

Welcome to Worship with Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, whether you worship with us in-person or online (on Facebook Live or archived at www.holyshepherd.org.) May you know God's grace as we worship.

Know that You Are Welcome! We share in Holy Communion during the context of this morning's service. This is the table of the Lord. Jesus is the host and we are his guests. Jesus welcomes everyone to come and eat and be nourished, fed and forgiven. Come and eat and live!

We Celebrate Today with Alex McManamon and Austin McManamon as they affirm their Baptisms in the Rite of Confirmation. At the end of an extended educational journey, Alex and Austin have chosen to affirm the commitments which their parents made for the in the waters of Holy Baptism. We rejoice with them on this special day!

Offerings are an Act of Worship! Our offerings are one way that we express both our gratitude for God's wondrous love and our trust in the work of God through our ministries. If you would prefer to support the work of our congregation electronically, visit www.holyshepherd.org and utilize Givelify, our online giving platform.

GATHERING MUSIC

THE GIFT OF LOVE

Lyrics and Music by Hal Hopson / Combined Choir

▲ OUR CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ (+), the One who is the source of life, the word of salvation and the spirit of mercy.
- P: Amen.
- L: Let us confess our sin and our sinfulness to God, who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love (silence for personal reflection)

 Creator God, from the beginnings of time, You have given good gifts to your people,

- P: But we have taken Your gifts and Your blessings for granted, and misused them for our selfish gain. Forgive us.
- L: In the person of your Son Jesus, You gave us life in abundance,
- P: But we have become enamored of definitions of abundance and life which declare You to be false. Forgive us.
- L: By the power of Your Spirit, you have made us recipients of Your amazing grace,
- P: But we have refused to share that grace with others, as if more for others would somehow mean less for us. Forgive us.
- L: Hear our Lord's amazing promise. Your sin and your sinfulness are forgiven. For freedom, Christ has set you free. Free to love the Lord your God with all your heart and soul and strength and mind. Free to love your neighbor as yourself.
- P: Thanks be to God! Amen!

▲ GATHERING SONG

A MIGHTY FORTRESS

Lyrics and Music by Martin Luther / ELW #504

A mighty fortress is our God,
a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod
and wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might, he arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.

No strength of ours can match his might!

We would be lost, rejected.

But now a champion comes to fight,

whom God himself elected.

You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!

Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored.

He holds the field victorious.

Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat ning to devour us, we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot over-pow'r us.

Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage!

His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail!

One little word subdues him.

God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it; for God himself fight by our side with weapons of the Spirit. Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day. The kingdom's ours forever!

▲ OUR REFORMATION DAY LITANY

L: Every day we journey on this earth is a day in which we make choices — left or right, up or down, in or out, yes or no? Some choices are simple, and some are very complex. But one choice informs all the others: Who will be our God? Whom will we trust to see us through this journey? Who has been with us from before the beginning, bringing us into existence? Who has loved us and blessed us and sent us on our way?

P: Only One. The One and Only. Holy One. The One and Holy.

L: Will you choose this day to stay faithful to the One who is faithful to us?

P: Count us in.

L: Will you choose this day to place your trust in the One who is trustworthy?

P: Count us in.

L: Will you choose this day to love the One who loved us first?

P: Count us in.

L: Will you choose this day to live out your faith in God by loving those whom Jesus calls our neighbors?

P: Count us in.

- L: So let us pray:
- P: Gracious Lord, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and all your people. Keep us steadfast in your word, protect and comfort us in times of trial, defend us against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the whole of your church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON

Galatians 2:16-21

We know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through the faith of Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by the faith of Christ and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law.

But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ,

and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing.

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Timothy 3:14 -17

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

KIDTALK

Pastor John Valentine

SONG OF THE DAYYOU ARE MY WHOLENESS

Lyrics and Music by R. Salmond & M. Mulder

In you I find forgiveness, yes, in you I find release. It's a wonder you take all the blunders I make And so graciously offer me peace.

Chorus: You, you are my wholeness, you are my completeness,
My soul, my thirsty soul can rest in the depths of your love.

In you I find true friendship,
yes, your love is so free of demands.
Though I must hurt you so, you keep letting me go
To discover the person I am. (Chorus)

Like a father you long to protect me, yet you know I must learn on my own. Well, I've made my own choice, to follow your voice Guiding me back to my home. (Chorus)

THE SERMON

Pastor John Valentine

THE AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

You are invited to join those affirming their Baptisms today (and affirm your own Baptism!), using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

- L: Do you believe in the God who is revealed in the wonder of creation?
- P: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

- L: Do you believe in the God who revealed the depth of God's love for the world in Jesus the Christ?
- P: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
- L: Do you believe in the God who is the alive and at work among us even now?
- P: 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.

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Empowered by the Holy Spirit to manifest the Good News to the ends of the earth, we pray for the church, for people in need, and for all of creation, utilizing the prayer refrain "God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**."

THE OFFERTORY

HOW BEAUTIFUL

Lyrics and Music by Twila Paris / Combined Choir

▲ OUR COMMUNION LITURGY

- L: Let us gather around the table to share the meal which Christ makes possible for us all. This is the welcome table of God, where all who seek to be at peace with their neighbor and all who seek the mercy of God in Christ are embraced. Come, for we are invited into this holy mystery. Come.
- C: We come, hungry for the hope which Jesus alone can give.
- L: Jesus said: "I am the bread of life. All who come to me shall not hunger, and all who believe in me shall never be thirsty."
- C: We come, thirsty for the peace which Jesus' presence offers.
- L: We remember that on the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: 'Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.' Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink, saying: 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.' And so gathered

- into one by the Holy Spirit let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- C: 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.

HOLY COMMUNION

As we share Holy Communion this morning, we invite you to come to the Altar Rail and kneel or stand as you are able. During the serving of Holy Communion, you are invited to join in singing the following songs:

HERE IS BREAD

Lyrics and Music by Graham Kendrick / ELW #483

Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, He is with us. Break the bread, drink the wine, Christ is with us here.

Refrain

In this bread there is healing, in this cup there's life forever. In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.

Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, He is with us. Know His grace, find peace, feast on Jesus here. (Refrain)

Here we are, joined as one, Christ is with us, He is with us. We'll proclaim, 'til he comes, Jesus crucified. (Refrain)

ONE BREAD, ONE BODY
Lyrics and Music by John B. Foley

(Refrain) One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless.

And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more (Refrain) Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all (Refrain)

Grain for the fields scattered and grown, gathered to one for all (Refrain)

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

▲ THE BENEDICTION

- L: For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters!

 But do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence. Rather, through love become enslaved to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
- P: Amen.

▲ SENDING SONG

BY GRACE ALONE Lyrics and Music by Tom Henry

He is the resurrection and the light unto the world Whoever believes in Him shall see the glory of God. Come out of the darkness and find the Son of Man. Open your hearts to Him and sing across the land.

Chorus

We are saved by grace alone By our faith in this free gift of God. We've all sinned and fallen short; But by grace we are saved!

God revealed Himself to us
in the presence of His Son.
May you be strengthened by His power and His love.
Sing on high the ministry of the word,
the truth, the light.
Everlasting life is ours, that's the good news of the Lord.
(Chorus)

Harden not your hearts, my friends,
but sing unto the Lord.

Everlasting love is ours, your faith has shown the way.
Remember to do His will and praise His name on high.
Come together and join your hands
and share His news today.

(Chorus)

(Tag Ending)

For by grace we are saved! For by grace we are saved!

▲ THE CHARGE

- L: Go in peace to love God by serving your neighbor!
- C: Thanks be to God!

SENDING MUSIC

BY GRACE ALONE (Reprise)

Thank you to this morning's Worship Team for sharing their gifts of music with us today, including:

Bethany Valentine – Vocalist and Creative Director
Tom Henry – Guitarist, Vocalist Creative Director
Gretchen Stenson – Vocalist
Diana Riveness Young – Vocalist
Sharon Tissue –Vocalist
Elizabeth Humphrey – Vocalist
Pastor Pam Schaefer Dawson – Vocalist
Vicar Meagan Kim – Vocalist
Bob Schmalz – Vocalist
Steve Swanback – Vocalist
Joe Zingale – Vocalist
John Goetz – Vocalist
Pastor John Valentine – Vocalist
Julie Hamre – Organist and Pianist

A **Memorial Service** in thankfulness for the life of **Tom Gilbertson** has been schedule for Saturday, November 16 at 11am here on the campus of Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church. A lunch reception will follow.

Marc Levine – Pianist

Upcoming Chromatica Chorale Concerts

Chromatica Chorale presents "Rising Stars" (celebrating the next generation of American Chorale Composers) on Saturday, November 16th at 7pm at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Dublin and on Sunday, November 17th at 3pm here at Holy Shepherd. Speak with Bethany Valentine for more information.

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