

# THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



## PRAISE WORSHIP SERVICE

JULY 30, 2023 | 10:45 AM

### WELCOME TO WORSHIP

*Please note there are cameras at the rear of the Sanctuary. This worship service is being livestreamed to [Facebook.com/gslcwoodstock](https://www.facebook.com/gslcwoodstock)*

*Parents of small children: Children can and do encounter Jesus during worship. For your convenience, please know that our entryway and a nursery (Room 113) are equipped with a video reception of the service. We also have activity bags available for their use during worship. Please see an usher for more information.*

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*“Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you.”*

*Romans 15:7*

*Good Shepherd Lutheran Church warmly welcomes people of any age, race, nationality, sexual orientation, life circumstance, and physical or mental capability.*

*If you are visiting with us, we welcome you and we are blessed you are here! If you need any assistance during worship or otherwise, please seek out one of our ushers. If this is your first time with us, please introduce yourself so we can give you a token of our appreciation for spending the morning with us.*

*\* Denotes stand.*

## Gathering

Gathering Music

Praise Team

Welcome

\*Confession and Forgiveness (insert page 1)

\*Gathering Song

“His Mercy Is More”

Word and Music by Matt Papa and Matt Boswell  
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Your Enemies Publishing | Messenger Hymns

*Verse 1*

What love could remember no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

*Verse 2*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam  
What Father so tender is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

*Verse 3*

What riches of kindness He lavished on us  
His blood was the payment His life was the cost  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

*Chorus*

Praise the Lord His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness new every morn  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

\*Greeting

- P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**G** **And also with you.**

\*Prayer of the Day

- P** Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**G** **Amen.**

## Word

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5-12

Pew Bible, pg. 302

- P** The word of the Lord. **G** **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-39

Pew Bible, pg. 1030

- P** The word of the Lord. **G** **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Sermon

\*Gospel: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Pew Bible, pg. 890

- P** The holy gospel according to Matthew the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter. **G** **Glory to you, O Lord.**  
*At the conclusion of the reading:*

**P** The gospel of the Lord. **C** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Jennifer Tillman

\*Gospel Song

"What a Beautiful Name"

Words and Music by Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood  
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*Verse 1*

You were the Word at the beginning  
One with God the Lord Most High  
Your hidden glory in creation  
Now revealed in You our Christ

For You are raised to life again  
You have no rival  
You have no equal  
Now and forever God You reign  
Yours is the kingdom  
Yours is the glory  
Yours is the Name above all names

*Chorus 1*

What a beautiful Name it is  
What a beautiful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ my King  
What a beautiful Name it is  
Nothing compares to this  
What a beautiful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus  
What a wonderful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus

*Final Chorus*

What a powerful Name it is  
What a powerful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ my King  
What a powerful Name it is  
Nothing can stand against  
What a powerful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus  
What a powerful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus  
What a powerful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus

*Bridge*

Death could not hold You  
The veil tore before You  
You silence the boast of sin and grave  
The heavens are roaring  
The praise of Your glory

\*Apostles' Creed (*insert page 1*)

\*Prayers of Intercession (*As the Minister closes each petition with the words, "Hear us, O God," worshipers respond with the words, "Your mercy is great."*)

*Meal*

\*Peace

**P** The peace of Christ be with you always. **C** **And also with you.** (*you may greet each other with a sign of God's peace*)

Offering

Offertory Song

"Greater Things"

Praise Team

*-By Kathryn Scott, Jeremy Riddle, Tayla Rede and Paul Arend*

\*Offering Prayer

**A** God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C** **Amen.**

\*Great Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up you hearts.

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

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

**C** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

\*Lord's Prayer (insert page 1)

\*Invitation to Communion

Communion

Communion Songs

"Seasons"

Words and Music by Chris Davenport, Benjamin Hastings and Ben Tan  
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Verse 1

Like the frost on a rose  
Winter comes for us all  
Oh how nature acquaints us  
With the nature of patience  
Like a seed in the snow  
I've been buried to grow  
For Your promise is loyal  
From seed to sequoia

I believe that my season will come

Verse 2

Lord I think of Your love  
Like the low winter sun  
As I gaze I am blinded  
In the light of Your brightness  
Like a fire to the snow  
I'm renewed in Your warmth  
Melt the ice of this wild soul  
'Til the barren is beautiful

Chorus

(And) I know  
Though the winter is long  
Even richer the harvest it brings  
Though my waiting prolongs  
Even greater Your promise for me like a seed

Verse 3

Like a seed You were sown  
For the sake of us all  
From Bethlehem's soil  
Grew Calvary's sequoia ah

"Word of God Speak"

Words and Music by Bart Millard and Pete Kipley  
© 2002 Songs From The Indigo Room | Simpleville Music | Curb Wordspring Music

Chorus

Word of God speak  
Would You pour down like rain  
Washing my eyes to see Your majesty  
To be still and know  
That You're in this place  
Please let me stay and rest  
In Your holiness  
(Word of God speak)

"Come As You Are"

Words and Music by David Crowder, Matt Maher and Ben Glover  
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Verse 1

Come out of sadness from wherever you've been  
Come broken-hearted let rescue begin  
Come find your mercy O sinner come kneel  
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal  
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

Verse 2

There's hope for the hopeless  
And all those who've strayed  
Come sit at the table come taste the grace  
There's rest for the weary  
Rest that endures  
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure

Chorus

(So) Lay down your burdens lay down your shame  
All who are broken lift up your face  
O wanderer come home  
You're not too far  
So lay down your hurt lay down your heart  
Come as you are

Ending

Come as you are  
Come as you are  
Come as you are

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### \*Post Communion Blessing

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**G Amen.**

### \*Prayer After Communion

**A** We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**G Amen.**

### Announcements

## Sending

### \*Blessing

**P** The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed ✚ bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **G Amen.**

### \*Dismissal

**A** Go in peace. Share the harvest. **G Thanks be to God.**

### \*Sending Song

#### "Our God"

Words and Music by Matt Redman, Jonas Myrin, Chris Tomlin and Jesse Reeves  
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Thankyou Music | Vamos Publishing | worshiptogether.com songs

#### *Verse 1*

Water You turned into wine  
Opened the eyes of the blind  
There's no one like You  
None like You

God You are higher than any other  
Our God is healer  
Awesome in power our God our God

#### *Verse 2*

Into the darkness You shine  
Out of the ashes we rise  
There's no one like You  
None like You

#### *Bridge*

And if our God is for us  
Then who could ever stop us  
And if our God is with us  
Then what could stand against  
And if our God is for us  
Then who could ever stop us  
And if our God is with us  
Then what could stand against  
(Then) what could stand against

#### *Chorus*

Our God is greater  
Our God is stronger

### Sending Music

Praise Team

Today's bulletin cover is created by member Clint Gruwell. Take a moment to view the details of the canvas on display in the Entryway.

"I am a son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, and follower of Jesus Christ. This painting is a depiction in art form of our lectionary for today, follow yellow highlighting of the readings and you'll get an understanding of what the painting is telling us."

YBIC, Clint Gruwell.

### Attendance Last Sunday

8:30 AM - 51 | 10:45 AM - 64 | Online - 13

### June Income & Expense Summary

#### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Total Income: \$42,967.00 Total Expenses: \$41,596.71

Cash Flow: \$1,460.29

### Year to Date Income & Expense Summary

#### Fiscal Year 2022-23

Total Income: \$541,635.18

Total Expenses: \$564,336.00

Cash Flow: (\$22,700.82)

*If you have any questions, please contact our Financial Secretary  
Sharron Ryan. Thank you!*

### This Week

Sun	7/30	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
		9:45 AM	Coffee and Conversation   rm. 118
		10:45 AM	Contemporary Praise Service
Mon	7/31	1:00 PM	Staff Meeting
Tues	8/1	6:00 PM	Celebration Ringers
		7:00 PM	Chancel Choir
Wed	8/2	1:30 AM	Via de Cristo
		7:00 PM	Bells of Good Shepherd
Thu	8/3	7:00 PM	Executive Committee
Sat	8/5	9:00 AM	Praise Team Rehearsal
Sun	8/6	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
		9:45 AM	Coffee and Conversation   rm. 118
		10:45 AM	Contemporary Praise Service

**BLOOD DRIVE** Saturday, August 12

8:00 am - 1:00 pm | Fellowship Hall



Schedule an appointment, at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org)  
and enter sponsor code: goodshepherdlutheran

Along with Warner Bros. and MEG 2: THE TRENCH,  
we're saying thanks with a chance to win a 3-night trip to  
NY with a private shark dive and more when you  
donate! PLUS get a \$10 e-gift card to a movie merchant  
of choice. See [rcblood.org/movie](http://rcblood.org/movie).

*The Altar flowers this morning are dedicated  
to the Glory of God and are given by Karen  
Weltz in Honor of Frank Weltz birthday.*

Thank you to Sharron Ryan for  
contributing for fellowship this morning.   
If you would like to sign up for providing  
donuts & snacks, the sign-up and forms are in the  
administrative hallway. The cost is \$30.

### Aug Event Dates

Sign-up sheets are available at [gslutheran.org](http://gslutheran.org)

([Sign-up Central Online](#)) or

Sign-up Central in Fellowship Hall

**Aug 12** Blood Drive | 8-1PM | Fellowship Hall

**Aug 13** Installation of Interim Pastor Karen Boda  
| Both services

**Aug 27** Rally Day & Picnic | One Service | 10 AM

### Make a Joyful Noise

**The Chancel Choir** will resume on Tuesday's at 7  
PM, beginning August 1st. We would love to have  
new singers this season.

**The Bells of Good Shepherd** beginning August 2,  
we rehearse Wednesday nights at 6:30 PM.

**The Celebration Ringers** beginning August 1, we  
rehearse Tuesdays at 6 PM. This is our  
beginner handbell group.

Come to rehearsal or contact Thomas  
by email, if you are interested in joining  
any of these music groups at  
[music@gslutheran.org](mailto:music@gslutheran.org).



### BEARS AND FRIENDS

During the whole month of August,  
GSLC outreach will be collecting  
stuffed animals.

This project was started by The  
Encouragement Project to collect  
donations of new and gently used  
stuffed animals to share with refugee kids and  
other children going through traumatic situations.  
Clean out your closets and storage areas to see if  
you have something to donate, or you can donate  
brand new animals. Provisions will be made in the  
Fellowship Hall for collections. Thank you.

