



# The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd

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## The Fifth Sunday of Easter (Year A)

May 3, 2026 – 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. – Good Shepherd  
1:00 p.m. – Emmanuel All Nations



Mosan Workshop. Stoning of Stephen, from *Art in the Christian Tradition*, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=57424> [retrieved May 1, 2026]. Original source: [https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Mosan\\_Workshop\\_-\\_The\\_Stoning\\_of\\_St\\_Stephen\\_-\\_Walters\\_71140\\_\(2\).jpg](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Mosan_Workshop_-_The_Stoning_of_St_Stephen_-_Walters_71140_(2).jpg).

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*The Church of the Good Shepherd practices inclusion, inspires healing,  
and promotes justice as we journey with Christ in love.*

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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 consistently offer a variety of other opportunities to connect—for people of all ages.

- Our website: [goodshepherdfw.org](https://goodshepherdfw.org).
- Our YouTube page: [tinyurl.com/gsfwyoutube](https://tinyurl.com/gsfwyoutube).
- Sign up for *The Shepherd's Crook*, our weekly newsletter, at [tinyurl.com/goodshepemails](https://tinyurl.com/goodshepemails).
- To go even deeper, join *Realm*, our online community of worshippers: [onrealm.org/goodshepfw](https://onrealm.org/goodshepfw).
- Shortcut to Realm Resources for parishioners (password-protected): [tinyurl.com/gsfwresources](https://tinyurl.com/gsfwresources).
- Make a financial pledge to Good Shepherd for 2026: [tinyurl.com/pledgegoodshep2026](https://tinyurl.com/pledgegoodshep2026).

## 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 [Puyallup \(puyallup-tribe.com\)](https://puyallup-tribe.com) and [Coast Salish People](https://coast.salishpeople.com), 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 (<https://news.puyalluptribe-nsn.gov/>) 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.

## The Fifty Days of Easter



**Episcopalians**—like Roman Catholics, Lutherans, and other denominations—are **liturgical Christians**, meaning that we place a lot of emphasis on ritual worship and on the calendar that Christians have observed for many centuries. We believe that liturgy, enacted in community over time, helps us grow into being Christ’s Body given for the world. We allow our Christian lives to be colored by the ebb and flow of the seasons, so that as the weather changes, so does our theological focus. You can notice this in the change of colors we use, the Bible passages we read, and the prayers we pray.



**Easter is not a single day, but an entire season spanning fifty days**, from the Day of Easter through the Day of Pentecost (May 24 this year). It is the most joyful time of year for Christians. To

emphasize that we are swimming in a sea of forgiveness, we do not use the Confession of Sin during Easter season (though, of course, you can always confess your sins in your private prayers or to a friend or priest). We also proclaim many a robust *Alleluia*; we had put that word aside during Lent, and now we’re glad to have it back!

**You may feel joyous today, or there may be other things going on in your life and in the world that keep your joy muted.** Our faith does not prevent or stop our suffering, and neither does our suffering preclude joy. At every funeral service, we use the “Alleluias” of Easter. Resurrection comes not to prevent death, but to render it ultimately irrelevant. Neither can the meager forces of evil—already defeated by Christ—do anything to limit the power of Christ’s Resurrection.

**Stick with us from week to week and from season to season** to come to a fuller understanding of our liturgical way of being Christians. Bring all your suffering and all your joy—all your doubts and all your hopes—and find here a frame to hang them in.

## Good Shepherd Clergy, Staff, and Lay Leadership

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## Today's Service Ministers

*Presider/Preacher:* The Rev. Joseph Peters-Mathews  
*Deacon:* The Rev. Anna Lynn  
*Organist:* Alan Lynch  
*Cantor:* Alana O'Donnell

May 3	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Tech Team		Deb Smith, Jason Armer
Ushers		Karen White
Altar Guild		Karen White
Flowers		Linda Butcher
Worship Assistant	Beth Shoemaker	
First Lector	Beth Shoemaker	Ania Malkowska-Leek
Second Lector/Intercessor	Jan Barber	Rick Kincade
Eucharistic Ministers		Anna Lynn, Betsy Grabinski
Coffee Hour	Meg & Christopher Stone	Alisa Johnson, Carole Loudenback, Karen Dobbs
Counters		Dina Johnson, Susan Ennaró

*We sing hymns at the 10:30 service only. All music used during this service, unless otherwise noted, is licensed for online streaming through onelicense.net #609900. Art files, unless otherwise noted, are licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution Noncommercial ShareAlike 3.0 License.*

## HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite Two

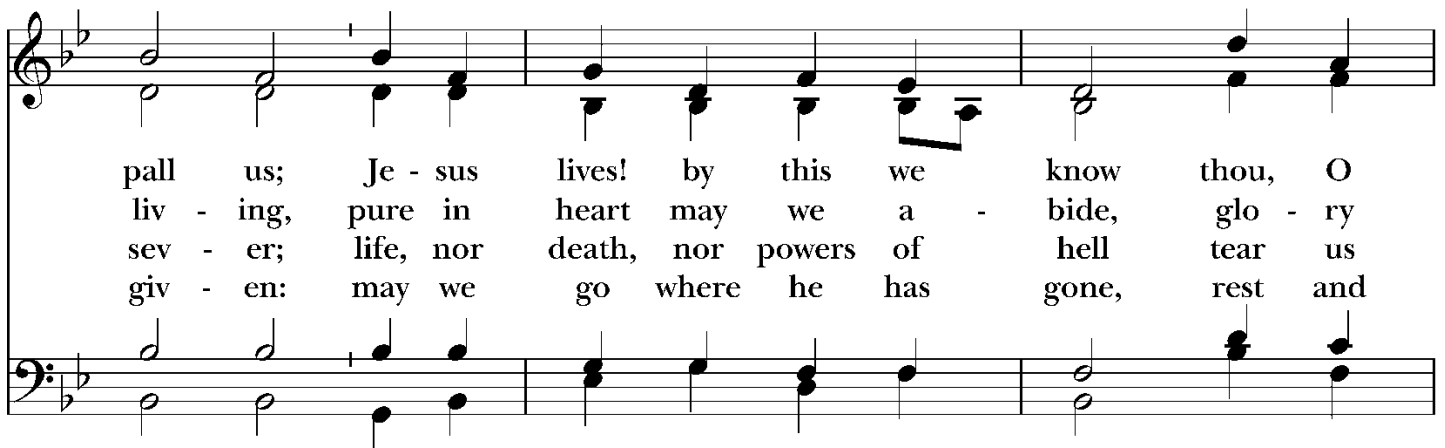
### The Liturgy of the Word

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

#### Processional Hymn: Jesus Lives! (The Hymnal 1982 #194)



1 Je - sus lives! thy ter - rors now can no long - er, death, ap -  
2 Je - sus lives! for us he died; then, a - lone to Je - sus  
3 Je - sus lives! our hearts know well nought from us his love shall  
4 Je - sus lives! to him the throne o - ver all the world is



pall us; Je - sus lives! by this we know thou, O  
liv - ing, pure in heart may we a - bide, glo - ry  
sev - er; life, nor death, nor powers of hell tear us  
giv - en: may we go where he has gone, rest and



grave, canst not en - thrall us. Al - le - lu - ia!  
to our Sa - vior giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
from his keep - ing ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!  
reign with him in hea - ven. Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Christian Furchtegott Gellert (1715-1769); tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), alt. Music: *St. Albinus*, Henry John Gauntlett (1805-1876).

## The Opening Acclamation

*Presider:* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

*People:* **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## 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 (Hymnal #S-280)

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

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

### The Collect of the Day

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Presider:* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

*Our readings from the Bible each week 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 (Acts 7:55–60)

*Lector:* A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. “Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

... Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

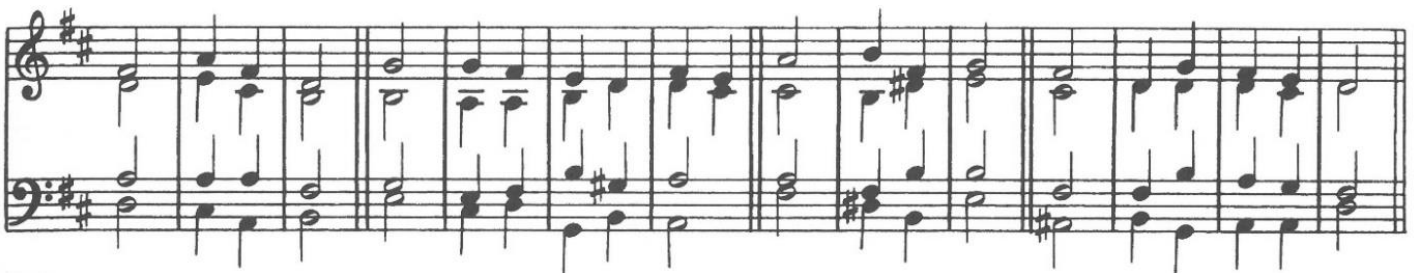
*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 31:1–5, 15–16

*At 8:00, the first lector invites us to read the text 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 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame; \*  
de'live'r me in your righ'teousness.
- 2 Incline your ear to me; \*  
make haste to de'live'r me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag and my stronghold; \*  
for the sake of your Na'me, lead me and guide me.
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, \*  
for you are my tower of strength.
- †5 Into your hands I com'mend my spirit, \*  
for you have redeemed me,  
O LORD, O God of truth.
- 15 My times are in your hand; \*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those who persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*  
and in your loving kindness save me.”

## Second Lesson (1 Peter 2:2–10)

*Lector:* A reading from the first Letter of Peter.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—  
if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's  
sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy  
priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in  
scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner”,

and

“A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God’s people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

... Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation stands as able.*

**Gradual Hymn:** You Are the Way (Worship 4<sup>th</sup> ed. #652)



1. You are the Way; through you a - lone Can  
2. You are the Truth; your words a - lone True  
3. You are the Life; the em - pty tomb Pro -  
4. You are the Way, the Truth, the Life: Grant



we the Fa - ther find; In you, O Christ, is  
wis - dom can im - part; You on - ly can in -  
claims your con - qu'ring arm; For those who trust you,  
us that way to know, That truth to keep, that



now re - vealed God's heart and will and mind.  
form the mind And pu - ri - fy the heart.  
death and hell Shall be no cause for harm.  
life to win, Whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

Text: George W. Doane, 1799–1859, alt.  
Tune: SHANTI, CM; Marty Haugen, b.1950, © 1984, GIA Publications, Inc.

## **The Gospel (John 14:1–14)**

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

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Sermon** (*The Rev. Joseph Peters-Mathews*)

*Sermon audio is recorded and made available on our website.*

## **The Nicene Creed**

*The congregation stands as able. This statement of belief dates from the 4<sup>th</sup> 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 [rector@goodshepherdfw.org](mailto:rector@goodshepherdfw.org). This list is published in Realm Resources for you to use in your private devotions; the link appears 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 [alisajohnson@hotmail.com](mailto:alisajohnson@hotmail.com).*

*Deacon:* O Risen Christ, meet us at your empty tomb. Baffle and astound us with your love, most especially in the places we would never dream of seeing you. Invite us to live our whole lives as a prayer, that when we see you again in all your glory, we will know you by the sound of your voice.

*Intercessor:* We pray for your church throughout the world. Gather us back together in your love, reorienting us to the ways of self-giving and reconciliation that it is the church's mission to share with the world. We give thanks for **Karen Dobbs**, on the occasion of her reception into the Episcopal Church on April 25 at St. Mark's Cathedral.

*Pause for additional prayers*

*Intercessor:* Sanctify us in truth, O Christ,

*People:* **For your word is truth.**

*Intercessor:* We pray for our nation, a troubled place struggling to remember its highest ideals. Where we have splintered into factions, reassemble us into a people eager to share generously the bounty of which we are capable. Where we have hardened ourselves in fear and given ground to the forces of cruelty, call us to repentance, that all who live here can be welcomed and celebrated.

*Pause for additional prayers*

*Intercessor:* Sanctify us in truth, O Christ,

*People:* **For your word is truth.**

*Intercessor:* We pray for our world, your first gift of joy and wonder to all your earthly creatures. In a time of dryness and disillusionment, reenchant us, that in eagerness we may respect the dignity of every human being and gladly give of ourselves that all may thrive in the glory of your love.

*Pause for additional prayers*

*Intercessor:* Sanctify us in truth, O Christ,

*People:* **For your word is truth.**

*Intercessor:* We pray for our community of Federal Way and all the communities from which we hail. In a transient society of lost and isolated people, help us reidentify as those who depend on one another to share fulfillment and happiness. Give us good work to do, that we may serve the common good with joy.

*Pause for additional prayers*

*Intercessor:* Sanctify us in truth, O Christ,

*People:* **For your word is truth.**

*Intercessor:* We pray for those who suffer and those in any need or trouble, including those here among us today.

*The Deacon shares the names of those on our prayer list and invites additional names.*

*Intercessor:* We pray for those who have died, trusting that for them now, there is no more appropriate word than “Hallelujah.”

*The Deacon shares the names of those who have died and invites additional names.*

*Intercessor:* Just as you returned from the grave to reassure your friends, O Christ, send us out to reengage in community and bear one another’s burdens, that in you all our grief and despair may be healed.

*Intercessor:* Sanctify us in truth, O Christ,

*People:* **For your word is truth.**

*Presider:* Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **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:* Reconciled to one another, let us bring our gifts to God. Let us offer our whole selves on this altar, for it has become a table richly laid for the entire world. Come share joyfully in Christ's eternal feast.

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



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*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. **To make a pledge today for 2026,** use the pledge card found in your pew or go to <https://tinyurl.com/pledgegoodshep2026>.*

Offertory Hymn: Here I Am, Lord (Gather 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. #777)

Verses



1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my  
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my  
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the



peo - ple cry. All who dwell in dark and sin  
peo - ple's pain. I have wept for love of them.  
poor and lame. I will set a feast for them.



My hand will save. I, who made the  
They turn a - way. I will break their  
My hand will save. Fin - est bread I



stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.  
hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love a - lone.  
will pro - vide Till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.



*Presider:* And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

### Sanctus (Hymnal #S-125)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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.”

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
*People:* **We celebrate Christ’s death and resurrection as we await the day of his coming.**

*Presider:* Therefore, O God, we who have been redeemed by Jesus Christ, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Savior. Sanctify us also, and let the grace of this Holy

Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*People:* **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

*Presider:* God of our ancestors; Redeemer and Mother of Israel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only and not for strength; for pardon only and not for renewal.

Accept these prayers and praises, Almighty God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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:

Our Fath-er in Heav-en, Ho-ly is your name. Your king - dom  
come, your will be done on earth as it is in Heav - en.  
Give us this day our dai - ly bread and for-give us our sins. For-give us our sins as  
we for-give those who have sinned a-against us. And save us from the time of trial.

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For yours is the king-dom. Yours is the glo-ry for - ev-er and ev-er. A-

men.\_\_\_\_\_ Yours is the king-dom. Yours is the glo-ry for - ev - er and

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ev-er. A - men,\_\_\_\_\_ for - ev-er and ev-er. A - men.\_\_\_\_\_

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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!**

At 10:30:

**Fraction Anthem:** As You Break Bread Among Us (*J. Hosler*)

**REFRAIN**  
*1st time cantor;  
subsequent times, congregation*

♩ = 92

As you break bread a - mong us, burn  
in our hearts, Lord Je - sus. As you Je - sus.

*The verses are sung by the cantor.*

1. I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."  
Now our feet are standing within the gates. Let us go in with gladness. **REFRAIN**
2. Now we are alive in Christ and dwell with the Lord.  
The Lord has spread a feast for us. Let us go in and eat. **REFRAIN**
3. Now your joy is within us, that our joy may be complete.  
Now we may abide in you, as you abide in us. **REFRAIN**

*Presider:* The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ destroyed death for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*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:** Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life (*The Hymnal 1982 #487*)



1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a  
 2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a  
 3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a



way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all  
 light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in  
 joy as none can move; such a love as none can



strife; such a life as kill - eth death.  
 length; such a strength as makes \_\_\_\_\_ his guest.  
 part; such a heart as joys \_\_\_\_\_ in love.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633). Music: *The Call*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

**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.**

## The Easter Blessing

*Presider:* May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and adopted us through the resurrection of Christ our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of God's blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

**Sending Hymn:** I Know That My Redeemer Lives (*Worship 4<sup>th</sup> ed. #527*)



1. I know that my Re - deem - er lives!  
2. He lives to bless me with his love;  
3. He lives and grants me dai - ly breath;  
4. He lives, all glo - ry to his name;



What joy this blest as - sur - ance gives!  
He lives to plead for me a - bove;  
He lives, and I shall con - quer death;  
He lives, my Sav - ior, still the same;



He lives, he lives who once was dead;  
He lives my hun - gry soul to feed;  
He lives my man - sion to pre - pare;  
What joy this blest as - sur - ance gives:



He lives, my ev - er - last - ing Head!  
He lives to help in time of need.  
He lives to bring me safe - ly there.  
I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738–1799  
Tune: DUKE STREET, LM; John Hatton, c.1710–1793

**The Dismissal**

*Presider:* Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*At this point our livestream ends. Coffee, snacks, and ongoing conversation are available after each service.*

## 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](mailto:office@goodshepherdfw.org).*

### Standing Committee Approves Sale of South Lot

All Episcopal Church land is owned not by the local parish, but by the diocese. As such, any major change to the land or sale of it must be approved at the diocesan level. This week we received word from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Olympia that our intended sale of the South Lot has been approved. Work now continues with Habitat for Humanity and the City of Federal Way to come to an agreement on the sale.

### Pastor Josh's Vacation Dates

**Pastor Josh will be away** from the office after today. First he will attend the annual diocesan clergy conference in Blaine April 27-29. Then he and Christy leave for Namibia May 2-18 to visit Sarah. **On May 3, 10, 17**, our supply priest will be **the Rev. Joseph Peters-Mathews**.

### Clothing Closet Seeks Clothing Items

The Good Shepherd clothing closet is once again seeking donations. Open your closets and drawers and see what can be shared! The Closet is open every Saturday with items for in-need individuals. The greatest need currently is for adult casual clothes: shoes, coats, sweats, and T-shirts. Drop off during office or service hours. If you need assistance delivering, contact **Tracie Manolides**.

### Good Shepherd Crafting Group

**Friday, May 8, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.**

Come craft with us! Bring your crafts and join in community! We will meet in the Gathering Room the second Friday of each month from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. For more information, contact **Jane Ely**.

### Midweek Bible Study

**Thursdays, 10:30-11:45 a.m. in the Gathering Room**

This group picks a book of the Bible to read straight through and discuss. Currently we are reading the Book of Job. Questions? Contact **Pastor Josh**.



### **Ascension Evensong**

**Wednesday, May 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Space**

A sung worship service marks the fortieth day of Easter, the day in which Jesus ascended to heaven and sent his apostles to Jerusalem to await the arrival of the Holy Spirit. This service features the Good Shepherd Choir singing the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis by Frank Henry Shera (1882-1956). Questions? Contact Director of Music **Alan Lynch**.



### **The Baptism of Thomas Ashford Jowenson**

**The Day of Pentecost, Sunday, May 24, 10:30 a.m.**

On the fiftieth and final day of the Easter season, we mark the coming of the Holy Spirit to give birth to the Church. This year we will baptize Thomas Jowenson, making him the world's newest Christian! It is traditional to **wear red** on Pentecost.

### **All-Parish Meeting on Property Redevelopment**

**Sunday, June 14 at 9:00 a.m.**

We are now sharing our architect's conceptual drawings of our accessibility project with contractors. And we are continuing conversations with Habitat for Humanity in the hope of selling the South Lot to them. Come learn more from the Property Redevelopment Task Force about where we stand and what our next steps are, and bring your questions and concerns.

## *Ministry Opportunities*

**Service Hours for Teens:** Did you know? Good Shepherd high schoolers can earn community service hours by participating in the church's ministries. Some roles may also be open to your friends. Are you interested in any of the ministries below? Talk to **Pastor Josh**.

**Eucharistic Visit "Seconds":** We always send our visitors out two by two, so this role is for literally any adult not related to the Eucharistic Visitor. Pay a visit to someone in need of care and conversation. Learn how these visits work, and consider whether you might someday like to be trained as a Eucharistic Visitor yourself. Talk to **Mary Aronen**.

**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:** We're always 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**.