

Narrative Lectionary Readings
September 11 – October 16, 2022

Creation – Judges

14th Sunday after Pentecost September 11, 2022 10:00am



Welcome! We're glad you're here!

*If you are a guest and are interested in knowing more about this community and the ministries that Holy Shepherd is engaged in, please fill out the **Welcome Card** located in the pew racks. Once filled out, please place the card either in the offering basket as you come forward to receive communion or at the information desk as you enter the narthex. Thank you and we look forward to getting to know you!*

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Prelude

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

- arr. Chung

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Confession and Forgiveness

We confess our sins before God and one another.

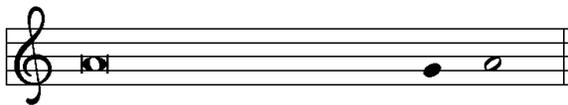
Pause for silence and reflection.

God of promise,

You have given us all we are and all we have, and still we have not trusted you fully. We have tried to be god in our own lives, hurting ourselves and those around us in our attempts to control. Wash us clean in the waters of your salvation, and bring us back into right relationship with you.

God welcomes you home with open arms, and forgives you all your sin, for the sake of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit, live in the promise of God's love, freely given. **Amen.**

Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



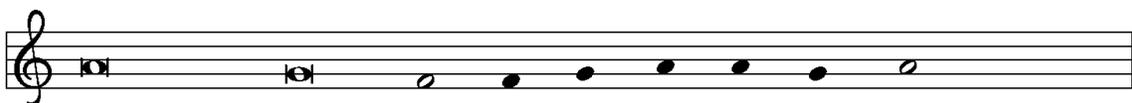
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



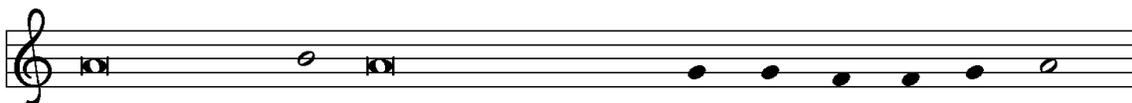
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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.

Glory to God

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

Greeting & Prayer of the Day

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.**

Saving God, **You promised Noah you would never again destroy the world by flood. Remind us daily of your intense love for your whole creation, and help us to love as you love. Amen.**

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

*Despite humanity's wickedness, God simply couldn't let Noah perish.
God promised never to destroy all of creation by flood.*

Scripture Reading

Genesis 6:5-22; 8:6-12; 9:8-17

⁵The Lord saw that the wickedness of humankind was great in the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually.

⁶And the Lord was sorry that he had made humankind on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. ⁷So the Lord said, "I will blot out from the earth the human beings I have created—people together with animals and creeping things and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them."

⁸But Noah found favor in the sight of the Lord. ⁹These are the descendants of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation; Noah walked with God.

¹⁰And Noah had three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

¹¹Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with violence.

¹²And God saw that the earth was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted its ways upon the earth.

¹³And God said to Noah, "I have determined to make an end of all flesh, for the earth is filled with violence because of them; now I am going to destroy them along with the earth. ¹⁴Make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch. ¹⁵This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark three hundred cubits, its width fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. ¹⁶Make a roof for the ark, and finish it to a cubit above; and put the door of the ark in its side; make it with lower, second, and third decks. ¹⁷For my part, I am going to bring a flood of waters on the earth, to destroy from under heaven all flesh in which is the breath of life; everything that is on the earth shall die. ¹⁸But I will establish my covenant with you; and you shall come into the ark, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. ¹⁹And of every living thing, of all flesh, you shall bring two of every kind into the ark, to keep them alive with you; they shall be male and female. ²⁰Of the birds according to their kinds, and of the animals according to their kinds, of every

creeping thing of the ground according to its kind, two of every kind shall come in to you, to keep them alive. ²¹Also take with you every kind of food that is eaten, and store it up; and it shall serve as food for you and for them.”

²²Noah did this; he did all that God commanded him.

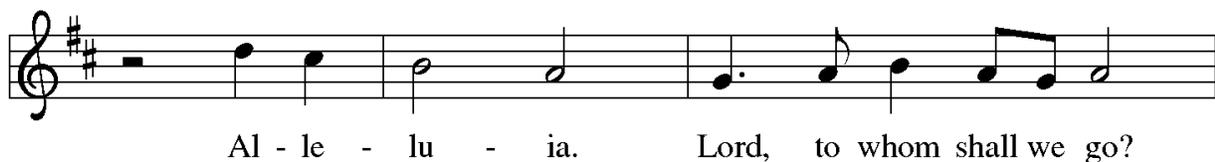
⁶At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made ⁷and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. ⁸Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground; ⁹but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. ¹⁰He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; ¹¹and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. ¹²Then he waited another seven days, and sent out the dove; and it did not return to him anymore.

⁸Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹“As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.”

¹²God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation



Holy Gospel

Matthew 8:24-27

The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you. O Lord.**

²⁴A windstorm arose on the sea, so great that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep. ²⁵And they went and woke him up, saying, "Lord, save us! We are perishing!" ²⁶And he said to them, "Why are you afraid, you of little faith?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a dead calm. ²⁷They were amazed, saying, "What sort of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?"

The gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

✠ Growing with Jesus ✠

Children's Time

Message

Musical Offering

"This Little Light of Mine"

Prayers of the People

Red ELW 837

Sung before prayers

Grant unto us communion with you, O Star-abiding One.

Come unto us and dwell with us;

with you are found the gifts of life.

Bless us with life that has no end, eternal life with you.

Confident in the promises of our covenant God,
we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Prayer response:

God of promise, **you hear our prayer.**

Gathered together, we commend all for whom we pray,

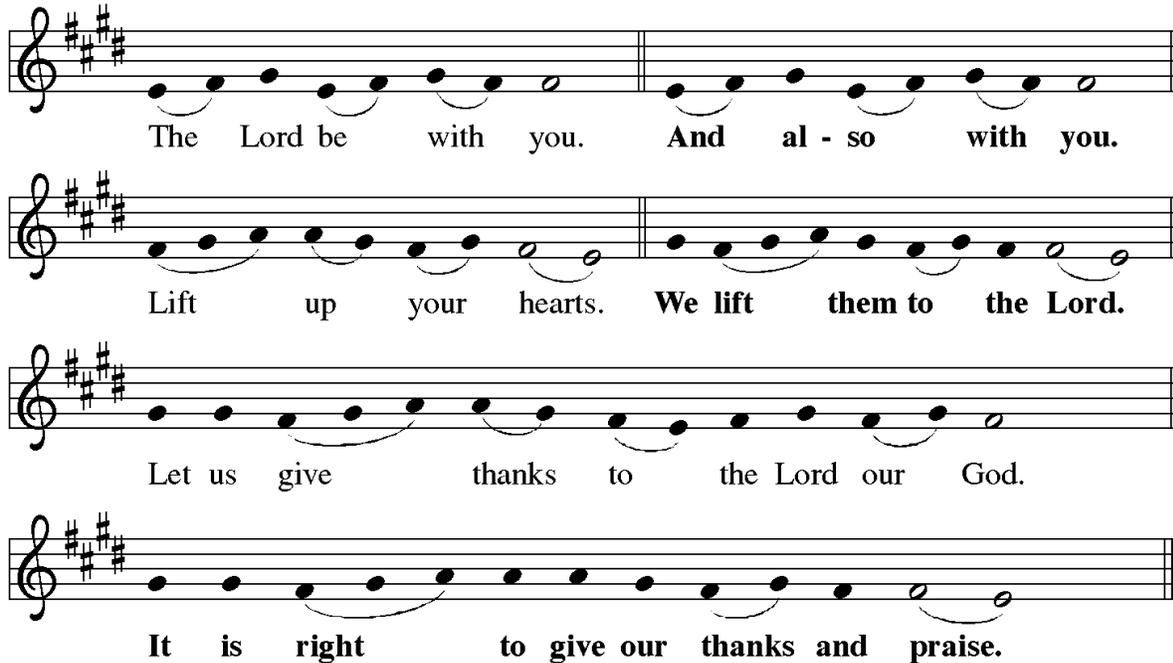
(Sung by the assembly)

Trusting in your grace and mercy, O Lord, we lift these prayers to you.

Sharing God's Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Great Thanksgiving



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

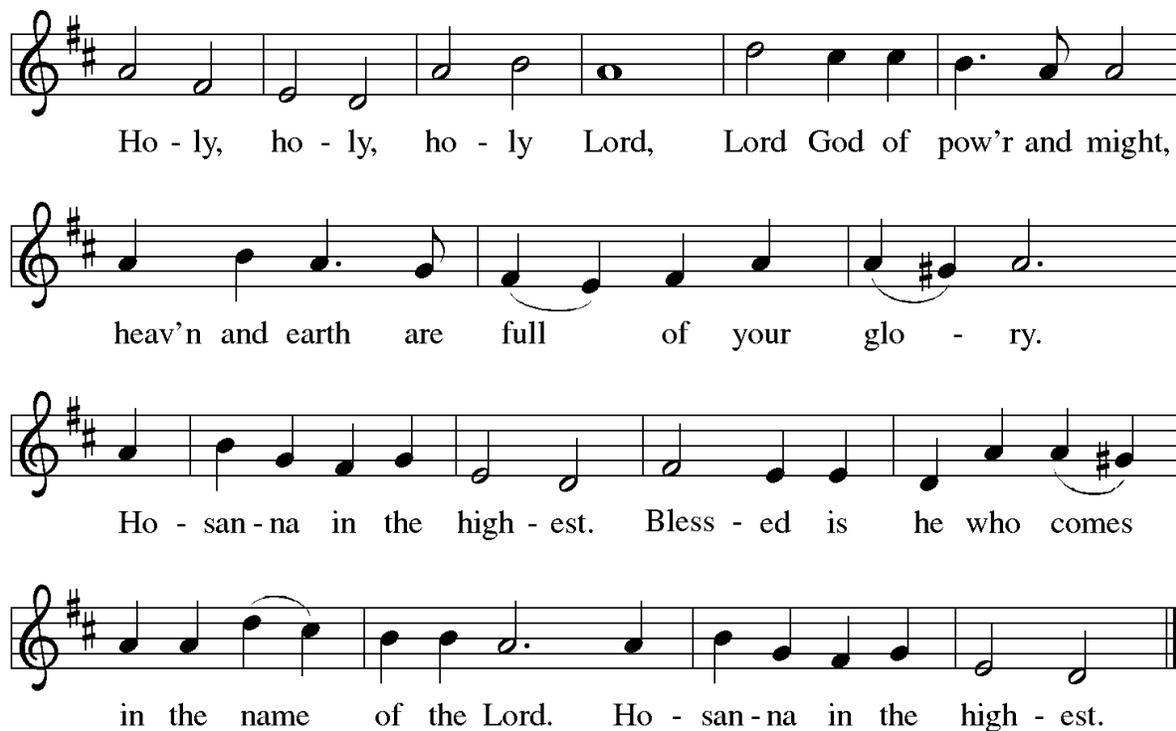
Lift up your hearts. **We lift** them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, . . .

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation

God sustained Noah's family and the animals for the duration of the flood, and sustains us now with God's heavenly food, the body and blood of our savior, Jesus Christ. Let us come to the table!

✠ *We Are Church. Better Together* ✠

Options on how to receive Holy Communion:

- 1)** You may come forward, beginning with the front pews, and bread (gluten-free) will be given at the front of the center aisle and then wine or grape juice (center ring of the communion tray) can be taken from the trays on either side as the pastor/assistants speak these words for the bread and wine/juice:
"The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you."
- 2)** You may take a pre-prepared kit to your seat, located at the back entrance, and receive communion at your seat,
(One side of the cup contains a gluten-free wafer and the other side contains juice. Please open the wafer side first.)
- 3)** For those participating online, you may have any type of bread and wine or juice and take these elements as you are able.

All are Welcome

You are invited . . .

to bring an **offering** forward before or after worship or during Holy Communion. The offering is gathered in front of the communion table where we are reminded of God's gifts given to us in Christ and our response to these gifts.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world
have mercy on us. *(Repeat)*
Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Song

Jesu, Jesus, Fill Us with Your Love

Red ELW 708

Refrain

**Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve
the neighbors we have from you.**

**Kneels at the feet of his friends,
silently washes their feet,
master who acts as a slave to them.** *Refrain*

**Neighbors are wealthy and poor,
varied in color and race,
neighbors are near us and far away.** *Refrain*

**These are the ones we will serve,
these are the ones we will love;
all these are neighbors to us and you.** *Refrain*

**Kneel at the feet of our friends,
silently washing their feet:
this is the way we will live with you.** *Refrain*

Post-Communion Blessing & Prayer

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

All of creation is yours, gracious God. Accept these gifts which we return to you with gratitude for the sake of the world. **Amen.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.
Amen.

Sending Song

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve Red ELW 551. V. 1,3,4

**The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus' name
to bring glad tidings to the poor,
God's favor to proclaim.**

**We go to comfort those who mourn and set the burdened free;
where hope is dim, to share a dream
and help the blind to see.**

**We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed
and, all our days, to cherish life,
to do the loving deed.**

**Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim.
God's Spirit has empowered us;
we go in Jesus' name.**

Sending

Go in peace and serve one another. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

"Chesterfield"

- arr. Leavitt

✝ WORSHIP SERVICE NOTES ✝

- **MASKS ARE OPTIONAL** at Holy Shepherd. While no restrictions are currently in place, those for whom continued caution is important are affirmed in their mask-wearing and social distancing. One pew, on each side, remains available in the back of the sanctuary for those who would like additional space.
- **THANK YOU** for being considerate of disabled worshippers and their families. Please leave the pew cuts and several adjoining seats available for those with walkers, wheelchairs, or electric carts and their families.
- **HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES (4 devices available)** are located at the sound booth located in the back of the sanctuary on the east side.
- **PRAYER STATION** is available before and after worship for candle-lighting. Please be mindful of personal space around one another.
- **FELLOWSHIP:** Once service has concluded, if you would like to greet one another, the narthex, fellowship hall, library and columbarium are available for fellowship.

OFFERING

If you would like to make a donation to the mission of Holy Shepherd, which will be used to serve the community, neighborhood and the world, there is an offering plate located at the front of the sanctuary. Please make checks payable to:
Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church. *Thank you.*

NURSERY

The nursery (un-staffed) will be available to use for your family, if you need to leave the service. The library and Fellowship Hall are also available



Worship Leadership

- Pastors: Julie Brooks, Teri Hermsmeyer
- Organist: Jordan Ortman
- Assisting Minister: John Reed
- Special Music: Dan Brooks, Mike Madsen, Kevin Klinkerfues,
Larry Bradsby, Scott Ikenberry, Larry Lagerberg
Jordan Ortman
- Greeters: Del & Cheryl Holz
- Reader: Bob Gordon
- Communion Assistants: Larry & Shirley Bradsby
- Usher: Del Felton
- Altar Guild: Joan Meister-Bridges
- Fellowship: God's Work. Our Hands.
- Information Booth:
- Sound Techs: Michael Boehm, Karen Novess