

WORSHIP LEADERS and MINISTRY TEAM PARTICIPANTS - ACOLYTE: Ruth Bruce; ASSISTING MINISTER: Bob Felde; COMMUNION SERVER: Martha Steele; CANTOR: Dennis Barnaal; ALTAR GUILD: Janeen and Jon Christy and Jeri Laursen; USHERS: Lyle Otte, Jerry Bruce; GREETER: Ruth Bruce; ORGANIST: Brooke Joyce.

All are welcome at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. God makes no exceptions. In the spirit of Jesus Christ, we offer trust and respect to all, including those who may experience alienation, distrust, or rejection. We rely on the healing, unconditional love of God to shape our community in the name of the Good Shepherd. In keeping with our welcome, Good Shepherd is a *Reconciling In Christ* congregation, affirming our welcome to gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and queer identifying persons to participate fully in the life of our congregation.

Welcome Guests. Good Shepherd members invite you to coffee and conversation following worship in our Fellowship Hall (down the east hallway). There are cards with information about Good Shepherd in the pew racks. Feel free to take one with you. Guests and members please sign and pass the red fellowship pads in the pews.

All are welcome to share in Holy Communion. Ushers will direct you to the communion line which forms at the back of the sanctuary and moves up to the altar rail. If you wish to have the Pastor serve Communion in the pew, please inform one of the ushers. The bread is gluten-free. Receive the bread with open hands, then dip it into either the chalice of wine or the glass goblet containing grape juice. Egg-free wheat wafers are available upon request. If you prefer a blessing, place your arms in front of your chest. You are also welcome to remain in the pew and offer prayers.

Thank you for bringing children to worship today. It is hard work to worship with kids, but it is such important work that helps them and the whole church. The sound of a child in worship is the sound of a new Christian being formed. The presence, energy, and noise of children are most welcome here. Our nursery is available as a quiet space for parents and children. Activity bags also are available there.

Today on **ALL SAINTS DAY** we give thanks for the saints who have gone before us and new saints in our midst. Together we remember and celebrate saints from our congregation who have died and been born since last All Saint's Day:

Don Pilgrim died February 23 Claire Elizabeth Ailabouni born August 13

Ruth Branhagedied September 3 Solveig LaVonne Bellrichard born October 17

Bunice Heidtke died September 8

Judy Mikkelsen died October 4

Today we also have opportunity for personal prayer, reflection and candle lighting to honor the other saints we remember on this day. After you have received communion at the altar rail you are welcome to light candles of remembrance at the stations in front of the altar.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

From *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* - ELW (red book in pew);
page numbers (P.) in front; hymn numbers (#) in back; congregational responses in **bold**.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC: "They Stand Before God's Throne" - J. S. Bach

PRAYER BELL - WELCOME - ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS*

In Luke's gospel, Jesus called together the disciples...

Let us now receive God's blessings, name our sin and turn to God for help.

Blessed are we when we let go of possessions for the kingdom of God unfolds in open places.

Woe to us when we gather into barns for soon this life will be over.

Blessed are we who know the ache of hunger for the empty places in body and soul are the fertile soil for new growth.

Woe to us who fill our lives to capacity for we fail to recognize what is missing.

Blessed are we who have loved deeply enough to know what loss feel like.

Woe to us when we deny pain or grief for the fullness of love is woven with sorrow.

Blessed are we who know scorn for the rejection of humans keeps us mindful of that beyond.

Woe to us who depend on the approval of others for to dance with the Spirit appears foolish.

In Christ Jesus, all our sorrow and woe is held and transformed. God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Your sins are forgiven, †God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG: # 422 For All the Saints vs. 1-4

GREETING: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Remembering the saints of Good Shepherd

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 149*

- ¹Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord | a new song,
God's praise in the assembly | of the faithful.
- ²Let Israel rejoice | in their maker;
let the children of Zion be joyful | in their ruler.
- ³Let them praise their maker's | name with dancing;
let them sing praise with tambou- | rine and harp.
- ⁴For the Lord takes pleasure | in the people
and adorns the | poor with victory.
- ⁵Let the faithful re- | joice in triumph;
let them sing for joy | on their beds.
- ⁶Let the praises of God be | in their throat
and a two-edged sword | in their hand,
- ⁷to wreak vengeance | on the nations
and punishment | on the peoples,
- ⁸to bind their | kings in chains
and their nobles with | links of iron,
- ⁹to inflict on them the judg- | ment decreed;
this is glory for all God's faithful ones. | Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:11-23

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: P. 198

GOSPEL: Luke 6:20-31

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: #723 Canticle of the Turning

APOSTLES' CREED P. 105

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Hear us O God, **Your mercy is great.**

PEACE: The Peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

OFFERTORY: "Rise up, O Saints of God" - William Walter

OFFERING SONG: #494 For the Bread Which You Have Broken

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING – HOLY: P. 199-200

LORD'S PRAYER: P. 201 *Our Father, Who Art in Heaven ...*

COMMUNION HYMNS: P. 201 Lamb of God, #639 When We Are Living, #418 Rejoice
in God's Saints

TABLE BLESSING and PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING OF COMMUNION

SENDING

BLESSING

SENDING SONG: #422 For All the Saints, vs. 5-7

PRAYER BELL and DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the Good News! **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: "Happy Land" - Sacred Harp

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