

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 25, 2024

10:45 AM Praise Worship Service with Holy Communion

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

*You are invited to stand

GATHERING

Gathering Music

Praise Team

Welcome

***Confession and Forgiveness**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **G Amen.**

P Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider,

G help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. **Amen.**

P Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **G Amen.**

***Gathering Song**

"As For Me"

Words and Music by Pat Barrett, Chris Tomlin and Jason Ingram; © 2021 Capitol CMG Genesis | Capitol CMG Paragon | Housefires Sounds | S. D. G. Publishing | Vamos Publishing | Ingram Tunes | So Essential Tunes

Verse 1

Your love oh Lord is strength to my soul
Hope for tomorrow it won't let go
Your presence is the joy of my life
To You I lift my eyes

Chorus 1

As for me and my house we will serve the Lord
We will sing of Your love forevermore
As for me and my house we will serve the Lord
Serve the Lord

Verse 2

Your word alone a lamp to my feet
A light to my path as You're leading me
Your ways oh Lord are higher than mine
To You I lift my eyes

Write it on every wall
Sing it in every room
Open up every door
Write it on every wall
Sing it in every room

Chorus 2

As for me and my house we will serve the Lord
We will sing of Your love forevermore
As for me and my house we will serve the Lord
Serve the Lord

Final Chorus with tag

As for me and my house we will serve the Lord
We will sing of Your love forevermore
As for me and my house we will serve the Lord
Serve the Lord
Open up every door
Write it on every wall
Sing it in every room

Bridge

Open up every door

*Greeting

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

*Prayer of the Day

☞ Let us pray. Holy God, we struggle sometimes to understand the things of this earth. Give us confidence in your goodness, your love for us, and your promise to be with us always. As you have loved us and walked with us through difficult times, help us to walk with each other.

☞ **Amen.**

WORD

First Reading

☞ A reading from Judges.

At conclusion of reading

☞ The Word of the Lord. ☞ **Thanks be to God.**

Judges 6:1-6, 11-16a

Pew Bible, Page 220

Second Reading

☞ A reading from 2 Corinthians.

At conclusion of reading

☞ The Word of the Lord. ☞ **Thanks be to God**

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Pew Bible, Page 1057

Children's Message

***Gospel Reading**

P The holy gospel according to Matthew.

At conclusion of gospel reading

L The gospel of the Lord. **G** **Thanks be to God.**

Matthew 13:24-30

Pew Bible, Page 890

Meditation

Pastor Karen Boda

***Song of the Day**

"Your Grace Is Enough"

Words and Music by Matt Maher; © 2003 Thankyou Music | spiritandsong.com

Verse 1

Great is Your faithfulness O God
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart

Chorus

So remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise O God
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

Verse 2

Great is Your love and justice God of Jacob
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along

***Apostles' Creed**

G 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**

The Assisting Minister will close each petition with the words, "Merciful God," worshippers respond with the words, "receive our prayer".

***Peace**

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **C** **And also with you.**

(Please greet one another with a friendly word or gesture of God's peace.)



Offering

The "Who's Who in the Pew" pads are passed as the offering is received. For online giving, see the QR code on the back page.

Offering Anthem

"You Hold It All Together"

Praise Team

By Alton Eugene, Edward Rivera, Elyssa Smith, Garrett Abel and Naomi Raine

***Offering Prayer**

A Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **C** **Amen.**

***Words of Institution**

***Lord's Prayer**

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.**

***Invitation to Communion**

Communion/Communion Songs

"Jesus My Lord"

Words and Music by John Fischer;© 1970 Fischer, John

Chorus

Have you seen Jesus my Lord
He's here in plain view
Take a look open your eyes
He'll show it to you

Verse 1

Have you ever looked at the sunset
With the sky mellowin' red
And the clouds suspended like feathers
Then I say you've seen Jesus my Lord
(Chorus)

Verse 2

Have you ever stood at the ocean
 With the white foam at your feet
 Felt the endless thunderin' motion
 Then I say you've seen Jesus my Lord
 (Chorus)

Verse 3

Have you ever looked at the cross
 With a man hangin' in pain
 And the look of love in His eyes
 Then I say you've seen Jesus my Lord
 (Chorus)

"Amazing Grace (My Chain Are Gone)"

*Words and Music by John Newton, Chris Tomlin and Louie Giglio:© 2006 Rising Springs Music | Vamos Publishing |
 worshiptogether.com songs*

Verse 1

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
 That saved a wretch like me
 I once was lost but now I'm found
 Was blind but now I see

Verse 2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
 And grace my fears relieved
 How precious did that grace appear
 The hour I first believed

Chorus

My chains are gone I've been set free
 My God my Savior has ransomed me
 And like a flood His mercy rains

Verse 4

Have you ever stood in the family
 With the Lord there in your midst
 Seen the face of Christ on your neighbor
 Then I say you've seen Jesus my Lord
 (Chorus)

Unending love amazing grace

Verse 3

The Lord has promised good to me
 His word my hope secures
 He will my shield and portion be
 As long as life endures
 (Chorus)

Verse 4

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
 The sun forbear to shine
 But God who called me here below
 Will be forever mine
 Will be forever mine
 You are forever mine

"The Church"

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Verse 1

We are the change
The world is waiting for
We've got a love
The world is desperate for
We will lead
And take to Your streets

Chorus

Now's the time for us to rise
And carry hope and let love shine
And show this world that mercy is alive
Now's the time for us to rise
And carry hope to hopeless eyes
And show this world that mercy is alive

Verse 2

We're not afraid
We will abandon all
To hear Your name

*Post Communion Blessing

☞ May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. ☩ **Amen.**

*Prayer After Communion

☩ Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. ☩ **Amen.**

Announcements

 SENDING 

*Blessing

☞ The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever. ☩ **Amen.**

On lips across the world
We will run
In the wake of Your love

Chorus 2

Now's the time for us to rise
And carry hope and let love shine
And show this world that mercy is alive
Now's the time for us to rise
And carry hope to hopeless eyes
And show this world that mercy is alive

Bridge

Fill our hearts with Your compassion
Let our love be active here
Fill our hearts with Your compassion
Let our love be real
Be real
(Chorus 2)

***Sending Song**

"Unstoppable God"

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Verse 1

Heaven thundered
And the world was born
Life begins and ends
In the dust You formed
Faith commanded
And the mountains moved
Fear is losing ground
To our hope in You

Chorus

Unstoppable God
Let Your glory go on and on
Impossible things
In Your name they shall be done

Verse 2

Freedom conquered
All our chains undone
Sin defeated

***Dismissal**

🔊 Go in peace. You are the body of Christ!

🔊 Thanks be to God.

Sending Music

Jesus has overcome
Mercy triumphed
When the third day dawned
Darkness was denied
When the stone was gone

Chorus 2

Unstoppable God
Let Your glory go on and on
Impossible things
In Your name they shall be done

Bridge

Nothing shall be impossible
Your kingdom reigns unstoppable
We'll shout Your praise forevermore
Jesus our God unstoppable (*Repeat*)
(*To Chorus 2*)

Praise Team

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