



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church - celebrating God's love and service since 1962



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Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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"Cared for by Christ, we care for all others"

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Sunday Worship 8 and 10:30 a.m. **Thursday Worship** 6:30 p.m. **Thanks and Praise Service** Third and Fifth Sunday

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
Celebrating 62 years in God's Love and Service (1962-2024)
Church Season: Epiphany

We are happy you have joined us for worship.
2024 Theme: Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice. Philippians 4:4

“The mission of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
is to teach and reach others through God’s Word and Love.”

The vision of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is to flourish as a Christ-centered community that gives glory to God by using His Word and love to:

- ◇ invite and welcome others into membership;
- ◇ support and grow the ministry to all;
- ◇ and, provide opportunities for spiritual growth and involvement.

If You Are New to Good Shepherd

New Membership Classes: Our New Membership Classes are offered a couple times a year. If you are interested, please call the church office at 734-9643.

- **Assisted Listening Devices:** These can be used with or without hearing aids. Please ask an elder.
- **Large-print Bulletins** are available in the back of the sanctuary or ask an elder and they will assist you in getting what you need.
- **Restrooms** are located to the north of the sanctuary, before the gym on the right side at the end of the hallway .
- **Visitor cards (bright yellow)** have been placed in the racks in the back of the pews. If you are a visitor to Good Shepherd, please fill out a card and drop it in the offering plate. If you are a visitor and plan to partake in communion, please fill out the back of the card as well.
- **Fellowship Books are blue** and found in the hymnal rack, near the aisle. Please list each person on a separate line so we have an accurate count of who takes communion.
- **Nursery** is available during services. It is located next to the sanctuary.
- **Children’s coloring bulletins and Busy Bags** are provided during worship services.

Communion at Good Shepherd

Continuous distribution: please rise and follow the person in the pew in front of you. Receive the wafer, receive the individual cup, pause to commune, place cup in the basket, return to pew.

At the rail: The usher will dismiss you. When approaching the altar area, stand closest to the center of the altar first, then wrap around the sides to fill in. Bow/kneel together. Exit with the person at the center leaving first.

Mobility issues: Please contact an Elder or Pastor if you need communion brought to you.

Our Church Bulletin, Newsletter & Calendar are on our website at www.goodsheplutheran.net.

Our Services are available on our YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpvi7OsWTNOyNHngUGr1SOw>

The Lutheran Hour is aired on KAWZ 88.7 at 9 a.m. or WRVM 101.5 FM or Sirius XM 131 at 10 a.m.

Our Communion Practices

If these are your beliefs:

I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from all sin, Satan and death.
I believe that Christ is really present in the sacrament and that with the bread and wine I receive His true Body and Blood.
I resolve to dedicate my life to my Lord and Savior in His Body, the Church, by regular worship and devoted Christian service and living.....
please join us as we celebrate Holy Communion.

Distribution Hymns

“Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens”	LSB 589
“When to Our World the Savior Came”	LSB 551
“Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling”	LSB 827

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

Benediction

Hymn “Abide, O Dearest Jesus”	LSB 919
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Preface

- ☞ The Lord be with you.
- ☛ And also with you.
- ☞ Lift up your hearts.
- ☛ We lift them to the Lord.
- ☞ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- ☛ It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

The Words of Our Lord

Proclamation of Christ

- ☞ As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.
- ☛ Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- ☞ O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord’s Prayer (on screens or back cover of hymnal)

Pax Domini

- ☞ The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- ☛ And also with you.

As We Gather

Since the beginning of creation, God has spoken. He spoke into being our universe and our very selves as the crown of His creation; He spoke when seeking out Adam and Eve in a fallen world; He spoke many times and many ways through the prophets; and He spoke by the very words that came from the mouth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. From Him came words of instructing, healing, forgiving, and of invitation to follow Him as we hear today with Philip and Nathanael. The Lord still speaks to us today in His Word, as His Spirit spoke instruction and encouragement of the use of bodies through Paul in his letter to the church of Corinth. Through all He speaks, we are called to listen to that Word to guide and direct, and to hear His continued words of forgiveness, peace, hope, and joy as “in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son” (Hebrews 1:2).

Hymn “Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty” LSB 901

Invocation

- ☞ In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- ☛ Amen.

Opening Sentences *Psalm 139:1–10; 1 Samuel 3:9*

- ☞ O LORD, You have searched me and known me!
- ☛ You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You discern my thoughts from afar.
- ☞ You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.
- ☛ Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O LORD, You know it altogether.
- ☞ You hem me in, behind and before, and lay Your hand upon me.
- ☛ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.
- ☞ Where shall I go from Your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from Your presence? If I ascend to heaven, You are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, You are there!
- ☛ If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there Your hand shall lead me, and Your right hand shall hold me.
- ☞ Speak, LORD,
- ☛ for Your servant hears.

Confession *Psalm 145:18; 50:15; Isaiah 55:6; 1 Samuel 3:9*

- ☞ As the psalmist declares, the Lord searches us, knows us, is ever-present with us, and leads us. He listens to us as we speak to Him. We come before Him in confession.

Silence for meditation.

- P** “The LORD is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth.”
- C** We confess, heavenly Father, that we often choose not to call on You in times of need, nor in times of thanksgiving. We fail to be near You in our opportunities to pray, praise, and give thanks. Forgive us.
- P** “Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me.”
- C** We confess, heavenly Father, that in our days of trouble we rely on ourselves and not You. We seek deliverance through our own devices and peace through the temporary offerings of this world. Forgive us.
- P** “Seek the LORD while He may be found; call upon Him while He is near.”
- C** We confess, heavenly Father, we are the ones who are lost even though You are near and present in Your Word and means of grace. Our sins of thought, word, and deed separate us from You. Forgive us.
- P** Speak, LORD,
- C** for Your servant hears.

Absolution

2 Timothy 1:9; Isaiah 43:1; 1 Samuel 3:10

- P** As we speak and call out to the Lord in prayer and confession, He calls to us, His people, through His Word of truth, mercy, and grace; for He has “saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of His own purpose and grace, which He gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began.” As a called and ordained servant of the Word and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** But now thus says the LORD, He who created you, O Jacob, He who formed you, O Israel: “Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are Mine.

- Speak, LORD,
- C** for Your servant hears. Amen.

☩ WORD ☩

Salutation

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.

“Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.” ⁴⁹Nathanael answered him, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” ⁵⁰Jesus answered him, “Because I said to you, ‘I saw you under the fig tree,’ do you believe? You will see greater things than these.” ⁵¹And he said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C** Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed (on screens of back cover of the hymnal)

Hymn “Spread the Reign of God the Lord” LSB 830

Sermon: Thursday: “Follow Me; Come and see!”
Text: John 1:43-51
Sunday: “In every way, God’s path.”
Rev. Roy Peterson: Concordia University–Wisconsin

Offering

Offertory “Take My Life and Let It Be” LSB 783 vv.1, 3, 6



1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;
3 Take my voice and let me sing Al-ways, on - ly for my King;
6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its trea - sure store;

Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them flow in cease - less praise.
Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.
Take my-self, and I will be Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee.

Prayer of the Church *Hebrews 1:1-2*

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Gradual

Psalm 117:1-2a; 96:8

- P** Praise the LORD, all nations!
- G** Extol Him, all peoples!

- P** For great is His steadfast love toward us,
- G** and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

- P** Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;
- G** bring an offering, and come into His courts!

Epistle

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

¹²“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are helpful. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be enslaved by anything. ¹³“Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food”—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, “The two will become one flesh.” ¹⁷But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. ¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, ²⁰for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- G** Thanks be to God.

Verse

Isaiah 49:3

Alleluia. You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

John 1:43-51

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.
- G** Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” ⁴⁷Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!” ⁴⁸Nathanael said to him, “How do you know me?” Jesus answered him,

Prayer of the Day

- P** Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- G** Amen.

Old Testament Reading

1 Samuel 3:1-20

¹The young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.

²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. ³The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

⁴Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, “Here I am!” ⁵and ran to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” So he went and lay down.

⁶And the LORD called again, “Samuel!” and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.” ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

⁸And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, ‘Speak, LORD, for your servant hears.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant hears.” ¹¹Then the LORD said to Samuel, “Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle.

¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³And I declare to him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli’s house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever.”

¹⁵Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, “Samuel, my son.” And he said, “Here I am.” ¹⁷And Eli said, “What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.” ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, “It is the LORD. Let him do what seems good to him.”

¹⁹And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD.

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- G** Thanks be to God.