

# **Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**

## **Building up God's people through His word for His world**

**All Saints Sunday**  
**November 2, 2025**

*In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints "who from their labors rest." In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of Jesus in today's gospel. Sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior's body and blood, we live with joy as God gives us breath, to the praise of God's glory.*

**We especially welcome our guests who are worshipping here today.** What a privilege to greet you! If you have no church home in the area, we invite you to participate in the life and ministry of Good Shepherd. For information about our congregation, visit [gslcva.org](http://gslcva.org). Also, please fill out a Welcome card, which you'll find near the hymnals, and place it in the offering plate.

**Our worship reflects the liturgical tradition of the Christian church.** Holy Communion is celebrated on the first, third, and fifth Sundays at 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. Our informal worship service features contemporary music and is held in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 a.m. on the second and fourth Sundays of the month, with communion celebrated on fourth Sundays.

**To all worshippers:** The presence of children in worship is a gift to the Body of Christ and a reminder that our congregation is growing. Remember that Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me." Please welcome our young ones and give their parents a smile of encouragement or a helping hand, if needed.

**To the parents of young ones, here are a few suggestions for worshipping with your children:** Relax! God put the wiggles and giggles in kids; don't feel that you have to suppress them in His house. All are welcome! Sit toward the front, where it is easier to see and hear what's going on. Quietly explain the parts of the worship service and actions of the pastor, ushers, communion assistants, etc. Sing the hymns and songs, pray, and voice the responses aloud. Children learn worshipful behavior by copying you. If you have to leave the worship service with your child or stand up and walk around the back of the sanctuary, feel free to do so, but please come back! And finally, if you so choose, . . .

**You are welcome to use our nursery,** as well as our parents' room next to the nursery, if your young ones need a break from the service. The Parents' Room is also a comfortable place where mothers may nurse their babies. The worship service is livestreamed to a monitor in the Parents' Room.

**We offer Sunday School** and a variety of Bible studies and spiritual growth opportunities for children, youth, and adults on Sunday mornings. All Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 a.m. See News and Announcements for class information.

**Flowers and plants in our worship areas** are supported by financial donations to the Flower Fund. These floral offerings beautify the church, uplift service participants, and remind us of God's good creation. You can find information about being a flower sponsor on the bulletin board near the Fellowship Hall and at [gslcva.org/giving](http://gslcva.org/giving) (look for the sponsorship form at the bottom of that page). Today's flowers are sponsored by Geoffrey Lunt in memory of Gerald Welliver Lunt, and Ken and Cheryl Uffelman in memory of their son Daniel.



## First Reading

## Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

*The book of Daniel was written in the second century, when the Syrian king Antiochus Epiphanes was persecuting the Jews. Daniel's vision of the four beasts proclaims that human kings will come and go, but the kingdom will ultimately belong to God and to God's people.*

R: <sup>1</sup> In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: <sup>2</sup> I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, <sup>3</sup> and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

<sup>15</sup> As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. <sup>16</sup> I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: <sup>17</sup> "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. <sup>18</sup> But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

## Ephesians 1:11-23

*After giving thanks for the faith of the Ephesians, the writer of this letter prays that they might understand the wisdom, hope, and power of God that is embodied in Jesus Christ.*

R: <sup>11</sup> In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup> so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup> In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup> this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

<sup>15</sup> I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup> that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup> so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup> God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup> And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

**Alleluia**

**Music in hymnal, page 156**

**Holy Gospel**

**Luke 6:20-31**

P: The Holy Gospel, according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

**Music in hymnal, page 157**

*In echoes of the prophet Isaiah and Mary's song of praise, Jesus reveals surprising things about who enjoys blessings and who endures woes. He invites his disciples to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders.*

P: <sup>20</sup> Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the kingdom of God.

<sup>21</sup> “Blessed are you who are hungry now,  
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,  
for you will laugh.

<sup>22</sup> “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup> Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

<sup>24</sup> “But woe to you who are rich,  
for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup> “Woe to you who are full now,  
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,  
for you will mourn and weep.

<sup>26</sup> “Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

<sup>27</sup> “But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; <sup>28</sup> bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. <sup>29</sup> If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. <sup>30</sup> Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. <sup>31</sup> Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Music in hymnal, page 157**

*Please sit*

## COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

### Prayer

P: Gracious Father in Jesus Christ, we remember with thanksgiving before you all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore, and in a greater light, that multitude which no man can number, whose hope was the Word made flesh, and with whom in the Lord Jesus we are one forevermore. As you have received our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of the resurrection to eternal life, bring us at last with them into the light of your presence, that in union with all your saints, we may laud and magnify your name forever, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: We remember those who together with us stood at the foot of the cross, who heard the Easter truths at the empty tomb, who have gone before us into the heavenly mansions.

### + MEMBERS AND FORMER MEMBERS +

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| <b>Hymn</b> | "For All the Saints" | <b>Hymn No. 677</b> |
|             |                      | Verse 1             |

### + FIRST-DEGREE RELATIVES OF MEMBERS +

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| <b>Hymn</b> | "For All the Saints" | <b>Hymn No. 677</b> |
|             |                      | Verse 2             |

### + OTHER RELATIVES AND FRIENDS OF MEMBERS +

*\*The loved ones of those departed prior to November 1, 2024, will be prayed for by our prayer team.*

*Please stand*

### Prayer

P: O Lord, support us all the day long of this troubled life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

*Please sit*

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| <b>Hymn of the Day</b> | "For All the Saints" | <b>Hymn No. 677</b> |
|                        |                      | Verses 3-4          |

*If you think your child might be unable to sit through the entire service, this would be an appropriate time to take him/her to the nursery.*

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| <b>Message</b> | "Dressed for What?" | Pastor James |
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### Musical Reflection

*Please stand*

## Nicene Creed

**C: 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.**

*Please sit*

## Announcements

Pastor Johann

*Please fill out a Welcome card and place it in the offering plate.*

## Anthem (8:00)

"I Am Thankful"

A. Killian, J. Stevens, and J. Einerson

*Rose Austin, soprano*

For the stars in the sky,  
Birds that flutter and fly,  
I am thankful, thankful!  
For the leaves on the trees,  
How they dance in the breeze,  
I am thankful, thankful!

*Refrain:*

*With an attitude of gratitude*

*For blessings big and small,*

*I'll show gratefulness and thankfulness*

*As I praise the Lord of all.*

*Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*

*I am thankful!*

For the bright, shining light  
Of the Lord Jesus Christ  
I am thankful, thankful  
For the life that he lived  
And the love that he gives  
I am thankful, thankful

*Refrain*

I feel gladness every day  
When I pray

*Refrain*  
*I am thankful!*

*Special thanks to Rose Austin, 11 years old, who provided the anthem for today's  
8:00 a.m. worship service*

**Anthem (11:00)**      “And I Saw a New Heaven”      Edgar L. Bainton  
*Sanctuary Choir*

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the [first] earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away. (Revelation 21:1-4)

*Please stand*

**Offertory Prayer**

**C:      God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever. Amen.**

**Prayer of the Church**

*At the end of each petition, the prayer leader will say, “Hear us, O God, ...”*

*The congregation responds, “Your mercy is great.”*

*Please see the News and Announcements sheet for a listing of intercessions.*

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

**Preface and Proper Preface**      **Music in hymnal, page 160**

**Sanctus ~ Holy, Holy, Holy**      **Music in hymnal, page 161**

**Lord's Prayer**

**C:      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.**

## The Words of Our Lord

### Pax Domini ~ *The peace of the Lord*

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

C: **And also with you.**

### Agnus Dei ~ *Lamb of God*

Music in hymnal, page 163

*Please sit*

### Distribution

**We believe** that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine, according to His Word: “This is My Body . . . this is My blood” (Matthew 26:26-27), and that in this sacrament our Lord gives us forgiveness of our sins, unity with God, and strength for a life of service.

**We invite** all baptized Christians who have made their First Communion, examined themselves, discern the body and blood of Christ in the sacrament for the forgiveness of their sins, and sincerely seek to amend their lives to join us at His Table.

**Distribution procedure:** Please come forward by the center aisle or as instructed by the usher. Fill the rail, beginning at the end near the wall. Kneel. Cup your hands to receive the bread. Then, take an individual cup from the tray as it is passed. **Cups in the innermost circle of the communion tray contain juice** for those who do not wish to drink wine. **For those who need gluten-free wafers:** Bring with you one of the brightly colored pieces of paper from the pews and hand it to the communion assistant who is distributing the wafers. That person will bring a gluten-free wafer to you.

**Return to your seat via the aisle next to the windows.** Place your empty communion cup in the bowl near the end of the rail. If you are unable to walk to the communion rail, please speak to an usher, and we will bring the sacrament to you.

**Distribution Hymns**    “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”  
                                  “Beautiful Savior”

**Hymn No. 576**  
**Hymn No. 537**

*Please stand*

### Prayer after Communion

P: God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ’s name.

C: **Amen.**

### Blessing

P: The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you + and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn**            “Now Thank We All Our God”

**Hymn No. 895**

## Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** "Concerto in A minor after Antonio Vivaldi" (BWV 593) J. S. Bach

*As your schedule permits, please be seated during the postlude for a time of prayer and reflection.*

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***Please join us for coffee and conversation following the service.***

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### Serving Today

|                             | 8:00                                                                                     | 11:00                                                                                      |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Worship Leader</b>       | Pastor Johann                                                                            | Pastor Johann                                                                              |
| <b>Preacher</b>             | Pastor James                                                                             | Pastor James                                                                               |
| <b>Crucifer</b>             | Cadence Raye                                                                             | *                                                                                          |
| <b>Acolyte</b>              | Xavier Raye                                                                              | *                                                                                          |
| <b>Scripture Reader</b>     | Henry Eickelberg                                                                         | Joshua Stone                                                                               |
| <b>Prayer Leader</b>        | Chris Miller                                                                             | Andrew Otterbacher                                                                         |
| <b>Cantor</b>               | Pastor Johann                                                                            | Pastor Johann                                                                              |
| <b>Communion Assistants</b> | Pastor Johann (host)<br>Pastor James (host)<br>Jamie Ellor (tray)<br>Melinda DeWan(tray) | Pastor Johann (host)<br>Pastor James (host)<br>John Purtilo (tray)<br>Jeff Peterson (tray) |
| <b>Ushers</b>               | Mike DeWan (lead)<br>Gary Budzier<br>Dan Pelletier<br>Jim Smith                          | Rob Fekete (lead)<br>Goodwyn Morgan<br>Jim Micsan<br>*                                     |
| <b>Choir Director</b>       |                                                                                          | Anne Lee                                                                                   |
| <b>Organist</b>             | Anne Lee                                                                                 | Anne Lee                                                                                   |
| <b>Altar Care</b>           | Diane Ellor                                                                              | Linda Fekete                                                                               |
| <b>Projectionist</b>        | Jeff Donahue                                                                             | Jeff Donahue                                                                               |
| <b>Audio Engineer</b>       | Matt Hardy                                                                               | Adam Sherman                                                                               |
| <b>Livestream Manager</b>   |                                                                                          | Matt Hardy                                                                                 |
| <b>Greeter</b>              | Kristi Nickerson (door)<br>Ric Nickerson (door)<br>Deanine Thrash<br>(welcome center)    | Dick Orth (door)<br>June McGurn<br>(welcome center)                                        |
| <b>Guest Welcome</b>        | Donna Harper                                                                             | Heidi Cooper                                                                               |
| <b>Engagement</b>           | Heidi Cooper                                                                             | Heidi Cooper                                                                               |
| <b>Opener</b>               | Ric Nickerson                                                                            |                                                                                            |
| <b>Closer</b>               |                                                                                          | Martin Farley                                                                              |
| <b>Coffee Setup</b>         | Drew Lipman                                                                              |                                                                                            |
| <b>Kitchen Cleanup</b>      |                                                                                          | Jan Morgan                                                                                 |

\* = unfilled as of October 29

## **Board of Servant Leaders**

Rob Fekete, chair  
Tony Esse, vice-chair  
John Purtilo, secretary

Larry Austin  
Drew Lipman  
Jennifer Pelletier  
Bernie Schoch

## **Core Ministry Areas**

### **Worship**

*Team Leaders: Georgia Thorstenson and Julie Schorfheide; Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann*

The Worship Team encompasses music, seasonal celebrations, arts, worship schedule, Sanctuary Choir (Anne Lee), Handbell Choir (Anne Lee), traditional worship, and contemporary worship (Matt Hardy), the worship spaces, and support personnel (e.g., ushers, greeters, acolytes).

### **Discipleship**

*Team Leader: Pastor James*

The Discipleship Team oversees adult education, Sunday school, Vacation Bible School, children's ministry (Michelle Tenhaeff), and youth ministry (Holly Vanderhoof).

### **Parish Life**

*Team Leader: Brian Cors; Staff Liaison: Heidi Cooper*

The Parish Life Team helps foster our community through Life Groups, member engagement, fellowship events, new member inclusion, concerts, public events, picnics, and intergenerational events, and reaches out to guests who worship at Good Shepherd.

### **Mission**

*Team Leader: Pastor Johann*

Through this core ministry area, Good Shepherd supports a variety of mission efforts: financial and prayerful partnering with missionaries, worldwide and local (Randy and Melanie Stockman); synod/district, social ministry, and community service (Holly Vanderhoof); evangelism, publicity, media, and social media (Jeff Donahue).

### **Congregational Care and Nurture**

*Team Leader: June McGurn; Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann*

The Congregational Care and Nurture Team helps support the mental, physical, emotional, and spiritual health of the congregation through literature, programs, and opportunities to serve others at Good Shepherd. This ministry's volunteers help in many ways: at memorial services and receptions; through member care visits and transportation; by sending cards for life events; and by arranging meals ("Take Them a Meal" team) for the sick and infirm, for their families, and for families with newborns.

### **Administration**

*Team Leader: Pastor Johann*

This team is in charge of property and contracts (Roger Thorstenson), financing the mission (Mike DeWan), stewardship (Don Kidwell), human resources/personnel (Matt Frankner), communications (Jeff Donahue), and technology (Gary Budzier).

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