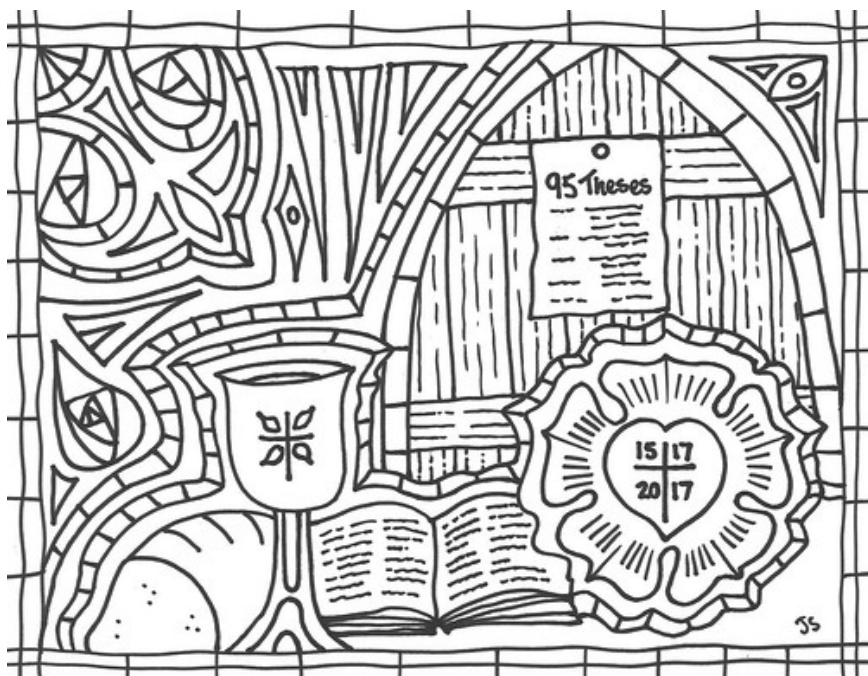


Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of South Hills

October 26, 2025 // 10:15 am Worship Service
Reformation

*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...

" But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus"
-Romans 3:21-24

Jesus invites his followers to participate in **The Lord's Supper**. He gives His very body and blood in, with and under the bread and wine (Matthew 26:26-28). Paul encourages us to **examine** our hearts and our relationships as we prepare to share in this meal together (I Corinthians 11:27-29). For those unable to drink wine, the center ring holds cups intinctured with wine. If you have any questions, feel free to talk to Pastor.

- Psalm 139:23-24

~WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand

~INVOCATION

~OPENING HYMN Dear Christians, One and All Rejoice

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Verses 1-4

~CALL TO WORSHIP

- A: Be still!
C: **We come to quiet ourselves in this haven of holiness.**
A: Be still and know . . .
C: **we come to discern the Word which can set us free.**
A: Be still and know that God is
C: **our Hope, our Help, our Refuge, and our Redeemer.**

~PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- P: Lord of all,
C: **the demands of your righteousness**
 are too hard for us to fulfill alone,
 so we rush off with, ourselves excuse
 and ignore your law.
 You forgive our iniquity and remember our sin no more,
 and we abuse this freedom
 as if it were a license to selfishness,
 self-indulgence and self-righteousness.
 You give us the gift of grace: atonement in the blood your
 Son,
 yet we make it cheap without serious repentance.
 We fail to see the power of your faithfulness.
 We are your people, but do we know you as our God?

**Forgive us Lord, the sins we know in our heart.
Save us Lord from the sins we hide.**

(our silent confession)

P: God of our refuge and strength...

C: **have mercy on us, write on our hearts. Amen**

~ABSOLUTION

P: God does show us God's own righteousness,
and divine forbearance.

Through the work of the Holy Spirit given to us,
we may come to know the truth and be made free.

Jesus Christ the Son of God sets us free from our slavery to sin.

Our sins are forgiven.

Through his death and resurrection

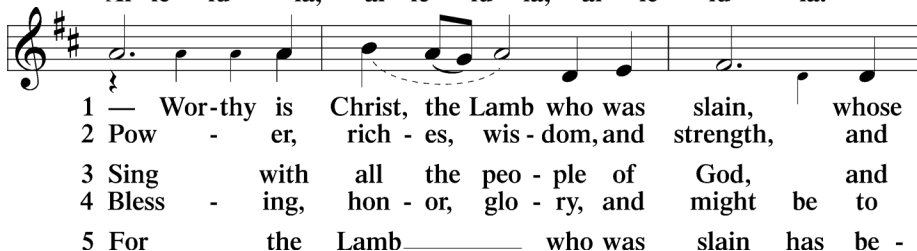
a place is made for us in the household,
and we may be know as children of God.

To the glory of the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

~HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the Feast





blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Please be seated

~FIRST READING

Revelation 14:6-7

(The Messages of the Three Angels)

⁶ Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷ And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

~EPISTLE

Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For by works of the law no human being^[a] will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶ It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷ Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

~**GOSPEL** *John 8:31-36 (The Truth Will Set You Free)*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the eighth chapter.

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

³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³ They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave[a] to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Please be seated

~**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

~**HYMN OF THE DAY** **Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word**
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~**MESSAGE**

*"Justified by God's Grace
John 8:31-36*

~**NICENE CREED**

C **I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,**

begotten, not made,
 being of one substance with the Father,
 by whom all things were made;
 who for us men and for our salvation came down
 from heaven
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
 and was made man;
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
 He suffered and was buried.
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
 and ascended into heaven
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the
 living and the dead,
 whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Lord and giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son together is
 worshiped and glorified,
 who spoke by the prophets.
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

~OFFERING

Please stand

~PRAYER

- A: Lord, We are grateful for the five Solas that set in stone a renewed foundation for the church.
 We thank you for Sola scriptura "Scripture Alone"
- C: without the inspired, inerrant, infallible, all-sufficient Word of God we would be lost in a maze of the traditions and schemes of men.**
- A: We thank you for Sola fide "Faith alone"
- C: that wonderful gift granted to us through no merit of our own.**
- A: And we rejoice that Sola fide is closely knit to Sola gratia "grace alone"
- C: The banner that was raised high destroying the damnable doctrine of salvation by works by which no one could ever hope to be saved. For by grace we are saved through faith**

**and not of works, but by that glorious free gift of God.
Thank you for delivering us from legalism.**

A: Oh Lord, where is boasting when as we ponder that great reformation cry Solus Christus. "Christ Alone"

C: **The Lamb of God that bore the wrath of God for undeserving sinners condemned by God. We are humbled today that in Christ alone we have been given a righteousness that is not our own. Well did Luther sing: Did we in our own strength confide, Our striving would be losing; were not the right Man on our side, The Man of God's own choosing.**

A: Together we cry with our fellow reformers, Soli Deo gloria "to the glory of God alone"

C: **Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!**

All: **We thank you for the Luthers, the Calvins, the Zwinglis and so many more who stood in the face of Rome and brought great light out of darkness, hope from oppression, truth out of error, liberty from tyranny.**

Oh Lord, give us the backbone and determination to stand as they did; We hear their calls, and hunger for the day when with them and Christ we stand in Glory. Amen.

~PRAYERS

**following all prayers, the response will be:*

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

~LORD'S PRAYER

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++ THE LORD'S SUPPER ++

~PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you

C: **And also with you**

P: Lift up your hearts

C: **We lift them to the Lord**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary...

C: **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might; Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who come in the name of the Lord.**

~WORDS OF INSTITUTION

~PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**Please be seated.*

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Thanks for worshiping with us!
See you next week!