

# Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of South Hills

October 12, 2025 // 10:15 am Worship Service  
***Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost***

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*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      There Is a Balm in Gilead      LSB 749**

**~CALL TO WORSHIP      Psalm 111:1-3**

**A:**      Praise the Lord!

**C:**      **I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,  
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**

**A:**      Great are the works of the Lord,  
studied by all who delight in them.

**C:**      **Full of splendor and majesty is his work,  
and his righteousness endures forever.**

**~CONFESSION**

**P:**      O God,

**C:**      **so often we take you for granted.  
We take for granted that you will answer our prayers,  
that you will heal us and make us whole.  
We take for granted that you love us.  
Forgive us for not appreciating  
Your grace and presence in our lives.  
Help us to be more thankful.  
Give us faith to see you in everything  
And everyone around us,  
So that we may be truly grateful.  
In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

*(our silent confession)*

**~ABSOLUTION**

**~HYMN OF PRAISE      O Day of Rest and Gladness      LSB 906  
Verses 1-3**

*\*Please be seated\**

## ~PRAYER

- A: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you people!  
C: **With shouts of joy we celebrate the good news of God's love**  
A: Open your hearts to the warmth of God's redeeming love.  
C: **God has poured such wonder into our lives!**  
A: Come, let us worship God with hearts and souls and voices!  
C: **Let our praise ring to the rafters and ascend to the heavens! Amen.**

## ~OLD TESTAMENT *Ruth 1:1-19*

*In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. <sup>2</sup> The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. <sup>3</sup> But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. <sup>4</sup> These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, <sup>5</sup> and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.*

*<sup>6</sup> Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the Lord had visited his people and given them food. <sup>7</sup> So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. <sup>8</sup> But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. <sup>9</sup> The Lord grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. <sup>10</sup> And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." <sup>11</sup> But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? <sup>12</sup> Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, <sup>13</sup> would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the Lord has gone out against me." <sup>14</sup> Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.*

*<sup>15</sup> And she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." <sup>16</sup> But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave*

you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. <sup>17</sup> Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the Lord do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you.” <sup>18</sup> And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more.

<sup>19</sup> So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem. And when they came to Bethlehem, the whole town was stirred because of them. And the women said, “Is this Naomi?”

**~EPISTLE**      2 Timothy 2:1-13      (A Good Soldier of Christ Jesus)

You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup> and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men,<sup>[a]</sup> who will be able to teach others also. <sup>3</sup> Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. <sup>4</sup> No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. <sup>5</sup> An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. <sup>6</sup> It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. <sup>7</sup> Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

<sup>8</sup> Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, <sup>9</sup> for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! <sup>10</sup> Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup> The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

<sup>12</sup> if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he also will deny us;

<sup>13</sup> if we are faithless, he remains faithful—  
for he cannot deny himself.

**L:**      This is the Word of the Lord.

**C:**      **Thanks be to God.**

*\*Please stand\**

**~GOSPEL**      Luke 17:11-19 (Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers)

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

**C:**      **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>11</sup> On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance <sup>13</sup> and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on

us.” <sup>14</sup> When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. <sup>15</sup> Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; <sup>16</sup> and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine?” <sup>18</sup> Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup> And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

*\*Please be seated\**

### **~CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

*(Sunday school age children (preschool – 6<sup>th</sup> grade) will leave after the children’s message to go to a classroom for Sunday School)*

**~HYMN OF THE DAY**      **Children of The Heavenly Father**      **LSB 725**

**~MESSAGE**      *“Jesus Christ Heals You Forever with His Love”*  
*Luke 17:11-19*

### **~APOSTLES’ CREED**

**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.**

**~OFFERING**

*\*Please stand\**

**~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**

**~CLOSING SONG Now Thank We All Our God**

**LSB** 895

**~POST SERVICE MUSIC**



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