Church of the Good Shepherd Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

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



February 2, 2025, A Service of Holy Eucharist The Presentation of Christ in the Temple – 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

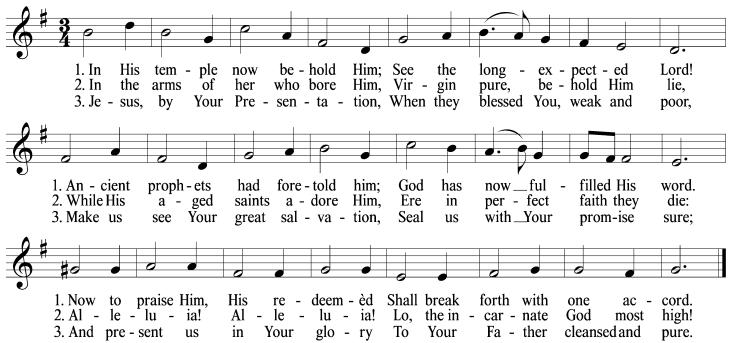
"Poco Adagio" (Symphony No. 3 in c minor)

C. Saint-Saëns

The Processional

In His Temple Now Behold Him

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



The Acclamation and Collect for Purity

The people remain standing

Celebrant Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Dear people of God, forty days ago we celebrated the feast of the Incarnation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Today we remember the day upon which he was presented in the Temple to fulfill the Law of Moses. By the Holy Spirit, Simeon and Anna recognized Jesus as the Christ, and welcomed him with joy. By the same Spirit, we now enter the house of God and recognize him in the breaking of bread.

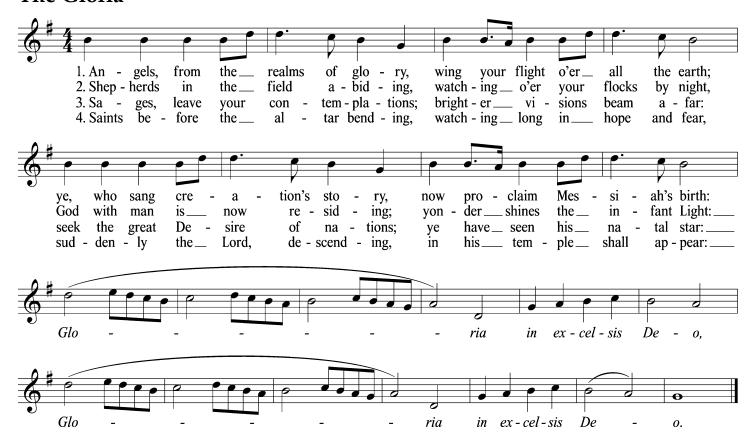
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Summary of the Law

Jesus 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 Gloria



The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And with your spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The people sit for the reading of the lessons.

The First Lesson

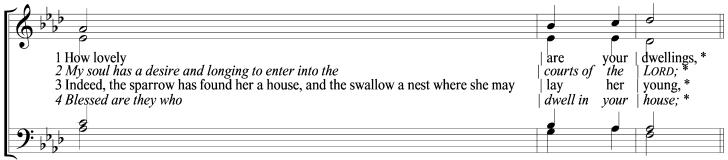
Malachi 3:1-4

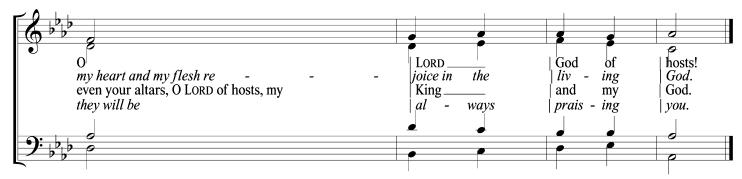
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Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 84





- 5 Blessed is the one whose | strength is in | you, * in whose | heart are | your__ | ways,
- 6 Who going through the valley of misery uses it | for a | well; * indeed, the early rains | fill the | pools with | water.
- 7 They will go from | strength to | strength, * and the God of gods shall be | seen by | them in | Zion.
- 8 O LORD God of hosts, | hear my | prayer; * _ |hearken, O | God of | Jacob.
- 9 Behold, O God, | our de-|fender, * and look upon the | face of | your A-|nointed.
- 10 For one day | in your | courts *
 is | bet-ter | than a | thousand;
- 11 I would rather be a door-keeper in the | house of my | God * than | dwell in the | tents of un-|godliness.
- 12 For the LORD God is a | light and de-|fense; *
 the LORD will give grace and honor, and no good thing
 shall he withhold from those who | live a | god-ly | life.
- 13 O LORD | God of | hosts, *
 blessed is the one who | puts his | trust in | you.

The Second Lesson

Hebrews 2:14-18

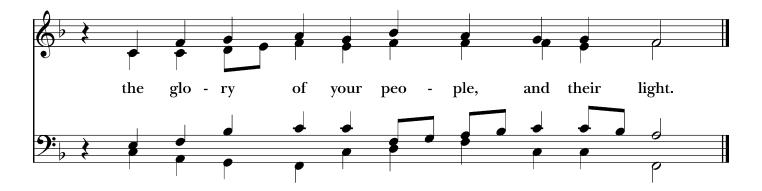
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Reader The Word of the Lord.People Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Lord God, You Now Have Set Your Servant Free

The people stand and sing, facing the procession





The Gospel

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

People Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Luke 2:22-40

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:

We 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

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Almighty Father, your Son Jesus Christ is the Light of the world, have mercy on your Church throughout the world. Guide our feet into the way of truth and strengthen us to do your will.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Almighty Father, our Lord Jesus Christ is our faithful High Priest and the full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world, have mercy on people who dwell in darkness and bring them into your everlasting light.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Almighty Father, your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ who was rich, for our sakes became poor, have mercy on those in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Almighty Father, Jesus Christ your Son our Lord gives rest to the weary and life to the dead, have mercy on those drawing near to death that they might see your salvation and rest in peace.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Almighty and everliving Father, Jesus Christ your Son our Lord who was despised and rejected by men is now seated at your right hand in glorious light, have mercy on us that we might see him face to face.

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Christ, have mercy.

Blessing of the Candles and Oil

O eternal God, who has created all things; on this day you fulfilled the petitions of the just Simeon: We humbly ask you to bless and sanctify these candles for our use. Graciously hear our prayers and be merciful to us, whom you have redeemed by your Son, who is the light of the world, and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and 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

Almighty 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

Almighty 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.

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

~John 3:16

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

And Jesus said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

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 <u>Breeze</u> or you can text a donation through Breeze at 607-882-6551. Good Shepherd also has a <u>PayPal</u> account. As always, thank you for your great generosity and kind support.

The Offertory Music

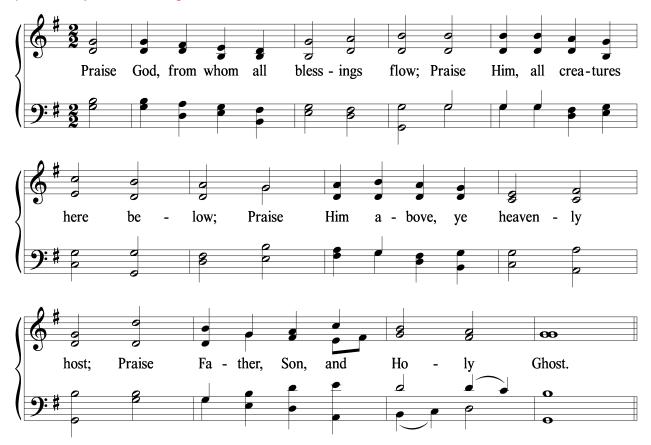
Nunc Dimittis

G. Dyson

The people remain sitting

The Presentation of the Gifts

The people stand, if able, and sing



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.

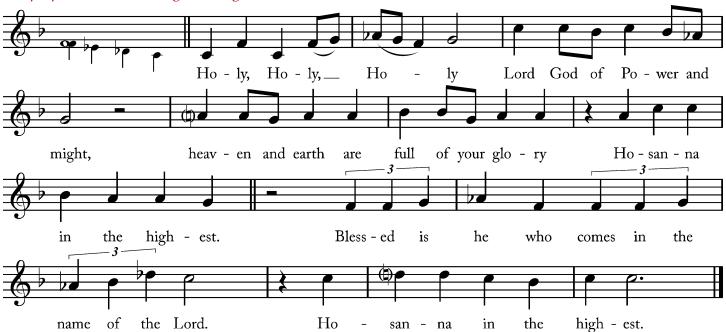
People It is just and right so to do.

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 of the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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



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.

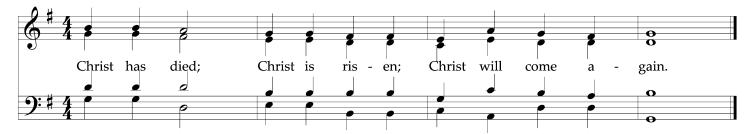
So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his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

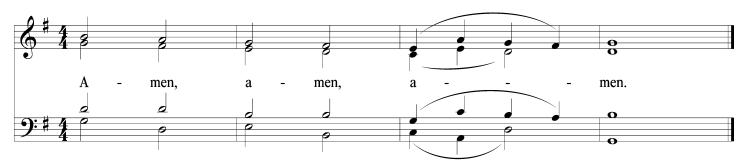
Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith

Celebrant and People together



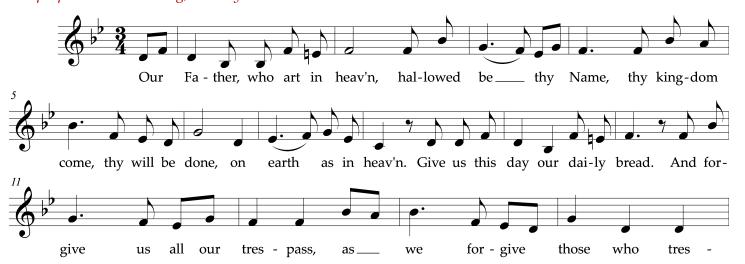
And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice; humbly pleading that all those who shall partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ; that, by the Holy Spirit, 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.

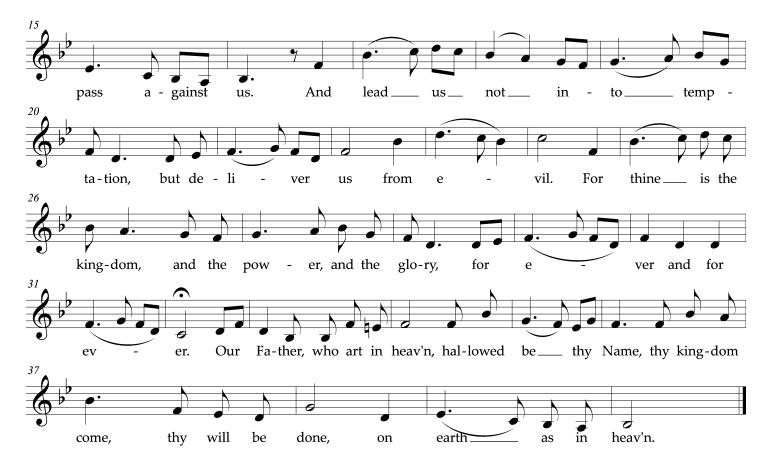


And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

The people remain kneeling, and say





Fraction

The people remain kneeling and say

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.

People Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.

The Prayer of Humble Access

Celebrant and people say together

We 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,

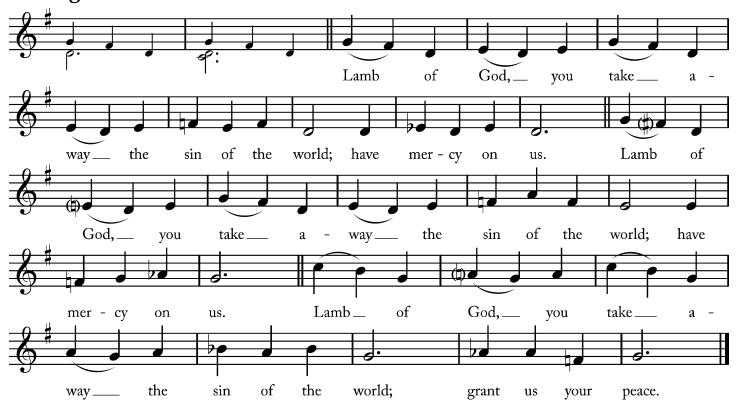
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood,

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



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

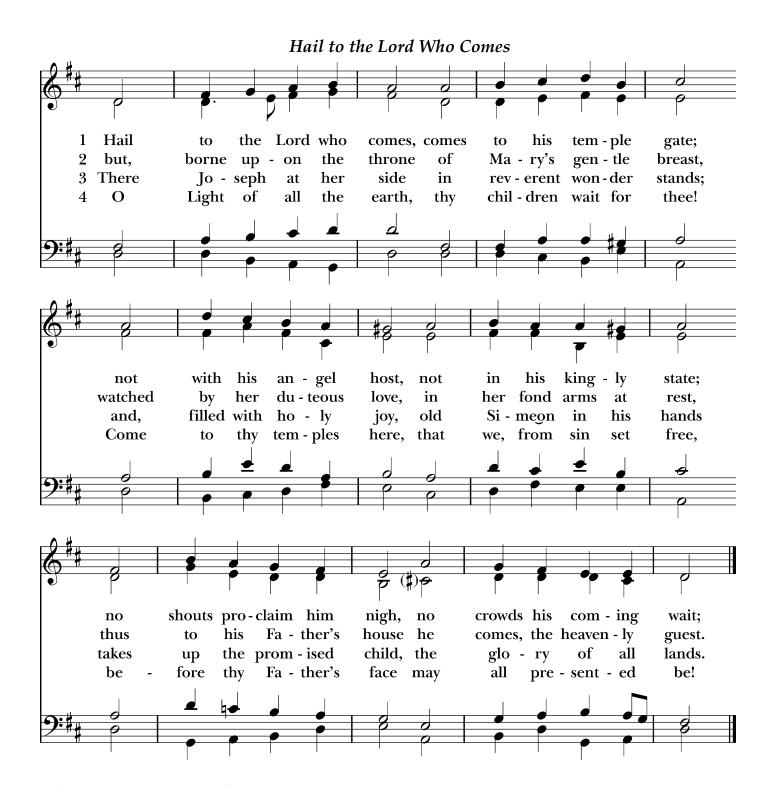
T he Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Music

O Zion Open Wide Thy Gates

The people remain sitting or kneeling





The Post-Communion Prayer

The people kneel

Celebrant Let us pray.

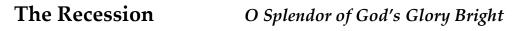
Celebrant and People

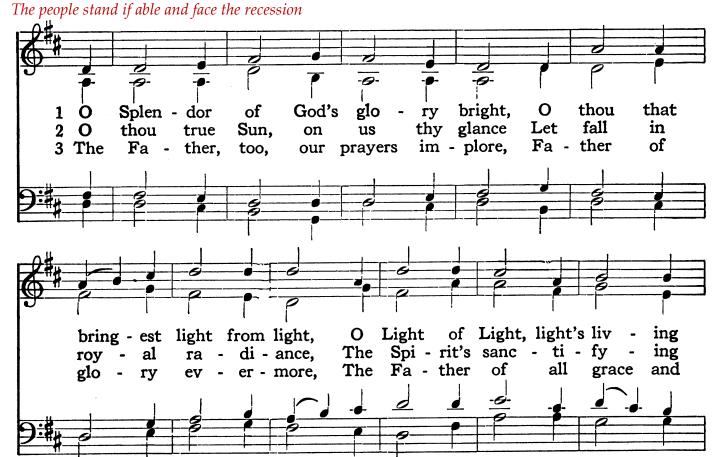
Almighty and ever-living God, we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and goodness towards us; and that we are true members of the 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

The 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.**







- 4 To guide whate'er we nobly do,
 With love all envy to subdue,
 To make ill-fortune turn to fair,
 And give us grace, our wrongs to bear.
- 5 All laud to God the Father be; All praise, eternal Son, to thee; All glory, as is ever meet, To God the holy Paraclete.

The Dismissal

The people stand if able

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

"Fugue in D Major"

J.S. Bach

Thank you for worshiping at Church of The Good Shepherd this morning!
We would be so grateful if you would deposit your used bulletins in one of the recycling bins located
near the exits of the sanctuary or parish hall as you pass by.

Did you have trouble reading the bulletin? Large Print copies are available upon request at the usher's table in the entryway.

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Weekly Update, February 2, 2025

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 Ezra.

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. 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 Genesis. 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, February 2, 2025 – February 9, 2025

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
4:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
6-7:30pm	Youth Group
	Holy Group Squad

Morning Prayer	
Riverside Home Group	
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Tuesday	
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9:05am	Tuesday Morning Bible Study
3:30-4:45pm	Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm	Hawleyton Home Group
7:00pm	Zoom Home Group
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Wednesday		
7:00am	Morning Prayer	
6:30-8pm	Choir Rehearsal	

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5:30pm	Shepherd's Bowl Community Dinner
6:15pm	Beginners Bible Study
6:30pm	Endwell Home Group

Thursday

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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, 7:00pm

Host: Scott Pineau

What's Happening at Good Shepherd

Instructed Liturgy There will be an Instructed Liturgy on Saturday Feb 15th at 11am. This is an educational event where the clergy walks through the Sunday service, explaining as they go what they are doing and why! Feel free to invite friends and family. The Mary & Martha Guild will host a coffee hour in the parish hall immediately after.

Change for Life

Life Choices is our local Pro-Life organization that assists our community before, during and after unplanned pregnancies. Last year our church raised over \$771 dollars through the Change for Life annual campaign. Please pick up a baby bottle from the back of the church and fill it with change or check OR if you prefer you can donate online at LifeChoicesCenter.org (please note our church's name if you donate online). Please return the baby bottles to the church by Feb 23. Contact Christine Osgood with any questions.

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.

The 2025 Potluck schedule will be posted in the coming weeks. Please keep an eye on this spot for upcoming dates.

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

Please Pray For...

ACNA Cycle of Prayer

This week we pray for The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

The Anglican Diocese of the Living Word

This week we pray for Holy Redeemer Anglican Church in New York, ACNA Bishops, and The Rev. Jim Ferguson

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, Theresa, Griffy, Linda, Emily, Gail, Anne & Bill.

For our Missionaries

Please pray for Carrie Nelson and her work with InterVarsity Campus Ministries.

Happy Birthday!

February 7 Kathy Urda

Happy Anniversary!

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.

December

YTD Giving & Revenue	\$51,811
YTD Expenditures	\$24,999
YTD Gain/(loss)	\$26,812

Daily Lectionary, Year I 60 Day Psalter Cycle	
Monday	Psalm 83
February 3	Gen 33
-	John 17
Tuesday	Psalm 86, 87
February 4	Gen 34
	John 18:1-27
Wednesday	Psalm 89:1-18
February 5	Gen 35
	John 18:28-end
Thursday	Psalm 90
February 6	Gen 36
	John 19:1-37
Friday	Psalm 92, 93
February 7	Gen 37
	John 19:38-end
Saturday	Psalm 95, 96
February 8	Gen 38
	John 20
Sunday	Psalm 99, 100, 101
February 9	Gen 39
	John 21

Next Sunday's Lectionary Readings:

Judges 6:11-24 Psalm 85 Acts 26:1-11 Luke 5:1-11

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