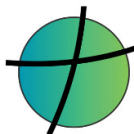


WELCOME TO WORSHIP

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

All creation is made new!



Good Shepherd
Lutheran Church

April 5, 2026
8:30 AM Traditional
Worship Service

1208 Rose Creek Dr
Woodstock, GA 30189
gslutheran.org

This is the day the Lord has made!
Christ is risen, and through him all creation
is made new!

Indeed, "God shows no partiality", Christ's
resurrection truly brings life to everyone.

We sing hymns of praise, gather around
sacred words, and proclaim God's
faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of
holy communion.

With the women at the tomb,
we depart with joy to proclaim
the good news
of God's endless love.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

APRIL 5, 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

∞ GATHERING ∞

PRELUDE

“The Day of Resurrection”
-Kurt Meyer

Bells of Good Shepherd

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

C Amen.

P Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.

P Merciful God,

C you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

C You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

C You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

C You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

C Amen.

***GATHERING HYMN**

“Jesus Christ is Risen Today!”

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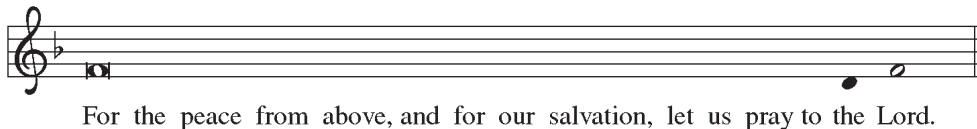
*GREETING

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.**

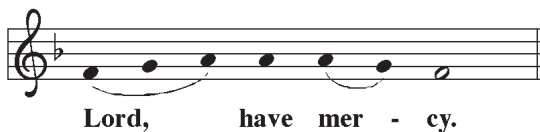
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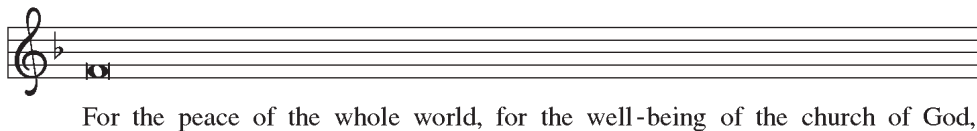
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



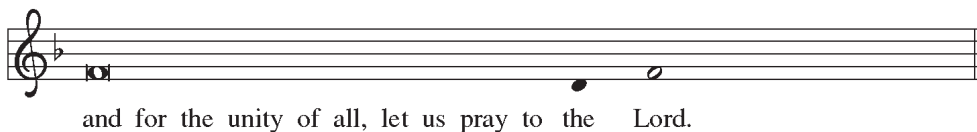
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



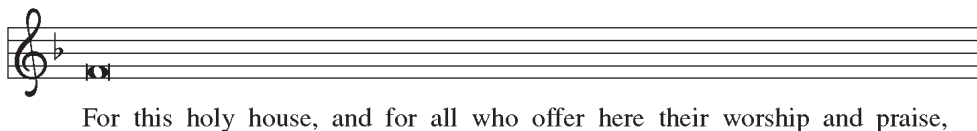
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



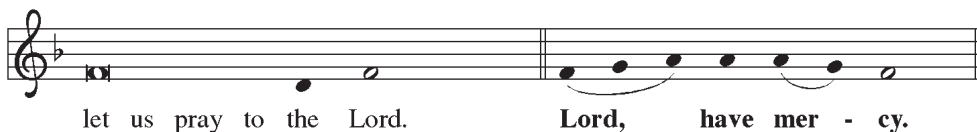
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



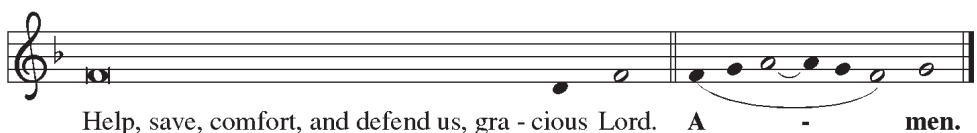
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



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

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

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

Refrain

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

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

Refrain

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

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

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray. God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **A** Amen.

∞ WORD ∞

FIRST READING

- L** A reading from Acts.

At conclusion of reading

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

Acts 10:34-43

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PSALM *(please read responsively)*

- A** O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!
- G** Let Israel say, “His steadfast love endures forever.”
- A** The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.
- G** There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: “The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;
- A** the right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.”
- G** I shall not die, but I shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord.

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24

- A** The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.
- G** Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.
- A** This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.
- G** I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
- A** The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
- G** This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- A** This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

SECOND READING

L A reading from Colossians.

At conclusion of reading

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

Colossians 3:1-4

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

***GOSPEL READING**

P The holy gospel according to Matthew.

G Glory to you, O Lord.

At conclusion of reading

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

Matthew 28:1-10

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SERMON

“Still Weird?”

Pastor Karen Boda

***HYMN OF DAY**

“Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!”

ELW #382

*NICENE CREED

☒ We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The Assisting Minister will close each petition with the words, "Merciful God". Worshipers 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.)

∞ 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

"This Joyful Eastertide"

Chancel Choir

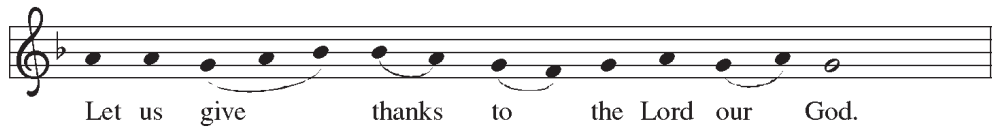
-John Ferguson

***OFFERING HYMN "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" ELW #884**

*OFFERING PRAYER

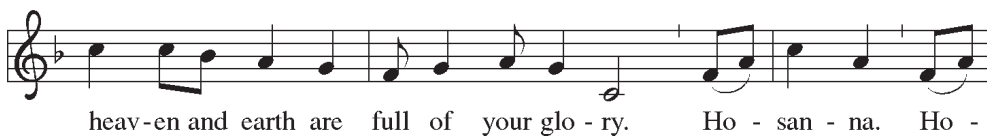
☒ Let us pray. Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, ☒ **Amen.** 8

*GREAT THANKSGIVING



- ☐ 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



*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

- *All believers are invited to come and receive the real presence of Christ in the sacrament.*
- *Follow the directions of the ushers, who will guide you from your rows toward the center aisle.*
- *Please take a bread and an individual cup of red wine or white grape juice. Gluten free wafers and sealed wafer & juice combination packets are also available upon request.*
- *Those who do not wish to take communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. Please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.*
- *After receiving communion please use the trash receptacles provided, then proceed around the side aisles to return to your seat.*

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.

COMMUNION/COMMUNION HYMNS

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

“Now the Green Blade Rises”

ELW #471

ELW #379

***POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

- P** May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace
C Amen.

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

- A** Let us pray. Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,
C Amen.

∞ SENDING ∞

***BLESSING**

- P** God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, † bless you now and forever.
C Amen.

***SENDING HYMN**

“Thine the Glory”

ELW #471

***DISMISSAL**

- A** Go in Peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!
C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

***POSTLUDE**

“Fanfare and Dance on Easter Hymn”

Anna Kate Peed

-Jeffrey Blersch

WORSHIP WITH US EACH SUNDAY!

8:30 AM Traditional Worship | 10:45 AM Praise Worship
9:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Studies
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