

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 10, 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

***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, 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 SONG

"Resurrecting"

"Words and Music by Steven Furtick, Chris Brown, Mack Brock, Wade Joye and Matthews Ntlele"; © 2015 Music by Elevation Worship Publishing

Verse 1

The head that once was crowned with thorns
Is crowned with glory now
The Savior knelt to wash our feet
Now at his feet we bow

Is victory
All praise
Will rise
To Christ our king *Repeat*

Verse 3

The fear that held us now gives way
To him who is our peace
His final breath upon the cross
Is now alive in me

Bridge

By your spirit I will rise
From the ashes of defeat
The resurrected king
Is resurrecting me
In your name I come alive
To declare your victory
The resurrected king
Is resurrecting me *Repeat*

Chorus

Your name
Your name

*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. Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
☑ **Amen.**

∞ WORD ∞

FIRST READING

☞ A reading from Acts.
At conclusion of reading

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

Acts 17:22-31
Pew Bible, Page 1010

SECOND READING

☞ A reading from 1 Peter.
At conclusion of reading

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

1 Peter 3:13-22
Pew Bible, Page 1105

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*GOSPEL READING

P The holy gospel according to John.

John 14:15-21

Pew Bible, Page 983

At conclusion of reading

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

SERMON

"Does love really work?"

Pastor Karen Boda

*SONG OF DAY

"Send Down Your Spirit"

Words and Music by Will Hickl; © 2019 NOVUM PUBLISHING

Verse 1

Though I wage war within
My broken heart cannot begin
To understand who You are
And how You love me

Lord send down Your wisdom
Let my trust in You increase

Chorus 1

Lord send down Your Spirit
Let me receive Your peace
Lord send down Your wisdom
Let my trust in You increase

Bridge

Draw near to us
Come dwell in us
We invite You Jesus
Draw near to us
Come dwell in us
We invite You Jesus

Chorus 2

Verse 2

Though I fail to believe
My wandering heart longs to see
And comprehend who You are
And know Your mercy

Chorus 2

Lord send down Your Spirit
Let me receive Your peace

*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.

3 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. **G** **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 SONG

"Spirit and Truth"

Praise Team

-By Sean Feucht and Dean Ussher

*OFFERING PRAYER

A 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, **G Amen.**

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*LORD'S PRAYER

G 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

"Unto Your Name"

Words and Music by Pat Barrett and Ben Smith; © 2013 Capitol CMG Genesis | Housefires Sounds | Bread & Wine Sounds

Verse

Mighty in battle (You're) perfect in love
Awesome in wonder faithful and just
Matchless in mercy wisdom and strength
You can be trusted in all of Your ways
We're singing out

Pre-Chorus

Oh You are holy
Oh King of glory
Oh all of Heaven and Earth cry out

"Hands to the Heavens"

Words and Music by Kari Jobe, Jason Ingram, Bryan Brown and Tofer Brown; © 2013 worshiptogether.com songs | Razor and Tie Music Publishing | Tofer The Musical | Open Hands Music | So Essential Tunes

Verse 1

We are Your church
We are Your sons and daughters
We've gathered here to meet with You

Verse 2

We lift our eyes
We lay our hearts before You
Expectant here for You to move

Chorus

With our hands to the heavens
Alive in Your presence
O God when You come
So pour out Your Spirit
We love to be near You
O God when You come

Verse 3

You are the way
The truth and life we live for
Oh how we long to know You more *Chorus*

Chorus

Oh unto Your name glory and honor
Unto Your name wisdom and power
Unto Your name all of the saints sing praise

Bridge

Your name is worthy of praise
Oh Your name is worthy of praise *Chorus*

“Free Amen”

“Words and Music by Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash, Scott Cash and Andrew Bergthold”© 2019 Angie Feel Good Songs | Bay19 | Capitol CMG Genesis | Capitol CMG Paragon | Scott Cash Publishing Designee | We The Kingdom Music

Intro

Amen amen amen
Amen amen amen

Verse

Here I’m alive again
Gone is the weight of sin
Oh sweet liberty
Praise God
Who saved my life
I’m bought with the blood of Christ
I have been redeemed

Chorus

Where the Spirit of the Lord is
There is freedom
I am free amen *Repeat*

Bridge

Free at last
Free at last
Thank God almighty
I am free at last
All my chains
Are in the past
Thank God Almighty
I am free at last *Repeat*

Final Chorus

Where the Spirit of the Lord is
There is freedom
I am free amen *Repeat 3 times*

*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. 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,

☒ **Amen.**

∞ SENDING ∞

*BLESSING

☒ 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.

☒ **Amen.**

*SENDING SONG

"Risen Today"

Music by Charles Wesley and Aaron Shust; Words by Aaron Shust; © 2011 Bridge Building Music, Inc. | CP Shust Tunes

Verse 1

Christ the Lord is risen today

Hallelujah

Sons of man and angels say

Hallelujah

Raise your joys and triumphs high

Hallelujah

Sing ye heavens and earth reply

Verse 2

Love's redeeming work is done

Hallelujah

Fought the fight the battle won

Hallelujah

Death in vain forbid Him rise

Hallelujah

Christ has opened paradise

Chorus

Hallelujah He is risen

Hallelujah our sins have been forgiven

Now we have power over the grave

Christ the Lord is risen today

*DISMISSAL

A Go in Peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

G Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

*SENDING MUSIC

Praise Team

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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