

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

### FEBRUARY 1, 2026

*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—please silence your cell phones

#### GATHERING

##### **GATHERING MUSIC**

**Praise Team**

##### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

##### **\*CONFESSiON AND FORGIVENESS**

¶ Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters. ☩ **Amen.**

¶ Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.  
*Silence is kept for reflection. (Stand or kneel)*

¶ Mighty God, lover of justice,

☐ **you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

¶ The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in ☩ Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

☐ **Amen.**

##### **\*GATHERING MUSIC "Light Of The World (Sing Hallelujah)"**

*Words and Music by Andrew Bergthold, Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash and Scott Cash; © 2020 Angie Feel Good Songs | Bay19 | Capitol CMG Genesis | Capitol CMG Paragon | Scott Cash Publishing Designee | We The Kingdom Music*

##### **Verse 1**

Light of the World Treasure of Heaven  
Brilliant like the stars in the wintery sky  
Joy of the Father reach through the darkness  
Shine across the earth send the shadows to flight

##### **Verse 2**

Light of the World from the beginning  
The tragedies of time were no match for Your love  
From great heights of glory You saw my story  
God You entered in and became one of us

## Chorus

Sing hallelujah  
Sing hallelujah  
Sing hallelujah for the things He has done  
Come and adore Him  
Bow down before Him  
Sing hallelujah to the Light of the World

## Verse 3

Light of the world crown in a manger  
Born for the cross to suffer to save  
High King of Heaven death is the poorer  
We are the richer by the price that He paid  
*Chorus*

## \*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. Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice, and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C** **Amen.**

## WORD

### FIRST READING

**L** A reading from Micah.

*At conclusion of reading*

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

**Micah 6:1-8**

*Pew Bible, Page 850*

### 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 1:18-31**

*Pew Bible, Page 1038*

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### \*GOSPEL READING

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

*At conclusion of reading*

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

**Matthew 5:1-12**

*Pew Bible, Page 880*

**\*SONG OF THE DAY****"Blessed Are The Merciful"**

Words and Music by Isaac Wardell, Orlando Palmer and Paul Zach; © Integrity Worship Music | Integrity's Alleluia! Music | Paul Zach Publishing | PG Songs And Hymns

**Verse**

Blessed are the merciful  
Blessed are the merciful  
Blessed are the merciful  
For they shall receive  
Mercy mercy

**Bridge**

Forgive us as we forgive  
Those who sin against us  
Forgive us as we forgive  
Those who sin against us

**Chorus**

Lord have mercy on us  
Show Your mercy through us  
Lord have mercy on us  
Show Your mercy through us  
Lord have mercy on us  
Show Your mercy through us  
Mercy

**\*APOSTLES' CREED**

**C** 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 non-contact gesture of God's peace.)

# MEAL

## OFFERING

Please sign the "Who's Who in the Pew" pads and pass along as the offering is received. Please indicate if you are a visitor to Good Shepherd.

## \*OFFERING SONG

### "You Have Shown Us"

By Paul Baloche, Steven Curtis Chapman, Stuart Garrard, Israel Houghton, Tim Hughes, Graham Kendrick, Andy Park, Matt Redman, Martin Smith, Michael W. Smith, Chris Tomlin and Darlene Zschech

## \*OFFERING PRAYER

A Let us pray. God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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

### "Rise and Shine"

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#### Verse 1

Arise  
There's a new day upon us  
So come out of the darkness  
Stand in the morning light  
Take heart  
There's a new wind that's blowing  
Heaven's gates are wide open  
It's time to lift your eyes  
Oh it's time to lift your eyes

#### Chorus

Rise and shine  
For the light the light has come  
Jesus Christ  
Come behold the Risen Son  
Hold on to hope  
Shake off your fear  
Sing like you know  
Freedom is here  
Rise and shine  
For the light the light has come  
Oh the light has come  
Oh the light has come

## **"I Saw the Light"**

*Words and Music by Hank Williams Sr.; © 1948. Renewed 1975 Sony/ATV Acuff Rose Music*

### **Verse 1**

I wandered so aimless life filled with sin  
I wouldn't let my dear Savior in  
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night  
Praise the Lord I saw the light

### **Chorus**

I saw the light I saw the light  
No more in darkness no more in night  
(And) now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight  
Praise the Lord I saw the light

### **Verse 3**

I was a fool to wander and stray  
Straight is the gate and narrow the way  
Now I have traded the wrong for the right  
Praise the Lord I saw the light

*Chorus*

## **"Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly"**

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

### **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

*Chorus*

## \*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. Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

¶ Amen.

## ♪ SENDING ♪

## \*BLESSING

¶ May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise + bless you now and forever.

¶ Amen.

## \*SENDING SONG

### "Children of Light"

*Words and Music by Kristian Stanfill, Jesse Reeves, Jason Ingram and Joseph Pat Barrett*

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#### Verse 1

It's a new day  
Ev'rything changed  
When Your love came into the darkness  
You sent the light of the Son  
You sent the light of the Son

#### Chorus

Wake up open your eyes  
No longer dead we are alive  
Rise up children of light  
Open the doors go let it shine  
Woah (4X)  
Verse 1

## \*DISMISSAL

¶ Go in peace. Do justice. Love kindness.  
¶ Thanks be to God.

## \*SENDING MUSIC

PRAISE TEAM

## Lent 2026

Season of Lent Theme: Is God confined to the time we're at worship on Sundays? Tish Warren in her book, *Liturgy of the Ordinary*, moves our liturgy out of the sanctuary and into our daily lives. Instead of taking on a new discipline this Lent, experience what you already have. Join us as we consider how to reframe our everyday as an extension of worship, embracing the sacred in the ordinary and the ordinary in the sacred.

Each week's meditation will stand alone. Reading the book is optional, but it will underpin each week's meditation.

### February 18, Ash Wednesday

Worship: 12 and 7:30 | Ashes to Go, 4:30-6:30

#### **The Call to Ordinary Holiness**

Text: Joel 2:1-2, 12-17, Psalm 51:1-17, 2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10, Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Chapter: Forward and Waking up (Chapter 1)

### Lenten Wednesdays-Services 12 and 7:30 pm

#### **February 25: Embracing the Everyday**

Theme: Our daily habits, including struggles and frustrations, reveal our need for grace and shape our spiritual lives.

Text: Romans 12, The Message version

Chapters: Making the Bed (Chapter 2) and Brushing Teeth (Chapter 3)

#### **March 4: Enough**

Theme: In lostness, we can be found, and when we fear we might be lacking, we might just discover that we have more than enough.

Text: John 6:35-40

Chapters: Losing Keys (Chapter 4) and Eating Leftovers (Chapter 5)

#### **March 11: Passing the Peace**

Theme: Peace begins with us then it flows outward like ripples on the water.

Text: Philippians 4:4-7

Chapters: Fighting with My Husband (Chapter 6) and Checking E-mail (Chapter 7)

#### **March 18: Unforced Rhythms of Grace**

Theme: Flashes of the holy in some of the most automatic and least expected moments of our days

Text: Matthew 11:28-30, The Message version

Chapters: Sitting in Traffic (Chapter 8), and Calling a Friend (Chapter 9)

#### **March 25: Sacred, Sabbath Rest**

Theme: As we delight in small pleasures, and in gifts such as sleep and Sabbath, we find true rest for our souls.

Text: Psalm 4

Chapters: Drinking Tea (Chapter 10) and Sleep (Chapter 11)

## STAY CONNECTED AT GOOD SHEPHERD

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### WORSHIP WITH US EACH SUNDAY!

8:30 AM Traditional Worship | 10:45 AM Praise Worship | 9:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Studies | Facebook Live at [facebook.com/gslcwoodstock](https://facebook.com/gslcwoodstock)

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