

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

**MARCH 30, 2025**

*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

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### ∞ GATHERING ∞

**"Foundations of Grace"**

-Anna Laura Page

**Gathering Music**

**Bells of Good Shepherd**

**Welcome/Announcements**

**\*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 return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's abiding love.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P** Compassionate One,

**G you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again. We squander the abundant gifts of the earth. Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross. Amen.**

**P** Beloved in Christ, God's arms are always stretched open wide to welcome the wandering ones home. In † Christ your sins are forgiven. You have a place in God's house forever. **G Amen.**

**\*Gathering Song**

**"Beauty for Ashes"**

*Words and Music by Chris McClarney and Brenton Brown; © Thankyou Music*

<b>Verse</b>	Love came and rescued me
Love met me in the ruins	
Of all my past mistakes	<b>Chorus</b>
Love walked me to the river	You turned my mourning into dancing
Love broke apart these chains	You turned my sorrow into praise
Love spoke a new tomorrow	Yeah
Opened my eyes to see	You give me beauty for ashes beauty for ashes
Love washed away this sadness	You give me beauty for ashes beauty for ashes

## **Bridge**

Oh (I) thank You God  
I'm overwhelmed by Your incredible love  
You make ev'rything new  
Oh thank You God  
For all You've done and yet to do  
Oh You make ev'rything new

## **Final Chorus**

You give me beauty for ashes beauty for ashes  
You give me beauty for ashes beauty for ashes  
You give me beauty for ashes beauty for ashes  
You give me beauty for ashes beauty for ashes

## **\*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**

**P** Let us pray. God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** **Amen.**

## WORD

### **First Reading**

**L** A reading from Joshua.

*At conclusion of reading*

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

**Joshua 5:9-12**

*Pew Bible, Page 195*

### **Second Reading**

**L** A reading from 2 Corinthians.

*At conclusion of reading*

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

**2 Corinthians 5:16-21**

*Pew Bible, Page 1053*

### **Children's Message**

#### **\*Gospel Reading**

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

*At conclusion of reading*

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

**Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32**

*Pew Bible, Page 952*

### **Meditation**

**Pastor Karen Boda**

## **\*"Who You Say I Am"**

*Words and Music by Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan; © 2017 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia*

### **Verse 1**

Who am I that the highest King  
Would welcome me  
I was lost but He brought me in  
Oh His love for me  
Oh His love for me

### **Chorus 1**

Who the Son sets free  
Oh is free indeed  
I'm a child of God  
Yes I am

### **Verse 2**

Free at last  
He has ransomed me  
His grace runs deep  
While I was a slave to sin  
Jesus died for me  
Yes He died for me

### **Chorus 2**

Who the Son sets free  
Oh is free indeed  
I'm a child of God  
Yes I am  
In my Father's house  
There's a place for me  
I'm a child of God  
Yes I am

### **Bridge**

I am chosen not forsaken  
I am who You say I am  
You are for me not against me  
I am who You say I am  
(Oh) I am who You say I am  
Yes, I am who You say I am.  
(Chorus 2)

## **\*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 in your mercy," 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.)*

## 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

## "Prodigal"

## Praise Team

By Michael Gungor and Michael Rossback

## \*Offering Prayer

**A** Let us pray. Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**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

## "The Wonderful Cross"

Words by Isaac Watts, J. D. Walt and Chris Tomlin; Music by Lowell Mason, Chris Tomlin and Jesse Reeves;  
© 2000 Rising Springs Music | Vamos Publishing | [worshiptogether.com](http://worshiptogether.com) songs

### Verse 1

When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of Glory died  
My richest gain I count but loss  
And pour contempt on all my pride

### Verse 2

See from His head His hands His feet  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown

### Chorus

O the wonderful cross  
O the wonderful cross  
Bids me come and die and find  
That I may truly live  
O the wonderful cross  
O the wonderful cross  
All who gather here by grace  
Draw near and bless Your name

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### **Verse 3**

Were the whole realm of nature mine  
That were an offering far too small  
Love so amazing so divine  
Demands my soul my life my all  
(CHORUS)

### **“Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)”**

*Words and Music by Joel Houston and Jonas Myrin; © 2014 Hillsong MP Songs | Hillsong Music Publishing Australia*

#### **Verse 1**

All these pieces  
Broken and scattered  
In mercy gathered  
Mended and whole  
Empty handed  
But not forsaken  
I've been set free  
I've been set free

#### **Chorus**

Amazing grace  
How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
Oh I once was lost  
But now I am found

Was blind but now I see  
Oh I can see You now  
Oh I can see the love in Your eyes  
Laying Yourself down  
Raising up the broken to life

#### **Verse 2**

You take our failure  
You take our weakness  
You set Your treasure  
In jars of clay  
So take this heart Lord  
I'll be Your vessel  
The world to see Your life in me oh  
(Chorus)

### **“The Table”**

*Words and Music by Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash and Wayne Jolley; © 2014 Capitol CMG Paragon | S. D. G. Publishing | Twelve Lions Music | Worship Together Music | Terebinth Music*

#### **Verse 1**

I will feast at the table of the Lord  
I will feast at the table of the Lord  
I won't hunger anymore at His table

#### **Chorus**

Come all you weary come and find  
His yoke is easy His burden is light  
He is able He will restore

At the table of the Lord

#### **Verse 2**

There is peace at the table of the Lord  
There is peace at the table of the Lord  
I won't worry anymore at His table

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### Verse 3

There is healing at the table of the Lord  
There is healing at the table of the Lord  
Oh and I won't suffer anymore at His table  
(Chorus)

### Bridge

I know He has a place for me  
Oh what joy will fill my heart  
With the saints around the mercy seat of God

### Chorus 2

Come all you weary come and find  
His yoke is easy His burden is light  
He is able He will restore  
At the table of the Lord  
(At the table of the Lord)

### Verse 4

I'm invited to the table of the Lord  
I'm invited to the table of the Lord  
He says come just as you are to His table

### \*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. Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord. ☞ **Amen.**

### SENDING

### \*Blessing

☞ God our tender parent, God the crucified one, God the reconciling Spirit, ☩ bless you now and forever.

☞ **Amen.**

## **\*Sending Song**

## **"Who Can Satisfy My Soul Like You"**

*Words and Music by Dennis Jernigan; © 1989 Shepherd's Heart Music, Inc.*

### **Verse 1**

Who can satisfy my soul like You  
Who on earth could comfort me  
And love me like You do  
Who could ever be more faithful true  
I will trust in You  
Lord I will trust in You my God

### **Verse 2**

Living Water rain down Your life on me  
Cleansing me refreshing me  
With life abundantly  
River full of life  
I'll go where You lead  
I will trust in You

Lord I will trust in You my God

### **Chorus**

There is a Fountain who is a King  
Victorious Warrior and Lord of ev'rything  
My Rock my Shelter my very own  
Blessed Redeemer who reigns upon the  
throne

### **Bridge**

Who could ever be more faithful true  
Lord Jesus Lord Jesus  
Lord Jesus there's none but You  
*(Chorus)*

### **\*Dismissal**

- A** Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.
- G** Thanks be to God.

**Sending Music**

**Praise Team**

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