

TRULY I TELL YOU,
HE SAID, "THIS POOR
WIDOW HAS PUT IN
MORE THAN ALL
THE OTHERS, ALL
THESE PEOPLE GAVE
OUT OF THEIR
ABUNDANCE,
BUT SHE OUT
OF HER
POVERTY
PUT IN
ALL SHE
HAD TO
LIVE ON."

Luke 21:34



25th Sunday after Pentecost

November 10th, 2024

The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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*** WORSHIP NOTES ***

- * *Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd. We warmly greet you in the name of the Lord and give God thanks for your presence today.*
- * *Most hymns are found in the Hymnal located in the pews. Hymns from other hymnals will be printed and provided in the insert.*
- * ***All baptized believing Christians are welcome to gather at the altar for Holy Communion. Grape juice and low gluten wafers are available. Please see a greeter prior to the beginning of service.***
- * *When it comes time for sharing of the peace, you may pass the peace by sign or physically to your neighbors as you are comfortable.*
- * *After receiving communion, you may kneel at the altar or return to your seat for silent prayer or singing the communion hymn.*

SETTING ONE—EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP

+ + + GATHERING + + +

Please maintain silence in the Sanctuary as we prepare for worship

PRELUDE

We Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our refuge, our delight,
our beginning and our end.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,

**C: we confess that sin has taken hold of us
and we are complicit in its power.**

We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest.

Unbind us and set us free.

**Lead us again to the waters of rebirth,
that we may live just and generous lives
for the good of your world
and the care of our neighbors,
following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.**

P: These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever.

For his sake, you are ✠ forgiven and God remembers your sin no more.
Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn “Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow” ELW 327

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Celebrate Insert

P: Let us pray...

C: Amen.

+++ WORD +++

We sit

FIRST READING

Celebrate Insert

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM *(sung or spoken responsively)*

Celebrate Insert

SECOND READING

Celebrate Insert

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

We stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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A: The Lord raises up the poor from the dust,
to make them inherit a seat of honor.

Repeat Alleluia verse.

P: The holy gospel according to...

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Celebrate Insert

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

written by Rev. Bill Carr
read by Matt Bergstresser

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

We stand

Hymn of the Day “Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil” **ELW 512**

APOSTLES' CREED

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Celebrate Insert

PEACE *(a time set aside for sharing God's peace)*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

+++ MEAL +++

We Sit

OFFERING

We stand

OFFERING HYMN

ELW #186

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of
your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

C: Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup, you offered yourself in love for the world, and in this meal you nourish us with your life. Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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 our thanks and praise.

This musical score is for a hymn in G major (one sharp). It consists of four staves of music. The melody is simple and hymn-like, using quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff begins with a repeat sign. The fourth staff also ends with a double bar line.

PROPER PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal:
you we praise and glorify, you we worship and adore.

You formed the earth from chaos; you encircled the globe with air;
you created fire for warmth and light; you nourish the lands with water.

You molded us in your image,
and with mercy higher than the mountains,
with grace deeper than the seas,
you blessed the Israelites and cherished them as your own.

That also we, estranged and dying,
might be adopted to live in your Spirit,
you called to us through the life and death of Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
‘Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Together as the body of Christ,
we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: With this bread and cup we remember your Son,
the first-born of your new creation.
We remember his life lived for others,
and his death and resurrection, which renews the face of the earth.
We await his coming, when,
with the world made perfect through your wisdom,
all our sins and sorrows will be no more.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and compassionate,
send upon us and this meal your Holy Spirit,
whose breath revives us for life,
whose fire rouses us to love.
Enfold in your arms all who share this holy food.
Nurture in us the fruits of the Spirit,
that we may be a living tree,
sharing your bounty with all the world.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P: Holy and benevolent God, receive our praise and petitions,
as Jesus received the cry of the needy,
and fill us with your blessing,
until, needy no longer and bound to you in love,
we feast forever in the triumph of the Lamb:
through whom all glory and honor is yours,
O God, O Living One, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy church, now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION

P: Behold, God is making all things new.
Take your place in the new creation.

(Please process, take a wafer from the pastor and then a communion cup from the assistant. Grape juice is in the center of the tray)

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond **Amen.**

LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Hymn "Let us Break Bread Together" **ELW 471**

We stand

TABLE BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen and preserve
you in eternal life.

C: Amen.

Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el. Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son.

Now send us out to labor with you,
in service to the world you have made,
and among the people you have made your home,
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

+ + + SENDING + + +

We sit

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We stand

BLESSING

P: The Ancient One, enthroned, the Crucified One, now risen,
the Indwelling One, poured out, ✠ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen

Sending Hymn

“When Peace like a River”

ELW 785

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Altar Flowers are given by Ed and Judy Skorski in loving memory of their daughter, Susan “Susie” Zokoe.

Eucharistic Celebrant: Rev. Steve Werner

Lector: Sandy Kubis

Organist/Choir: Karoline Van Horn

Worship Leader: Matt Bergstresser

Zoom: Ric Van Horn

Pastor Bill Away

Pr. Bill is taking continuing education time this week to attend the Camp Widow conference in Toronto. There will be no Sunday School today, but we will resume with our ongoing discussion of the mini-series “The Chosen” next Sunday, November 17, following worship.

CONGREGATIONAL BUDGET MEETING

We will have our Congregational Budget Meeting on Sunday, November 24, following worship. All active members are invited and encouraged to attend. Our fellowship meal will follow the meeting.

Lost and Found

A key fob for a 2019 Nissan was found by Christ News in the church. If it is yours, please contact Cody at 423-736-3323.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

"The Chosen" discussion continues on Sunday, November 17.

"Come and See" -- This is a short series of conversations during Advent that might be a refresher for some, and new information for others. We will take a look at basic Christian history and teaching, Lutheran theology, and will consider our life together as Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Everyone is invited to participate, and Come and See will be especially helpful to those new to life at Good Shepherd.

Sunday, December 1 -- Christian Beliefs

Sunday, December 8 -- Christian History

Sunday, December 15 -- Lutheranism 101

Sunday, December 22 -- the ELCA and Good Shepherd

ECUMENICAL ADVENT SERVICES ON MONDAY EVENINGS

We will have additional opportunity for worship this coming Advent, as well as an opportunity to gather with our kindred in Christ from other congregations and denominations represented here in Morristown. These services are joint gatherings of the congregations of All Saints Episcopal, First Presbyterian, First United Methodist, and Good Shepherd Lutheran Churches. As part of our growth as a congregation, we want to re-embrace our local ecumenical partnerships, so we hope to see you at all three of these services!

Monday, December 2, 6:00 pm -- First United Methodist Church (Mother Gigi of All Saints preaching)

Monday, December 9, 6:00 pm -- All Saints Episcopal Church (Pr. Bill preaching)

Monday, December 16, 6:00 pm -- Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (Pr. Asa Majors of FUMC preaching)

We are in need of members to offer a light food reception and hospitality following the service on December 16. Please consider contributing.

Congregational Meeting and Potluck Lunch

After the worship service on Sunday, Nov. 24, there will be a congregational meeting. We hope that everyone will stay after the service to attend this important meeting. After the meeting there will be a potluck lunch. There is a sign-up sheet on the high table in the narthex to fill in what you would like to bring and share with others. Everyone is invited to stay for the potluck lunch. It is a Thanksgiving potluck lunch. We hope that everyone can attend the meeting and the lunch.

Grateful, Thankful, and Blessed,
Chris Thompson

COLLECTING FLEECE THROWS

At this time 34 fleece throws have been collected for the workers of the Food Pantry to give out on Monday, December 16, 2024. Thank you to everyone who have already brought in throws. We will keep collecting these throws until Sunday, December 15. If you can, please donate extra - large throws. The throws can also be ones that have been gently used. We can't thank each of you enough for your donations and support of this project that the Food Pantry crew is doing.

In His Generosity, Chris Thompson

LADIES CHRISTMAS POTLUCK LUNCHEON

All the ladies of The Good Shepherd and their friends are invited to Ladies Potluck Christmas Luncheon: Saturday, December 14, 2024 at 12:30 p.m.

Sally Allen's house: 4645 Fowler Drive, Morristown 37814

Please bring food to share. Please bring a White Elephant Gift.

There will be a sign – up sheet on the high table in the Narthex.

If you have questions, please contact Chris Thompson at

christinethompson1109@ hughes.net.

We look forward to seeing you at the luncheon on Saturday, December 14.

In His Joy, Chris Thompson

NEWS FROM DEBORAH CIRCLE

Ladies of Deborah Circle met Friday, October 11. We completed the last chapter of Power Surge. Next meeting: Friday, November 15 at 10:00 a.m.

in the Narthex. Instead of holding a meeting in December there will be a Ladies Potluck Christmas Luncheon hosted by Sally Allen at her house.

We hope that all the Ladies of The Good Shepherd and their friends can join us on Friday, November 15 and then Saturday, December 14 for the Ladies Potluck Luncheon at Sally Allen's at 12:30 p.m.

Blessings, Chris Thompson

FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry was opened on Monday, October 21, 2024. 24 people came and food was provided for 71 people.

My deepest heartfelt thanks to Felicia Brandt, Marilyn Fahringer, and Sally Allen for their outstanding help at the Food Pantry. I can't express my thanks enough to each of you who have so generously given to the Food Pantry by contributing food, money, support, and most of all your prayers.

NEXT DATE: Monday, November 18 – 10:00 a.m. until NOON. We are an emergency food pantry.

In His Service, Chris Thompson

Coming up at Good Shepherd

Sunday, November 10	25th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Choir Practice 10:00 am Worship Service
Wednesday, November 13	4:00 pm—6:00 pm Community Dinner
Thursday, November 14	5:30 pm Church Staff Meeting 6:30 pm Mission Council Meeting
Friday, November 15	10:00 am Deborah Circle, <i>Narthex</i>
Sunday, November 17	26th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15 am Choir Practice 10:00 am Worship Service 11:15 am—12:00 pm “The Chosen” Class 2:30 pm Lifecare Service, <i>Life Care Center of Jefferson City</i>
Monday, November 18	Food Pantry, 10:00 am—12:00 pm
Sunday, November 24	Christ The King 9:15 am Choir Practice 10:00 am Worship Service 11:15 am Congregational Meeting with Thanksgiving covered dish lunch following
Sunday, December 1	First Sunday of Advent 9:15 am Choir Practice 10:00 am Worship Service 11:15 am—12:00 pm Sunday School
Tuesday, December 3	6:00 pm American Legion
Sunday, December 8	Second Sunday of Advent 10:00 am Worship Service
Saturday, December 14	12:30 pm Ladies Potluck Christmas Luncheon, <i>home of Sally Allen.</i>
Sunday, December 15	Third Sunday of Advent 9:15 am Choir Practice



We Remember in Prayer



Members - *Healing, comfort, & strength*

Robert French
Ric Van Horn

Family & Friends - *Healing, comfort, strength, & peace*

Family & friends of **Larry Wheeler**, nephew of Wylene Hinkle, *comfort in sorrow*

Michael Bates, friend of Mike and Chris Thompson
Harley Carr, father of Pastor Bill Carr

Family & friends of **Nancy Havard**, sister of Robert French, *comfort in sorrow*

Carol DeBrian, sister-in-law of Ed and Judy Skorski
Joseph Pochron, father of Barry Pochron
Kara Van Deusen, friend of Pastor Bill Carr
Pete Bowers, Sally Allen's nephew
Troy Werner, son of Steve and Cindy Werner

From the Community - *Guidance, comfort, healing, strength, and peace*

All those affected by hurricanes.

Nannie Davis

Steve Siler

Georgia Smith

Wanda Childress

Yevvenia Hernandez

Annette Christensen

Karen Cooper

Erica Balson

Jessica Johnson

Selena Hayes

Patty Wienmann

Ivey McCarter

Military Serving our Country - *Protection, comfort, & strength*

John Gray, Joshua Gray's brother

Ian Anderson, Alan Anderson's nephew

Joshua Sheaf, Good Shepherd member

