

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

## THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

### AUGUST 25, 2024

*8:30 AM Traditional 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

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### ∞ GATHERING ∞

PRELUDE

“Prière à Notre-Dame”

Chase Petersen

- Léon Boëllmann

WELCOME

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

☐ Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. ☩ **Amen.**

☐ Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin.  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our provider,

☩ **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.**

☐ 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. ☩ **Amen.**



1 Ask the com - pli - cat - ed ques - tions.  
 2 Seek the dis - con - cert - ing an - swers,  
 3 Knock on doors of new i - de - as,  
 4 For in strug - gle we dis - cov - er



Do not fear to be found out; for our God makes  
 fol - low where the Spir - it blows; test com - pet - ing  
 test as - sump - tions long grown stale, for Christ calls from  
 truth both sim - ple and pro - found; in the knock - ing,



strong our weak - ness, forg - ing faith in fires of doubt.  
 truths for wis - dom, for in ten - sion new life grows.  
 shores of won - der, dar - ing us to try and fail.  
 ask - ing, seek - ing, we are o - pened, an - swered, found.

\*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.**

\*KYRIE (Sung)

front of ELW pg.120

- A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C** **Amen.**

\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE (Sung)

front of ELW pg. 122

**C** **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are his.

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

### **\*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.

**Judges 6:1-6, 11-16a**

*At conclusion of reading*

*Pew Bible, Page 220*

- ☐ The Word of the Lord. ☑ Thanks be to God.

### **PSALM 42:1-3, 9-11** *(Sung responsively)*

- ☐ As the deer longs<sup>l</sup> for the water-brooks,  
so longs my soul for<sup>l</sup> you, O God.

- ☑ **I thirst for God, for the<sup>l</sup> living God;  
when shall I come to appear before  
the pres-<sup>l</sup>ence of God?**

- ☐ My tears have been my food<sup>l</sup> day and night,  
while all day long they say to me,  
“Where now<sup>l</sup> is your God?”

- ☑ **I will say to the God of my strength,  
“Why have you re-<sup>l</sup>jected me,**

**and why do I wander in such gloom  
while the enemy op-<sup>l</sup>presses me?”**

- ☐ While my bones are being broken, my enemies mock me<sup>l</sup> to my face;  
all day long they mock me and say to me,  
“Where now<sup>l</sup> is your God?”

- ☑ **Why are you so full of heaviness, O  
my soul, and why are you so  
disquiet-<sup>l</sup>ed within me?**

- ☐ Put your trust in God, for I will yet give thanks to the one who is my help<sup>l</sup> and my God.

### **SECOND READING**

- ☐ A reading from 2 Corinthians.

**2 Corinthians 12:2-10**

*At conclusion of reading*

*Pew Bible, Page 1057*

- ☐ The Word of the Lord. ☑ **Thanks be to God**

### **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *(Sung)*

front of ELW pg. 124

**☩ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**\*GOSPEL READING**

**📖** The holy gospel according to Matthew.

**Matthew 13:24-30**

**☩ Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Pew Bible, Page 890*

*At conclusion of reading*

**📖** The gospel of the Lord. **☩ Praise to you, O Christ**

**MEDITATION**

**Pastor Karen Boda**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**      **“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”**

**ELW #597**

**\*APOSTLES' CREED**

**☩ 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**

**📖** The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **☩ And also with you.**

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

 MEAL 

**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.*

**OFFERTORY**

**“Merciful God”**

**Chancel Choir**

*-Craig Courtney*



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the  
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

**\*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. **G Amen.**

**\*GREAT THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION**

- P** The Lord be with you. **G And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts. **G We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **G It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
- P** It is indeed right...praise your name and join their unending hymn

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. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**\*WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

☒ 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**

**LAMB OF GOD**

Front of ELW pg. 135

☒ Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

**"Jesus My Lord"**

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CHORUS

Have you seen Je - sus my Lord? \_\_\_\_\_ He's here in plain view.  
 Take a look, o - pen your eyes; \_\_\_\_\_ He'll show it to you.

VERSES



1. Have you ev - er looked at the sun - set with the sky  
 2. Have you ev - er stood at the o - cean with the white  
 3. Have you ev - er looked at the cross with a man  
 4. Have you ev - er stood in the fam - 'ly with the Lord



mel - low - in' red, and the clouds sus - pend - ed like feath - ers?  
 foam at your feet, felt the end - less thun - der - in' mo - tion?  
 hang - in' in pain, and the look of love in his eyes?  
 there in your midst; seen the face of Christ on your neigh - bor



Then, I say you've seen Je - sus, my Lord.  
 Then, I say you've seen Je - sus, my Lord.  
 Then, I say you've seen Je - sus, my Lord.  
 Then, I say you've seen Je - sus, my Lord.

*To Chorus*

“When Pain of the World Surrounds Us”

ELW #704

**\*POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

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

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**A** 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. **C Amen.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*SENDING*

**\*BLESSING**

**P** The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  $\dagger$  be upon you now and forever. **C Amen.**

**\*SENDING HYMN “All Depends on Our Possessing”**

ELW #589

**\*DISMISSAL**

**A** Go in peace. You are the body of Christ!

**C Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

**“Grand Dialogue”**

Chase Petersen

-Jacques Boyvin

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AT GOOD SHEPHERD**

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