

**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.**  
**SEPTEMBER 8, 2024**

*10:00 AM Combined 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**

**"Living For Jesus"**  
*- Bill Ingram*

**Bells of Good Shepherd**

**WELCOME**

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **G Amen.**

**P** Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God,

**G** **have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**P** God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. **G Amen.**

**\*GATHERING HYMN**

**“Listen, God is Calling”**

**ELW #513**

*Congregation sings the sections marked “All”*

*Refrain*  
 Leader All

Ne - no, ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la - ku - i - ta we - we,  
 Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,

ne - no la wo - ko - vu, te - na je - ma. ma.  
 of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.

Leader All

Ye - su a - li - se - ma, Mka - hu - bi - ri.  
 1 Je - sus gave his man - date: share the good news  
 2 Let none be for - got - ten through - out the world.  
 3 Help us to be faith - ful, stand - ing stead - fast,

Leader All Refrain

Ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la wo - ko - vu.  
 that he came to save us and set us free.  
 In the tri - une name of God go and bap - tize.  
 walk - ing in your pre - cepts, led by your Word.

**\*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**

**\*SONG OF MERCY**

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*Refrain*

Ky-ri-e \_\_\_\_\_ e-lei - son, on our world and on \_\_\_\_\_ our way. \_\_\_\_\_

Ky-ri-e \_\_\_\_\_ e-lei - son, ev - 'ry day. \_\_\_\_\_

That  
For your

we may live out \_\_\_\_\_ your im - pas-sioned re - sponse to the hun-gry and \_\_\_\_\_ the poor;  
Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the wa - ter and \_\_\_\_\_ the word;

\_\_\_\_\_ that we may live out \_\_\_\_\_ truth and jus-tice and grace,  
\_\_\_\_\_ that you nour-ish our souls \_\_\_\_\_ with your bo - dy and blood,

*to refrain*

let us pray \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ let us pray \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_

**\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE** (*Sung*)

front of ELW pg. 122

**☞ 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

**P** Let us pray. Holy One, you stretch wide your tent that all may be welcomed in, and in Jesus you stretched out your hands in expansive love for a weary and wounded world. Help us to reach out with your own wounded hands of love, that through us your life may be known in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**G** Amen.

## WORD

### FIRST READING

**L** A reading from Isaiah 35:4-7a.

*At conclusion of reading*

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

**Isaiah 35:4-7a**

*Pew Bible, Page 649*

### SECOND READING

**L** A reading from James.

*At conclusion of reading*

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

**James 2:1-10,11-17**

*Pew Bible, Page 1100*

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(Sung)*

front of ELW pg. 124

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

### \*GOSPEL READING

**P** The holy gospel according to Mark.

**G** Glory to you, O Lord.

*At conclusion of reading*

**L** The gospel of the Lord. **G** Praise to you, O Christ

**Mark 7: 24-37**

*Pew Bible, Page 917*

### MEDITATION

**Pastor Karen Boda**

## **\*HYMN OF THE DAY “Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly”**

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### **Verse 1**

It all comes down to this  
What you require of me  
Love my neighbor as myself  
And You above all things

### **Chorus**

Act justly love mercy walk humbly  
With You God  
In all things in all ways walk humbly  
With You God

### **Verse 2**

It all comes down to this  
To be Your hands and feet  
Good news to all the world  
The truth will set us free

### **Chorus**

Act justly love mercy walk humbly  
With You God  
In all things in all ways walk humbly  
With You God

### **Bridge**

It's beauty for ashes  
It's mourning to dancing  
It's closer and closer  
The Kingdom of heaven  
(To Chorus)

## **\*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, “God, we pray,” worshippers respond with the words, “**open our hands in love**”.*

## **\*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.)*

**OFFERING**

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**OFFERTORY**

**"Love Grows Here"**

- Don Besig

**Chancel Choir  
& Praise Team**

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**A** Let us pray. Holy God, giver of all good things, receive the gifts we bring, fruit of the earth and the work of human hands, that they may be used to your purposes for life and love in the world.

**C** Amen.

**\*GREAT THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION**

**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your 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.

**P** It is indeed right...praise your name and join their unending hymn

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

**ELW #190**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, 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.

### \*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

**P** Honor, praise, glory and thanksgiving to you, God, our loving Creator...  
Trusting in his promise to be among us whenever we gather in his name, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

**P** Gathered as your people, meeting in Jesus' name, and preparing ourselves to feast upon Jesus' very body and blood, we plead with all creation:

**C** **Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P** Send your Spirit upon this meal, the body and blood of Jesus, that we overflow with your selfless love. Turn us to face our neighbors, that by us and through us your love may be known in the world. Again, we ask:

**C** **Come, Holy Spirit.**

**P** All honor and praise and glory to you, God of creative, dirty hands, God of holy, wounded hands, God who strengthens and guides our hands, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

### \*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

#### LAMB OF GOD

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#### Chorus

Lamb of God You take away  
The sin of the world  
Have mercy upon us  
Lamb of God You take away  
The sin of the world

Have mercy upon us  
Lamb of God You take away  
The sin of the world  
Grant us Your peace  
Grant us Your peace

**COMMUNION HYMNS**  
**“Wade in the Water”**

**ELW #459**

*Refrain*  
*All*



Wade in the wa - ter, wade in the wa - ter, chil - dren,



wade in the wa - ter, God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the wa - ter.

*Leader* *All*



1 See that host all dressed in white,  
 2 See that band all dressed in red, God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the  
 3 Look o - ver yon - der, what do I see?  
 4 If you don't be - lieve I've been re - deemed.



wa - ter; the lead - er looks like the Is - ra - 'lite,  
 looks like the band that . . . Mo - ses led,  
 the Ho - ly Ghost a - com - ing on me,  
 just fol - low me down to . . . Jor - dan's stream.

*All* *Refrain*



God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the wa - ter.

**“Touch That Soothes and Heals”**

**ACS #939**



1 Touch that soothes and heals the hurt - ing, hands that  
 2 Feed the hun - gry, clothe the na - ked, vis - it  
 3 Love and serve with - out dis - tinc - tion all earth's  
 4 Hands that beck - on lit - tle chil - dren, bind a



break a loaf of bread; steps that walk be - side the  
 ones in need of care, give the home - less warmth and  
 peo - ple, first and least. Know with - in each act of  
 wound, pre - pare a meal, feet that rush to share good



wea - ry, bear - ing bur - dens in their stead:  
 shel - ter: Christ will find a wel - come there.  
 kind - ness hope and whole - ness are in - creased.  
 tid - ings, Christ a - ris - en, still re - veal.



*Refrain*  
 "See my hands and feet," said Je - sus, love a - ris - en from the



grave. "Be my hands and feet," said Je - sus, "live as



ones I died to save."

**"Send Me, Jesus"**

**ELW #549**



1 Send me, Je - sus; send me, Je - sus; send me, Je - sus; send me, Lord.  
 2 I am will - ing; I am will - ing; I am will - ing, will - ing, Lord.

**"The Lord Now Sends Us Forth"**

**ELW #538**



*En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá*  
 The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,



*pa - ra cons - truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.*  
 to make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live.



*Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar*  
 The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain

*Continues on next page*

un mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor:  
to do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name;

me ha to - ca - do, a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad.  
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.

A - yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.  
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.

### \*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**A** Let us pray. Holy Jesus, in this meal you have fed and nourished us to work in your beloved world. Send us now, filled with yourself and strengthened by your Spirit to live your love for others.

**A** Amen.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ✠ SENDING ✠

### \*BLESSING

**P** God who sets forth the law of love, Jesus who fulfills the law for you, and the Spirit through whom you are called to love, ✠ bless you this day, that you may be God's hands and heart and voice at work in the world.

**A** Amen.

### \*SENDING HYMN

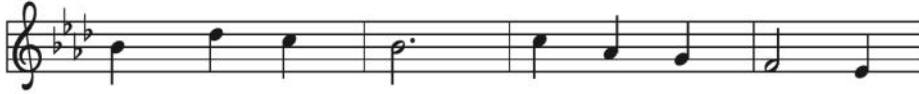
### "God's Work, Our Hands"

ACS #1000

1	God's work, our hands:	work - ing to - geth - er,
2	God's work, our feet:	trav - 'ling to - geth - er,
3	God's work, our voice:	sing - ing to - geth - er,
4	God is at work	in and a - round us:



build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,  
 fol - low - ing Je - sus to plac - es un - known,  
 prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,  
 seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!



rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens,  
 walk - ing as friends, march - ing for free - dom,  
 pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice,  
 Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored,



feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.  
 run - ning the race with God's fu - ture the goal.  
 claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.  
 gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.



Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,  
 Bless, God, our feet as we fol - low your way,  
 Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,  
 Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,



shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.  
 shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.  
 shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.  
 shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.

**\*DISMISSAL**

**A** Go in peace. You are God's hands at work in the world!

**G** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

**"Guide Me, O Thou  
 Great Jehovah"**

*-John Innes*

**Chase Petersen, Organist  
 & Pam Weinelt, Pianist**

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