



# Worshipping and Growing Together in Christ, Serving and Reaching Out Joyfully to All.



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!*

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

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## Prelude

## Welcome/Announcements

## Call to Worship

We come together to worship a God who loves,

**A God who teaches wisdom,**

A God who delights in righteousness,

**A God who seeks loyalty and faithfulness,**

A God who rewards those who trust,

**A God who loves those who love.**

## Confession & Forgiveness

We confess our sins before God and one another.

*Pause for silence and reflection.*

God of wisdom and grace, **too often we have sought happiness in all the wrong places. We have put our own needs above the needs of others. We have ignored your pleas to care for one another and have fought to care only for ourselves. We have forgotten to trust in you. Forgive us for our selfishness, our immaturity, and our blatant disregard for others. Restore us by your grace. Amen.**

Our God sees and knows our sin. But God also sees and loves our humanity. On this day I proclaim to you the entire forgiveness of all your sin, given as a gift of joy by a wise and loving God. **Amen.**

## Hymn of Praise

- Haugen

12 *All*

If we have died to our - selves in

Je - sus, then we shall a - rise to

new life in him: Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia!

**Flowing out of the desert, rolling down from the mountainside,  
up from within you, water of newness and life eternal. Refrain**

**Raining down from the heavens, springing up from the driest earth,  
simple and holy, water of love and life eternal. Refrain**

## 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 Day

God of creation, **your wisdom has been woven into the fabric of all things that you have made. Make us aware of you and your goodness in all things and at all times, in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

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## *God speaks to us in scripture, preaching & song*

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*Wisdom is the knowledge of God. Before God created anything, God made sure that knowledge of God was the foundation of all things. Knowledge of God is woven into the fabric of creation itself, and wisdom is the unfolding of that knowledge into our awareness.*

### **Scripture Reading**

**Proverbs 8:1-11, 22-36**

Does not wisdom call,  
and does not understanding raise her voice?  
<sup>2</sup>On the heights, beside the way,  
at the crossroads she takes her stand;  
<sup>3</sup>beside the gates in front of the town,  
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:  
<sup>4</sup>"To you, O people, I call,  
and my cry is to all that live.  
<sup>5</sup>O simple ones, learn prudence;  
acquire intelligence, you who lack it.  
<sup>6</sup>Hear, for I will speak noble things,  
and from my lips will come what is right;  
<sup>7</sup>for my mouth will utter truth;  
wickedness is an abomination to my lips.  
<sup>8</sup>All the words of my mouth are righteous;  
there is nothing twisted or crooked in them.  
<sup>9</sup>They are all straight to one who understands  
and right to those who find knowledge.  
<sup>10</sup>Take my instruction instead of silver,  
and knowledge rather than choice gold;  
<sup>11</sup>for wisdom is better than jewels,  
and all that you may desire cannot compare with her.

<sup>22</sup>The LORD created me at the beginning of his work,  
the first of his acts of long ago.  
<sup>23</sup>Ages ago I was set up,  
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.  
<sup>24</sup>When there were no depths I was brought forth,  
when there were no springs abounding with water.  
<sup>25</sup>Before the mountains had been shaped,  
before the hills, I was brought forth—  
<sup>26</sup>when he had not yet made earth and fields,

or the world's first bits of soil.

<sup>27</sup>When he established the heavens, I was there,  
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,

<sup>28</sup>when he made firm the skies above,  
when he established the fountains of the deep,

<sup>29</sup>when he assigned to the sea its limit,  
so that the waters might not transgress his command,

when he marked out the foundations of the earth, <sup>30</sup>then I was beside him, like a  
master worker;

and I was daily his delight,  
rejoicing before him always,

<sup>31</sup>rejoicing in his inhabited world  
and delighting in the human race. <sup>32</sup>“And now, my children, listen to me:  
happy are those who keep my ways.

<sup>33</sup>Hear instruction and be wise,  
and do not neglect it.

<sup>34</sup>Happy is the one who listens to me,  
watching daily at my gates,  
waiting beside my doors.

<sup>35</sup>For whoever finds me finds life  
and obtains favor from the LORD;

<sup>36</sup>but those who miss me injure themselves;  
all who hate me love death.”

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

## Holy Gospel

**John 8:56-58**

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>56</sup>Your ancestor Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day; he saw it and was  
glad.” <sup>57</sup>Then the Jews said to him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen  
Abraham?” <sup>58</sup>Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, before Abraham was, I am.”

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

# + Growing with Jesus +

*Children's Time*

## Message

## Song

*Many and Great, O God*

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Many and great, O God, are your works, maker of earth and sky.  
Your hands have set the heavens with stars;  
your fingers spread the mountains and plains.  
Lo, at your word the waters were formed;  
deep seas obey your voice.

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.

## 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 the People

With the whole body of Christ in all times and places, we pray  
for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*Prayer petitions response*

God of wisdom, **in mercy, hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, loving God, we lift all for whom we pray, confident in  
your grace and mercy, through our savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## Sharing God's Peace

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

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*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

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## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also 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 God 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,

through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave,  
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth

and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

**He is exalted the King is exalted on high**

**I will praise Him**

**He is exalted forever exalted**

**And I will praise His name**

**He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign  
Heaven and earth, rejoice in His holy name  
He is exalted the King is exalted on high**

## 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

Jesus, who is among us now, invites us to dine at this holy table of grace and mercy. Put on your garments of joy and come join in the feast, for all is prepared for you.

*+ We Are Church. Better Together +*

### ***Options on how to receive Holy Communion:***

You may come forward to the rails, kneel or stand, starting at the center and fill along the rail. After you have received communion you may exit by the side aisles and those waiting will then fill in the empty space at the rail. Bread (gluten-free) and wine or grape juice (center of the tray) will be given to you at the rails with the words spoken:

*"The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you."*

*If you would like communion served in the pew, please signal to a pastor.*

*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.

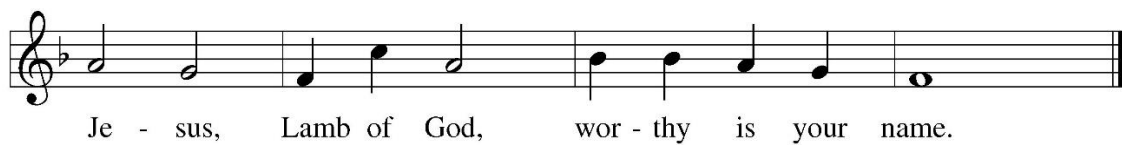


# Communion Song

## *You Are My All in All*

*You are my strength when I am weak, you are my treasure that I seek  
You are my all in all.*

*Seeking You as a precious jew' I Lord to give up I'd be a fool  
You are my all in all*



*Taking my sin my cross my shame, rising again I bless Your name  
You are my all in all.*

*When I fall down You pick me up, when I am dry You fill my cup  
You are my all in all Refrain*

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### *Welcome Table*

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**I'm a gonna eat at the welcome table  
I'm a gonna eat at the welcome table one of these days.  
I'm a gonna eat at the welcome table.  
Eat at the welcome table one of these days,  
one of these days**

**I'm a gonna feast on milk and honey  
I'm a gonna feast on milk and honey one of these days  
I'm a gonna feast on milk and honey.  
Gonna feast on milk and honey one of these days,  
one of these days**

I'm a gonna wade 'cross Jordan's river  
I'm a gonna wade 'cross Jordan's river, one of these days  
I'm a gonna wade 'cross Jordan's river.  
Gonna wade cross Jordan river one of these days,  
one of these days.

All of God's children gonna sit together  
All of God's children gonna sit together, one of these days  
All of God's Children gonna sit together.  
All of God's Children gonna sit together one of these days,  
one of these days

## Post-Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ  
strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## Prayer after Communion

We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the  
new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table  
as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus'  
name. **Amen.**

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*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

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## Blessing

God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of  
adoption, † bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

## Sending Song

*Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

PTSB

Upon the mountain my Lord spoke  
Out of his mouth came fire and smoke  
Looked all around me, it looked so fine,  
till I asked my Lord if all was mine.

**Refrain**

***Ev'ry time I feel the spirit, moving in my heart, I will pray.  
Ev'ry time I feel the spirit, moving in my heart, I will pray.***

**Jordan river, chilly and cold,  
It chills the body but not the soul.  
There ain't but one train upon this track,  
It runs to heaven and right back.**

**Refrain**

**Oh, I have sorrows and I have woe  
And I have heartache here below.  
But while God leads me I'll never fear  
For I am sheltered by His care.**

**Refrain**

## **Sending**

Go and serve one another and the world, in the true grace of God. Stand fast in it!  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Postlude**

**Narrative Lectionary Worship Resources**

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## + WORSHIP SERVICE NOTES +

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- **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.

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## OFFERING

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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 in front of the communion table. Please make checks payable to:  
Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church. *Thank you.*

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## NURSERY

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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.



### Participants

- Pastors: Julie Brooks & Kim Gonia
- Deacon Intern: Amy Schmuck
- Pianist: Diane Klinkerfues
- Reader: Joan Meister-Bridges
- Communion Assistants: Diane Jowell, Bonnie Yockstick
- Greeter: Susan Parks
- Usher: Bob Mohrbacher
- Altar Guild: Joan Meister-Bridges
- Technology: Judy Ekberg
- Fellowship Hosts: Susan & Michael Boehm