



## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

9:30 A.M.

## GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS: MON-THURS 9 A.M.- 4:30 P.M.; FRI 9 A.M.-2:00 P.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**

**LIFT HIGH THE CROSS**

**CALLAHAN**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** *Please sign the attendance sheet.*

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

**GATHERING HYMN 820**

**O SAVIOR, PRECIOUS SAVIOR**

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| <p>1 O Savior, precious Savior,<br/>whom yet unseen we love;<br/>O name of might and favor,<br/>all other names above:<br/>we worship thee; we bless thee;<br/>to thee alone we sing;<br/>we praise thee and confess thee,<br/>our holy Lord and King.</p>         | <p>3 In thee all fullness dwelleth,<br/>all grace and pow'r divine;<br/>the glory that excelleth,<br/>O Son of God, is thine.<br/>We worship thee; we bless thee;<br/>to thee alone we sing;<br/>we praise thee and confess thee,<br/>our glorious Lord and King.</p> |
| <p>2 O bringer of salvation,<br/>who wondrously hast wrought,<br/>thyselves the revelation<br/>of love beyond our thought:<br/>we worship thee; we bless thee;<br/>to thee alone we sing;<br/>we praise thee and confess thee,<br/>our gracious Lord and King.</p> | <p>4 Oh, grant the consummation<br/>of this our song above,<br/>in endless adoration<br/>and everlasting love;<br/>then shall we praise and bless thee<br/>where perfect praises ring,<br/>and evermore confess thee,<br/>our Savior and our King!</p>                |

## GREETING

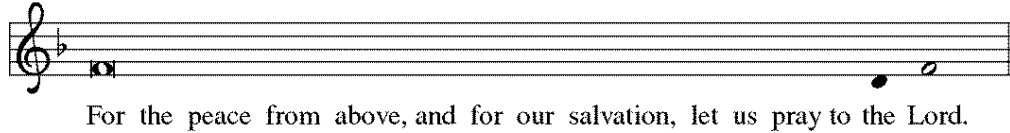
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## KYRIE



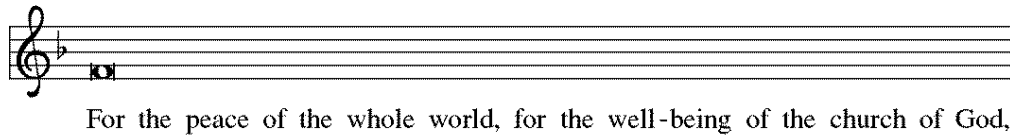
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



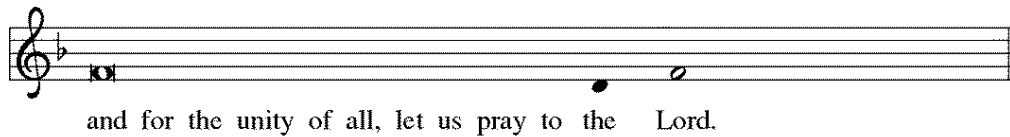
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.




Lord, have mer - cy.



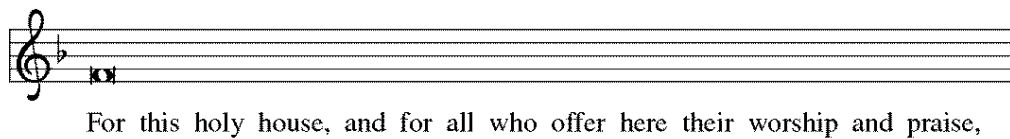
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



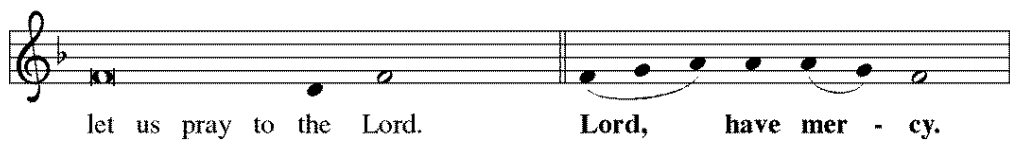
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



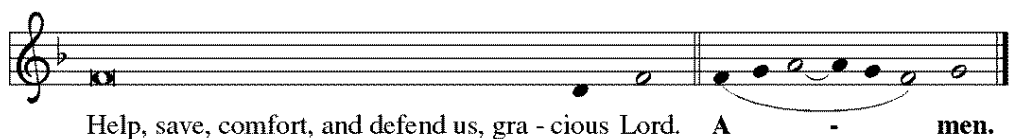
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



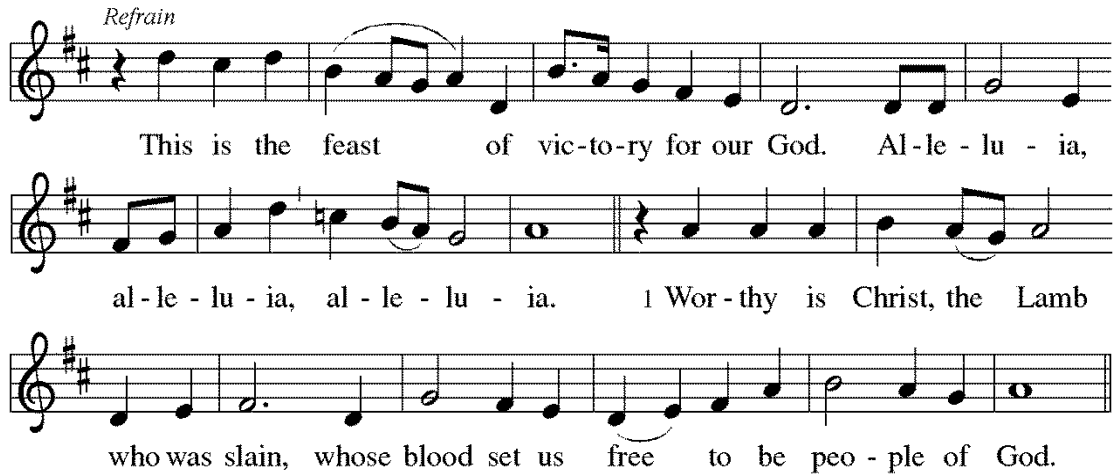
let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

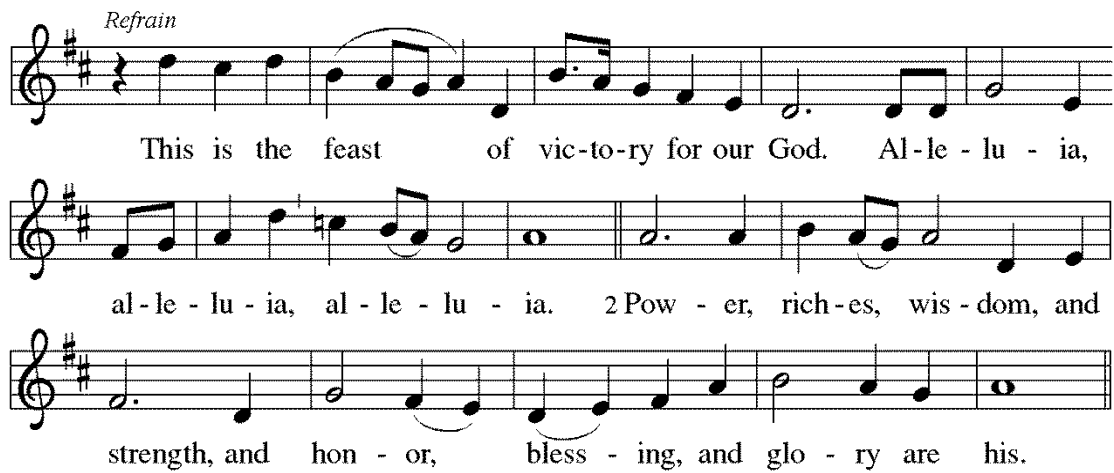
HYMN OF PRAISE *Congregation sings all.*

*Refrain*



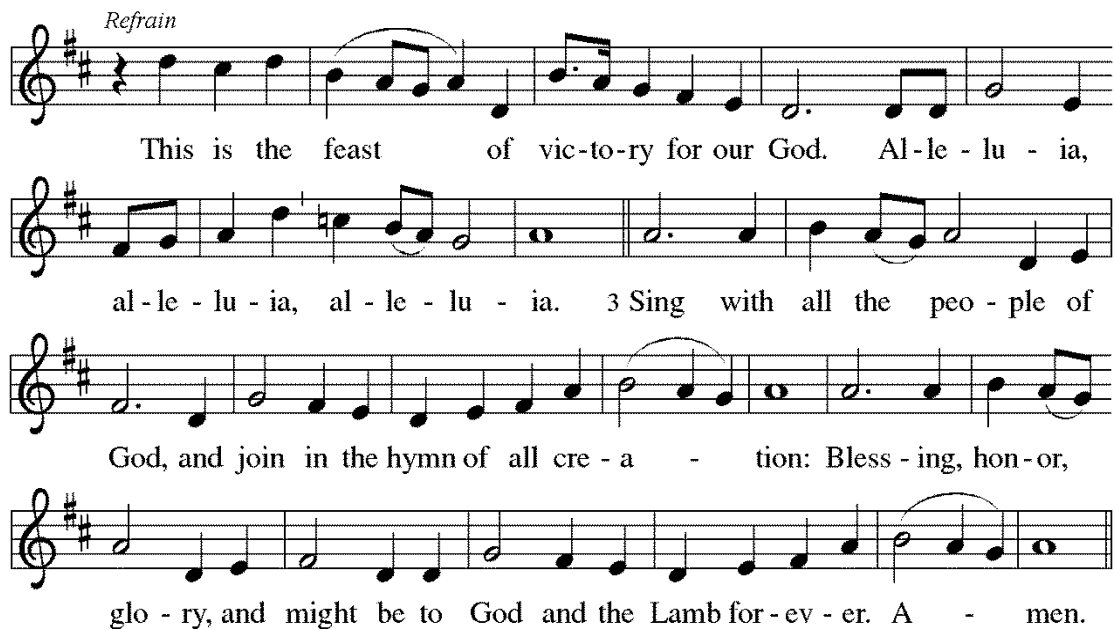
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb  
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and  
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of  
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,  
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was  
 slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

*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 DAY**

O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**✠ WORD ✠**

**FIRST READING** *Congregation sits.*

**ISAIAH 50:4-9A**

A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me  
 the tongue of a teacher,  
 that I may know how to sustain  
 the weary with a word.  
 Morning by morning he wakens—  
 wakens my ear  
 to listen as those who are taught.  
<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
 and I was not rebellious,  
 I did not turn backward.  
<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who struck me,  
 and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
 I did not hide my face  
 from insult and spitting.  
<sup>7</sup>The Lord GOD helps me;  
 therefore I have not been disgraced;  
 therefore I have set my face like flint,

and I know that I shall not be put to shame;  
<sup>8</sup>he who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.  
<sup>9</sup>It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 116:1-9

<sup>1</sup>I love the LORD, who has <sup>1</sup>heard my voice,  
and listened to my <sup>1</sup>supplication,  
**<sup>2</sup>for the LORD has given <sup>1</sup>ear to me  
whenever <sup>1</sup>er I called.**  
<sup>3</sup>The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave <sup>1</sup>came upon me;  
I came to <sup>1</sup>grief and sorrow.  
**<sup>4</sup>Then I called upon the name <sup>1</sup>of the LORD:  
“O LORD, I pray you, <sup>1</sup>save my life.”**  
<sup>5</sup>Gracious is the <sup>1</sup>LORD and righteous;  
our God is full <sup>1</sup>of compassion.  
**<sup>6</sup>The LORD watches over <sup>1</sup>ver the innocent;  
I was brought low, <sup>1</sup>and God saved me.**  
<sup>7</sup>Turn again to your rest, <sup>1</sup>O my soul.  
for the LORD has dealt <sup>1</sup>well with you.  
**<sup>8</sup>For you have rescued my <sup>1</sup>life from death,  
my eyes from tears, and my <sup>1</sup>feet from stumbling;**  
<sup>9</sup>I will walk in the presence <sup>1</sup>of the LORD  
in the land <sup>1</sup>of the living.

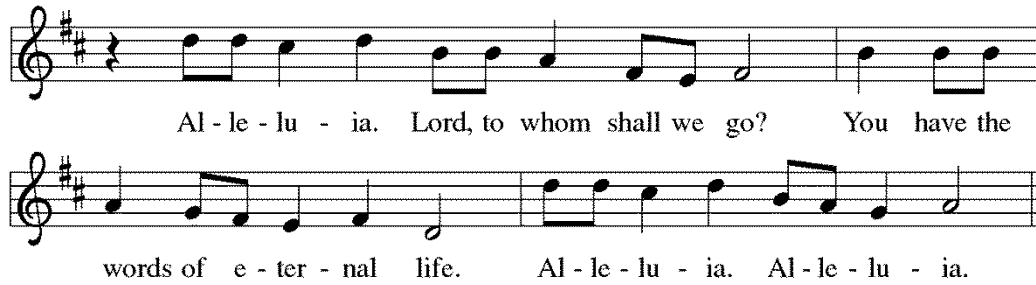
### SECOND READING

### JAMES 3:1-12

A reading from James.

<sup>1</sup>Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. <sup>4</sup>Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, <sup>8</sup>but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Congregation stands.*



**GOSPEL**

**MARK 8: 27-38**

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>27</sup>Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” <sup>28</sup>And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” <sup>29</sup>He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” <sup>30</sup>And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. <sup>31</sup>Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” <sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN’S SERMON** *Congregation sits.*

**PASTOR ANDREW ISENHOWER**

**SERMON**

**PASTOR ANDREW ISENHOWER**

**HYMN OF THE DAY 660** *Congregation stands.*

**LIFT HIGH THE CROSS**

**Refrain**

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.

- 1 Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,  
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. **Refrain**
- 2 All newborn servants of the Crucified  
bear on their brows the seal of him who died. **Refrain**
- 3 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. **Refrain**
- 4 So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
praise to the Crucified for victory! **Refrain**



**APOSTLES' CREED**

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

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

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

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

We pray for the church throughout the world. Form us into communities of forgiveness and grace. Help us to notice where you are calling us into new relationships, and give us courage to embrace the uncomfortable and unfamiliar. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for the earth and all its inhabitants. Protect lands at risk of wildfire and heal dying forests. Where fire brings destruction, raise up new growth. Guide us in tending precarious ecosystems. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for those who govern nations, tribes, and cities. Open them to the cries of people in need. Direct them in shaping policies that prioritize the health and well-being of all, especially those who struggle with hunger and housing insecurity. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for all who are ill, all who are lonely or anxious, and all who grieve, especially those whom we name now aloud and in our hearts. Draw them close to you and soothe them with the promise of your enduring love. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for teachers, professors, librarians, school administrators, staff, and all who support the education of young people. Sustain them as they shape learning communities, rooted in equity and authenticity. We pray for children of all ages in their learning. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We remember our beloved dead, who with the great cloud of witnesses bear witness to your saving grace. Accompany us in our pilgrimage of faith, that we too place our hope and trust in you. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

**PEACE** *Congregation stands.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**✠ MEAL ✠**

**OFFERING** *Congregation sits.*

**ANTHEM**

**HE COMES TO US**

**MARSHALL**

**OFFERING SONG** *Congregation stands.*



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be  
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -  
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

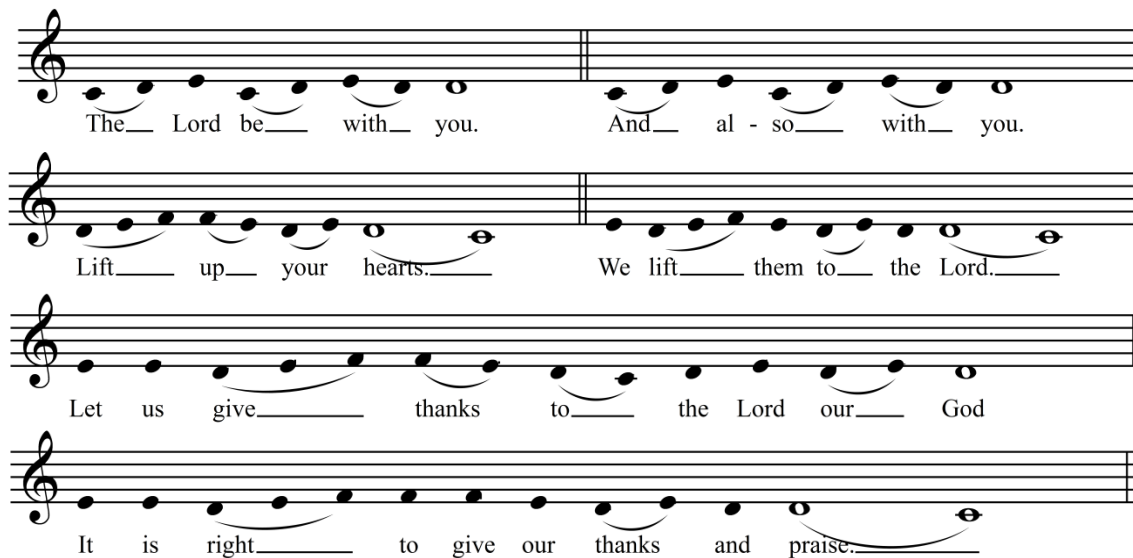
**OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more than we  
 ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand. Bless - ed are you com - ing near.  
 Bless - ed are you com - ing here to your church in wine and bread raised from  
 soil, raised from dead. You are ho - ly. You are whole - ness,  
 you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord! Sing ho - san - na -  
 in the high - est! Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

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## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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: This 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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all glory and honor, now and forever. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Our Fa-ther, who art in heav-en, hal-low-ed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done\_\_\_ on earth as it is in heav-en.  
Give us this day our dai - ly bread; and for-give us as we for-give  
oth-ers; and lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion,\_\_\_ but de - liv - er us from  
e - vil.\_\_\_\_ For the king - dom and the pow - er and the glo - ry are  
yours for - ev - er. A - men.\_\_\_\_\_

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

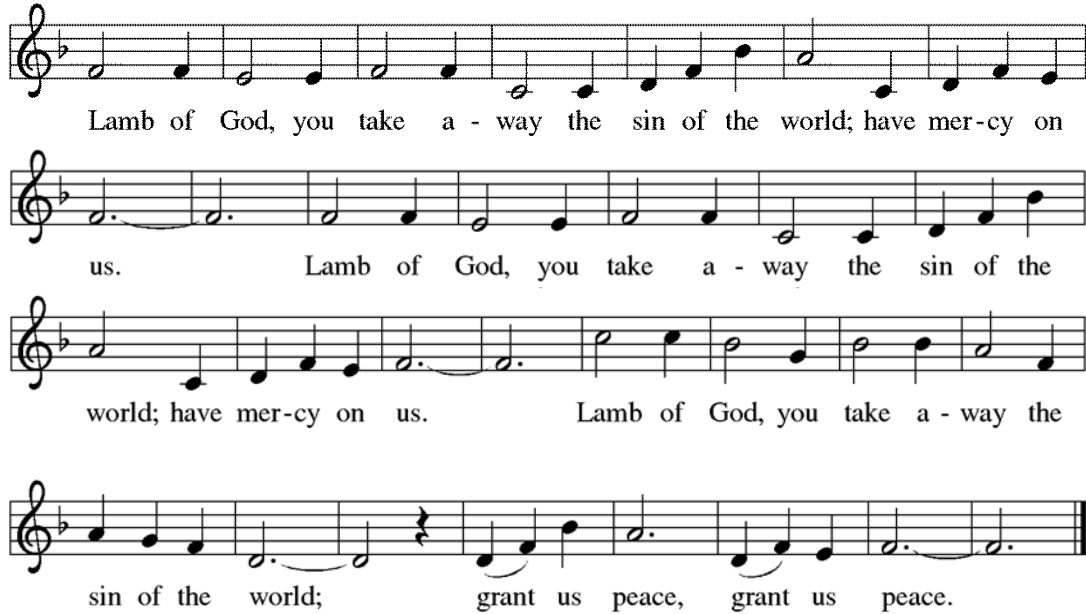
Jesus welcomes you to this table.  
**Thanks be to God!**



**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 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**



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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**COMMUNION HYMN 466**

*IN THE SINGING*

**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 AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.  
Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**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 798**

***WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME***

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|---|--|
| 1 "Will you come and follow me<br>if I but call your name?<br>Will you go where you don't know<br>and never be the same?<br>Will you let my love be shown,<br>will you let my name be known,<br>will you let my life be grown<br>in you and you in me?          | Will you kiss the leper clean,<br>and do such as this unseen,<br>and admit to what I mean<br>in you and you in me?   |
| 2 "Will you leave yourself behind<br>if I but call your name?<br>Will you care for cruel and kind<br>and never be the same?<br>Will you risk the hostile stare,<br>should your life attract or scare?<br>Will you let me answer pray'r<br>in you and you in me? | 4 "Will you love the you you hide<br>if I but call your name?<br>Will you quell the fear inside<br>and never be the same?<br>Will you use the faith you've found<br>to reshape the world around,<br>through my sight and touch and sound<br>in you and you in me?" |
| 3 "Will you let the blinded see<br>if I but call your name?<br>Will you set the pris'ners free<br>and never be the same?  | 5 Lord, your summons echoes true<br>when you but call my name.<br>Let me turn and follow you<br>and never be the same.<br>In your company I'll go<br>where your love and footsteps show.<br>Thus I'll move and live and grow<br>in you and you in me.              |

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

***LIFT HIGH THE CROSS***

**BATES**

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**LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS**

**Brickmont of John's Creek Assisted Living** – Lena Duncan  
**The Heritage at Lowman** – Rosemarie Brown, Marianne De Werdt  
**Merrill Gardens** – Mary Clare McAbee  
**The Palmettos** – Sara Loyd  
**Rice Estate** – Grace Boozer  
**Wellmore of Lexington** – Dot Correll  
**Wellmore of Daniel Island** – Barbara Sutton  
**At their homes** – Gwen Barnes, Sylvia Anne Derrick, Larry Evans, Bonnie Hammond, Jeannine Jameson, Justine Parker

**SEPTEMBER 8, 2024 ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS**

9:30 a.m. Worship Service: 118      Sunday School: 69

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

**\*Current Expenses & Benevolences Received: \$7,691**

**OTHER MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS**

Capital Improvement Fund	\$60	Social Ministry September Focus – Senior Resources	\$280
Altar Flowers	\$70	VANCO Processing Fee	\$12

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by Bobbie Storey to the Glory of God and in honor of Rick Storey's birthday on September 16.

**THE ALTAR ROSE** is given by David and Karen Lucas to the Glory of God and in honor of their 48<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**THE NARTHEX FLOWERS** are given by Don Caughman to the Glory of God and in honor of Grace Boozer for her 98<sup>th</sup> birthday September 14.

**FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY** – The Food Pantry needs canned meat (chili, chicken, luncheon meat, beef stew, tuna, Vienna sausage), peanut butter (14 oz), canned vegetables (green beans, sweet peas, lima beans, corn, tomatoes, mixed vegetables, potatoes) and canned fruit (pears, peaches, pineapple, fruit cocktail).

**SOCIAL MINISTRY SEPTEMBER EMPHASIS** – The emphasis for September is Senior Resources. Senior Resources is a nonprofit organization that coordinates services, provides resources and encourages the personal choices that allow Midlands' area senior citizens to remain independent. Their services touch the lives of more than 4,000 Midlands residents. Their services are designed to empower seniors to remain healthy and independent. They offer a variety of established programs to seniors and families in the Midlands, such as home care, transportation, senior volunteers, and meal delivery. If you'd like to support this effort, you may contribute any time during September by putting your donation in the offering plate on Sunday mornings, or by sending it to the church office. Checks should be made payable to Good Shepherd and designated for Monthly Emphasis.

**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.

**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.

### SERVING IN WORSHIP

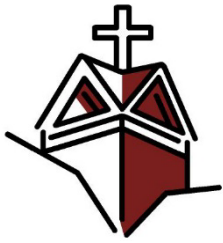
<b>USHERS</b>	Wade Wingard, Mike Weaver, Rebecca Richardson, Mary Aitchison, Rod Kent
<b>LECTOR</b>	Alice Buckner
<b>COMMUNION ASST</b>	Gaye Tucker
<b>ACOLYTE</b>	Callen Gilbert
<b>CRUCIFER</b>	Savannah Gross
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Marcia Woodward, Anna-Marie Plyler
<b>TABULATORS</b>	Mary Margaret Hoy, Karen Lucas
<b>CC PERSON OF MONTH</b>	Carole Sox

### THIS WEEK AT GSLC

September 15	<b>Food Pantry Sunday</b> 9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School (CL 1, 2, Parlor) 10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Class (Conference Room) 10:45 – 11:45 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) 6:30 p.m. Council meeting (CL 2)
September 17	<b>October Newsletter Deadline</b> 11:30 a.m. Bible Study (Conference Room)
September 18	8:00 a.m. Zoom Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice (Choir Room)
September 19	5:30 p.m. Dorcas Circle meeting (FAB) 6:30 p.m. Tamar Circle meeting (off-site)
September 22	9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School (CL 1, 2, Parlor) 10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Class (Conference Room) 10:45 – 11:45 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)



# 2024 CONGREGATION COUNCIL



Becky Shealy  
David Lucas  
Anna-Marie Plyler  
Jan Haigler

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## COMMITTEE

Communication  
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Finance  
Gifts  
Learning  
Parish Life  
Property  
Social Ministry  
Worship Life  
Youth & Children

## TERM ENDS

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

Cathy Milejczak & Rod Kent

Social Ministry Co-Chairs

## **OUR MISSION**

*We are a community of all ages gathered by God's grace  
for worship, learning, loving, and service to all.*

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