



FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 8, 2026

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.

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 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.

‡ 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

GATHER US IN

BEHNKE

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.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

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 532

GATHER US IN

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| <p>1 Here in this place the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.</p> | <p>3 Here we will take the wine and the water,
here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.</p> |
| <p>2 We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,
we are the old who yearn for your face;
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.</p> | <p>4 Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away—
here in this place the new light is shining,
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.</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, in peace, let us pray to the

Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have

For the reign of God, and for peace through-out the

mer - - - cy.

world, for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have

mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - -

For your peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the

strength to live your word, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - - - cy.

save, and de - fend us, O God.

A - - - men.

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HYMN OF PRAISE

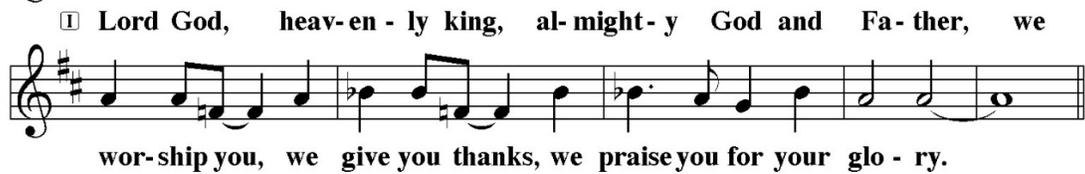
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glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might- y God and Fa- ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



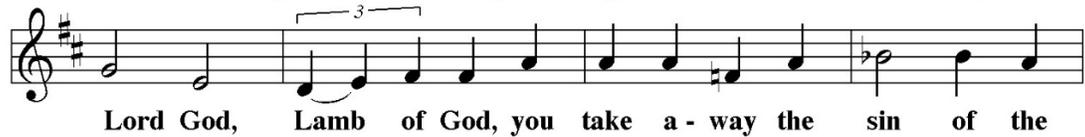
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



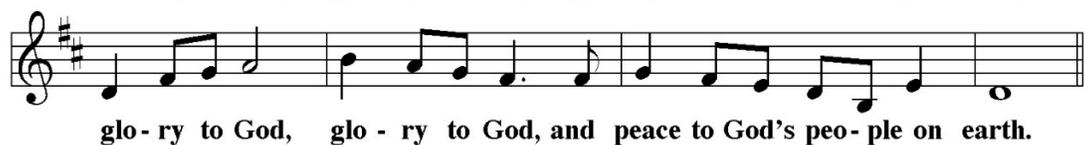
world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re- ceive our prayer.



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther, A - men.

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;

glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,

and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

✠ WORD ✠

FIRST READING *Congregation sits.*

ISAIAH 58:1-12

A reading from Isaiah.

¹ Shout out; do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

² Yet day after day they seek me
and delight to know my ways,
as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
they ask of me righteous judgments;
they want God on their side.

³ “Why do we fast, but you do not see?

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day
and oppress all your workers.

⁴ You fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today
will not make your voice heard on high.

⁵ Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the LORD?

⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the straps of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?

⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you;
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

^{9a} Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, "Here I am."

^{9b} If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.

¹¹ The LORD will guide you continually
and satisfy your needs in parched places
and make your bones strong,
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water
whose waters never fail.

¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 112

¹ Hallelujah! Happy are they who | fear the LORD
and have great delight in | God's commandments!

² **Their descendants will be mighty | in the land;
the generation of the upright | will be blessed.**

³ Wealth and riches will be | in their house,
and their righteousness will | last forever.

⁴ **Light shines in the darkness | for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full | of compassion.**

⁵ It is good for them to be gener- | ous in lending
and to manage their af- | fairs with justice.

⁶ **For they will nev- | er be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlast- | ing remembrance.**

⁷ They will not be afraid of any | evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting | in the LORD.

⁸ **Their heart is established and | will not shrink,
until they see their desire up- | on their enemies.**

⁹ They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands | fast forever;
they will hold up their | head with honor.

¹⁰ **The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and | pine away;
the desires of the wick- | ed will perish.**

SECOND READING

1 CORINTHIANS 2:1-16

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

¹ When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. ² For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴ My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

⁶ Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. ⁷ But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory ⁸ and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

⁹ But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,
what God has prepared for those who love him”—

¹⁰ God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹ For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. ¹³ And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

¹⁴ Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵ Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

¹⁶ “For who has known the mind of the Lord
so as to instruct him?”

But we have the mind of Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Congregation stands.*

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

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GOSPEL

MATTHEW 5:13-20

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹³ “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

¹⁴ “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

¹⁷ “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

PASTOR ANDREW ISENHOWER

SERMON

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HYMN OF THE DAY 511 *Congregation stands.*

THY STRONG WORD

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| <p>1 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;
at thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank thee,
while thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia without end!</p> <p>2 Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness,
dark as night and deep as death,
broke the light of thy salvation,
breathed thine own life-breathing breath.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia without end!</p> <p>3 Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous;
bright with thine own holiness,
glorious now, we press toward glory,
and our lives our hopes confess.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia without end!</p> | <p>4 From the cross thy wisdom shining
breaketh forth in conqu’ring might;
from the cross forever beameth
all thy bright redeeming light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia without end!</p> <p>5 Give us lips to sing thy glory,
tongues thy mercy to proclaim,
throats that shout the hope that fills us,
mouths to speak thy holy name.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
May the light which thou dost send
fill our songs with alleluias,
alleluias without end!</p> <p>6 God the Father, light-creator,
to thee laud and honor be.
To thee, Light of Light begotten,
praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer,
glory, glory be to thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever
praise the holy Trinity!</p> |
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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.*

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

A brief silence.

Your church does ministry in many and various ways. Keep the baptized true to the mind of Christ, that our works and witness bring hope to a troubled world. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your marvelous creation cries out to you. Restore polluted air, soil, and water sources to wholeness.

Guard all of your beloved creatures from harm and renew the face of the earth. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your people in every nation suffer injustice, poverty, and the threat of violence. Guide those in authority to govern with compassion and bring peace to war zones. We pray for our enemies.

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your blessings are poured out for all in need. Help and heal any who experience trauma, discrimination, disease, hunger, abuse, or persecution. Comfort those who are sick or grieving, especially those whom we name now. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your wisdom guides this congregation and its ministries. Sustain our ordained leaders, staff, lay leaders, and volunteers. Form us to be salt and light for the neighbors we serve, following the example of Christ. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Your saints rejoice at your heavenly banquet. We give thanks for their lives of faith, trusting that we also will be embraced by your eternal love. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE *Congregation stands.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

⊕ MEAL ⊕

OFFERING *Congregation sits.*

ANTHEM

WALK IN THE LIGHT

THOMAS

OFFERING SONG *Congregation stands.*

Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;

ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.
 Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;
 yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, 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. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heav' n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O holy God:
 you are the Life and Light of all.

By your powerful word you created all things.
 Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.
 Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.

He is your Light, shining in our darkness
 and revealing to us your mercy and might.

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 preaching and healing,
 his dying and rising,
 and his promise to come again,
 we await that day when all the universe
 will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal,
that, refreshed with this heavenly food,
we may be light for the world,
revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

Come to the table; taste and see.

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

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

BLESS THE LORD, O MY SOUL (10,000 REASONS)

Refrain

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; wor-ship his ho - ly name

Sing like nev - er be-fore, O my soul; I'll wor-ship your ho - ly name.

1. The sun comes up, it's a new day dawn - ing;
 2. You're rich in love, and you're slow to an - ger. Your
 3. And on that day when my strength is fail - ing, the

it's time to sing your song a - gain. What - ev - er may pass, and what - ev - er lies be-
 name is great, and your heart is kind. For all your good-ness, I will keep on
 end draws near, and my time has come; still, my soul will sing your praise un -

fore me, let me be sing - ing when the eve - ning comes.
 sing - ing ten thou - sand rea - sons for my heart to find.
 end - ing ten thou - sand years and then for - ev - er - more!

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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 AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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 715

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

1 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. *Refrain*

3 Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed. *Refrain*

4 Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone. *Refrain*

5 Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
signs of your kingdom come. *Refrain*

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.
Thanks be to God.

*All are invited to remain in the sanctuary for a presentation by
Pastor Andrew about the mission of Good Shepherd.*

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LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

The Heritage at Lowman – Marianne De Werdt, Violet Fetter

The Palmettos – Sara Loyd

Rice Estate – Grace Boozer, Billie Jones (Rehab)

Vitality Living – Mary Clare McAbee

Wellmore of Lexington – Dot Correll

Wellmore of Daniel Island – Barbara Sutton

At their homes – Gwen Barnes, Steve Bowden, Sylvia Anne Derrick, Larry Evans, Bonnie Hammond,
Sara Hydrick, Joyce Mobley, Justine Parker, Charlie Sigel

FEBRUARY 1, 2026 – No Service due to inclement weather.

JANUARY 25, 2026 – No Service due to inclement weather.

JANUARY 18, 2026 ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

9:30 a.m. Worship Service: 75 Sunday School: 28

***Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Collections needed: \$9,371**

***Current Expenses & Benevolences Received: \$14,900**

OTHER MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS

Sunday School (Children & Youth)	\$1	January Social Ministry Focus – Woodyard Fund	\$185
Synod World Hunger	\$60	Food Pantry	\$290
Altar Flowers	\$185	Capital Improvement Fund	\$100
Offering Envelope Collection	\$15	2026 Congregational Retreat	\$200

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Diane Smith to the Glory of God and in memory of her sister, Nancy Tune Kitchings.

THE ALTAR ROSE is given by Verna Sawyer to the Glory of God and in honor of Bryson’s birthday on February 22.

THE NARTHEX FLOWERS are given by the Gilbert Family to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Anna June’s birthday.

CONGREGATIONAL SYMPATHY is extended to the family of Lena Duncan upon her death on Sunday, February 1. There will be a service at a later time with interment in the Memorial Garden. Please keep Janet Welsh and the rest of the family in your prayers.

SEXTON JOEY ALLISON ON VACATION, February 9-13. If you need something while Joey is out, please contact Property Chair Mike Weaver 803-609-1746.

PHONE A FRIEND – Mrs. Violet Fetner has moved and would love to hear from people! Please check the bulletin board or contact the church office for her new address and phone number.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING – The Souper Bowl of Caring collection is **TODAY**. Monetary donations will be collected after the Worship Service. Monies will go to our GSLC Food Pantry.

PATHFINDERS OF GOOD SHEPHERD – Come join us for POGS on Wednesday, February 11 at 12:00 noon in the FAB. A simple lunch will be provided, and we will play a Valentine themed game. See you there!

REMINDER – WELCA Board Meeting, Wednesday, February 11, at 5:30 p.m. in the Parlor. All are welcome!

JUST FOR ME KITS – Tamar Group is collecting hygiene and comfort care items for elementary, middle and high school aged children who are entering foster care with Lutheran Services Carolinas. Items should be regular/full size, new and unopened (examples: 3 in 1 Body Wash, Shampoo and Conditioner, Facial cleanser, Deodorant, Hand Sanitizer, Lotion, Menstrual hygiene items, Combs, brushes and hair picks, Colored pencils & age-appropriate coloring books, Stuffed animals, Personal throw blankets, Fidget toys & small games.) Donations can be brought to the Narthex through February 15. Questions? Contact Leigh Ann Tollison 803-546-0257.

FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY – Next Sunday (2/15/2026) is Food Pantry Sunday. The pantry particularly needs **canned fruit** (peaches, pears, fruit cocktail, pineapple, applesauce, etc.), **and cereal**, but any shelf-stable food items are welcome. Thanks always for your donations!

SOCIAL MINISTRY FEBRUARY EMPHASIS – The Woodyard Fund is the GSLC Social Ministry emphasis for February (extended from last month) because the Social Ministry committee wants to continue to emphasize the needs in our community for utilities and housing services. Historically, the Woodyard Fund helps residents in crisis in Richland, Lexington, Newberry and Fairfield counties pay utilities bills. Applicants are vetted and must meet certain criteria to receive aid. Checks should be made to Good Shepherd and designated for The Woodyard Fund.

THE LOURIE LECTURES – Join this four-part series that will explore the German Immigration & Settlement in the Dutch Fork of SC. Thursdays, February 12, 19, & 26 from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Register online at louriecenter.sc.com. Price for members is \$20 and guest/non-member is \$30 per course.

FROM THE YOUTH & CHILDREN COMMITTEE – Happy New Year! We are thrilled to see what 2026 has in store for our congregation. As we grow, we are looking for passionate individuals to join our committee and help shape our upcoming programs. If you feel called to serve, please reach out to **Ben Haigh** at **803-528-5350** or benjamin.haigh@yahoo.com. We look forward to welcoming new voices to the team!

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER – On February 17, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. come join us and fill the FAB for an evening of fellowship together over pancakes, bingo and prizes! We will enjoy the evening together as we foster fellowship with spiritual nourishment as a church body preparing for the Lenten season. If you would like to volunteer or donate prizes, please speak to Ben Haigh and you can contact him at benjamin.haigh@yahoo.com or **803-528-5350**.

SIGN UP TO OFFER FLOWERS FOR 2026 — 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 2026. Altar Flowers are \$85, Altar Rose is \$10, and Narthex Flowers are \$55.

GOOD SHEPHERD 2026 CONGREGATIONAL RETREAT – It's time for early registration! Pick up your form in the Narthex. Join us April 24-26, 2026, at Lutheridge for fun and celebration of "Walking in the Spirit" for 75 Years! A deposit of 1/2 will hold your spot and then you may divide your payments. You may pay online or put the form and money in the offering plate. If you pay online, you will still need to turn in a registration form.

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 for a listing of events taking place at Good Shepherd.

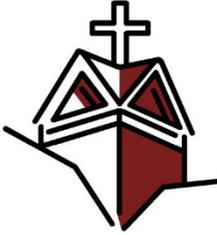
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LECTOR:	Cindy Cummings
COMMUNION ASST:	Joey Allison
ACOLYTE:	William Snodgrass
CRUCIFER:	Amanda Snodgrass
ALTAR GUILD:	Verna Sawyer, Sue O’Cain
TABULATORS:	Karen Lucas, Jim Tucker
CC PERSON OF MONTH:	Sid Havird

THIS WEEK AT GSLC

- February 8 **Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**
Souper Bowl of Caring Collection
9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Worship Service followed by a special presentation
10:45-11:25 a.m. Children's Sunday School (E-111)
11:05-11:25 a.m. Preschool Music (E-115)
11:25-11:45 a.m. Children's Choir (E-115)
- February 9 5:30 p.m. [private event] Beta Sigma Phi Council meeting (Conference Room)
5:30 p.m. Parish Life Committee meeting (CL 2)
- February 10 11:30 a.m. Bible Study (Conference Room)
5:00 p.m. Congregational Retreat planning meeting (Conference Room)
5:00 p.m. Finance Committee meeting (CL 2)
- February 11 8:15 – 8:45 a.m. Wednesday Virtual Bible Study
12:00 noon POGS luncheon & meeting (FAB)
3:00 p.m. Worship Life Committee meeting (CL 2)
5:30 p.m. WELCA Board meeting (Parlor)
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- February 12 Set up for Fun Fridays (FAB)
- February 13 6:00 p.m. Fun Fridays (FAB)
- February 15 **March Newsletter Deadline**
Food Pantry Sunday
Transfiguration of Our Lord
9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)
10:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School (CL 1 & 2)
10:45-11:45 a.m. Confirmation Class (E-112)
10:45-11:45 a.m. Youth Sunday School (Youth Room)
10:45-11:25 a.m. Children's Sunday School (E-111)
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