

# Church of the Good Shepherd

## Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

*Rooted in the Word, Nourished by the Sacraments, Alive in Jesus Christ*



**December 22, 2024, A Service of Holy Eucharist**

**Advent IV – 10:30am**

Welcome to Church of the Good Shepherd! We are delighted to worship God with you this morning. Everything you need for the service is here in these pages and in the bible found in the pews. If you are visiting and would like more information about Good Shepherd, please fill out a guest card at the ushers table or call the parish office (723-8032). At Good Shepherd you will find friendly people, engaging sermons, joyful worship, practical teaching, and lots of kids. Welcome!

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## Prelude

*Lo How a Rose*

## The Processional

*Come Thou, Redeemer of the Earth*

*The people stand, if able, and sing facing the procession*

1 Come. Thou, Re - deem - er of the earth, And ma - ni -  
2 Be - got - ten of no hu - man will, But of the  
3 Forth from that cham - ber go - eth he, That ro - yal  
4 From God the Fa - ther he pro - ceeds, To God the  
5 O e - qual to thy Fa - ther, thou! Gird on thy

fest thy vir - gin birth. Let ev' - ry age a - dor - ing  
Spi - rit, thou art still The Word of God, in flesh ar -  
home of pu - ri - ty, A giant in two - fold sub - stance  
Fa - ther back he speeds. Runs out his course to death and  
flesh - ly man - tle now; The weak - ness of our mor - tal

fall, Such birth be - fits the God of all.  
rayed, The Sa - vior, now, to man, dis - played.  
one, Re - joi - cing now his course to run.  
hell, Re - turns on God's high throne to dwell.  
state With death - less might in - vi - gor - ate.

### Verse 6

Thy cradle here shall glitter bright,  
And darkness glow with newborn light,  
No more shall night extinguish day,  
Where love's bright beams their power display.

### Verse 7

O Jesus, virgin born, to Thee  
Eternal praise and glory be,  
Whom with the Father we adore,  
and Holy Spirit ever more

## **The Acclamation and Collect for Purity**

*The people remain standing*

*Celebrant* Surely the Lord is coming soon.

*People* **Amen. Come Lord Jesus!**

**A**lmighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Summary of the Law**

**J**esus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

*Matthew 22:37-40*

## The Kyrie

### *Lord Have Mercy Upon Us*

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with your spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and as we are sorely hindered by our sins from running the race that is set before us, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

*The people sit for the reading of the lessons.*

### The First Lesson

**Micah 5:2-5a**

Pew Bible pg. 779, LP pg. 926

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 80:1-7 (*Prayer for the restoration of Israel*)



- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, you that lead Joseph like a **sheep**; |  
show yourself also, you that sit upon the **cherubim**. ||
- 2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Ma **nasseh**, |  
stir up your strength and come to **help us**. ||
- 3 Restore us again, O **God**; |  
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be **whole**. ||
- 4 O LORD God of **hosts**, |  
how long will you be angry with your people that **pray**? ||
- 5 You feed them with the bread of **tears** |  
and give them plenteous tears to **drink**. ||
- 6 You have made us the derision of our **neighbors**, |  
and our enemies laugh us to **scorn**. ||

*(repeat second half of chant)*

- 7 Restore us again, O God of **hosts**; |  
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be **whole**. ||

## The Second Lesson

Hebrews 10:1-10

Pew Bible pg. 1006, LP pg. 1193

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

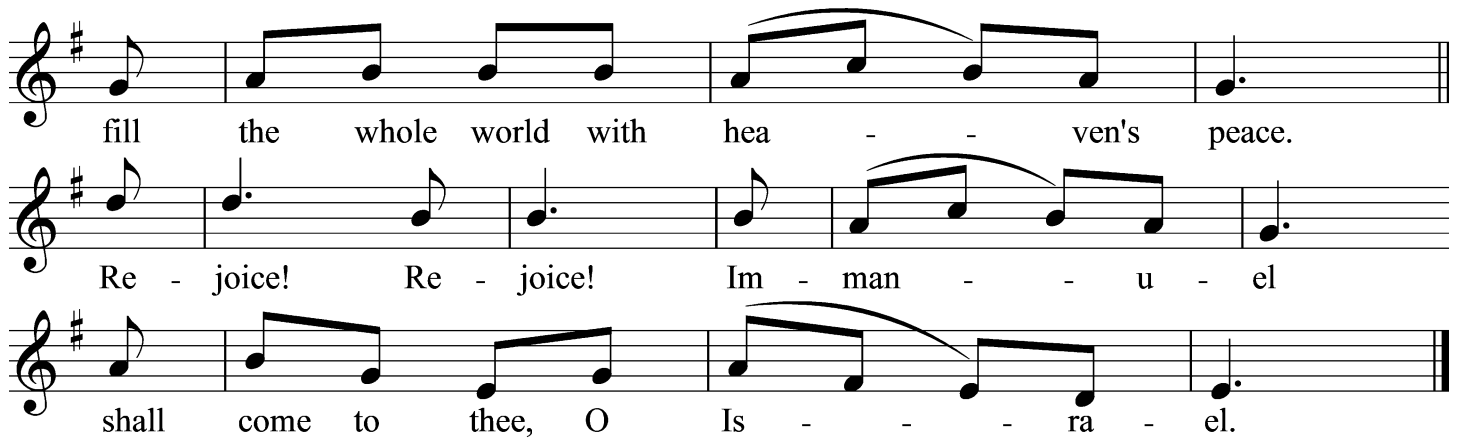
*People* Thanks be to God.

## The Gradual

*O Antiphon*

*The people stand and sing, facing the procession*

Musical notation for the Gradual, showing three staves of music with lyrics. The music is in a major key with a 2/4 time signature. The lyrics are: O come, Desire of nations, bind all peoples in one heart and mind; bid envy, strife and quarrels cease;



fill the whole world with hea - - ven's peace.  
 Re - joice! Re - joice! Im - man - - u - el  
 shall come to thee, O Is - - - ra - el.

## The Gospel

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

*People* Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Luke 1:39-56

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## The Sermon

The Rev. Canon Matthew Kennedy

## The Nicene Creed

*The people stand if able*

*Celebrant* Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

**W**e believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.  
 We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
 the only-begotten Son of God,  
 eternally begotten of the Father,  
 God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
 begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.  
 Through him all things were made.  
 For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
 was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,  
 and was made man.  
 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
 he suffered death and was buried.  
 On the third day he rose again  
 in accordance with the Scriptures;  
 he ascended into heaven  
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
 and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
Who, with the Father and the Son, is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "*hear our prayer.*"

Almighty and everliving God, we are taught by your holy Word to offer prayers and to give thanks for all people. We humbly ask you to receive our prayers. Inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy

***People*** Hear our prayer.

Give grace, heavenly Father, to Steve, Julian, and William, our Bishops, to Matt, Jonathan, and all who minister at Good Shepherd, and to Ife, and for all the clergy and people of our Province and diocese.

*(In the ACNA we pray for The Church of the Province of Uganda.*

*In the ADLW we pray for Church of the Resurrection-Anglican in Wallingford, Connecticut, and Small Group Leaders in ADLW.)*

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy

***People*** Hear our prayer.

Prosper, we pray, all those who proclaim the Gospel of your kingdom throughout the world, and strengthen us to fulfill your great commission. Bless, we pray, Arrowhead Bible Camp and their work in showing the love of Christ to handicapped campers..

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy

***People*** Hear our prayer.

We pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith. This week we pray for Christians in Uganda.

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy

***People*** Hear our prayer.

We pray that you will lead the nations of the world in the way of righteousness, and so guide and direct their leaders, especially President Biden, Governor Hochul, and Mayor Kraham that your people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace. Grant that our leaders may impartially administer justice, uphold integrity and truth, restrain wickedness and vice, and protect true religion.

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

We ask you in your goodness, O Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, and for those we name now.

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

We bless your holy Name for all your servants who have departed this life, praying you will grant us grace to follow their good examples, that with them we might partake in your heavenly kingdom.

Your own additional prayers and thanksgivings are invited.

**H**eavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Confession of Sin**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

*The people kneel if able and pray together*

**A**lmighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
maker of all things, judge of all people:

**We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,  
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,  
by thought, word, and deed, against your divine Majesty,  
provoking most justly your wrath and indignation against us.**

**We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;  
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable.**

**Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past;  
and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Celebrant stands and says*

**A**lmighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



## The Comfortable Words

*The Celebrant says*

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

*~1 John 2:1-2*

## The Peace

*Celebrant*     The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*        **And with your spirit.**

*Then the Celebrants and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## The Announcements

### The Offertory

As we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

*~Galatians 6:10*

*If you are a guest with us today, please do not feel obligated to give an offering. If you are a regular attender at Good Shepherd, you may give your tithe in several ways. An offering plate will be passed and you are welcome to give your offering there. There is also an offering box at the rear of the sanctuary where you may drop your tithe, or you can mail checks to 360 Conklin Avenue, Binghamton, NY, 13903. You can also give online through [Breeze](#) or you can text a donation through Breeze at 607-882-6551. Good Shepherd also has a [PayPal](#) account. As always, thank you for your great generosity and kind support.*

### The Offertory Music

*Magnificat*

solo, Liz Hull

*The people remain sitting*

## The Presentation of the Gifts

*The people stand, if able, and sing*

Musical score for 'The Presentation of the Gifts' in G major, 4/4 time. The score consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.'

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with your spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is just and right so to do.**

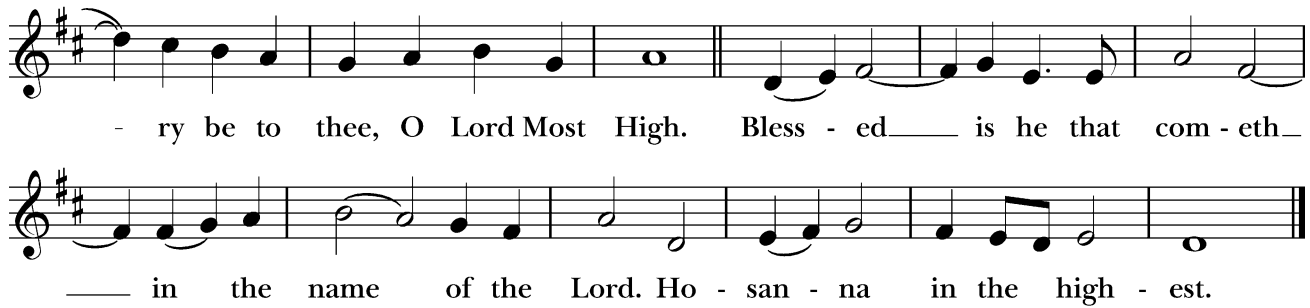
*Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great glory to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## The Sanctus

*The people remain standing and sing*

Musical score for 'The Sanctus' in G major, 4/4 time. The score consists of two staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -'.



## The Prayer of Consecration

*The people kneel. The Celebrant continues*

All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith

*Celebrant and People together*

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again**

And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice; humbly pleading that all those who shall partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ; that, by the Holy Spirit, we may be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us, and we in him. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

# The Lord's Prayer

*The people remain kneeling, and say*

**O**ur 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.

# Fraction

*The people remain kneeling and say*

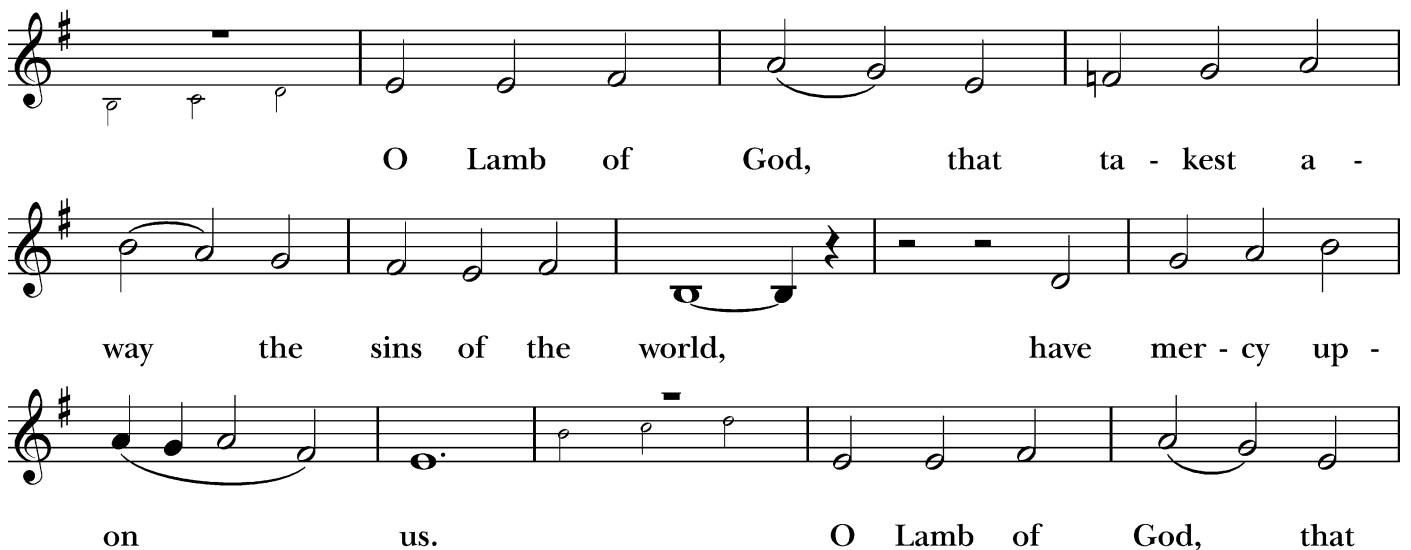
*Celebrant* Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

# The Prayer of Humble Access

*Celebrant and people say together*

**W**e do not presume to come to this your Table,  
O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness,  
but in your manifold and great mercies.  
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your Table.  
But you are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy.  
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood,  
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,  
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,  
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

# The Agnus Dei



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -  
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -  
on us. O Lamb of God, that

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have  
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of  
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the  
world, grant us thy peace.

## The Communion of the People

*All Christians baptized in any denomination and in good standing with their home church are welcome to take Communion. If you are unable to take communion for any reason, you are warmly invited to the rail for a prayer and blessing: just place your hands across your chest and one of the pastors will bless and pray for you. If you are in a wheelchair or are unable to come forward for any reason, please let an usher know and we will bring the Sacrament to you in your pew. Gluten free wafers are available upon request when you come forward.*

## The Invitation

*Celebrant*

The Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

# Communion Music

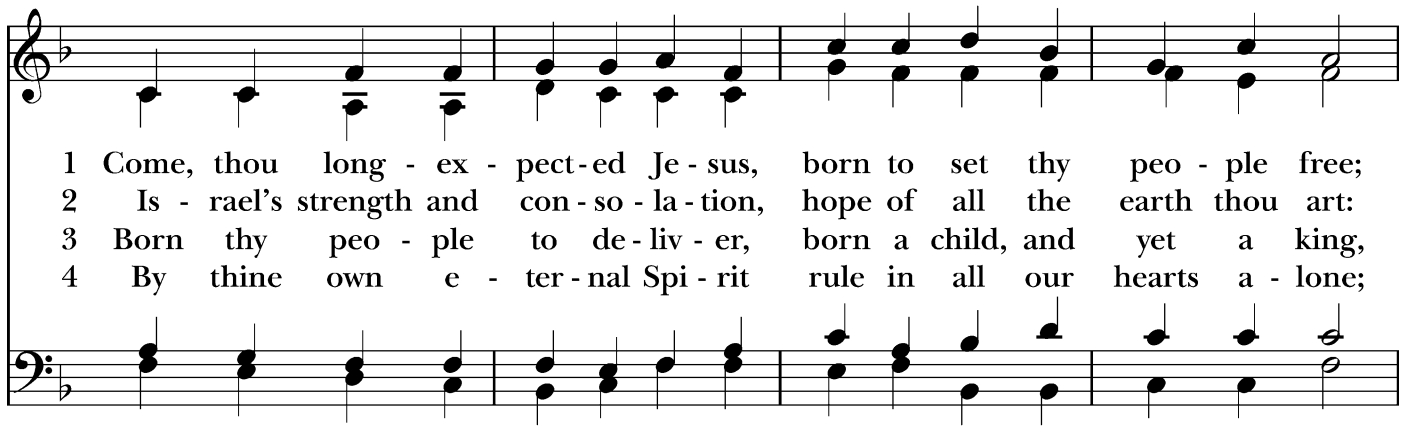
## Lo, How A Rose

*The people remain sitting or kneeling*

Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing  
I - - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it,  
This flower, whose fra - grance ten - der  
from ten - der stem hath sprung,  
the rose I have in mind;  
with sweet - ness fills the air,  
of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing,  
with Mar - y we be - hold it,  
dis - - pels with glo - rious splen - dor  
as the men of old have sung.  
the vir - gin moth - er kind.  
the dark - ness ev - - ery - where.  
It came, a flower - et - bright,  
To show God's love a - right,  
True man, yet ver - y God,  
a - mid the cold of win - ter,  
she bore to men a Sav - ior,  
from sin and death he saves us  
when half spent was the night.  
when half spent was the night.  
and light - ens ev - ery load.

4. O Savior, Child of Mary,  
Who felt our human woe  
O Savior, King of glory,  
Who dost our weakness know,  
Bring us at length we pray  
To the bright courts of heaven,  
And to the endless day.

## *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

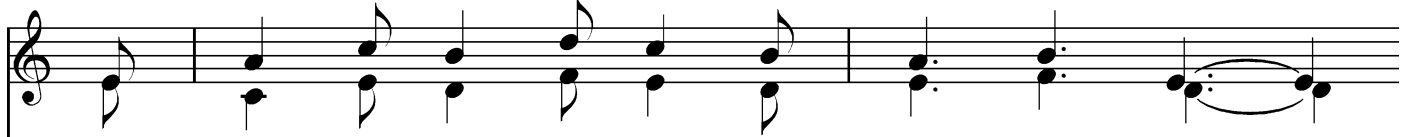


1 Come, thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;  
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:  
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,  
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;



from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.  
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.  
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.  
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

## The Angel Gabriel



1 The an - gel Ga - bri - el from hea - ven came,  
2 "For know a bless - ed Mo - ther thou shalt be,  
3 Then gen - tle Ma - ry meek - ly bowed her head,  
4 Of her, Em - man - u - el, the Christ, was born



his wings as drift - ed snow, his eyes as flame;  
all gen - er - a - tions laud and hon - or thee,  
"To me be as it pleas - eth God," she said,  
in Beth - le - hem, all on a Christ - mas morn,



"All hail," said he, "thou low - ly maid - en Ma - ry,  
thy Son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told,  
"my soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy his ho - ly Name."  
and Chris - tian folk through - out the world will ev - er say—







most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!  
 most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!  
 Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy, Glo - ri - a!  
 "Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!

## The Post-Communion Prayer

*The people kneel*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**A**lmighty and ever-living God, we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and goodness towards us; and that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom. And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father, to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

## The Blessing

*Celebrant*

**T**he peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

## The Recession

## Tell Out My Soul

*The people stand if able and face the recession*



1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!  
2 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his Name!  
3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might!  
4 Tell out, my soul, the glo-ries of his word!



Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.  
Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.



ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;  
his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;  
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,  
Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord



in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.  
his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.  
the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.  
to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

## The Dismissal

*The people stand if able*

*Celebrant* Let us go forth, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## Postlude

## Vision

Josef Rheinberger

*Thank you for worshiping at Church of The Good Shepherd this morning!*

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## Weekly Update, December 22, 2024

### Ongoing Ministries

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study** meets at 9:05 am in the Parish Hall to walk through the bible, verse by verse. It meets in person and is available online by livestream. They are currently in Judges.

**Shepherd's Bowl** Good Shepherd offers a dinner to the church and wider community on Thursday evenings from 5:30-6:30. This is a great time to get to know others and enjoy a free and delicious meal.

**Thursday Evening Bible Study** This study meets in the sacristy at 6:15 and is studying the book of Philemon.

**Friday Morning Men's Bible Study** meets at 6:30am for breakfast, study, and prayer. If you are interested, please email or text Matt or Jonathan, or contact the church office. This class is currently in the Book of Psalms.

**Women's Bible Study** meets at 4:30pm on Friday afternoons in the Parish Hall. They are currently studying the book of Luke. Text Anne for a zoom link if you can't make it in person.

**Morning Prayer** meets online by Zoom at 7am Monday through Friday. The liturgy and readings are available at [www.dailyoffice2019.com](http://www.dailyoffice2019.com). Join the parish email list and look for a weekly email invitation in your inbox.

**Home Groups** meet weekly around the Binghamton area. They study the readings for the Sunday coming up, pray, and build relationships. Check in with Jonathan or Joe Kovac to get connected.

**Good Shepherd Youth Group** meets Sundays at 6pm and are studying the book of Revelation. This is an engaging context for kids to grow in

- 1) Knowledge of scripture and doctrine
- 2) Faithfulness to Christ
- 3) Service to others

The youth group meets in the choir loft.

### Christian Education for Everyone

#### Children

For children aged 1-12 Good Shepherd offers Catechesis of the Good Shepherd—a program of prayer, worship, and scripture in specially prepared Montessori-style rooms—The Pen (1-3), The Pasture (3-6), The Vineyard (6-9), and The Tabernacle (7-12).

#### Teens

Teens aged 12 through 14 cover a range of topics—the Bible, Liturgy, Church History, Apologetics, the 39 Articles—in a three-year cycle. This is a discussion-style class that prepares kids for confirmation.

#### Adult Class

Discussion and study on topics ranging from Christian literature, the 39 articles, church history, difficult passages of the bible, and more.

### Good Shepherd Food Pantry

Having a bit of a hard time making ends meet? The Good Shepherd Food Pantry is for church members stocked by food provided by the congregation. If you could use some help, please feel free to pop into the food pantry (just off the kitchen). We also have a small basket in the freezer that might have a few items as well.

Everyone's generous donations are appreciated! Even a can or two can help.

Food Pantry current needs are: peanut Butter, Canned Chicken & Tuna, Spaghetti Sauce, Parmesan Cheese, Corn and Baked Beans

## Week at a Glance Schedule, December 22, 2024 – December 29, 2024

### Sunday

- 8:00am Service of Holy Eucharist, no music
- 9:15am Christian Ed for adults and children (online stream available)
- 10:30am Service of Holy Eucharist (online stream available)
- 1:30-4pm** *Ladies Christmas Tea*  
*Hosted by the Manwarings*  
*1412 Hawleyton Rd., Binghamton, NY 13903*
- 4:30-6pm Choir Rehearsal
- 6-7:30pm Youth Group  
Holy Group Squad

### Tuesday

- 5pm** *Good Shepherd Christmas Pageant*

### Wednesday

- 11am** *Christmas Morning Service*

### Sunday

- 8:00am Service of Holy Eucharist, no music
- 9:15am Christian Ed for adults and children (online stream available)
- 10:30am Service of Holy Eucharist (online stream available)
- 12:30pm Pastries on the Portico
- ~~4:30-6pm~~ ~~Choir Practice~~
- ~~6-7:30pm~~ ~~Youth Group~~  
~~Holy Group Squad~~

## What's Happening at Good Shepherd

**New Parish Hall Access Change** In an effort to help secure the parish hall while the children meet for children's chapel, beginning in January, the doors to the parish hall will be closed during the sermon until the Peace. If you need to get to the restroom or kitchen downstairs during the service, please exit the sanctuary through the front left door by the side entrance to the church.

Parents with nursery-aged children, you are welcome to continue dropping off or picking up your babies and toddlers in the nursery through the back stairs at any time. Thank you for helping children's chapel be a safe and distraction-free space where young children can learn to focus on worshipping the Lord together.

### "We Celebrate His Birth!"

Join Brio Vocal Ensemble on December 22 as We Celebrate His Birth with a free Christmas concert featuring choral pieces, an organ prelude, harp music, and bassoon selections. The program also includes congregational carols so everyone can join in the singing!

The concert takes place at 3 p.m. at Endwell United Methodist Church, 3301 Watson Boulevard, Endwell. No tickets necessary. A freewill offering will be taken at intermission.

### Potluck Schedule

The first Sunday of most months is a potluck or cooking competition. Bring a dish to pass, or just come and have lunch after the 10:30!

If you're a person that enjoys competition, or judging other people (heh), please see Steph or Claudia to sign up as a judge for cooking competitions.

*\*Please keep in mind that dates and themes are subject to change.*

### Good Shepherd's Women's Group (The Mary & Martha Guild)

#### Summer and Autumn Dates

**December 22 1:30-4pm** Christmas Tea @ the Manwaring home, 1412 Hawleyton Rd. Bing., NY 13903.

Please feel free to bring a dish of finger food or sweets to share and enjoy an afternoon of tea and fellowship with the ladies of Good Shepherd.

### Christmas Schedule

**December 24** – Christmas Pageant, 5pm

**December 25** – Christmas Service 11am

**Communion Change** As Good Shepherd continues to grow, we find a need to change the way that communion is administered. You will notice that there are now two stations for both bread and wine. Please be patient as we institute this new system.

**Home Groups** exist to glorify God and build up the church through weekly gatherings where members of Good Shepherd and non-members alike may come to grow in fellowship and discipleship around God's word.

### Current locations and times of groups:

#### 1) Hawleyton Group

Time: Tuesdays, 6:30pm

Host: Kariah Manwaring

Location: 1412 Hawleyton Rd. Bing., NY 13903

#### 2) Riverside Group

Time: Mondays, 6:00pm

Host: Anna Dreher

Location: 103 Vincent St. Bing., NY 13905

#### 3) Endwell Group

Time: Thursdays 6:30pm

Host: Andrea Kovac

Location: 813 Biscayne Terrace, Endwell, NY 13760

#### 4) Zoom Group - Link given upon request.

Time: Tuesdays, 6:30pm

Host: Scott Pineau

*Please Pray For...*

**ACNA Cycle of Prayer**

This week we pray for The Province of Uganda

**Anglican Diocese of the Living Word**

This week we pray for Church of the Resurrection-Anglican in Wallingford, Connecticut, and Small Group Leaders in ADLW

**For the Homebound**

Charles Mabula, Susan Dewing, Beverly Williams, Chuck Corse, Linda Baker

**For the Sick**

Peyton, Rick, Charles, Larry Dimmick, Chris, Joe, Sue, William and Arianna, Lin, Helen & Dave, Jeremy, Sarah, Ronnie, Theresa, Angel, Griffy, Linda, Emily, Gail.

**For our Missionaries**

Please pray for Arrowhead Bible Camp and their work in showing the love of Christ to handicapped campers.

**Happy Birthday!**

December 22                      Jonah Carlton  
December 28                      Vivian Manwaring

**Happy Anniversary!**

December 23                      James & Liz Hull

**Financial Snapshot**

To let the congregation know how Good Shepherd is faring financially, the vestry has decided to provide a financial snapshot based on the budget report that is submitted at the meeting each month. You can find that info below.

**October**

YTD Giving & Revenue	\$357,550
YTD Expenditures	\$345,265
YTD Gain/(loss)	\$12,285

**Daily Lectionary, Year II  
60 Day Psalter Cycle**

<b>Monday December 23</b>	Psalm 129, 130, 131 Isa 66 Luke 21:5-end
<b>Tuesday December 24</b>	Psalm 134, 135 Song of Songs 1 Luke 22:1-38
<b>Wednesday December 25</b>	Psalm 85, 110 Song of Songs 2 Luke 2:1-14
<b>Thursday December 26</b>	Psalm 137, 138 Song of Songs 3 Luke 22:39-53
<b>Friday December 27</b>	Psalm 141, 142 Song of Songs 4 Luke 22:54-end
<b>Saturday December 28</b>	Psalm 143 Song of Songs 5 Luke 23:1-25
<b>Sunday December 29</b>	Psalm 145 Song of Songs 6 Luke:23:26-49

**Next Sunday's Lectionary Readings:**

Isaiah 61:10-62:5  
Ps 147:12-20  
Galatians 3:23-4:7  
John 1:1-18

**The Vestry of Good Shepherd**

Sr. Warden: Tom Dinnel  
Jr. Warden: Scott Pineau  
Treasurer: Chris Emmons  
Mary Restino  
Kariah Manwaring  
Chris Jones  
Sarah Dreher  
Bill Lane