

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 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

“Praise Be To Christ”

Anna Kate Peed

-Jacob Weber

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

☞ Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever.

☞ Amen.

☞ Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

☞ Creative God,

☞ **We confess to you all our sins. Our lives are complicated, knotted, and tangled. We focus on the threads of our own lives while ignoring the beauty of another. Weave us together to be one unified body in Christ. Amen.**

☞ Jesus says “Come to me, all you who are weary, tangled, knotted, and carrying heavy burdens. I will give you rest.” In the name of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God’s love.

☞ Amen.

*GATHERING HYMN

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus

ELW #742

*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.**

*KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

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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 u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



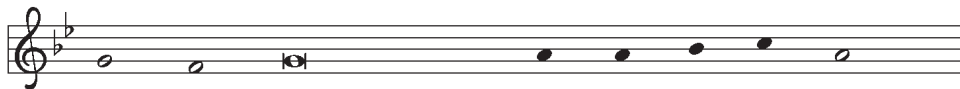
For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and



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



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



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. 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.



2 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.

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, al - le - lu - ia.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray. You are great O God and worthy of our praise. Our hearts are restless and our lives are not perfect. Continue to weave us and shape us into the people you want us to be. Walk with us as we continue to grow in faith, hope, and love.
- A** Amen.

WORD

WEAVE US TOGETHER - Gideon

L Readings from Judges.

Judges 6:11-24

A reading from Judges

The Message Bible

¹¹⁻¹² One day the angel of God came and sat down under the oak in Ophrah that belonged to Joash the Abiezrite, whose son Gideon was threshing wheat in the winepress, out of sight of the Midianites. The angel of God appeared to him and said, “God is with you, O mighty warrior!”

¹³ Gideon replied, “With me, my master? If God is with us, why has all this happened to us? Where are all the miracle-wonders our parents and grandparents told us about, telling us, ‘Didn’t God deliver us from Egypt?’ The fact is, God has nothing to do with us—he has turned us over to Midian.”

¹⁴ But God faced him directly: “Go in this strength that is yours. Save Israel from Midian. Haven’t I just sent you?”

¹⁵ Gideon said to him, “Me, my master? How and with what could I ever save Israel? Look at me. My clan’s the weakest in Manasseh and I’m the runt of the litter.”

¹⁶ God said to him, “I’ll be with you. Believe me, you’ll defeat Midian as one man.”

¹⁷⁻¹⁸ Gideon said, “If you’re serious about this, do me a favor: Give me a sign to back up what you’re telling me. Don’t leave until I come back and bring you my gift.”

He said, “I’ll wait till you get back.”

19 Gideon went and prepared a young goat and a huge amount of unraised bread (he used over half a bushel of flour!). He put the meat in a basket and the broth in a pot and took them back under the shade of the oak tree for a sacred meal.

20 The angel of God said to him, "Take the meat and unraised bread, place them on that rock, and pour the broth on them." Gideon did it.

21-22 The angel of God stretched out the tip of the stick he was holding and touched the meat and the bread. Fire broke out of the rock and burned up the meat and bread while the angel of God slipped away out of sight. And Gideon knew it was the angel of God!

Gideon said, "Oh no! Master, God! I have seen the angel of God face-to-face!"

23 But God reassured him, "Easy now. Don't panic. You won't die."

24 Then Gideon built an altar there to God and named it "God's Peace." It's still called that at Ophrah of Abiezer.

At conclusion of reading

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

"Our messy lives"

Pastor Karen Boda

*HYMN OF THE DAY

"Tapestry (Weave Us Together)"

Words and music by Sam Hargreaves, ©Sam Hargreaves

VERSES



There's a ta - pe - stry you're wea-ving from the
There's a song that you're com-po - sing from the
There's a sto - ry you are wri-ting from the



ta - ngle of our lives. Oh God, bring us to - ge - ther. When we
bab - ble of our voice. Oh God, bring us to - ge - ther. Though our
frag-ments of our days. Oh God, bring us to - ge - ther. Ev - 'ry



feel our co-lours cla - shing and the weave is wear-ing thin: Oh Love, weave us to - ge -
choir feels un - stea - dy you u - nite our joy - ful noise. Oh Love, weave us to - ge -
jour - ney finds its mean-ing as you work your sa - ving grace, Oh Love, weave us to - ge -

CHORUS

- ther.
- ther.
- ther.

Weave us to-ge - ther. Oh God, bring us to-ge - ther.

*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, "God of grace". Worshippers respond with the words, "hear 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.

OFFERTORY

"I want Jesus to Walk with Me" Drew Dickerson, Vocal
Anna Kate Peed, Piano
Pam Weinelt, Guitar

-Lloyd Larson

*OFFERING HYMN

"We Give Thee but Thine Own"

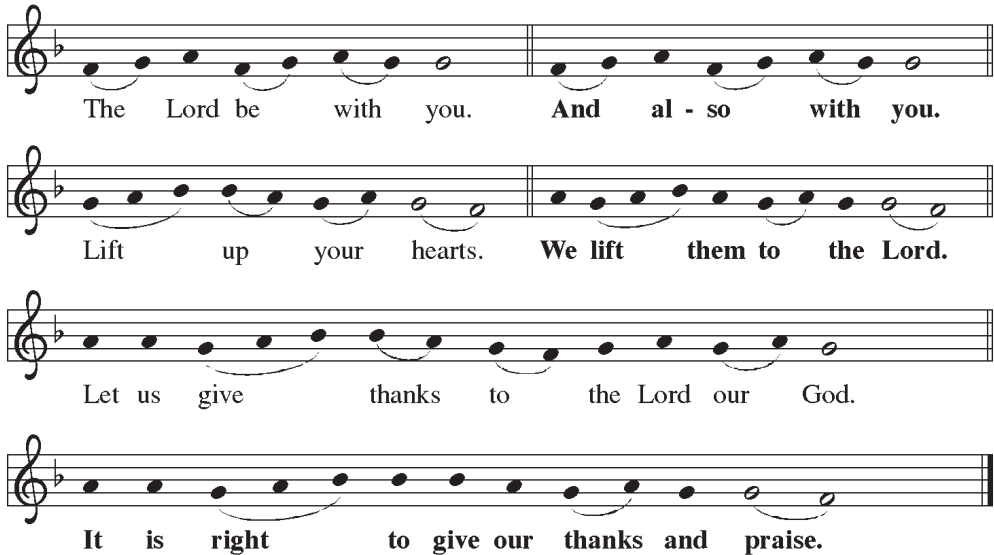
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*BACKPACK BLESSING FOR GIVE-A-KID-A-CHANCE

*OFFERING PRAYER

- A** Let us pray. Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. **Amen.**

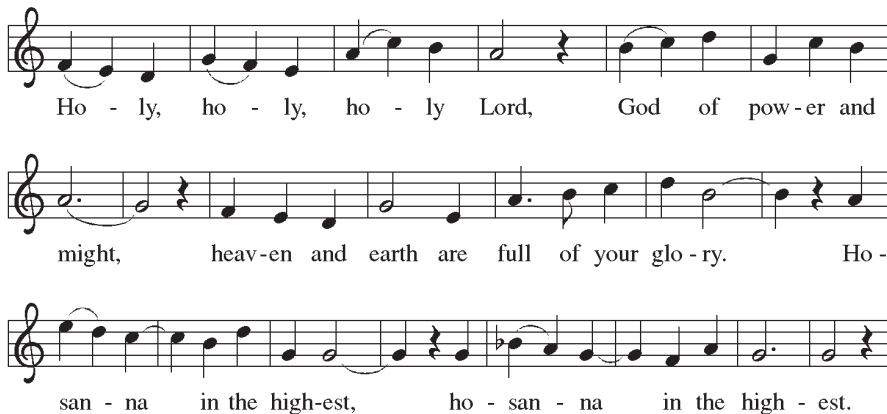
*GREAT THANKSGIVING



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, God of pow - er and
might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est, 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, 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



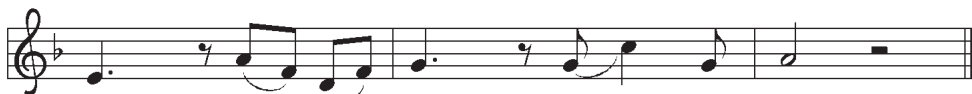
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you



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
“Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling”
“Just a Closer Walk With Thee”

ELW #608
ELW #697

***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. Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. **G** Amen.

∞ SENDING ∞

***BLESSING**

- P** Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, + one God, We are your creation. Bless us and weave us together, today and always.
G Amen.

***SENDING HYMN**

““O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”

ELW #888

***DISMISSAL**

- A** Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
G Thanks be to God.

***POSTLUDE**

“Jubilation”

Anna Kate Peed

-Jacob B. Weber

Weave Us Together at Good Shepherd

Continue to join us this summer for this special sermon series, Weave Us Together. We'll use some of the lesser known Old Testament stories and an interactive intergenerational weaving experience to discover how each thread, as does each of us, contributes to the overall tapestry of God's work. Each week, the tapestry will grow through different stories and experiences. We hope everyone will join us!

The series continues:

July 12, *The colorful stories, Lying on one's side*

Ezekiel 3:22-4:16

July 19, *Is there a place in the story for you, The daughters of Zelophehad,*

Numbers 27:1-11

July 26, *The story continues, The Shunamite Woman*

2 Kings 4:8-37

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