

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 23, 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

✠ GATHERING ✠

Gathering Music
Welcome/Announcements

Praise Team

***Confession and Forgiveness**

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

✠ Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's abiding love.
Silence is kept for reflection.

✠ Compassionate One,

☩ 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.

✠ 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. **☩ Amen.**

***Gathering Song**

"Beauty for Ashes"

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

Verse

Love met me in the ruins
Of all my past mistakes
Love walked me to the river
Love broke apart these chains
Love spoke a new tomorrow
Opened my eyes to see
Love washed away this sadness

Love came and rescued me

Chorus

You turned my mourning into dancing
You turned my sorrow into praise
Yeah
You give me beauty for ashes beauty for ashes
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. Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your word and obey it, and bring your saving love to fruition in our lives, 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 Isaiah.
At conclusion of reading

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

Isaiah 55:1-9

Pew Bible, Page 671

Second Reading

L A reading from 1 Corinthians.
At conclusion of reading

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

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Pew Bible, Page 1070

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 13:1-9

Pew Bible, Page 950

Meditation

Pastor Karen Boda

***"Beautiful Things"**

Words and Music by Michael Gungor and Lisa Gungor © 2009 worshiptogether.com songs

Verse 1

All this pain
I wonder if I'll ever find my way
I wonder if my life could really change
At all

Verse 3

All around
Hope is springing up from this old ground
Out of chaos life is being found
In You (*Chorus*)

Chorus

You make beautiful things
You make beautiful things out of the dust
You make beautiful things
You make beautiful things out of us

Verse 2

All this earth
Could all that is lost ever be found
Could a garden come up from this ground
At all (*Chorus*)

***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."

***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.

***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

“We Are Not Overcome”

Praise Team

By Isaac Wardell and Robert Heiskel

*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

“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

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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

"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

"Forty Days"

Words and Music by Bruxvoort Colligan; © 2018 Worldmaking.net

Verse 1

Rising water forty days
Then Noah opened up the window
Rain and flooding chaos with no sky
On the mountain forty days
Our Moses swallowed in a cloud of
Dreadful holy presence all that time

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)

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)

Chorus

Forty days of hoping
Waiting trusting
'Til the season ripens true.

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Verse 2

Taunting giant forty days
Goliath every morn and evening
In the valley terror and dismay
Ninevah had forty days
The people listened well to Jonah
All were spared because they changed their
ways (*Chorus2*)

Chorus 2

Forty days of hoping
Waiting trusting
'Til the season ripens true.

Verse 3

Fearful journey forty days
Elijah to the holy mountain
Two small meals sustaining flesh and soul.
Tested tempted forty days
Our Jesus in the aching desert
Evil pressing in and all alone (*Chorus 2*)

Verse 4

Trust is ripening within
The seed beginning to break open
We together journey Lenten time
Somehow nourished as we go
And somehow guided in the mystery
With the holy presence every night (*Chorus 2*)

*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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