



GOOD SHEPHERD

LUTHERAN CHURCH



November 26, 2020
Thanksgiving

Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
Building up God's people through His word for His world

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At harvest time we join the psalmist in offering thanksgiving to God: "You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty." We are grateful for the abundance of the good things of God's creation. Paul reminds us that our thanksgiving overflows into generosity. As the body of Christ in the world, we give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.

HANDBELL PRELUDE

"Chimings of Thankfulness"

Dan Edwards

CHORAL PRELUDE

"How Great Thou Art & Majesty"

Joel Raney

WELCOME

Pastor Johann

OPENING SONG

"Goodness of God"

I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

***All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God***

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other

I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

*Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me*

*With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me*

"Goodness of God"

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INVOCATION, CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. We reflect in quiet.

Holy One, I confess, my heavenly Father, that I have sinned. I have done that which you forbid. I have failed to do that which you command. I confess my slowness to give you thanks in all circumstances. I have taken for granted the simple gifts that sustain me as your child. I acknowledge before you my lack of love toward those who have so little when I have received so much. Forgive me, I pray, not because of any worthiness on my part but solely for the sake of your grace and the atoning work of Jesus Christ, your Son. By your Holy Spirit, lead me on paths of righteousness for your name's sake that I may serve you in faith; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Service of the Word

FIRST READING

Psalm 100

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving.

- L** ¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all you lands!
²Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.
³Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom we belong;
we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.
⁴Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the courts with praise;
give thanks and bless God's holy name.
⁵Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from age to age.

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:4-9

Paul urges the Christians at Philippi to rejoice, to be thankful, and to dwell on everything worthy of praise.

- L** ⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 17:11-19

A Samaritan leper becomes a model for thanksgiving. He does not take for granted the kindness shown to him but takes time to thank Jesus and to glorify God.

- P** ¹¹As Jesus continued his journey to Jerusalem, he traveled through Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he was entering a village, ten persons with leprosy met him. They stood at a distance from him ¹³and raised their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!" ¹⁴And when he saw them, he said, "Go show yourselves to the priests." As they were going they were cleansed. ¹⁵And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; ¹⁶and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? ¹⁸Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."



1 Praise and thanks-giv - ing, Fa - ther, we of - fer For all things
 2 Bless, Lord, the la - bor We bring to serve You That with our
 3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing Food for Your chil - dren, By Your wise



liv - ing, Cre - at - ed good: Har - vest of sown fields, Fruits of the
 neigh - bor We may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, We would work
 guid - ing Teach us to share One with an - oth - er, So that, re -



or - chard, Hay from the mown fields, Blossom and wood.
 with You, Har - vest - ing, mill - ing For dai - ly bread.
 joic - ing With us, all oth - ers May know Your care.

MESSAGE

"Green Beans and Cherry Pie"

Pastor James

REFLECTIVE RESPONSE

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
 and born of the virgin Mary.
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
 He descended into hell.
 On the third day he rose again.
 He ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING

Pastor Johann

CHORAL ANTHEM

“Majesty and Glory of Your Name”

Tom Fettke

When I gaze into the night skies and see the works of Your fingers;
the moon and stars suspended in space.
Oh, what is man that you are mindful of him?
You have given man a crown of glory and honor,
and have made him a little lower than the angels.
You have put him in charge of all creation:
the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea.
But what is man, that you are mindful of him?

O Lord, our God, the majesty and glory of your name
transcends the earth and fills the heavens.
O Lord, our God, little children praise you perfectly,
and so would we, and so would we.
Alleluia, Alleluia! The majesty and glory of your name.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

OFFERING PRAYER

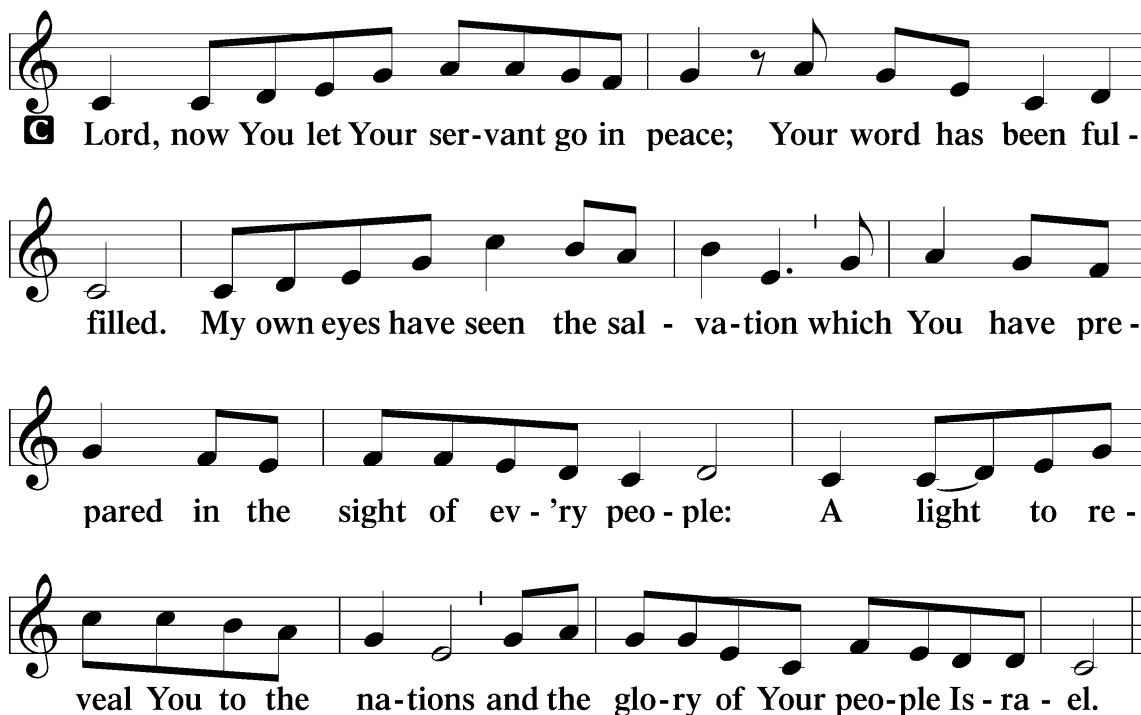
God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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.

NUNC DIMITTIS [Peaceful Departure]



C Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have prepared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to reveal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

BLESSING

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

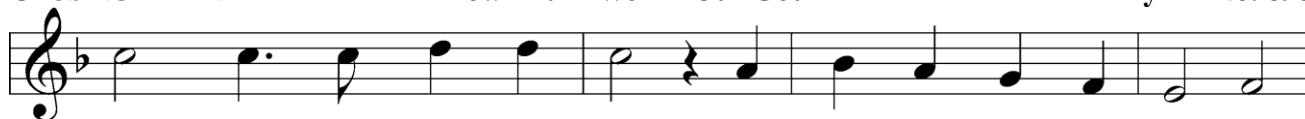
Peter Lutkin

The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord lift His countenance upon you and give you peace
The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you
Amen

CLOSING HYMN

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Hymn No. 895



1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voic - es,
2 Oh, may this boun-teous God Through all our life be near us,
3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa - ther now be giv - en,



Who won-drous things has done, In whom His world re - joic - es;
With ev - er joy - ful hearts And bless - ed peace to cheer us
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in high - est heav - en,



Who from our moth - ers' arms Has blest us on our way
And keep us in His grace And guide us when per - plexed
The one e - ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore;



With count-less gifts of love And still is ours to - day.
And free us from all ills In this world and the next!
For thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

arr. Jeffrey Bennett

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CORE MINISTRY AREAS

Worship

Team Leaders: Georgia Thorstenson and Julie Schorfheide;

Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann

music, seasonal celebrations, arts, worship schedule, Sanctuary Choir, Children's Choir (Laura Owens), traditional, contemporary, physical space, support personnel (e.g., ushers, greeters, acolytes)

Discipleship

Team Leader: Andy Muich

adult education, Sunday school, Vacation Bible School, family ministry, children's ministry, youth ministry

Parish Life

Team Leader: Brian Cors; Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann

Life Groups (Brian Cors), member engagement, fellowship events, new member inclusion (Melinda DeWan), concerts, public events, picnics, intergenerational events

Administration

Team Leader: Pastor Johann

property (Roger Thorstenson), financing the mission (Mike DeWan), stewardship (Don Kidwell), human resources/personnel (Matt Franker), communications, contracts, church office, calendar/program management, technology

Mission

Team Leader: Matt Dickert; Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann

world missions, synod, outreach, social ministry, community service, evangelism, publicity, media, social media

Congregational Care

Team Leader: Marilyn Voigt; Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann

member care visits, emergency transportation, maintain roster of the willing, guest follow-up

Good Shepherd is a member congregation of the Southeastern District
of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

About Good Shepherd...

Our vision

We will be a congregation known for building up God's people through His Word for His world.

Worship

During worship, God comes to us through his gifts of Word and Sacrament. What a joy to respond with prayer and songs of praise. Our worship services give us opportunity to listen to God's word and meditate upon it, thus feeding our faith; and express our concerns for our friends, families, community, and the world through prayer.

Serve

We are called to actively share the Good News of Jesus Christ through word and deed. One way we share is by serving one another and our neighbors in our community and throughout the world. Look at our Community Service Opportunities listing to find a way to serve.

Grow

We are committed to spiritual growth through the weekly gathering for prayer, praise, and thanksgiving, and through lifelong learning. In addition to growing in knowledge, we want to grow in love and service to others within and beyond our church community.

Connect

As we grow in our love for Jesus and our neighbors, as we serve our neighbors near and far, we help and encourage one another, challenge one another, and share one another's joys and sorrows. We build strong ties when we gather for worship as well as for events throughout the week. Look inside for many opportunities for connection.



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