

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 18, 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—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 mercy, 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 Berghold, 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

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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

☞ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. ☞ **And also with you.**

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

☞ Let us pray. Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
☞ **Amen.**

∞ WORD ∞

FIRST READING

📖 A reading from Isaiah.
At conclusion of reading

📖 The Word of the Lord. ☞ **Thanks be to God.**

Isaiah 49:1-7

Pew Bible, Page 665

SECOND READING

📖 A reading from 1 Corinthians.
At conclusion of reading

📖 The Word of the Lord. ☞ **Thanks be to God.**

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Pew Bible, Page 1038

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*GOSPEL READING

☞ The holy gospel according to John.
At conclusion of reading

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

John 1:29-42

Pew Bible, Page 966

SONG OF THE DAY*"Glory Is Here"**

Words and Music by Michael Gungor and Lisa Gungor; © 2007 worshiptogether.com songs

Verse 1

Someday You'll come the darkness will cease
 True light will dawn ev'ryone will then see
 Ev'rything new we'll finally see You
 Awaiting that day searching for more
 While all along You are found with the poor
 Help me to see You're all around me

Chorus 1

Our praises arise
 As we come to recognize
 Jesus is near
 Glory is here

Verse 2

Near oceans and hills and in ancient skies
 Hidden in faces and pain and delight
 Your glory is here and I get a glimpse of You

In silence and prayer and in bread and wine
 Somehow the common become the divine
 Making me new I'm starting to see You

Chorus 2

Our praises arise
 As we come to recognize
 Jesus is near
 Your glory is here
 Glory is here
 Your glory is here woah

***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**

[P] The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **[Q]** **And also with you.**

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

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.

MEAL

***OFFERING SONG**

"Come and See"

By Matt Redman, Jason Ingram, Matt Maher and Chris Tomlin

***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. **[Q]** **Amen.**

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***LORD'S PRAYER**

[Q] 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

"To The Ends of the Earth"

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Verse 1

Oh the joy it is
To give my life for this
To seek and save the lost
Lord I'll take up my cross

Chorus

I will go I will go
To the ends of the earth for love
I will go I will go
To the ends of the earth for love

Verse 2

Oh the peace within
To serve Your suffering
Assured of this one thing
To live is Christ to die is every gain

Chorus

I will go I will go
To the ends of the earth for love
I will go I will go
To the ends of the earth for love
Repeat Chorus

Bridge

And I will be Your hands Your feet
And I will let Your voice carry me
And I'll go anywhere You lead
Here I am send me
Here I am send me
To Chorus

"Blessed Are The Merciful"

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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

"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

***POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

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

G Amen.

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A 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.

G Amen.

SENDING

***BLESSING**

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

G 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**

A Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

G Thanks be to God.

***SENDING MUSIC**

PRAISE TEAM

MARTIN LUTHER KING - DAY OF SERVICE - MONDAY, JAN. 19TH

The Outreach Committee is planning several different service opportunities in our community. We will again be going to **Mostly Mutts Market and the Homeless Veterans Thrift Store**. There is also an opportunity planned for you to come to the church on Monday, the 19th, at 10 AM to help decorate and stuff gift bags for the first responders at the three fire stations, along Bell's Ferry that serve our area.

We are planning on assembling 99 bags for the three different fire stations in total. In those bags, we will include a thank-you note and some goodies. If you cannot come to the church, we are asking people to **make homemade cookies** to place in these bags. The cookies will need to be brought to the church on Sunday, January 18. Please include one recipe card with the cookies. We will make copies for each bag.

There is a **sign-up sheet at Sign-up Central** with times and details. If you have other questions, please contact Cathy Mattocks.

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