



Welcome to Worship with Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, whether you worship with us in-person or online (on Facebook Live or archived at www.holyshepherd.org.) May you know God's grace as we worship.

Know that You Have a Place at the Table! We share in Holy Communion during the context of this morning's service. This is the table of the Lord. Jesus is the host and we are his guests. Jesus welcomes everyone to come and eat and be nourished, fed and forgiven. Come and eat and live!

Offerings are an Act of Worship! Offerings are one way we express both our gratitude for God's wondrous love and our commitment to for work of ministry. If you would like to support our work electronically, visit www.holyshepherd.org and utilize Givelify, our online giving platform.

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GATHERING MUSIC

Julie Hamre

WORDS OF WELCOME

▲ OUR CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose word never fails and whose promise is sure.

P: **Amen.**

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors. Merciful God ...

P: **We confess that we have sinned. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. We have not been good stewards of your abundant goodness. In the name of Jesus, forgive us.** (*Silence is kept for reflection.*)

L: Righteous God,

P: **We confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to**

speak. And we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In the name of Jesus, forgive us.

(*Silence is kept for reflection.*)

L: Beloved of God, hear the Good News. God's grace is greater than our sin. God's hope is greater than our fear. Claim the gift of God's mercy and know God's gift of peace, for you are freed and forgiven in the name of Jesus Christ.

▲ **GATHERING SONG** ALL CREATURES, WORSHIP ...
Lyrics by Francis of Assisi / Music Anon. / ELW #835

**All creatures, worship God most high!
Sound every voice in earth and sky:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Sing, brother sun, in splendor bright,
sing, sister moon and stars of night:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Sing, brother fire, so mirthful, strong;
drive far the shadows, join the throng:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Dear mother earth, so rich in care,
praise God in colors bright and rare:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**O sisters, brothers, take your part,
and worship God with humble heart:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
All creatures, bless the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit Three in One:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

▲ THE GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

P: **And also with you.**

▲ THE KYRIE

ELW #157

L: *In peace, in peace, Let us pray to the Lord ...*

P: **Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord, have mercy.**

L: *For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord ...*

P: **Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord, have mercy.**

L: *For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word. Let us pray to the Lord ...*

P: **Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord, have mercy.**

L: *Help, save and defend us, O God.*

P: **Amen.**

(Refrain) ***Now the feast and celebration,
All of creation sings for joy
To the God of life and love and freedom:
Praise and glory forevermore!***

***Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain,
Whose blood has freed and united us
To be one great people of God.*** (Refrain)

***Power and riches, wisdom and might
All honor and glory to Christ forever.*** (Refrain)

***For God has come to dwell with us,
To make us people of God;
To make all things new.*** (Refrain)

▲ PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God be with you!

P: **And also with you!**

L: Let us pray:

P: **God of promise, you set a bow in the sky to remind us that you will never again forsake your creation. Make us ever mindful of your promise, so that we might honor our covenant with you. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

THE LESSON

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

The Lord saw that the wickedness of humans was great in the earth and that every inclination of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually. And the Lord was sorry that he had made humans on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. So the Lord said, "I will blot out from the earth the humans I have created—people together with animals and creeping things and birds of the air—for I am sorry that I have made them." But Noah found favor in the sight of the Lord.

These are the descendants of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation; Noah walked with God. And Noah had three sons: Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with violence. And God saw that the earth was corrupt, for all flesh had corrupted its ways upon the earth. And 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. Make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch. This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark three hundred cubits, its width fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. Make 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. For 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. But 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. And 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. Of 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. Also 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." Noah did this; he did all that God commanded him.

At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made and sent out the raven, and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. Then he sent out the dove from him to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground, but 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. He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark, and 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. Then he waited another seven days and sent out the dove, and it did not return to him any more.

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you and 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. I 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." God 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: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I 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. When 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." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

KIDTALK

Pastor John Valentine

A SONG OF CELEBRATION THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD Lyrics by M. Babcock / Music by F. Sheppard / ELW #824

***This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.***

***This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
his hand the wonders wrought.***

***This is my Father's world; the birds their carols raise;
the morning light, the lily white,
declare their maker's praise.***

***This is my Father's world; he shines in all that's fair.
In the rustling grass I hear him pass;
he speaks to me ev'rywhere.***

***This is my Father's world; oh, let me not forget
that, though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.***

***This is my Father's world; why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is king, let the heaven ring;
God reigns, let the earth be glad!***

THE SERMON

Pastor John Valentine

▲ OUR AFFIRMATION OF FAITH THE 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.

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need — utilizing the prayer refrain: "*Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***"

THE OFFERTORY

RISE UP, O CHILDREN OF GOD

Lyrics and Music by Mark Patterson

▲ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: *The Lord be with you.*

P: ***And also with you.***

L: *Lift up your hearts.*

P: ***We lift them to the Lord.***

L: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

P: ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

L: *It is our duty and delight we praise your name
and join their unending hymn:*

P: ***Holy, holy, holy are you, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One who comes in your name

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

L: 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.' And that same Jesus who called us to remember, and who is present with us now, invites us all to pray:

P: ***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.***

HOLY COMMUNION

As we share in the gift of Holy Communion this morning, we invite you to come to the Altar Rail and kneel or stand as you are able. Note that the Communion Assistant offers both (red) wine and (white) grape juice. After receiving the gift of Holy Communion, please return to your seat by the side aisle, and place the communion cup in the small basket before returning to your seat.

BREAD OF LIFE, OUR HOST AND MEAL

Lyrics and Music by Ray Makeever / ELW #464

***Bread of Life, our host and meal, Jesus, feed us.
Christ, by faith, to see and feel, feed us with your love.***

***Bread now break and wine now pour. Jesus, feed us.
Make us one, our hope restore. Feed us with your love.***

***Grant forgiveness in the feast. Jesus, feed us.
For the greatest and the least, feed us with your love.***

***Thank you for this gift you share. Jesus, feed us.
Save God's children everywhere. Feed us with your love.***

GOD OF THE SPARROW

Lyrics by J. Vajda / Music by C Schalk / ELW #740

***God of the sparrow, God of the whale,
God of the swirling stars
How does the creature say Awe
How does the creature say Praise***

***God of the earthquake, God of the storm
God of the trumpet blast
How does the creature cry Woe
How does the creature cry Save***

***God of the rainbow, God of the cross
God of the empty grave
How does the creature say Grace
How does the creature say Thanks***

***God of the hungry, God of the sick
God of the prodigal
How does the creature say Care
How does the creature say Life***

***God of the neighbor, God of the foe
God of the pruning hook
How does the creature say Love
How does the creature say Peace***

THE POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BENEDICTION

▲ SENDING SONG LET ALL THINGS NOW LIVING
Lyrics by K. Davis / Lyrics Welsh Folk Tune / ELW #881

***Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God the creator triumphantly raise,
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,***

***Who still guides us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us, God's light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
As forward we travel from light into light.***

***God rules all the forces: the stars in their courses.
And sun in its orbit obediently shine;
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
The deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration a song let us raise
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!***

▲ THE CHARGE

L: Go – in peace – to love God by serving your neighbor!!

C: Thanks be to God!

SENDING MUSIC

Julie Hamre

Thank you to this morning's Worship Team for sharing their gifts of music with us today, including:

Bethany Valentine – Director and Vocalist
Gretchen Stenson – Vocalist
Diana Riveness Young – Vocalist
Elizabeth Humphrey – Vocalist
Marci Bauer – Vocalist
Won K. Yang – Vocalist
Steve Swanback – Vocalist
Pastor John Valentine – Vocalist
Julie Hamre – Pianist and Organist

There is a **Special Meeting of the Congregation** scheduled at 10:45am (following worship) this morning! The purpose of that meeting is to consider extending a pastoral call to recent seminary graduate Meagan Kim to serve as a pastor in our congregation. Please join us as you are able!

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