

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of South Hills

October 11, 2026 // 10:15 am Worship Service
Twentieth 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.



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

*"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."
~Romans 12:2*

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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 or Elder.

~PRESERVICE MUSIC

~WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand

~INVOCATION

~OPENING HYMN **Just As I Am, without One Plea** **LSB 570**
Verses 1-4

~CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 23

P: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

C: **He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.**

P: He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

C: **Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,**

**I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.**

P: You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

C: **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
forever.**

~CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: **who made heaven and earth.**

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: **but with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared**

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar; let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one Another that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

(our silent confession)

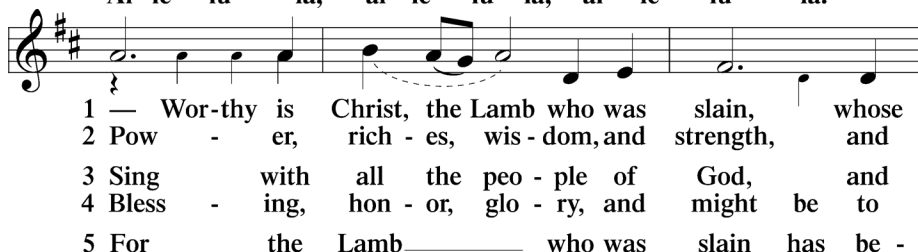
P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated

~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.

~PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Create in me a clean heart O God
C: and renew a right spirit within me.
 P: Cast me not away from Your holy presence
C: or take Your Holy Spirit from me.
 P: Restore unto me the joy of your salvation
C: and uphold me with your free spirit. AMEN!

~OLD TESTAMENT *Isaiah 25:6-9*

⁶ On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
 a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,
 of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

⁷ And he will swallow up on this mountain
 the covering that is cast over all peoples,
 the veil that is spread over all nations.

⁸ He will swallow up death forever;
 and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces,
 and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,
 for the Lord has spoken.

⁹ It will be said on that day,
 "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.
 This is the Lord; we have waited for him;
 let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

~EPISTLE *Philippians 4:4-14*

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. ⁵ Let your reasonableness^[a] be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶ do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ What you have learned^[b] and received and heard and seen in me— practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰ I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹ Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned, in whatever situation I am, to be content. ¹² I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³ I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

¹⁴ Yet it was kind of you to share^[c] my trouble.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

~GOSPEL *Matthew 22:1-14* *(The Parable of the Wedding Feast)*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

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

And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ² “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³ and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, “See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.”’ ⁵ But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷ The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their

city.⁸ Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy.⁹ Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.'¹⁰ And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ “But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹² And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

Sunday School age children can leave and go to Sunday School in room 6. Children will return to their families after the prayers

~HYMN OF THE DAY Lord Jesus, Think on Me LSB 610

~MESSAGE

"A Different Way of Thinking"
Philippians 4:4-14

~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

~PRAYERS

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

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

~LORD'S PRAYER

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A: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray..

++ THE LORD'S SUPPER ++

~PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you

C: **And also with you**

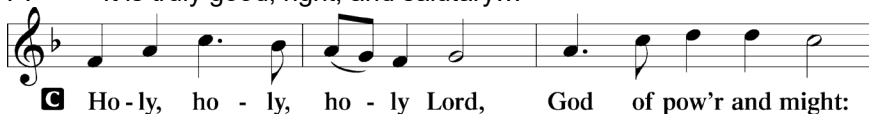
P: Lift up your hearts

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...





~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

~DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

**The usher will direct you down the center aisle.*

~DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

The Lamb

LSB 547

I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

LSB 618

~POST COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

~BENEDICTION

~CLOSING SONG

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

LSB 515

~POST SERVICE MUSIC

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