

## The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 17C)

**August 31, 2025** – 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Our Mission: To know Christ and to make Christ's love known to others



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## Welcome, Guests and Newcomers!

This is Christ's House. Come, you who feel weak and unworthy. Come, you who come often and you who have stayed away. Come, you who love Jesus, and you who wish you could. Come, sinners and saints, women, men, and gender non-conforming, gay and straight, young and old. Come, you who are lonely and long for friendship. Come, you who are homeless and you who have a place to rest your heads. Come, you who are citizens of this land and you who are not. Here you are citizens of the kingdom of God. Come join God's people at the feast prepared for you from the beginning of the world.

In addition to our weekly Sunday morning worship, we have been offering a variety of other online opportunities to connect—for people of all ages.

- Our website: **goodshepherdfw.org.**
- Our YouTube page: tinyurl.com/gsfwyoutube.
- Sign up for *The Shepherd's Crook*, our weekly newsletter, at **tinyurl.com/goodshepemails**.
- To go even deeper, join *Realm*, our online community of worshipers: **onrealm.org/goodshepfw.**
- Shortcut to Realm Resources for parishioners (password-protected): tinyurl.com/gsfwresources.

## **Recording and Streaming in Use**

Recording and streaming in use: Please note that video cameras and microphones are capturing our 10:30 worship service, and that the resulting content is being transmitted online. Likewise, from time to time still photography of our worship services may be taken and used for church communications, websites, and other uses. By your presence within the worship space or on Zoom, you are indicating your consent to the possibility that your likeness may be captured and used in any of these ways. While video capture of congregants in the pews is relatively minimal, if you wish to guarantee you will not ever be depicted on video, the area toward the back of the pew seating area is unable to be picked up on camera.

## **Land Acknowledgment**

We acknowledge that the Church of the Good Shepherd sits on a seasonal campground of the <u>Puyallup</u> (<u>puyallup-tribe.com</u>) and <u>Coast Salish People</u>, who have lived on and stewarded these lands for thousands of years and continue to do so today. We recognize that this land acknowledgement is one small step toward true allyship, and we commit to uplifting the voices, experiences, and histories of the Indigenous people of this land and beyond.

How can you make this Land Acknowledgment more than a performative gesture? Go to the tribe's news website (<a href="https://news.puyalluptribe-nsn.gov/">https://news.puyalluptribe-nsn.gov/</a>) and sign up for their newsletter. Notice what issues are important to the Puyallup people and decide how you can begin to forge a learning relationship.

## HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite Two The Liturgy of the Word

At the 8:00 service, we skip all musical portions or, where indicated, read the text of them.

## Processional Hymn: We Come with Joy in Jesus Christ (Worship 4th ed. #832)



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#### **The Opening Acclamation**

Presider: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

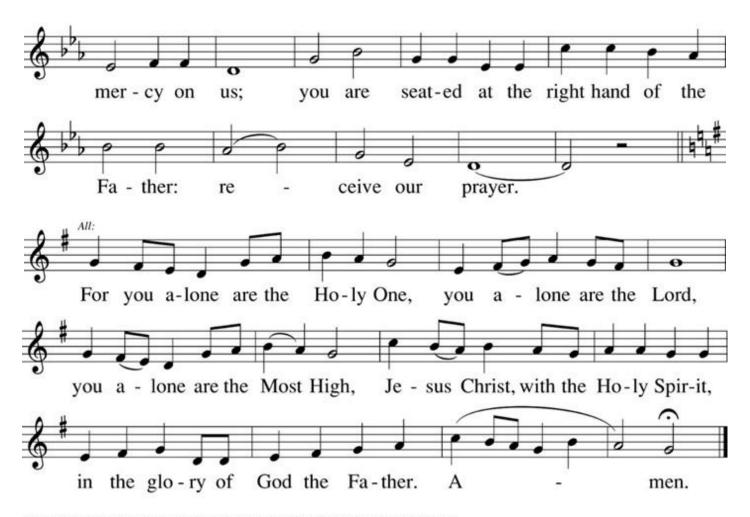
## **The Collect for Purity**

*Presider:* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Gloria

At the 8:00 service, we speak the text instead of singing it.





Music: A New Mass for Congregations, Carroll T. Andrews, © 1970, GIA Publications, Inc.

## The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### The Lessons

Our readings from the Bible each week usually include one from the Old Testament or Hebrew Scriptures; a Psalm; one from the New Testament or Christian Scriptures; and a reading from one of the four Gospels, the accounts of the life of Jesus.

#### First Lesson (Jeremiah 2:4–13)

Lector: A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the LORD:

What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me,

and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves?

They did not say, "Where is the LORD who brought us up from the land of Egypt,

who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits,

in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?"

I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things.

But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination.

The priests did not say, "Where is the LORD?"

Those who handle the law did not know me;

the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit.

Therefore once more I accuse you, says the LORD, and I accuse your children's children.

Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing.

Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods?

But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit.

Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the LORD,

for my people have committed two evils:
they have forsaken me,
the fountain of living water,
and dug out cisterns for themselves,
cracked cisterns
that can hold no water.

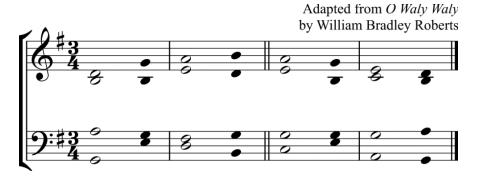
... Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches. *People:* **Thanks be to God.** 

### Psalm 81:1, 10-16

At 8:00, the first lector invites us to read the text of the psalms as follows:

Let us pray the psalm responsively by verse.

At 10:30, the congregation is invited to sing along with the cantor or choir.



- 1 Sing with joy to God our **strength** and raise a loud shout to the God of **Jacob**.
- 10 I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, "Open your mouth wide, and I will **fill it**."
- 11 And yet my people did not hear my **voice**, and Israel would not o**bey me**.
- 12 So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their **hearts**, to follow their own devices.

- 13 Oh, that my people would listen to **me!** that Israel would walk in my **ways!**
- 14 I should soon subdue their **enemies** and turn my hand against their **foes**.
- 15 Those who hate the Lord would cringe before him, and their punishment would last for ever.
- 16 But Israel would I feed with the finest **wheat** and satisfy him with honey from the **rock**.

#### **Second Lesson** (Hebrews 13:1–8, 15–16)

*Lector:* A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;
I will not be afraid.
What can anyone do to me?"

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

... Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches. *People:* **Thanks be to God.** 

The congregation stands as able.

### Gradual Hymn: Sing a New Church (Gather 4th ed. #818)



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#### The Gospel (Luke 14:1, 7–14)

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon (The Rev. Anna Lynn)

Sermon audio is recorded and made available on our Spotify podcast.

#### **The Nicene Creed**

The congregation stands as able. This statement of belief dates from the  $4^{th}$  century. Here we use it as a prayer. In our post-Enlightenment times, it is helpful to think of the word "believe" not as meaning merely "I intellectually assent," but rather, "I place my trust."

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### The Prayers of the People

Every week we pray, using a variety of liturgies, for the world, the church, and those in need. We offer prayers of thanks, and we remember those who have died. We maintain two channels of organized petitionary prayer, the **Prayer List** and the **Prayer Chain**.

**Prayer List:** To have a name read aloud for prayer during our Sunday services on a temporary or ongoing basis, contact the Rev. Josh Hosler at <a href="mailto:rector@goodshepherdfw.org">rector@goodshepherdfw.org</a>. A link to this list can be found in the Shepherd's Crook email.

**Prayer Chain:** To have a name and a concern emailed to a small group of designated parishioners for one-time, immediate prayer, contact Alisa Johnson at <a href="mailto:alisajohnson@hotmail.com">alisajohnson@hotmail.com</a>.

Deacon: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

*Intercessor:* For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For the Good Shepherd Usher Team; for St. Andrew's, Aberdeen and St. Hugh of Lincoln, Allyn; and for the Church of South India United; let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop Phil, for our Presiding Bishop Sean, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For our President Donald, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For those who work to preserve democracy and human rights, including those who risk much to oppose our elected officials, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For this city of Federal Way, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed; for the unemployed and the destitute; for prisoners and captives, especially those being held in the Northwest Detention Center; and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For migrants and refugees; for those who suffer at the whims of dictators and warlords; for those who have lost their houses and those who have lost their homelands, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For those on our congregation's prayer list and all those on whom we bestow our concern and care ...

Pause for spoken or silent prayers from the congregation.

... let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed ...

Pause for spoken or silent prayers from the congregation.

... let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

## To you, O Lord our God.

Intercessor: Almighty God, you have so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all other lives: So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common good; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you": Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### **A Supplication**

This litany comes from The Book of Common Prayer, p. 154. It is intended for use especially in times of war, or of national anxiety, or of disaster.

Presider: O Lord, arise, help us;

All: And deliver us for your Name's sake.

O God, we have heard with our ears, and our ancestors have declared to us, the noble works that you did in their days, and in the old time before them.

O Lord, arise, help us; and deliver us for your Name's sake.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever, world without end. Amen.

O Lord, arise, help us; and deliver us for your Name's sake.

From our enemies defend us, O Christ;

Graciously behold our afflictions.

With pity behold the sorrows of our hearts;

Mercifully forgive the sins of your people.

Favorably with mercy hear our prayers;

O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ;

Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

Let us pray.

We humbly beseech you, O Creator, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and, for the glory of your Name, turn from us all those evils that we most justly have deserved; and grant that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in your mercy, and evermore serve you in holiness and pureness of living, to your honor and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### The Confession of Sin

Deacon: Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence. The people may kneel or stand.

All: God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

*Presider:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.** 

#### **The Peace**

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

#### **Announcements**

## A Prayer for Birthdays and Anniversaries

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) *N.* as *they* begin[s] another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their lives*; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **The Offertory**

*Presider:* Walk in love as Christ loves us and gives himself for us. In thanksgiving for the offering of his life, we bring the fruits of our labor to invest in one another and in the world.



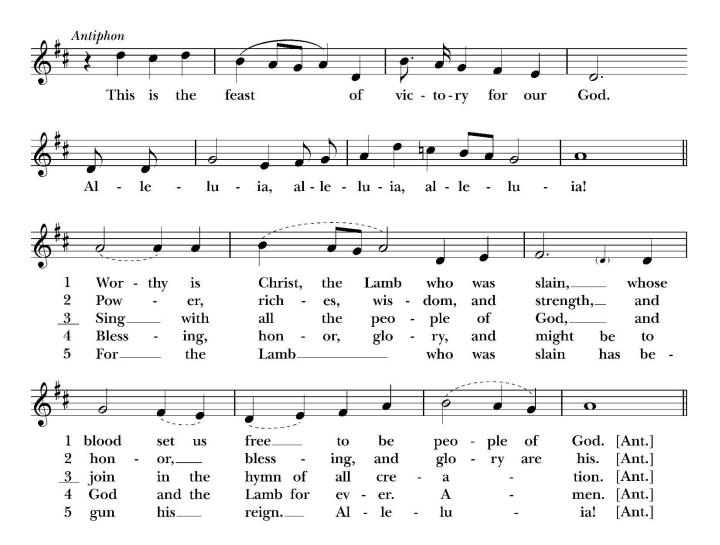
The congregation may be seated until the final verse of the offertory hymn or until motioned to stand.

**To make a gift today** using your mobile device, scan the QR code on the left ... or drop a check in the offering plate ... or mail a check to the Church of the Good Shepherd, P.O. Box 3108, Federal Way, WA 98063. **To make a pledge today,** go to tinyurl.com/gspledge2025.

On the third Sunday of each month, offerings not otherwise designated are contributed to the Rector's and Deacon's Discretionary Funds, which are used to help people in immediate need (parishioners or otherwise) or to assist new, as-yet-unbudgeted ministry opportunities.

We give not to "pay for the show," but as a spiritual practice of participation for the good of the world and of our souls. The Church of the Good Shepherd is able to operate because of the pledges of its members. We strongly encourage all members to make an annual pledge, no matter how large or small.

### Offertory Music: This Is the Feast of Victory (The Hymnal 1982 #417)



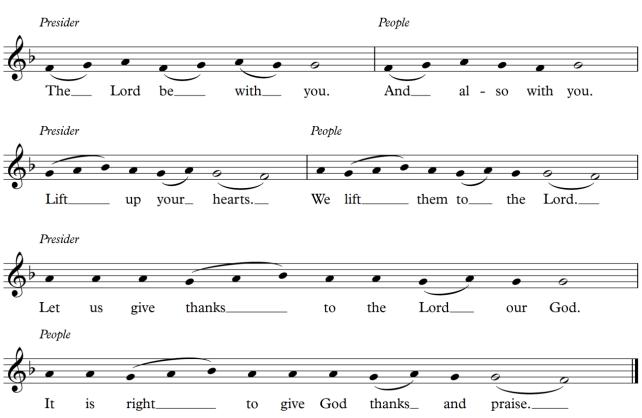


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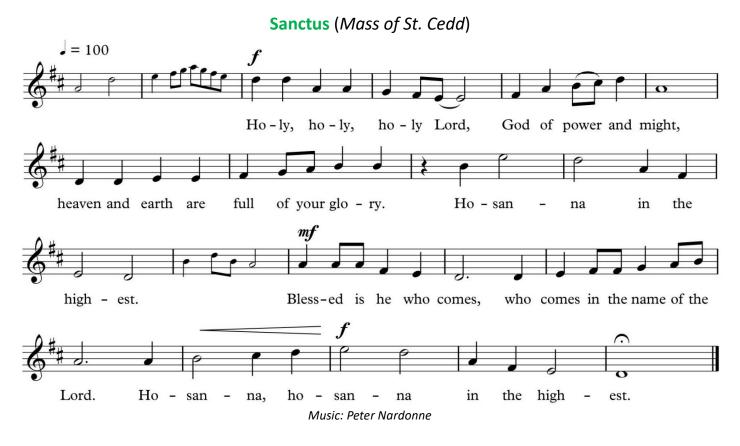
## **The Great Thanksgiving**

**Eucharistic Prayer 1** (Enriching Our Worship)



Presider: It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:



*Presider:* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and you prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*All:* 

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Presider: Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN**.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

#### The Lord's Prayer

*At 8:00:* 

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 for ever. Amen.

At 10:30:



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## The Breaking of the Bread

Silence is kept.

Presider: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

## Fraction Anthem: Draw Near (refrain, v.1, refrain)



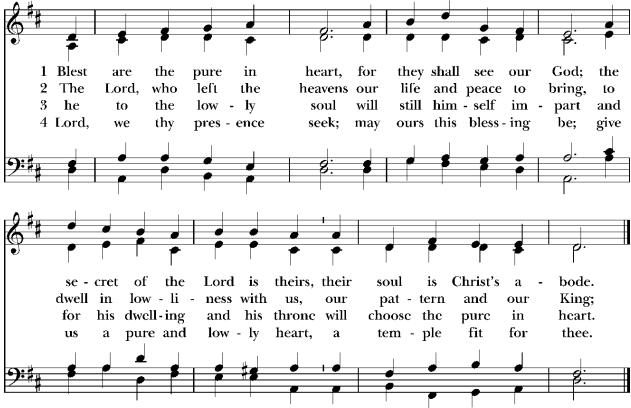
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Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God: holy things for holy people.

Holy Communion is Christians' weekly participation in the death and resurrection of Christ, so it properly flows from the vows made at our baptism. Even so, all are invited to the table: the baptized of any Christian denomination who have committed to follow Jesus Christ, and any guests at Jesus' table. If you are not baptized and would like to begin to explore the possibility, please reach out to Pastor Josh.

If you require gluten-free bread, tell the priest when he comes to you and it will be provided. To abstain from Holy Communion, cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would prefer that the priest bless you. In addition, it has always been our understanding that those who receive communion in only one kind (bread or wine) have received communion in the fullest sense.

# Communion Hymn: Blest Are the Pure in Heart (*The Hymnal 1982* #656)



Words: Sts. 1 and 3, John Keble (1792-1866), alt.; sts. 2 and 4, William John Hall (1793-1861), alt. Music: *Franconia*, melody Johann Balthasar König (1691-1758); adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870).

## A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Those who cannot be with us on-site to receive Holy Communion may wish to add this private prayer:

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united with you and with the Body of Christ. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you and to your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me; may I live and die in your love. Amen.

#### **Sending Out Eucharistic Visitors**

If Eucharistic Visitors are to be sent to some who could not attend in person today, this prayer follows at the end of Holy Communion. Please stand as able.

*Presider:* In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People: We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup.

#### **Post-Communion Prayer**

The congregation stands as able.

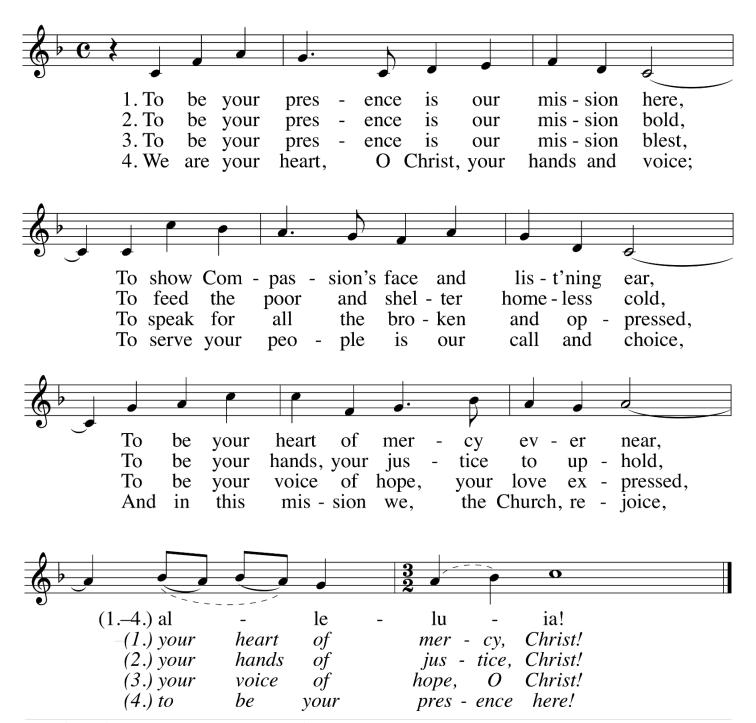
Presider: Let us pray.

All: God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.



Hochhalter, Cara B.. A Parable - Where to Sit, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <a href="https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=59048">https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=59048</a> [retrieved August 28, 2025]. Original source: Cara B. Hochhalter.

#### Sending Hymn: To Be Your Presence (Worship 4th ed. #794)



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#### The Dismissal

*Presider:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

At this point our livestream ends. Coffee, snacks, and ongoing conversation are available after the 10:30 service in Seaman Hall. You can get there by going down the stairs at the rear of the worship space or by walking around the front of the building down a gently sloping path through the garden.

#### **Today's Top Ministry Needs at Good Shepherd**

The time is always right to discern the ways the Holy Spirit is calling us to serve in the church and in the world. People are come and go from our established ministries, stepping back and stepping forward. Especially if you're newer to Good Shepherd and haven't yet found a way to serve among us, check out these immediate ministry opportunities.

**Treasurer: Bill Gillanders** has served well in this crucial role since 2020 and is ready to step away. This job is for someone who enjoys spreadsheets and doesn't mind attending three or four monthly meetings, mostly on Zoom. Background check, financial background check, and Safe Church training are required. Share your credentials with **Pastor Josh** to be considered.

**Eucharistic Ministers & Eucharistic Visitors:** These are confirmed Episcopalians who serve the chalice during worship and/or visit those who are unable to be with us on Sunday mornings. Safe Church training is required. Talk to **Pastor Josh.** 

**Tech Team:** The crew in the loft maintains Good Shepherd's online worship connection. At least as many folks join us via YouTube as do on Zoom. This is for folks who are technologically confident, but you don't need to be any sort of expert. We're seeking folks to help once a month, and training is available. Talk to **Deb Smith.** 

Pastoral Care Team: Important skills include a listening ear, confidentiality, and the willingness to meet and befriend people we don't see in church very often. Talk to Carole Loudenback.

**Choir:** As we head into fall, we're looking for new singers to support our worship music. Skilled soloists can become Cantors, and those with less experience are also of great value. Talk to **Alan Lynch.** 

**Coffee Hour Teams:** Provide refreshments on a monthly basis after the 10:30 service. Talk to **Mary Aronen.** 

Children and Youth Revisioning: Let's gather a group that is dedicated to restoring vital ministry with young people at Good Shepherd. Talk to **Pastor Josh.** 

## What's Happening at Good Shepherd?

Because our service leaflet is posted on the Web for all to see, we don't print here parishioners' personal contact information. Members of Good Shepherd are given a printed parish directory. If you'd like to participate in something but don't know how to contact the appropriate person, please contact the church office at office@goodshepherdfw.org.

#### **Annual Church Picnic**

#### TODAY after the 10:30 a.m. service

Bring your favorite BBQ side dish, dessert or beverage to the annual Good Shepherd picnic on August 31st! We will have hamburgers, hotdogs, and other fun BBQ stuff to celebrate summer on the Seaman Hall patio, so please plan to bring family and friends to church and stay for the picnic!

#### **Thursday Bible Study Returns**

#### September 4 at 10:30 a.m.

Our regular weekday morning Bible study returns this week. At this initial meeting we will decide what book of the Bible to read first. Questions? Contact **Pastor Josh**.

## **New Bookkeeper Hired**

This week Pastor Josh hired **Hilary Mayhan** as our next Bookkeeper. Hilary is a lifelong Episcopalian involved at both St. Mark's Cathedral, Seattle and Holy Cross, Remond. A highly qualified and skilled accountant, Hilary is excited to add five hours of work per week in order to share her gifts with the church. She is cross-training with departing bookkeeper Robbie Gilchrist. Welcome, Hilary!

## **New Vestry Clerk as Well**

Many thanks to **Maggie Monaghan** for offering to try on the role of Vestry Clerk. The clerk takes minutes at meetings of the Vestry and Executive Committee, plus any meetings of the entire congregation; creates and edits monthly agendas; distributes documents to vestry members; and has voice in all these meetings.

## **Bishop Phil's Visitation**

## NEXT SUNDAY, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

The Rt. Rev. Phil LaBelle will preside and preach next week; participate in the baptism of Aminta Brent; receive Don Ramage and Beth Shoemaker into the Episcopal Church; and meet with the vestry to learn more about Good Shepherd.

## **Hold Monday Evenings This Fall**

## Christian Formation classes to begin in October on Zoom

Though the Formation Team hasn't yet planned a class, we know these will be held exclusively on Zoom on Mondays this fall from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Stay tuned.

#### **Emmanuel All Nations to Join Us at Good Shepherd**

## Beginning September 14, 1:00 p.m.

Emmanuel All Nations is a Kenyan Anglican Church that is in the process of becoming an Episcopal congregation in our diocese. We are excited to be working out a space use agreement with them in conjunction with the Bishop's office, and that will become official in the coming weeks. On a typical Sunday, they will begin setting up at 12:30 and worship at 1:00. We will also look for opportunities to grow closer as two congregations living under the same roof.

#### Women's Retreat 2025: How We Learn to Be Brave

#### September 19–21 at Sacred Waters Retreat Center

Join us at the Episcopal Sacred Waters Retreat Center for a weekend of brave conversations, laughter, great food, and even better fellowship and worship. We will explore the thoughts and stories of the Rt. Rev. Mariann Budde in her exciting and courageous book *How We Learn to Be Brave: Decisive Moments in Life and Faith.* The cost of the three days is an all-inclusive \$250. Scholarships are available as needed; contact **Mary Aronen** for details. You can register on Realm, see **Alisa Johnson** for a registration form, or pick up a form in the church office during open hours.

## **How to Help in Gaza**

#### Donate to the American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem

It's impossible not to feel helpless as we watch starvation take hold in Gaza. One way you can help is to donate to the Episcopal Church in the Holy Land. Visit their website: <a href="https://afedj.org/">https://afedj.org/</a>. Their vision is "a Holy Land where people of all faiths have opportunities to live full, flourishing lives that express the worth and dignity inherent in every human being." (On a related note, our friend **the Rev. Fadi Diab**, who spoke at Good Shepherd in 2023, has fled to the U.S. with his family and is now the rector at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Gallipolis, Ohio.)

## **Good Shepherd Clergy, Staff, and Lay Leadership**

The Rt. Rev. Phil LaBelle, Bishop (plabelle@ecww.org)
The Rev. Josh Hosler, Rector (rector@goodshepherdfw.org)
The Rev. Dr. Roy McLuen, Priest Associate
The Rev. Anna Lynn, Deacon (anna@goodshepherdfw.org)
Alan Lynch, Director of Music (alan@goodshepherdfw.org)
Evan Hershman, Parish Administrator (office@goodshepherdfw.org)
Tetiana Chyshynska, Sexton
Hilary Mayhan, Bookkeeper (bookkeeper@goodshepherdfw.org)
Karen White, Senior Warden
Judith Perkins, Junior Warden
Bill Gillanders, Treasurer (treasurer@goodshepherdfw.org)
Beth Shoemaker, Assistant Treasurer

## **Today's Service Ministers**

Mary McClellan Aronen, Ministry Coordinator

Presider: The Rev. Josh Hosler Preacher/Deacon: The Rev. Anna Lynn Organist/Pianist: Alan Lynch Cantor: Alana O'Donnell

August 31	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Tech Team		Don Ramage, Scott Armer
Zoom Usher		Janelle Coy
Worship Assistant	Shannon Molina	
On-Site Usher		Lee Hitzeman
First Lector	Shannon Molina	Judith Perkins
Second Lector/Intercessor	Shannon Molina	Rick Kincade
Eucharistic Ministers		Anna Lynn, Carole Loudenback
Altar Guild		Karen White
Flowers		Lee Hitzeman
Counters		Mary Aronen, Jane Ely
Coffee Hour		Fellowship Team
Vestry Person of the Month (Lockup)		Karen White

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