

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of South Hills

July 6, 2025 // 10:15 am Worship Service
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

The mission of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is to know and praise Christ, to grow in Christ and to share Christ with others.



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As we gather together for worship, we remember...

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

~WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand

~INVOCATION

~OPENING HYMN Let us Ever Walk with Jesus LSB 685

~CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 66:1-4

P: Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

C: **sing the glory of his name;
 give to him glorious praise!**

P: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

 So great is your power that your enemies come cringing
 to you.

C: **All the earth worships you
 and sings praises to you;
 they sing praises to your name."**

~ CONFESSION

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the
 truth is not in us.

C: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just
 will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all
 unrighteousness.**

P: Let us confess our sins to God our Father

C: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature
 sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in
 thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by
 what we have left undone. We have not loved You with
 our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as
 ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal
 punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ,
 have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,**

so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

(our silent confession)

~ ABSOLUTION

~HYMN Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing LSB 528
Verses 1, 3, 5, 6

~PRAYER

C: Blessed are you, O Lord our God: You stand with the downtrodden, offering them strength. You give a mission and purpose to your people. You turn fear into hope by your very presence.

Therefore we praise you, joining the song of the universal church and the heavenly choir:

(sing) **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

Please be seated

~OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 66:10-14

¹⁰ *"Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,
all you who love her;*

*rejoice with her in joy,
all you who mourn over her;*

¹¹ *that you may nurse and be satisfied
from her consoling breast;*

*that you may drink deeply with delight
from her glorious abundance."*^[a]

¹² *For thus says the Lord:*

*"Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river,
and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream;
and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip,
and bounced upon her knees.*

¹³ As one whom his mother comforts,
so I will comfort you;
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.
¹⁴ You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;
your bones shall flourish like the grass;
and the hand of the Lord shall be known to his servants,
and he shall show his indignation against his enemies.

~EPISTLE Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18 (Bear One Another's Burdens)
Brothers,^[a] if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are
spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on
yourself, lest you too be tempted. ² Bear one another's burdens, and so
fulfill the law of Christ. ³ For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is
nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴ But let each one test his own work, and
then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his
neighbor. ⁵ For each will have to bear his own load.
⁶ Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one
who teaches. ⁷ Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one
sows, that will he also reap. ⁸ For the one who sows to his own flesh will
from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will
from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹ And let us not grow weary of doing
good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So then, as
we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those
who are of the household of faith.

¹⁴ But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus
Christ, by which^[a] the world has been crucified to me, and I to the
world. ¹⁵ For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor
uncircumcision, but a new creation. ¹⁶ And as for all who walk by this
rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.
¹⁷ From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the
marks of Jesus.
¹⁸ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

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

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

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. ² And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' ⁶ And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. ⁷ And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. ⁹ Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, ¹¹ 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.' ¹² I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

¹³ *"Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. ¹⁴ But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ¹⁵ And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades.*

¹⁶ *"The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me."*

¹⁷ *The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" ¹⁸ And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."*

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

~CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

~HYMN OF THE DAY Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling
LSB 827

~MESSAGE "Jesus Christ Equips You to Spread
His Love and Peace"
Luke 10:1-20

Please stand

~APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the
dead.

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

Please be seated

~OFFERING

Please stand

~PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

All: Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

~PRAYERS

**following all prayers the response will be:*

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

~LORD'S PRAYER

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~BENEDICTION

P: May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace. Now you have every spiritual gift you need as you eagerly wait for the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will keep you strong to the end so that you will be free from blame on the day when our Lord Jesus Christ returns.

C: Amen

~CLOSING SONG **America the Beautiful**

Verse 1 O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves
of grain, For purple mountain majesties Above the
fruited plain! America! America! God shed His
grace on thee, And crown thy good with
brotherhood From sea to shining sea!

Verse 3 O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife,
Who more than self their country love And mercy

more than life! America! America! May God thy
gold refine Till all success be nobleness, And
every gain divine!

Verse 4

O beautiful for patriot dream That sees beyond
the years, Thine alabaster cities gleam Undimmed
by human tears! America! America! God shed His
grace on thee, And crown thy good with
brotherhood From sea to shining sea!

~POST SERVICE MUSIC



*Thanks for worshiping with us!
See you next week!*