

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 Are Welcome! *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!*

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GATHERING MUSIC HOPE OF THE BROKEN WORLD
Lyrics and Music by Carl Cartee and Jennie Lee Riddle

▲ OUR CALL TO WORSHIP

L: For the community in which we live – this is a season of thankfulness. It is a time to remember the abundance with which we have been blessed. It is a time to remember those with whom we are called to share. So let us begin our time of worship by recalling words first penned by our nation's sixteenth president, Abraham Lincoln: "We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth and power as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God."

P: **Forgive us our forgetfulness, Lord God.**

L: "We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own."

P: **Forgive us our arrogance, Lord God.**

L: "Intoxicated with unbroken success we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us."

P: **Forgive us our blindness to our own failings and to the needs of our neighbors.**

L: Hear the Good News: The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. To all who believe in Jesus Christ God grants freedom from the power of sin, and through the Holy Spirit gives life, forgiveness, and resurrection from the dead.

P: **Amen!**

▲ GATHERING SONG WE COME TO YOU
Lyrics and Music by Joshua Blakesley

By Your body and blood,
by Your life and Your love;
Renew us.
May Your sacrifice be
Forgiveness in me;
Heal us.

Chorus
We come to You, We come to You
Broken, hungry,
We come to You , We come to You
Make us whole again.

In the body of Christ,
We are brought to new life;
Restore us.
May the flesh that we eat,
And the blood that we drink
Save us.
(Chorus 2x)

▲ THE GREETING

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

P: **And also with you.**

▲ OUR OPENING LITANY based on Psalm 107

L: O give thanks to God, for God is good.

P: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

L: Who alone does great wonders.

P: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

L: Who by understanding made the heavens and earth.

P: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

L: Who spread out the earth on the waters.

P: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

L: Who planted the earth with redwoods and sage brush, with roses and sycamore trees.

P: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

L: Who crafted the sun and moon, stars and distant galaxies.

P: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

L: Who remembered us in our low estate.

P: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

L: Who rescued us from our foes.

P: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

L: Who gives food to all living things.

P: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

L: O give thanks to the God of heaven, for God's steadfast love endures forever.

P: **Thanks be to God!**

▲ PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you!

P: **And also with you!**

L: Let us pray: Healing God, you healed your servant Naaman of his affliction when he came to you, through Elisha, for help. Heal our afflictions, and make us faithful servants, for we pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

P: **Amen.**

THE LESSON 2 Kings 5:1-15a

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease." So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. And the king of Aram said, "Go, then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his skin disease." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean."

But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

KIDTALK Pastor John Valentine

THE SONG OF THE DAY YOU ARE MY WHOLENESS
Lyrics and Music by R. Salmond & M. Mulder

In you I find forgiveness,
yes, in you I find release.
It's a wonder you take all the blunders I make
And so graciously offer me peace.

Chorus
You, you are my wholeness,
you are my completeness,
My soul, my thirsty soul can
rest in the depths of your love.

In you I find true friendship,
yes, your love is so free of demands.
Though I must hurt you so, you keep letting me go
To discover the person I am. (Chorus)

Like a father you long to protect me,
yet you know I must learn on my own.
Well, I've made my own choice, to follow your voice
Guiding me back to my home. (Chorus)

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 OFFERTORY STRANGE WAY TO SAVE THE WORLD
Lyrics and Music by M.R. Harris, D.A. Koch and D.A. Clark

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

United in the assurance of God's abundant goodness, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need — utilizing the prayer refrain: *"God, in your mercy,* ***hear our prayer."***

THE COMMUNION LITURGY
(based on Martin Luther's Small Catechism)

L: One day, Jesus's disciples asked him how to pray, and as a part of his answer he taught them to pray: "Give us this day our daily bread."

P: **God gives us daily bread, even when we do not pray for it, even to those who do not deserve it.**

L: But still Jesus taught us to pray: "Give us this day our daily bread."

P: **We ask in this prayer that God would help us to realize God's goodness, and receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.**

L: But what does Jesus means when he teaches us to pray: "Give us this day our daily bread"?

P: **Daily bread includes everything we need for life in this world.**

L: Food and clothing ...

P: **Home and property ...**

L: Work and income ...

P: **A devoted family ...**

L: An orderly community ...

P: **Good government ...**

L: Favorable weather ...

P: **Peace and health ...**

L: A good reputation ...

P: **True friends and neighbors.**

L: But people shall not live by bread alone, but by every word which proceeds from the mouth of God.

P: **Jesus Christ is the word of God, the Word made flesh. He is the bread of life.**

L: We remember that on 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 so – gathered into one by the Holy Spirit – let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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 Holy Communion this morning, we invite you to come to the Altar Rail and kneel or stand as you are able. During the serving of Holy Communion, you are invited to join in singing the following songs:

WHAT THE LORD HAS DONE IN ME
Lyrics and Music by Reuben Morgan

Let the weak say I am strong
Let the poor say I am rich
Let the blind say I can see
It's what the Lord has done in me

Chorus

Hosanna, hosanna; to the Lamb that was slain
Hosanna, hosanna; Jesus died and rose again

Into the river I will wade
There my sins are washed away
From the heaven's mercy stream
Of the Savior's love for me
(Chorus)

I will rise from waters deep
Into the saving arms of God
I will sing salvation songs
Jesus Christ has set me free

GIVE THANKS
Lyrics and Music by H. Smith

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, His Son.
(Repeat)

And now let the weak say, "I am strong."
Let the poor say, "I am rich"
because of what the Lord has done for us.
(Repeat)

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

L: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
P: **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

▲ THE BENEDICTION

▲ SENDING SONG ARE YOU WASHED IN THE BLOOD?
Lyrics and Music by E.A. Hoffman

Have you been to Jesus for the cleansing pow'r?
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?
Are you fully trusting in His grace this hour?
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?

Refrain:
Are you washed in the blood,
In the soul-cleansing blood of the Lamb?
Are your garments spotless? Are they white as snow?
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?

Are you walking daily by the Savior's side?
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?
Do you rest each moment in the Crucified?
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?
[Refrain]

Lay aside the garments that are stained with sin,
And be washed in the blood of the Lamb.
There's a fountain flowing for the soul unclean;
O be washed in the blood of the Lamb?
[Refrain]

▲ THE CHARGE

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

P: **Thanks be to God!**

SENDING MUSIC ARE YOU WASHED IN THE BLOOD? (Reprise)

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

Tom Henry — Vocalist, Guitarist and Creative Director
Diana Riveness Young — Vocalist
Elizabeth Humphrey — Vocalist
Bethany Valentine — Vocalist
Pastor Meagan Kim — Vocalist
Marci Bauer— Vocalist
Steve Swanback — Vocalist
Bob Schmalz — Vocalist
Pastor John Valentine — Vocalist
Marc Levine – Pianist

Want to read ahead as we journey through the Old Testament this Fall? Next week's lesson is **Micah 1:3-5; 5:2-5a; 6:6-8**

There is a **Meeting of the Congregation** next Sunday (November 15th) at 10:45a in the Center for Ministry. Please join us as we elect new Council members and consider approval of a budget for the year ahead.

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