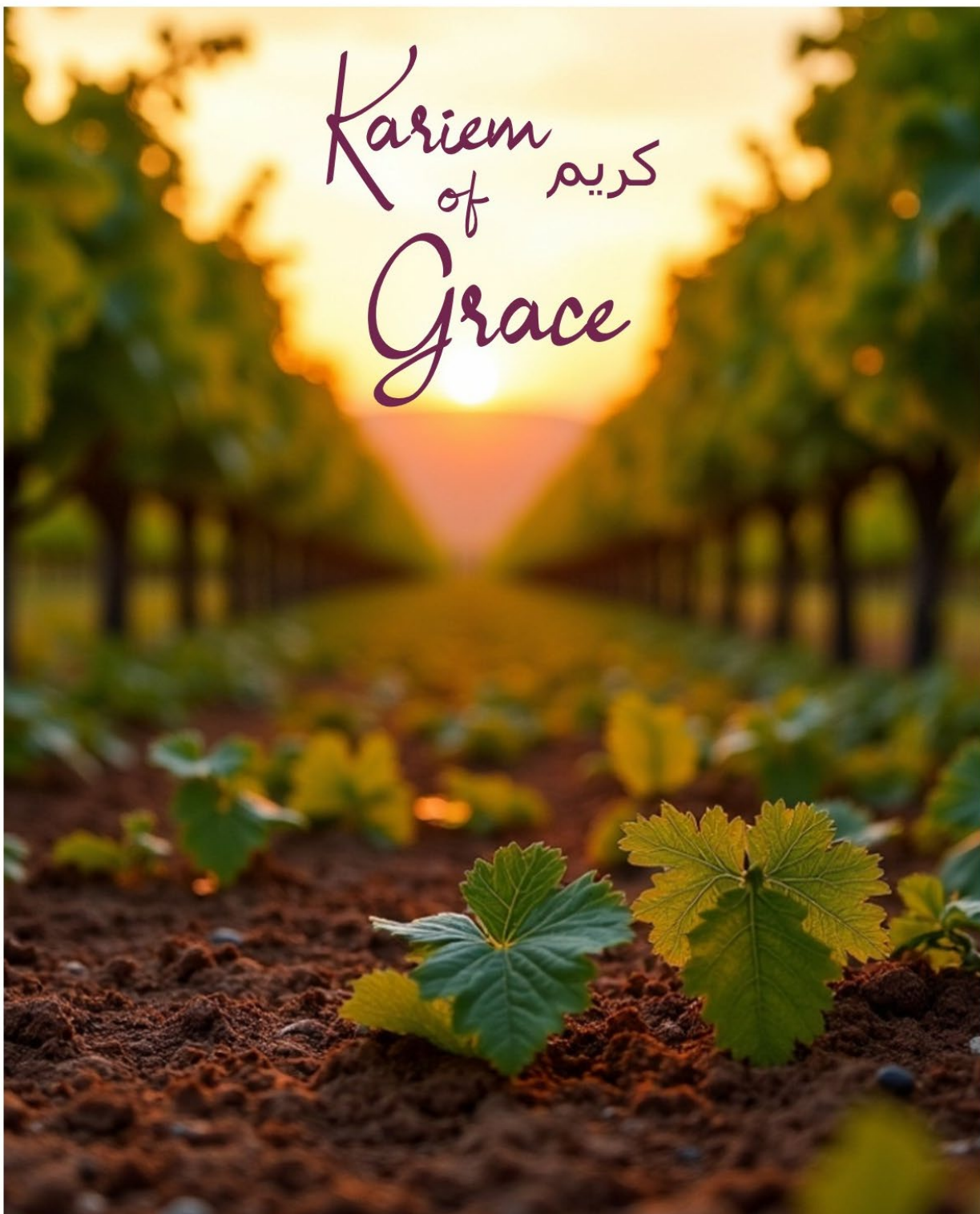


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Grace



The Season After Pentecost

September 20, 2026

9:30am

GATHERING

Confessions and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.

Amen.

Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts.

Creation groans from overuse.

Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.

Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.

Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others.

Turn our hearts back to you.

Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.

Renew us to live as your holy people,

following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hear this good news:

We have peace with God through ☩ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.

Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

Amen.

Welcome and Sharing of the Peace *(Please remember to fill out an attendance sheet)*

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Gathering Song: "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Greeting

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Hymn of Praise



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants.

Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

First Reading

Exodus 16:2-15

² The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³ The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat and ate our fill of bread, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." ⁴ Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. ⁵ On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." ⁶ So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, ⁷ and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?" ⁸ And Moses said, "When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD." ⁹ Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites: 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.' " ¹⁰ And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹ The LORD spoke to Moses, ¹² "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.' "

¹³ In the evening quails came up and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴ When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵ When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God

Psalm 145

¹ I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.

² Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. ³ Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable. ⁴ One generation shall extol your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts. ⁵ They will recount the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works I will meditate. ⁶ They will proclaim the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness. ⁷ They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness. ⁸ The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Children's Time

Alleluia Verse



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 20th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹ “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵ When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. ⁶ And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰ Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹² saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

The Gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Song:

“O Bread of Life from Heaven”



1 O Bread of life from heav - en, O Food to pil - grims giv -
2 O Fount of grace re - deem - ing, O Riv - er ev - er stream -
3 We love you, Je - sus, ten - der, in all your hid - den splen -



en, O Man - na from a - bove: feed with the bless - ed sweet -
ing from Je - sus' wound - ed side: come now, your love be - stow -
dor with - in these means of grace. Oh, let the veil be riv -



ness of your di - vine com - plete - ness the souls that want and need your love.
ing on thirst - ing souls, and flow - ing till all are ful - ly sat - is - fied.
en, and our clear eye in heav - en be - hold your glo - ry face to face.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

**On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

Prayers of the People

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

MEAL



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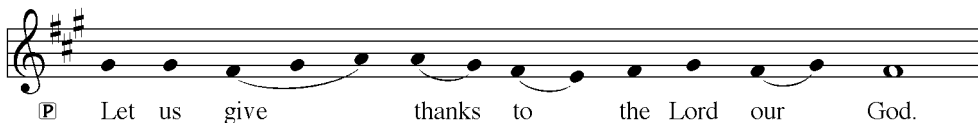
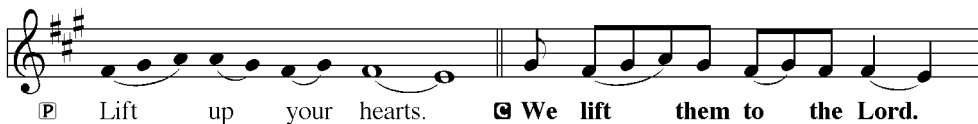
Offering Prayer

God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.

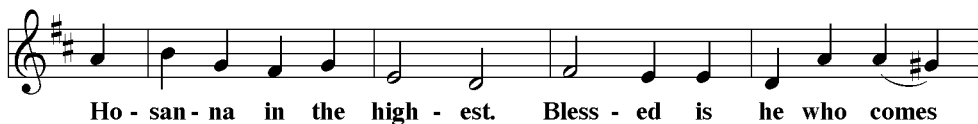
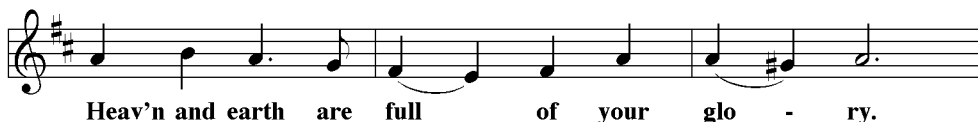
All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have.

Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. Amen.

Celebration of Holy Communion



It is indeed right and salutary...hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Blessing of the Bread and Wine

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen

Distribution of Holy Communion

This is Christ's bod - y, bro - ken and blest. Feed us with

The first system of musical notation for the Distribution of Holy Communion. It consists of a treble and bass staff in G major (one sharp). The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides harmonic support. The lyrics are: "This is Christ's bod - y, bro - ken and blest. Feed us with".

mer-cy and love. We are Christ's bod - y,
with mer - cy and love.

The second system of musical notation. The melody continues from the first system. The lyrics are: "mer-cy and love. We are Christ's bod - y, with mer - cy and love." There is a long note in the treble staff for "love." and "mer - cy" in the bass staff.

bro - ken and blest. Heal us and make us one.

The third system of musical notation. The melody continues. The lyrics are: "bro - ken and blest. Heal us and make us one." The system ends with a double bar line.

Communion Hymn:

“Take My Life”

Take my life and let it be consecrated Lord to Thee
Take my moments and my days let them flow in ceaseless praise
Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love
Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee

Take my voice and let me sing always only for my King
Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from Thee
Take my silver and my gold not a mite would I withhold
Take my intellect and use ev'ry power as You choose

Here am I all of me take my life it's all for Thee

Take my will and make it Thine it shall be no longer mine
Take my heart it is Thine own it shall be Thy royal throne
Take my love my Lord I pour at Your feet its treasure store
Take myself and I will be ever only all for Thee

Here am I all of me take my life it's all for Thee

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SENDING

Post-Communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants.

**Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need.
We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Blessing

Sending Hymn:

"O Living Bread from Heaven"



- 1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!
- 2 My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,
- 3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.
- 4 Oh, grant me then, well - strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here



The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.
and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;
And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.
my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;



O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!
for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,
My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,
and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er - flows!
the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.
and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.
where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.

Dismissal

As people of the Good Shepherd ...

We are a Christian community rooted in grace, connected through inclusive worship and fellowship.

Together

We embrace and value all people and serve our broader community with compassion.

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Join us on Sundays at 8:30am, for “**Kin to the Stranger**” a new adult forum series exploring what Scripture says about borders, immigration, and welcoming the stranger. We’ll walk through both Testaments together, meeting people like Abraham, Joseph, Mary, and Paul, all of whom knew what it meant to leave home and depend on the kindness of others. Along the way, we’ll ask what it means for us, as a church family, to reflect God’s own heart of hospitality. Come with your questions, your stories, and your curiosity.
All are welcome at this table.

Are you excited about Good Shepherd ministries?

Want to help us promote the things we do?

Join us for a **Stewardship Team Meeting** on Tues., September 29th at 630pm.

Greeting Program

Greeters will be "on duty" a Sunday of their choosing. Please add this fun

Sunday activity to your schedule - perhaps once every 10 weeks?

There are no education or experience requirements, just a warm heart.

Watch for a signup sheet & hop on board!

September Missions of the Month - Wave Riders/Camp Erin

Camp Erin is a free, weekend bereavement camp for children ages 6-17.

Wave Riders provide weekly support groups for grieving families
and children ages 3-17 years old.

Blessing Box Needs

Canned soup and sauce, canned tuna, rice, canned fruit, jelly, tea/coffee, sugar.

Good Shepherd Book Club

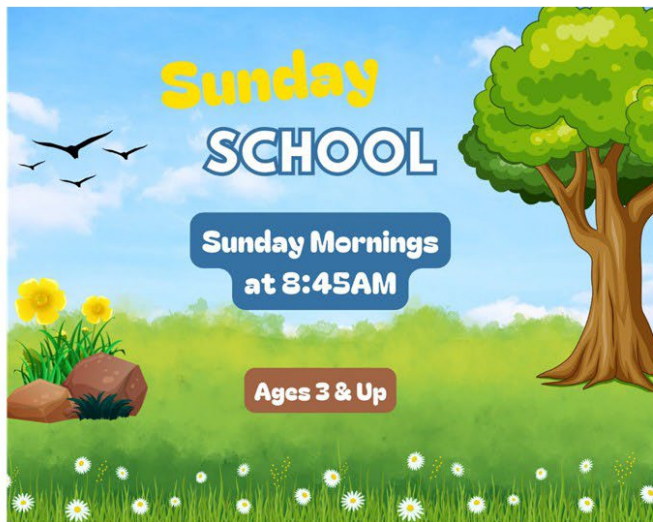
For September, our book is Theo of Golden: A Novel by Allen Levi.

We will meet at 7pm on September 22nd.

Youth Group

Sundays, 5:00 PM – 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Grades 7-12. Dinner included.



Help Wanted

We are currently seeking a nursery coordinator to work on Sundays from 8:30 - 10:30am (paid position).
Contact Sheryl Herbst at gsglennvillehr@gmail.com if interested.

Coffee Hour Help Needed

Call Judy Croshaw at 518-309-4295
or sign up by the kitchen if you can assist!

Hand Held Prayer Quilt Group

All are welcome to join our fall "startup" of the Hand Held Prayer Quilt committee on Saturday, October 3rd at 10am. We will be gathering to cut up fabric, prepare labels and assembling supplies to be quilted and completed. Suggested supplies to bring (If you have them) are cutting mats, cutting tools (such as scissors or rotary cutters). Once the materials are assembled, we will be sewing the hand held quilts at future meetings throughout this fall. If you have any questions or are planning to attend, please send an email to CindyJenningsNY@aol.com or call [518-541-3598](tel:518-541-3598).

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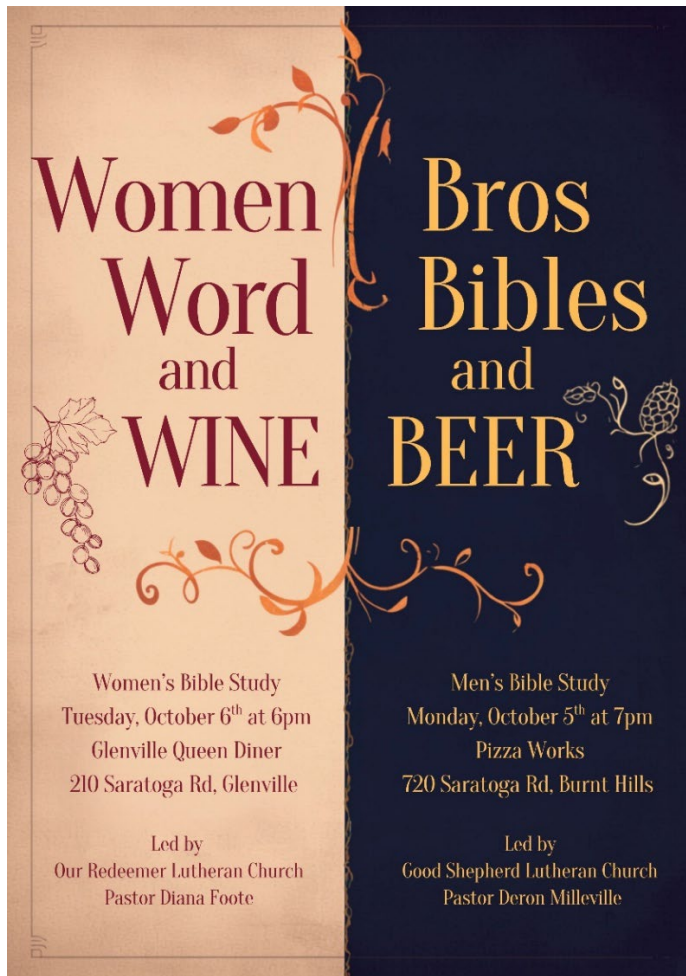
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- Training on possession and administration of Naloxone to a person having an overdose
- Participants will leave with an emergency dose of Naloxone

**October 4th
1130am**

**RSVP by contacting Renée
Janack at 518.389.8522**

**Immediately Following
Fellowship Breakfast**



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