

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 12, 2024 9:30 A.M.

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**WELCOME!** We are delighted to have you worship with us. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to share ours. Please sign our “Friendship Register” providing the requested information. Be sure to introduce yourself to Pastor Andrew; he would love to meet you.

**NURSERY** The nursery is open for parents to take their small children during worship service. The space is available but not staffed. Parents are invited to take their children to play. For your convenience a TV is provided to watch a live stream of the worship service. Please make yourself at home and pick up toys before leaving. For your safety, the Education Building is locked. Please see an usher to open the door if you do not have a key.

**FOR THOSE CHILDREN REMAINING IN THE SANCTUARY,** Quiet Bags filled with activities are hanging on the coat racks in the Narthex. Parents of young children are invited to pick up a bag at the beginning of the service. Ushers can direct you to their location.

**ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS ARE WELCOME TO THE FEAST AT THE LORD’S TABLE.**

If you are unable to come forward for communion, please notify an usher so that communion may be brought to you at your seat. If you are unable to receive either the bread or wine, please be assured that the fullness of our Lord’s presence is complete in either element alone. Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available; please let the communion server know of your need. Young children who commune should be assisted by their parents.

**A PRAYER BOX** is located in the Narthex for any Prayer Requests that you might have.

**PLEASE SEE THE CALENDAR** in this bulletin for a listing of events taking place at Good Shepherd this week. There is also a monthly calendar on the web page at [www.gslc.com](http://www.gslc.com).

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND WORSHIP,** our services are live-streamed and archived for viewing at other times. See the web page at [www.gslc.com](http://www.gslc.com) for links to these services.

**THE GOOD SHEPHERD FOOD PANTRY** collects non-perishable food items throughout the month with special emphasis on collection the third Sunday of every month. It is open for distribution Wednesdays from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

**REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH FAMILY,** especially those you have not seen for a while. Send a card, make a phone call, or pay a visit. Let them know we love and care for them and wish them God’s blessings.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE** is closed on Saturdays and Sundays. Office hours are Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. In the event of an emergency, call the church office at (803) 787-4413 or Pastor Andrew Isenhower at (803) 409-8270. His email address is [pastor@gslc.com](mailto:pastor@gslc.com).

## ✠ GATHERING ✠

*As we gather for worship, please be aware of those around you who may be in a time of quiet reflection before the service starts. Please remember to silence any electronic devices.*

PRELUDE

**CHRIST IS MADE THE SURE FOUNDATION**

PROULX

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *Congregation stands.*

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

*The congregation stands and turns to face the cross in procession, reminding us that Christ leads us into the presence and love of God.*

GATHERING HYMN 432

**THE HEAD THAT ONCE WAS CROWNED**

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| 1 | The head that once was crowned with thorns<br>is crowned with glory now;<br>a royal diadem adorns<br>the mighty victor's brow.              | 4 | To them the cross, with all its shame,<br>with all its grace, is giv'n;<br>their name, an everlasting name,<br>their joy, the joy of heav'n.   |
| 2 | The highest place that heav'n affords<br>is his by sov'reign right,<br>the King of kings, and Lord of lords,<br>and heav'n's eternal light. | 5 | They suffer with their Lord below;<br>they reign with him above;<br>their profit and their joy to know<br>the myst'ry of his love.             |
| 3 | The joy of all who dwell above,<br>the joy of all below<br>to whom he manifests his love,<br>and grants his name to know;                   | 6 | The cross he bore is life and health,<br>though shame and death to him;<br>his people's hope, his people's wealth,<br>their everlasting theme! |

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

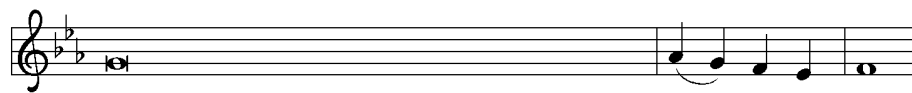
# KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



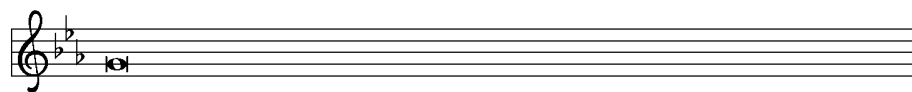
Lord, have mercy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mercy.



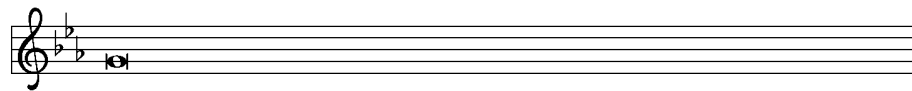
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mercy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mercy.




Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Refrain*



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




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



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and  
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



*Refrain*  
hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



*Refrain*  
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

✠ WORD ✠

**FIRST READING** *Congregation sits.*

**ACTS 1:15-17, 21-26**

A reading from Acts.

<sup>15</sup>In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, <sup>16</sup>“Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—<sup>17</sup>for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” <sup>21</sup>So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” <sup>23</sup>So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup>Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” <sup>26</sup>And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 1**

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel <sup>1</sup>of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats <sup>1</sup>of the scornful!

<sup>2</sup>**Their delight is in the law <sup>1</sup>of the LORD, and they meditate on God’s teaching <sup>1</sup>day and night.**

<sup>3</sup>They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that <sup>1</sup>do not wither; everything they <sup>1</sup>do shall prosper.

<sup>4</sup>**It is not so <sup>1</sup>with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind <sup>1</sup>blows away.**

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when <sup>1</sup>judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council <sup>1</sup>of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup>**For the LORD knows the way <sup>1</sup>of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall <sup>1</sup>be destroyed.**

**SECOND READING**

**1 JOHN 5:9-13**

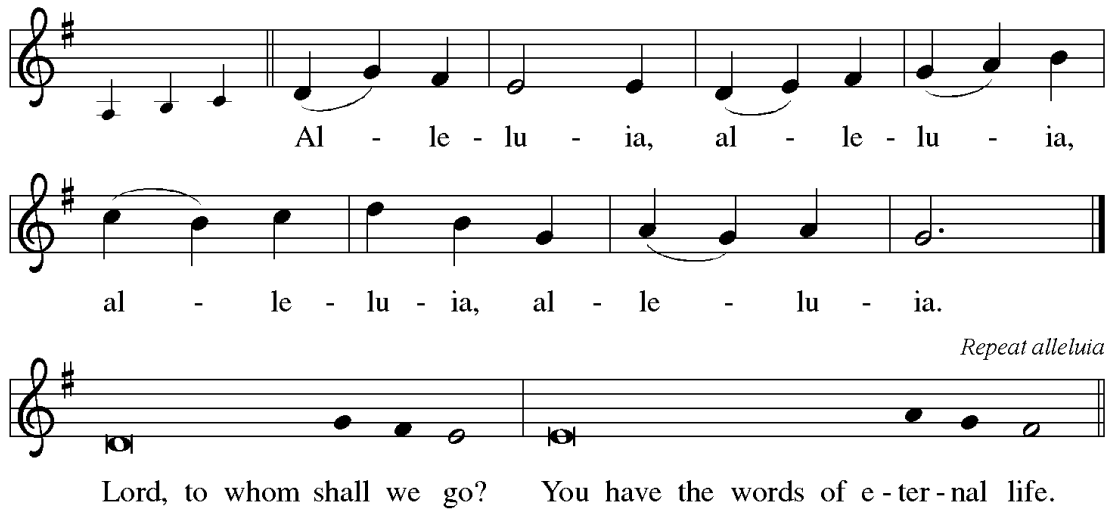
A reading from 1 John.

<sup>9</sup>If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. <sup>10</sup>Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. <sup>11</sup>And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup>Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. <sup>13</sup>I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Congregation stands.*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

**GOSPEL**

**JOHN 17:6-19**

The Holy Gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus prayed:] <sup>6</sup>“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. <sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup>But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. <sup>14</sup>I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>15</sup>I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Congregation sits.*

**CHILDREN’S SERMON**

**PASTOR ANDREW ISENHOWER**

**SERMON**

**PASTOR ANDREW ISENHOWER**

**HYMN OF THE DAY 645** *Congregation stands.*

**CHRIST IS MADE THE SURE FOUNDATION**

1 Christ is made the sure foundation,  
Christ, our head and cornerstone,  
chosen of the Lord and precious,  
binding all the church in one;  
holy Zion's help forever  
and our confidence alone.

2 To this temple, where we call you,  
come, O Lord of hosts, and stay;  
come, with all your lovingkindness,  
hear your people as they pray;  
and your fullest benediction  
shed within these walls today.

3 Here bestow on all your servants  
what they seek from you to gain;  
what they gain from you, forever  
with the blessed to retain;  
and hereafter in your glory  
evermore with you to reign.

4 Praise and honor to the Father,  
praise and honor to the Son,  
praise and honor to the Spirit,  
ever three and ever one:  
one in might and one in glory  
while unending ages run!

**NICENE CREED**

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** *Congregation kneels or sits.*

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

*A brief silence.*

You sanctify us in your truth; your word is truth. Send your church out into the world to spread your love and joy. Embolden all bishops, pastors, and deacons to be faithful ministers of your word and sacraments. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Your creation groans under the strain of pollution. Preserve melting glaciers and dwindling forests. Bolster those who work for climate justice and help us all to be good and faithful stewards of your creation. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Your people seek wisdom, understanding, and peace. Guide all those who govern and inspire them to work on behalf of the most vulnerable in our midst. Keep safe first responders, those serving in the military, and those whose duty it is to protect others. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Your children need your loving care. Protect them from all harm. Comfort those in any affliction, especially all whom we name now aloud and silently. Support those who grieve and bring solace to those near death.

God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Your Spirit lives within us here. Inspire the work of this congregation and unite us as one. Bless all the mothers in our midst, console those for whom this day is difficult, and gather us all under the care of your loving wings. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Your saints dwell with you in light. Keep us ever thankful for those who have gone before us in faith. Inspire us by their witness. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

**Amen.**

**PEACE** *Congregation stands.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**✠ MEAL ✠**

**OFFERING** *Congregation sits.*

**ANTHEM**

***I WILL NOT LEAVE YOU COMFORTLESS***

**TITCOMB**

**OFFERING SONG** *Congregation stands.*

**Your name we bless, O risen Lord,**

**And sing today with one accord,**

**The life laid down, the life restored.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

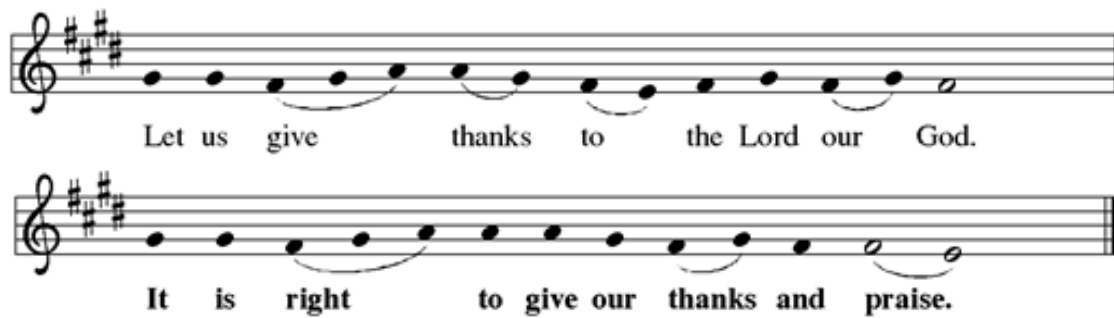
Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

**Amen.**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

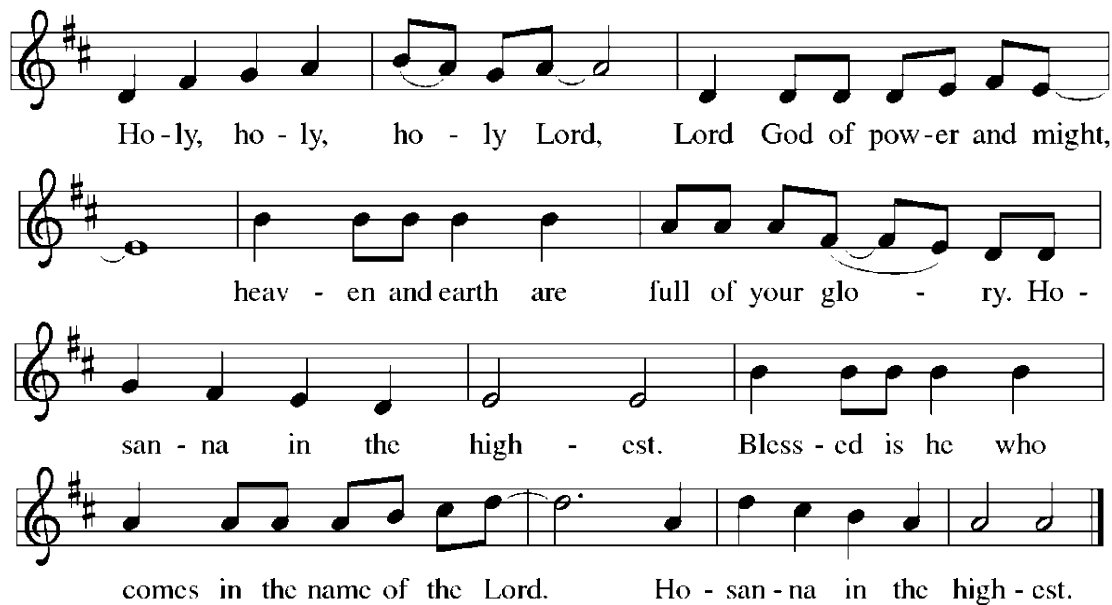
The Lord be with you. And also with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.





It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.  
 Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

- Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
- Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
- Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
- Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.
- Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
- Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
- Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: The cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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 of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread.

Come and eat at God's table.

**Thanks be to God.**

### COMMUNION *Congregation sits.*

*All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's table. Young children who commune should be assisted by their parents. If you are unable to receive either the bread or wine, please be assured that the fullness of our Lord's presence is complete in either element. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available; please let the communion server know of your need. After communing, please return to your seat. If you are unable to come to the altar, please notify an usher so that communion may be brought to you.*

### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace." The music is a simple, melodic line with lyrics written below the notes.

COMMUNION MUSIC

GLORIFY THY NAME

1 Fa - ther,  
 2 Je - sus, we love you, we wor - ship and a - dore you,  
 3 Spir - it,  
 glo - ri - fy thy name in all the earth;  
 glo - ri - fy thy name, glo - ri - fy thy name,  
 glo - ri - fy thy name in all the earth.

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**BLESSING OF THE COMMUNICANTS** *Congregation stands.*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

**PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

**Amen.**

**✠ SENDING ✠**

**BENEDICTION**

Almighty God, Father ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

*The congregation faces the cross as it leaves the sanctuary,  
following the cross as we follow Jesus into the world. All remain facing the cross for the dismissal.*

**SENDING HYMN 855**

***CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS***

- 1 Crown him with many crowns,  
the Lamb upon his throne;  
hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns  
all music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing  
of him who died for thee,  
and hail him as thy matchless king  
through all eternity.
- 2 Crown him the virgin's Son,  
the God incarnate born,  
whose arm those crimson trophies won  
which now his brow adorn;  
fruit of the mystic rose,  
yet of that rose the stem,  
the root whence mercy ever flows,  
the babe of Bethlehem.
- 3 Crown him the Lord of love--  
behold his hands and side,  
rich wounds, yet visible above,  
in beauty glorified.

- No angels in the sky  
can fully bear that sight,  
but downward bend their burning eyes  
at mysteries so bright.
- 4 Crown him the Lord of life,  
who triumphed o'er the grave  
and rose victorious in the strife  
for those he came to save.  
His glories now we sing,  
who died and rose on high,  
who died, eternal life to bring,  
and lives that death may die.
- 5 Crown him the Lord of years,  
the potentate of time,  
creator of the rolling spheres,  
ineffably sublime.  
All hail, Redeemer, hail!  
For thou hast died for me;  
thy praise and glory shall not fail  
throughout eternity.

**DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**

***CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS***

**CALLAHAN**

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## LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**Brickmont of John’s Creek Assisted Living** – Lena Duncan

**Lowman Home** – Rosemarie Brown, Marianne De Werdt, Helen Derrick

**Merrill Gardens** – Mary Clare McAbee

**The Palmettos** – Sara Loyd

**NHC Lexington** – Margaret and David Hill

**NHC Parklane** – Jeannine Jameson

**Rice Estate** – Grace Boozer

**Wellmore of Lexington** – Dot Correll

**Wellmore of Daniel Island** – Barbara Sutton

**Wildewood Downs** – Joanna Carpenter

**At their homes** – Gwen Barnes, Sylvia Anne Derrick, Larry Evans, Bonnie Hammond, Justine Parker, Jerry Vaughn

### MAY 5, 2024 ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

9:30 a.m. Worship Service: 94      Sunday School: 37

**\*Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Collections needed: \$9,330**

**\*Current Expenses & Benevolences Received: \$10,491**

### OTHER MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS

Capital Improvement Fund	\$2,025	Sunday School – Children & Youth	\$3
Pastor’s Discretionary Fund	\$2,010	Social Ministry May Focus – Big Red Barn Retreat	\$200
Altar Flowers	\$200	Food Pantry	\$80
Memorial Fund	\$25	VANCO Processing Fees	\$18
Lutheran Disaster Response	\$100		

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by Don Caughman to the Glory of God and in memory of his mother, Juanita Hare Caughman, and his grandmothers, Anna R. Hare and Mattie E. Caughman, and also in memory of Betty (“Mama Betty”) Fowler on her 94<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**THE ALTAR ROSE** is given by Harry and Gloria Oakes to the Glory of God.

**THE NARTHEX FLOWERS** are given by Steve and Kappy Steck to the Glory of God and in memory of Frances Steck and in honor of Sylvia Anne Derrick.

**FOOD PANTRY** – Next Sunday (5/19/2024) is Food Pantry Sunday and the pantry needs dry cereal (corn flakes, raisin brand, cheerios, shredded wheat), canned pasta (spaghetti & meatballs, ravioli, beefaroni, lasagna), packets of Ramen noodles (chicken, beef) and canned fruit (pears, peaches, pineapple, fruit cocktail.)

**CELEBRATION OF PENTECOST SUNDAY** – Pentecost Sunday is next Sunday, May 19. The term Pentecost comes from a Greek word meaning *fiftieth*. While the Apostles were gathered for the Jewish Festival of Weeks 50 days after Passover, the Holy Spirit came upon them and began the process of spreading the good news about Jesus throughout the world. Today, Pentecost in the Christian faith takes place each year 50 days after Easter and commemorates the gift of the Holy Spirit. While God’s Spirit is always leading and guiding us, on this day the Church celebrates the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in our midst. *The liturgical color of the day is Red. All members and visitors are invited to wear red to worship on Sunday, May 19 as we celebrate the Day of Pentecost together.*

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL** – Adult Sunday School, Fellowship and the Come and See classes, will continue during summer months. May 19 will be the last day for all Children and Youth Sunday School classes. Children and Youth classes will resume on September 15.

**SOCIAL MINISTRY MAY EMPHASIS** – The emphasis for May is The Big Red Barn Retreat. The Big Red Barn Retreat offers integrated practices and programs that allow American Warriors to thrive at home. These integrated practices are alternatives to traditional treatments and are provided to veterans, active-duty service members, and first responders at little to no cost to them. If you'd like to support this effort, you may contribute any time during May by putting your donation in the offering plate on Sunday mornings, or by sending it to the church office. Checks should be made to Good Shepherd and designated for The Big Red Barn Retreat.

**WELCA RETREAT REGISTRATION OPEN** – Join us at the Coastal Retreat Center, Isle of Palms for this year's WELCA retreat held October 4-6. **Complete the registration form found in the bulletin and return to Laura Leigh Smith or put in the WELCA box.** Cost of the Retreat is **\$180** which can be paid in installments. The total is due **August 25, 2024.**

**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES** – Packets from the month's council meeting are available on the table under the bulletin board in the Narthex. This packet consists of the current committee minutes/reports and approved prior month's council meeting minutes.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY** bulletins are **due by 12 noon each Wednesday.** Email your announcements to Deborah Mitchell, Parish Administrator, at [parishadmin@gslc.com](mailto:parishadmin@gslc.com).

**SIGN UP TO OFFER FLOWERS FOR 2024** — The sign-up chart for offering flowers is on the **BULLETIN BOARD** in the Narthex. Please sign up – with your phone number – for the dates you want to offer flowers in 2024. Altar Flowers are \$70, Altar Rose is \$10, and Narthex Flowers are \$50.

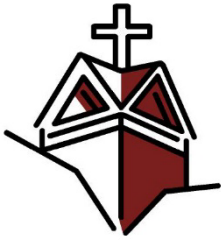
**PLEASE SEE THE MONTHLY CALENDAR** – on the web page at [www.gslc.com](http://www.gslc.com) for a listing of events taking place at Good Shepherd.

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<b>COMMUNION ASST</b>	Joey Allison
<b>ACOLYTE</b>	Madelyn Snodgrass
<b>CRUCIFER</b>	Amanda Snodgrass
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Marcia Woodward, Anna-Marie Plyler
<b>TABULATORS</b>	Mary Margaret Hoy, Rebecca Richardson
<b>CC PERSON OF MONTH</b>	Jason Fowler

## THIS WEEK AT GSLC

- May 12 9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
10:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School (CL 1, 2, & Parlor)  
10:45 a.m. Youth Sunday School (Youth Room)  
10:45 – 11:25 a.m. Children’s Sunday School (E-111, E-113)  
11:25 – 11:45 a.m. Children’s Music (E-115)
- May 13 5:30 p.m. GSLC Foundation meeting (CL 1)  
6:00 – 8:00 p.m. [private event] Beta Sigma Phi (Conference Room)
- May 14 11:30 a.m. Bible Study (Conference Room)  
3:00 p.m. Executive Committee meeting (Conference Room)  
5:30 p.m. Social Ministry Committee meeting (CL 2)
- May 15 **July Newsletter Deadline**  
8:00 a.m. Zoom Bible Study  
5:30 p.m. Worship Life Committee meeting (CL 2)  
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice
- May 16 5:30 p.m. Dorcas Circle meeting (FAB)  
6:30 p.m. Tamar Circle meeting (off-site)
- May 19 **Pentecost Sunday**  
**Graduate Recognition**  
**Food Pantry Sunday**  
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6:30 p.m. Council meeting (CL 2)

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Communication  
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Property  
Social Ministry  
Worship Life  
Youth & Children

## TERM ENDS

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### **\*\*Non-Council Members**

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