Church of the Good Shepherd Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

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



September 1, 2024, A Service of Holy Eucharist Proper 17 – 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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A Service of Holy Eucharist

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Prelude

Little Prelude in F Major

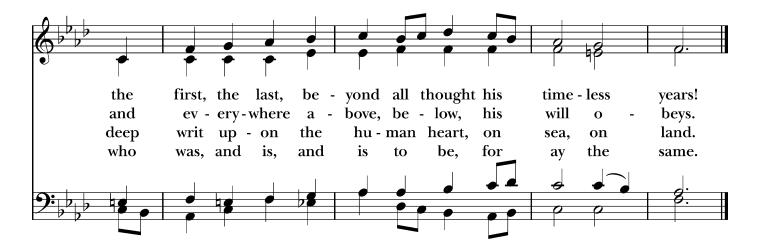
J.S. Bach

The Processional

Praise to the Living God

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





The Acclamation and Collect for Purity

The people remain standing

Celebrant Blessed be God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

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.**

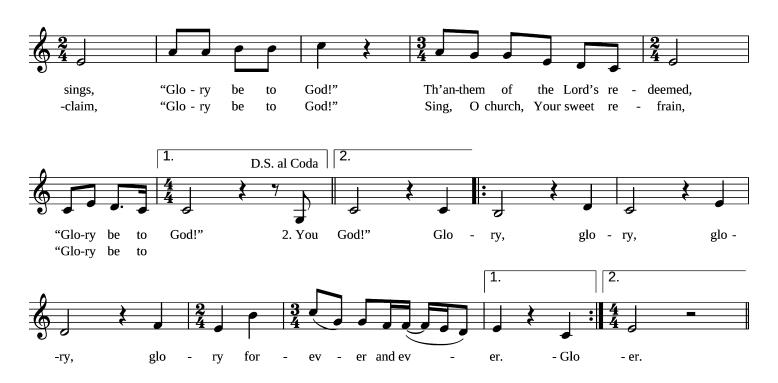
The Summary of the Law

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 Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with your spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow after us, that we may continually be given to good works; through 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

Deuteronomy 4:1-9

Pew Bible pg. 148, LP pg. 175

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 15

- ¹ LORD, who shall dwell in your tabernacle? * Or who shall rest upon your holy hill?
- Whoever leads an uncorrupt life, *
 and does that which is right, and speaks the truth from his heart.
- ³ He has not spoken deceitfully with his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbor, * and has not slandered his neighbor.
- In his eyes the wicked is rejected, * and he makes much of those who fear the LORD.
- ⁵ He swears to his neighbor and disappoints him not, * though it were to his own hindrance.
- 6 He has not given his money for usury, * nor taken a bribe against the innocent.
- Whoever does these things * shall never be overthrown.

The Second Lesson

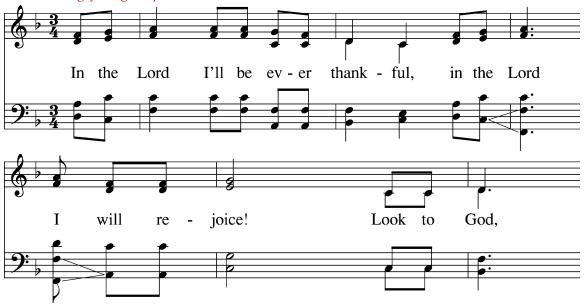
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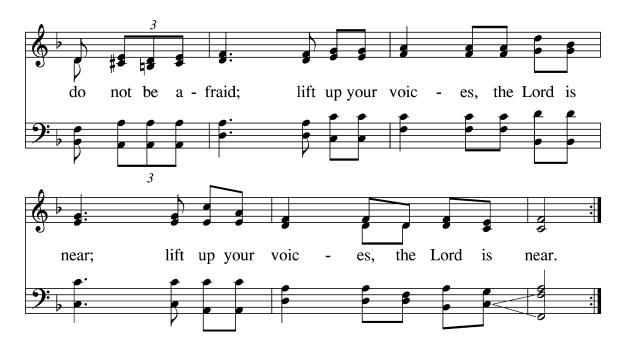
Reader The Word of the Lord.People Thanks be to God.

The Gradual

In the Lord I'll be Ever Thankful

The people stand and sing, facing the procession





The Gospel

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

People Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Mark 7:1-23

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Jonathan Groves

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

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

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader Lord, in your mercy **People Hear our prayer.**

For Steve, Julian, and William, our Bishops, for Matt, Jonathan, and all who minister at Good Shepherd, for Jerry and Ife, and for all the clergy and people of our Province and diocese.

(In the ACNA we pray for Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola In The ADLW we pray for All Saints' Anglican Church Pensacola, Florida; The Rev. Steve Abbott (Priest in Charge; and the Brothers of St. Elizabeth of Hungary Maine.)

Reader Lord, in your mercy **People Hear our prayer.**

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others, especially for Tyler at New Covenant School, and for Arrowhead Bible Camp and their work in showing the love of Christ to handicapped campers.

Reader Lord, in your mercy **People Hear our prayer.**

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith. This week we pray for Christians in harm's way in northern Laos.

Reader Lord, in your mercy **People Hear our prayer.**

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service especially President Biden, Governor Hochul, Senator Webb, and Mayor Kraham.

Reader Lord, in your mercy **People Hear our prayer.**

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those you might 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.

Heavenly 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

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.

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.

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

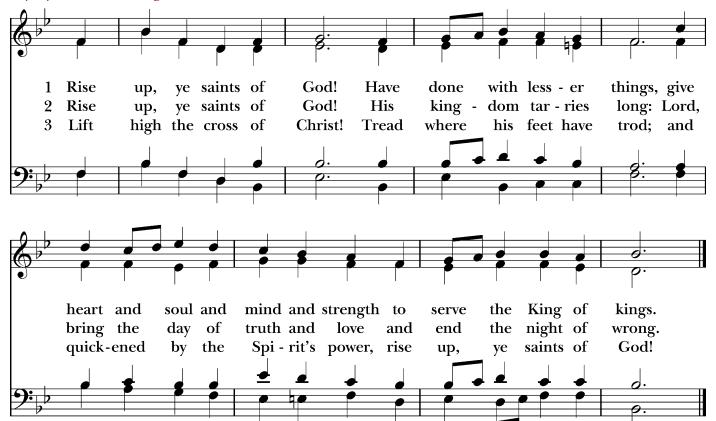
If anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?

~1 John 3:17

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 Rise Up, Ye Saints of God

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

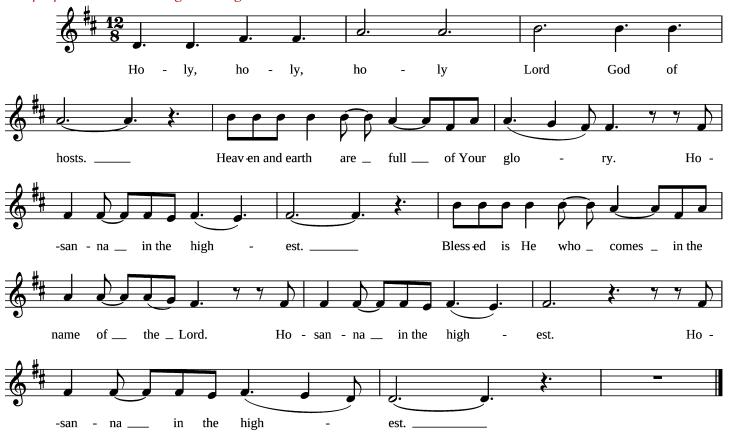
 I_{t} is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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."

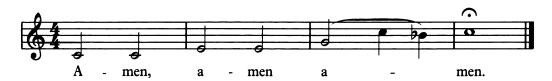
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith

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. We humbly pray that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

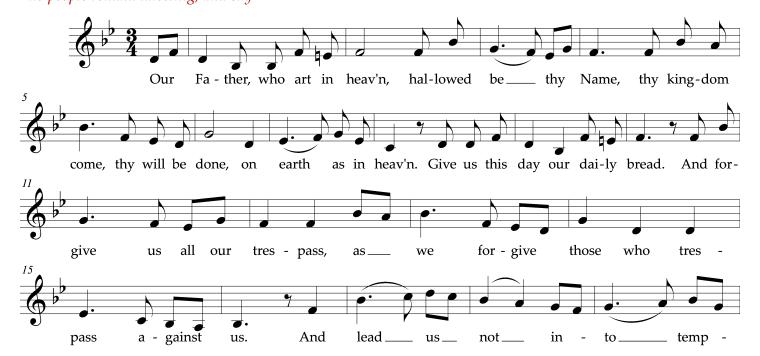
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

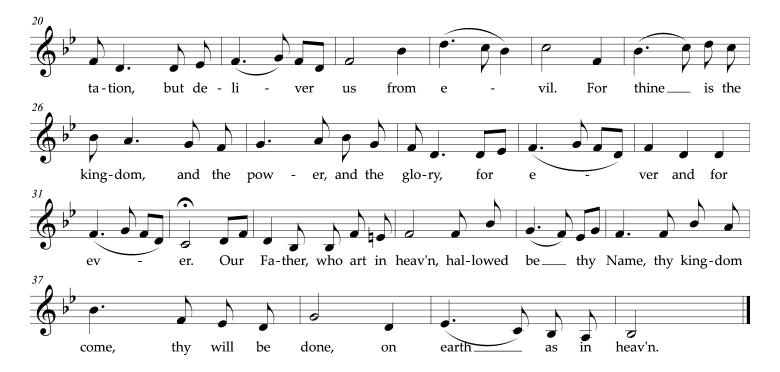


And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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

 ${f W}$ 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,

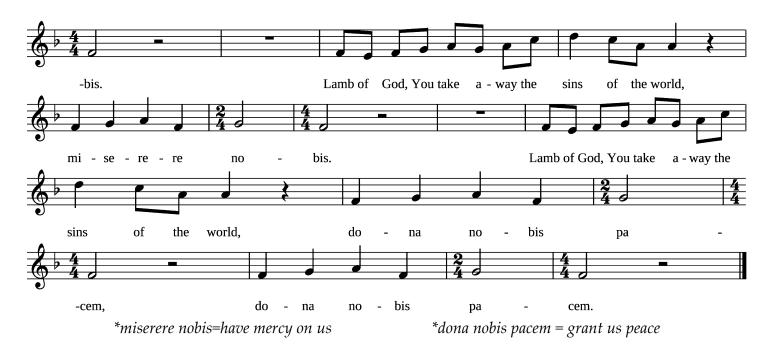
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,

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





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.

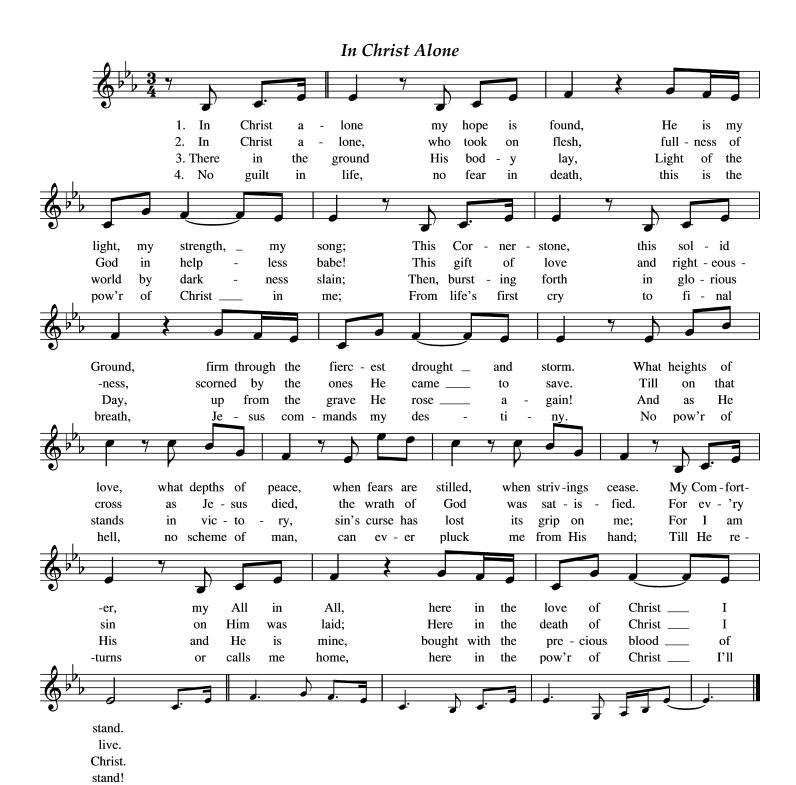


Behold the Lamb

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

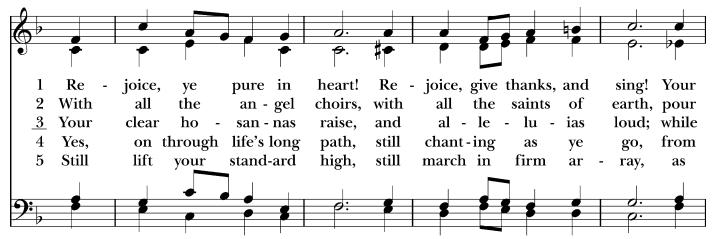
Celebrant

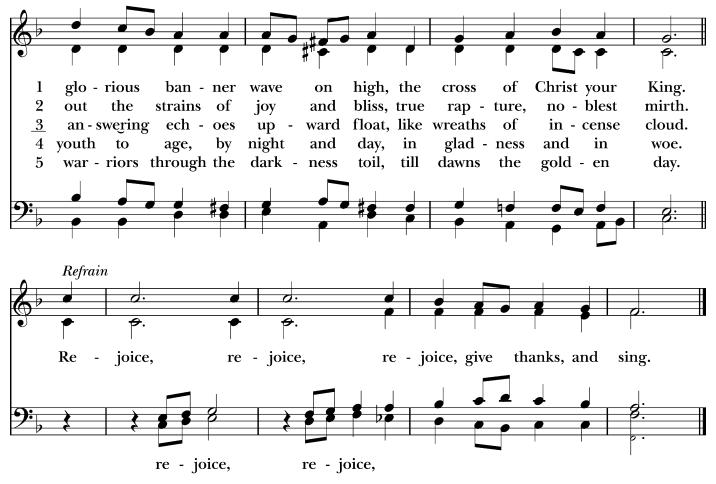
The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Recession

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

The people stand if able and face the recession





*6 At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest; the pilgrims find their Father's house, Jerusalem the blest.

Refrain

*7 Then on, ye pure in heart!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your glorious banner wave on high
the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain

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

Little Fugue in F 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, September 1, 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 II Samuel.

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 directly after Shepherd's Bowl in the Youth Room and is currently in Galatians.

Friday Morning Men's Bible Study meets at 6:30 am 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 Revelation.

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. WBS is on hiatus through July & August.

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. Morning Prayer is on hiatus through July & August.

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 to get connected.

Home groups are on hiatus until the fall.

Good Shepherd Youth Group meets Sundays at 6pm. 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 is on summer hiatus and will resume in September.

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 to 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 fruit and vegetables (but not kidney beans etc.), instant mashed potatoes or boxed potato mixes.

Week at a Glance Schedule, September 1, 2024 – September 8, 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)

12:30pm Pastries on the Portico

Tuesday

9:05am Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Thursday

5:30pm Shepherd's Bowl Community Dinner

6:00pm Beginners Bible Study

Friday

6:30am Men's Breakfast and Bible Study

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Choir Rehearsal

Pastries on the Portico

For the summer, Coffee Hour is on the porch facing Saratoga Ave. Stay after the 10:30 to catch up with old friends and make some new ones. If you like to bake, there's a sign up by the coffee urns.

A Request from CHE

If anyone has extra poly fill (for making stuffed toys) Anne Thompson would love to have it to use in a fundraising project for Community Health Evangelism, Nicaragua. She will be at church on September 8th, if you could bring it then. Thank you!

Prayer Book Purchase Opportunity If you do not yet own a copy of the 2019 Book of Common Prayer and would like to have a personal copy, the ACNA has produced the deluxe edition, which features a faux leather binding with a larger font, and ribbon place markers.

These books are \$41 individually but can be ordered in bulk for about \$35 per copy. If you would like your own copy at the discounted rate, please send a message to Stephanie at gs.binghamton@gmail.com.

Next Sunday's Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 35:4-7a Psalm 146 Acts 21:1-14 Mark 7:31-37

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.

Church Picnic	September 7, 2024
All Things Pumpkin	October 6, 2024
*TBD	November 3, 2024
Cookie & Pie Bakeoff	December 1, 2024

^{*}Please keep in mind that these are subject to change.

Good Shepherd's Women's Group (EAW)

Summer and Autumn Dates

September 21 Church Fall Cleaning Day
October 19 Potluck and Altar Guild Presentation
November 16 Advent/Christmas Wreath Making
December (TBA) Christmas Tea in Lieu of a meeting.

Please Pray For...

ACNA Cycle of Prayer

This week we pray for Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola

Anglican Diocese of the Living Word

All Saints' Anglican Church Pensacola, Florida; The Rev. Steve Abbott (Priest in Charge; and the Brothers of St. Elizabeth of Hungary Maine.)

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 For our Missionaries

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

New Members Classes Matt will begin hosting a series of new members classes by zoom in September. If you would like access, please email the office or let Stephanie know.

Confirmation Classes Matt will be hosting a series of confirmation classes by Zoom in September. These classes are for people who have been baptized as young children or in other traditions but have not made a profession of faith in the Anglican tradition for themselves. Confirmation is one of the sacraments, and is a way for the Christian to step forward into a fuller membership within the church body. If you would like access to this class, please email the office or let Stephanie know.

A New Feature

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.

July Financial Snapshot

YTD Giving & Revenue	\$198,273
YTD Expenditures	\$196,904
YTD Gain/(loss)	\$1,369

Daily Lectionary, Year II 60 Day Psalter Cycle	
Monday	Psalm 5, 6
September 2	Jonah 4
_	Matthew 5:1-20
Tuesday	Psalm 9
September 3	Micah 1
_	Matthew 5:21-48
Wednesday	Psalm 8, 11
September 4	Micah 2
_	Matthew 6:1-18
Thursday	Psalm 12, 13, 14
September 5	Micah 3
	Matthew 6:19-34
Friday	Psalm 18:1-20
September 6	Micah 4
	Matthew 7
Saturday	Psalm 19
September 7	Micah 5
	Matthew 8:1-17
Sunday	Psalm 22
September 8	Micah 6
	Matthew 8:18-34

Happy Birthday!

September 1 Evan Dreher September 1 Robert Carlson September 7 Amber Lovell

Happy Anniversary!

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

Choir Rehearsal

Next Sunday after the 10:30 service, there will be a brief choir meeting in the sanctuary. Please be sure to attend if you anticipate being involved in choir this year.