



Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Good Shepherd United Methodist Church
September 26, 2021 10:30 am Order of Worship

Prelude: Dr. Larisa Soboleva, Music Director
Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart, arr. M. Hayes

Greeting

Call to Worship (Psalm 124, James 5) Worship Leader

Leader: If it had not been God who was on our side

People: the troubles of our world would have swallowed us whole.

Leader: If it had not been God who was on our side,

People: the sorrows of our times would have swept us away.

Leader: Are any among us suffering?

People: Come and pray.

Leader: Are any among us cheerful?

People: Come sing songs of praise.

Leader: Are any among us sick?

People: Come and ask for healing.

Leader: Our help is in our God,

People: the One who made heaven and earth.

Leader: Call upon God, creator and rescuer. God is on our side.

Opening Prayer Worship Leader

Jesus, Brother and Savior, we are grateful to find our way back to you. We have carried out another week's worth of responsibilities. We have watched another week's worth of news programs and have listened to another week's worth of predictions. Sometimes we have slept well; sometimes not. But here we are, before you once again, open to your presence. Revive us with your love and power. Fulfill your kingdom promises in our lives, in our church, and in our

world. In the name of God who created us and the Spirit who breathes new life in us, we pray. Amen.

Hymn: *God of Grace and God of Glory* #577

Listen as the choir sings

Scripture: Mark 9:38-50

Worship Leader

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon: *The Hope for Greatness (Series: Hope Is Here)*

Rev. Stephen K. Perrine

Offertory Music: *Adagio N. 5*, J. Rinck

Doxology Hymnal #95

Listen as the choir sings

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Hymn: *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve* #2241 (FWS)

Listen as the choir sings

Announcements

Benediction/Blessing

Postlude: *I Want Jesus to Walk With Me*, Traditional American spiritual, arr. M. Hayes

Announcements

Adult Bible Study continues on Thursdays, at 4:00 pm with Rev. Steve Perrine in person and on Zoom. Request the link if you are joining online.

October Food Pantry shopping list: toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant (NOT gender specific). We would appreciate your help in restocking our shelves with any of these items, plus your paper shopping bags.

Charge Conference is Wednesday, October 6, 2021 with SPRC at 6:15 pm and conference follows at 7:00 pm.

NOAH Project sack lunch prep is Sunday, October 17, 2021 after worship for the Central United Methodist Church NOAH Project. Sign-up at the Fellowship Hall Opportunity Center to volunteer, provide lunch items, or donate cash/check payable to Good Shepherd UMC designating NOAH Project in the memo line. Plan to stay for a half hour to make sandwiches or put lunch bags together. Your help is appreciated! Contact Pam Post with questions.

Friday, October 29, 2021, 6:00-7:00 pm join us for **Trunk or Treat** in the church parking lot to pass out candy to trick or treaters. Decorate your car and/or come in costume! Please see sign-up sheet to donate candy or participate that evening.