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## GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

... We Are God's People and the Sheep of God's Pasture ...

Psalm 100:3



**March 30th – Easter Vigil Worship**

### **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* partner congregation, affirming our welcome to persons of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, and our commitment to anti-racism work so that all may participate fully in the life of our congregation. We are an AMMPARO *Welcoming Congregation* - Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities.

The Good Shepherd buildings are Carbon Neutral/Net Zero Energy use.

**Welcome guests! There is more information for you on the back of the bulletin.**

## Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

*As you enter the Sanctuary, you are invited to make the transition from “getting here” to “being here”. Take a moment to silence phones. You may use these moments of quiet time to listen to the Prelude as you prepare to come fully into the presence of God and our community of faith.*

### Worship Books are in the Pews

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) - red book*

*All Creation Sings (ACS) - purple book*

Page numbers (p.) in front of the books; hymn numbers (#) in back of books.  
Congregational responses are in **bold**. An \* indicates a time to rise in body or spirit.

### Worship Window

#### Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church!

Beloved of God, this is the night! This is the night in which our Savior passed from death to life. On this most holy night we join with the church throughout the world in vigil and prayer.

We gather at a fire as the sun sets. From this fire, we light the Paschal candle - a new flame for a new beginning, a sign that the light of Christ cannot be contained in a tomb. We tell stories of God's faithfulness throughout history. We wait for and then celebrate Christ's Passover from death into life. The first Alleluias of Easter are sung in the dark night of the Vigil, assuring us that hope begins in the dark. Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we too pass from death to life. Tonight, we affirm our baptismal identities. Then, with the whole church, we share the meal of the Risen Christ who was made known to his grieving disciples in the breaking of bread.

**WELCOME TO ALL GUESTS and especially to Luther College Students!** It is a joy to worship with you.

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO SHARE IN HOLY COMMUNION.** It is Christ's table and Christ is the host. Instructions are included in the communion section of the Order of Worship.

**THE PRESENCE, ENERGY, AND NOISE OF CHILDREN ARE MOST WELCOME HERE!**

The sound of a child in worship is the sound of a new Christian being formed. This congregation is glad to share in this work. We welcome and encourage kids to move and play. A nursery with toys and activity bags is available. Mothers are welcome to nurse anywhere that works for you and your child. An Infant Feeding Chair is available in the music office (hallway outside of sanctuary) for more privacy if desired.

# GATHERING

*We light a new fire that reminds us of God's eternal presence.*

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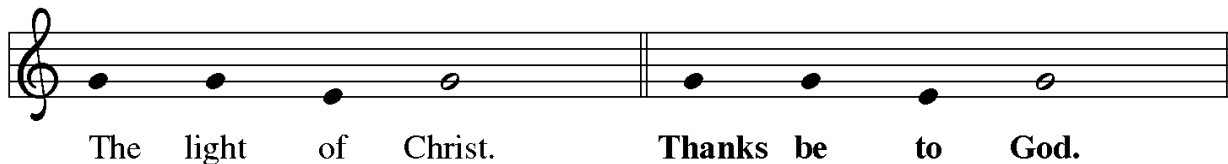
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Let us pray together... **O God, you are like a refiner's fire, and your spirit kindles the hearts of your faithful people: Bless this flame and all who keep this Easter festival so that, burning with desire for life with you we may shine with your justice and joy. Amen.**

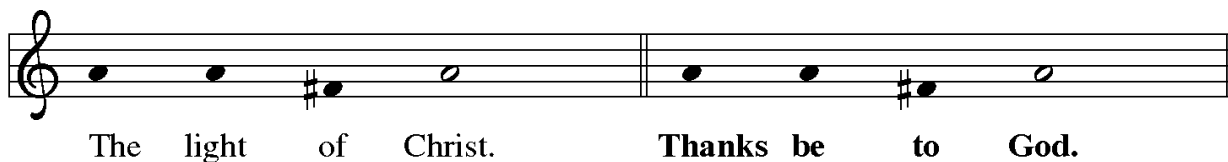
## \*BLESSING OF THE NEW FIRE and PASCHAL CANDLE

\*PROCESSION *into the Sanctuary*

*As the procession begins:*



*Midway through the procession:*



*As the procession reaches the sanctuary doors:*



We share the flame of the Paschal Candle. The assembly will enter the sanctuary through three doors. As you enter, light your candle from one of the candles at the door.

Please tip **unlit** candles toward lighted candles.

**HYMN:** ACS #999 "Your Canopy of Vigil Lights" – *cantor sings v. 1*



1 Your can - o - py of vig - il lights, each  
2 You walk with us a - long the way, your  
3 Re - freshed by sab - bath rest this night, a -



star your hand has set in place, be - stows a bless - ing  
Word, a lamp to pil - grim feet; stay with us now at  
wak - en us to your sha - lom: the reign of Christ, un -



on the night, and all cre - a - tion sings your praise.  
close of day, our un - known guest, our host and feast.  
fail - ing Light, where peace and jus - tice are at home



You formed the moon and fired the sun, you  
Grant those who share this eve - ning meal the  
and saints need nei - ther moon nor sun to



quick - ened dust with ho - ly breath, and bind - ing us to  
faith and vi - sion to be - lieve that hearts might see what  
sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly, O mer - ci - ful, im -



your dear Son, re - newed our life, de - stroyed our death.  
eyes con - ceal: by grace your pres - ence we re - ceive.  
mor - tal One, O bless - ed, ho - ly Trin - i - ty.

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**\* PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

Let us pray together... **O God, you are the creator of the world, the liberator of your people, and the wisdom of the earth. By the resurrection of your Son free us from our fears, restore us in your image, and ignite us with your fire, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Handheld candles are extinguished.*

**WORD**

*We hear the great stories of our faith. From the beginning, God is at work saving us from sin, death, and fear.*

**NARRATION**

**EXCERPTS FROM “THE GREAT STORY”** A poetic retelling of God’s stories of deliverance by Nathaniel Bothwell – refrain sung: ELW #262 “Wait for the Lord”

- 1. In the beginning...
- 2. In the days of Noah...
- 3. In the time of Abraham...

- 7. In a time of Zephaniah...
- 8. In the days of Jonah...
- 9. In the days of Daniel...

*Refrain Sung Below*

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- 4. In the days of Moses...
- 5. In the days of Wisdom...
- 6. In a time of exile...

- 10. In the days of Ezekiel...
- 11. In the time of Isaiah...
- 12. In the time of exile...

*Refrain Sung Below*

Word of God, Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Musical notation for the first line of the refrain. It consists of a treble and bass clef staff in G major (one sharp). The lyrics are: "Wait for the Lord, whose day is near." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence on the word "near." The bass line provides harmonic support with chords and single notes.

Musical notation for the second line of the refrain. It consists of a treble and bass clef staff in G major. The lyrics are: "Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!" The melody continues from the first line, ending with a final cadence on the word "heart!" The bass line continues with harmonic support.

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW #172 Halle, Halle, Hallejuah** (printed below)  
repeated as the sanctuary comes alive for Easter!

*We turn on the lights in the sanctuary, bring up the alleluia banner, and decorate the church while we sing our first Easter hallelujahs and welcome the resurrected Christ into our midst.*

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
 - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
 Hal - le - lu - jah.  
 lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

**\*GOSPEL John 20:1-18.**

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

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

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**REFLECTION**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY: ACS #938 Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers**



1 Christ has ris - en while earth slum - bers, Christ has ris - en  
 2 Christ has ris - en for the peo - ple whom he died to  
 3 Christ has ris - en to com - pan - ion for - mer friends who  
 4 Christ has ris - en and for - ev - er lives to chal - lenge



where hope died, as he said and as he prom - ised,  
 love and save; Christ has ris - en for the wom - en  
 fear the night, sens - ing loss and lim - i - ta - tion  
 and to change all whose lives are messed or man - gled,



as we doubt - ed and de - nied. Let the moon em -  
 bring - ing flow'rs to grace his grave. Christ has ris - en  
 where their faith had once burned bright. They be - moan what  
 all who find re - li - gion strange. Christ is ris - en,



brace the bless - ing; let the sun sus - tain the cheer; let the  
 for dis - ci - ples, hud - dled in an up - stairs room. He whose  
 is no long - er, they ex - pect no hope - ful sign till Christ  
 Christ is pres - ent mak - ing us what he has been: ev - i -



world con - firm the ru - mor: Christ is ris - en, God is here!  
 word in - spired cre - a - tion can't be si - lenced by the tomb.  
 ends their con - ver - sa - tion, break - ing bread and shar - ing wine.  
 dence of trans - for - ma - tion in which God is known and seen.

## **AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM**

*Baptism joins us to the death and resurrection of Christ. We are drowned and raised to new life.*

**READING:** Romans 6:3-11

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

### **\*PROFESSION OF FAITH**

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

### **\*AFFIRMATION BY THE ASSEMBLY**

You have made public profession of your faith.

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

To live among God's faithful people,

To hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,

To proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,

To serve all people, following the example of Jesus,

And to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

**I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**



May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, give you the strength to do these things. **Amen.**

**\*HYMN:** ACS #956 “Born, Reborn”

*Cantor sings refrain once, all join refrain. Cantor leads verses with all echoing. All join in refrains.*

*Refrain*

Born, re - born! Born, re - born! Formed, re - formed!

Souls with glad - ness now a - dorned! Born, re - born! Born, re - born!

Formed, re - formed! Praise our God for - ev - er - more!

1 Drown us. Drown us. Raise us. Raise us.  
2 Name us. Name us. Heal us. Heal us.

Mark us. Mark us. Claim us! Claim us!  
Wash us. Wash us. Seal us! Seal us!

*Refrain*

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**\*PEACE:** The peace of the risen Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** We share peace by waving to those worshipping online or through the public access channel.

# MEAL

We join together in this saving meal of Christ's death and resurrection. Alleluia!

**OFFERTORY:** "Pièce d'Orgue" – J. S. Bach

**\*OFFERING SONG:** ELW #388 "Be Not Afraid" *sung twice*

Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

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Text: Matthew 28:5; Taizé Community

Music: BE NOT AFRAID, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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**\*OFFERING PRAYER:**

Let us pray together... **Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**\*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

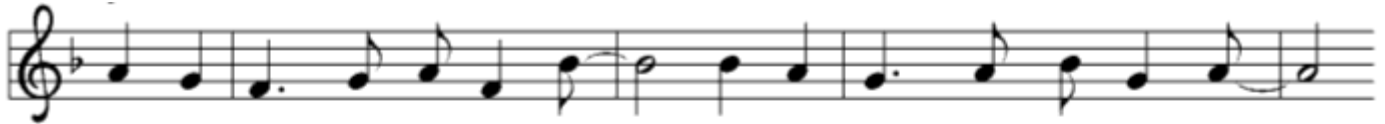
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn

Sing the words of the hymn *You Are Holy* once in unison



Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer  
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.  
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,  
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.  
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.



Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,  
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!  
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,  
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!



ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.  
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

Blessed are you Lord our God, creator of the universe....

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

O God...Grace our table with your presence. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself...Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones...now and forever. **Amen.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER:**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,  
let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

### **WELCOME TO COMMUNION:**

*All are welcome at Christ's table. As Lutherans we believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine, the body and blood of our Lord. All who desire to receive the gifts of grace, forgiveness, and new life are welcome to come to the Lord's Table. You do not need to be Lutheran or a member of Good Shepherd to receive these gifts.*

- *Ushers will direct you to the altar rail.*
- *Gluten and dairy free bread and red wine/white grape juice are available to all.*
- *If you prefer only blessing, indicate by placing your hands in front of your heart.*
- *Prepackaged servings of bread and wine are also available.*

**COMMUNION SONG** p. 154 Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



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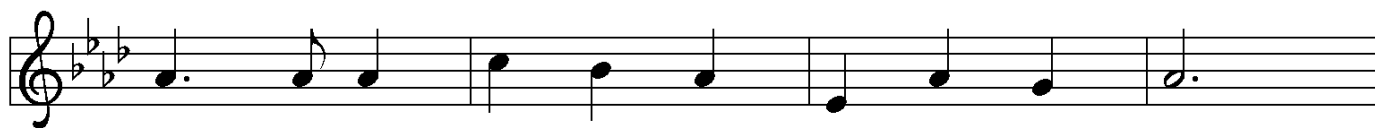


sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

ELW #377 "Alleluia! Jesus is Risen"



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!  
 2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter  
 3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;  
 4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:  
 5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!  
 tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;  
 life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;  
 death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.  
 gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!  
 break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:  
 heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,  
 Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!  
 riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!  
 Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.  
 gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.  
 Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.  
 sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

*Refrain*



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

## ELW #495 "We Who Once Were Dead"



- 1 We who once were dead now live, ful - ly know - ing Je - sus  
2 We were lost in night, but you sought and found us. Give us  
3 He be - came our bread; Je - sus died to save us. On him  
4 Let us share the pain you en - dured in dy - ing; we shall



as our head. Life is o - ver - flow - ing when he breaks the bread.  
strength to fight; death is all a - round us. Je - sus, be our light.  
we are fed, eat - ing what he gave us, ris - ing from the dead.  
then re - main liv - ing; death de - fy - ing, we shall rise a - gain.

5 Jesus, you were dead,  
but you rose and, living,  
made yourself our bread,  
in your goodness giving  
life though we were dead.

6 This is your design;  
in this meal we meet you.  
Be our bread and wine,  
Jesus, we entreat you.  
This shall be our sign.

Text: Muus Jacobse, 1909–1972; tr. composite

Music: MIDDEN IN DE DOOD, Rik Veelenturf, b. 1936

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## ELW #449 "We Know That Christ is Raised"



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.  
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.  
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.  
4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows



Em - braced by death, he broke its fear - ful hold,  
Re - born, we share with him an Eas - ter life,  
The Spir - it's fis - sion shakes the church of God.  
as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.  
as liv - ing mem - bers of our Sav - ior Christ.  
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.  
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:



Hal - le - lu - jah!

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### \*TABLE BLESSING

### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together... **Mighty and compassionate God, you have brought us over from death to life through your Son, our risen Savior, and you have fed us with the food of life in the sacrament of his body and blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### SENDING

*We are blessed for the journey and sent into the world to proclaim the good news of Christ.*

**\*BLESSING: ... Amen.**



**\*SENDING SONG: ELW #363 "Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain" vs. 1, 4, 5**



1 Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!  
2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ has burst his pris - on,  
3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright with the day of splen - dor,  
4 Nei - ther could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por - tal,  
5 Al - le - lu - ia! now we cry to our Lord im - mor - tal,



God has brought forth Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness,  
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun has ris - en.  
with the roy - al feast of feasts comes its joy to ren - der;  
nor the watch - ers, nor the seal, hold you as a mor - tal:  
who tri - um - phant burst the bars of the tomb's dark por - tal;



loosed from Pha-raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters;  
All the win - ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly - ing  
comes to glad Jer - u - sa - lem, who with true af - fec - tion  
but to - day, a - mong your own, you ap - pear, be - stow - ing  
Al - le - lu - ia! with the Son God the Fa - ther prais - ing;



led them with un - moist - ened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.  
from the Light to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing.  
wel - comes in un - wea - ried strain Je - sus' res - ur - rec - tion!  
your deep peace, which ev - er - more pass - es hu - man know - ing.  
Al - le - lu - ia! yet a - gain to the Spir - it rais - ing.

**\*DISMISSAL:**

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia, alleluia! **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!**

**PRAYER BELL – POSTLUDE: "Pièce d'Orgue" - J. S. Bach**

**The postlude sends us out for service in the world. Feel free to use this time in any way that helps to send you out! Please return your candles to the baskets in the back of the sanctuary.**

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