

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

## THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

### JANUARY 18, 2026

*8:30 AM Traditional 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

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## ∞ GATHERING ∞

**PRELUDE**

**“Reflection”**

**Anna Kate Peed**

*-Jacob Weber*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P** 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. **G Amen.**

**P** Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

*Silence is kept for reflection. (Stand or kneel)*

**P** Mighty God, lover of justice,

**G** 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.**

**P** 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.

**G Amen.**

**\*GATHERING HYMN**

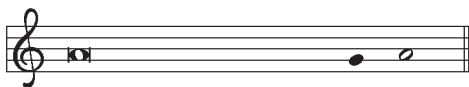
**“Arise, Your Light Has Come!”**

**ELW #314**

**\*GREETING**

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

# \*KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



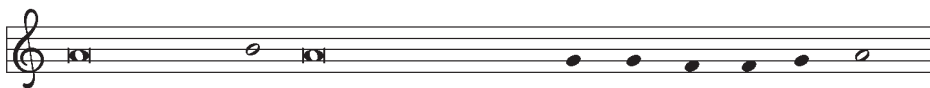
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

# \*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

*Refrain*

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** 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.

**G** Amen.

## ∞ WORD ∞

### FIRST READING

**L** A reading from Isaiah.

*At conclusion of reading*

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

**Isaiah 49:1-7**

*Pew Bible, Page 665*

### PSALM 40:1-11 *(please read responsively)*

**A** I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

**G** He drew me up from the desolate it, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

**A** He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the Lord.

**G** Happy are those who make the Lord their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.

**A** You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you. Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.

**G** Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.

**A** Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.

**G** I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

**A** I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O Lord.

**G** I have not hidden your saving help within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

**A** Do not, O Lord, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.

### SECOND READING

**L** A reading from 1 Corinthians.

*At conclusion of reading*

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

**1 Corinthians 1:1-9**

*Pew Bible, Page 1038*

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## \*GOSPEL READING

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

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

*At conclusion of reading*

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

**John 1:29-42**

*Pew Bible, Page 966*

## SERMON

**“Ask Three Times”**

**Pastor Karen Boda**

## \*HYMN OF DAY

**“Jesus Calls Us; o’er the Tumult”**

**ELW #696**

## \*APOSTLES’ CREED

**G** 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 ANTHEM**

**"Abide with Me"**

**Anna Kate Peed**

-Harrison Millard

**\*OFFERING HYMN**

**"Create in Me a Clean Heart"**

**ELW #185**

**\*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.**

**\*GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

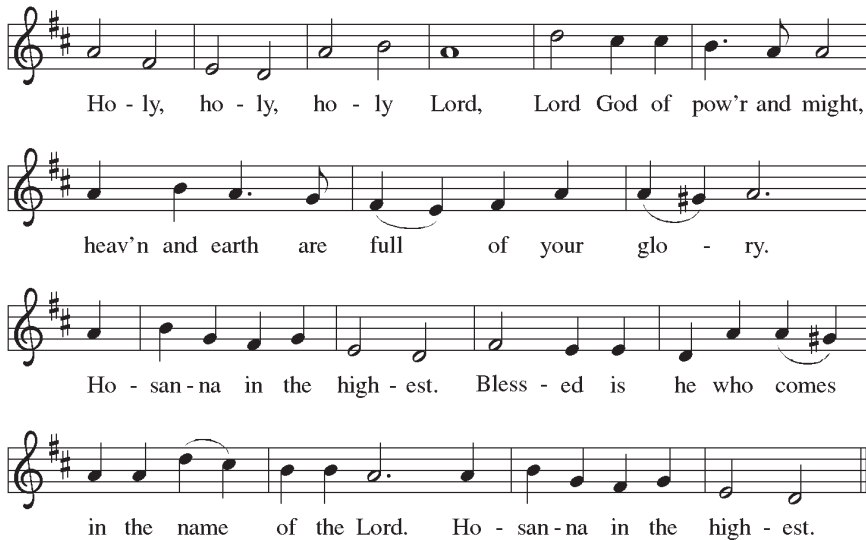
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**P** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## **\*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
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.

## **\*WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **\*LORD'S PRAYER**

- ☒ 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

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on

us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION/COMMUNION HYMNS


“Jesus Come! For We Invite You”

ELW #312

“Come to the Table”


ELW #481

\*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 HYMN

“Abide, O Dearest Jesus”

ELW #539

## \*DISMISSAL

☞ Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

☞ Thanks be to God.

## \*POSTLUDE

“Alleluia, Song of Gladness”

Anna Kate Peed

*-Kevin Hildebrand*

## 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.

## STAY CONNECTED AT GOOD SHEPHERD

Looking for more announcement details? Read your Sheep Buzz! Sign-up on our website for a newsletter to be delivered to your e-mail inbox every Friday around 3 PM. Want to get a text when a Sheep Buzz is sent? Text [media@gslutheran.org](mailto:media@gslutheran.org) to be added to the list of recipients.



### GOOD SHEPHERD STAFF

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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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