



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 3, 2026

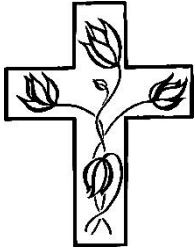
9:30 A.M.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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

CHRIST IS MADE THE SURE FOUNDATION

PROULX

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 645

CHRIST IS MADE THE SURE FOUNDATION

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| <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>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.</p> <p>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!</p> |
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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



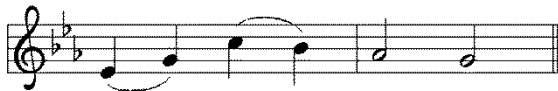
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



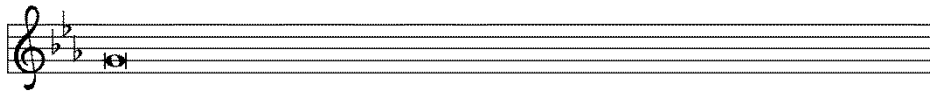
Lord, have mer - cy.



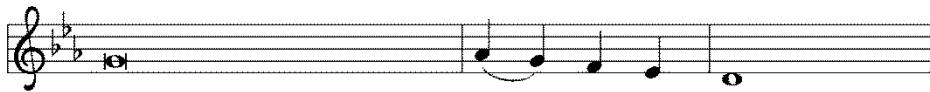
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



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.



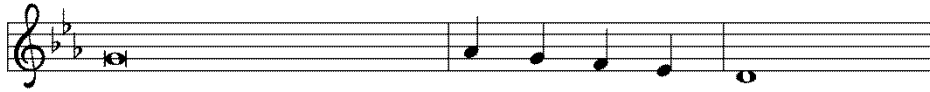
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



A - men, 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



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 -



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

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

✠ WORD ✠

FIRST READING *Congregation sits.*

ACTS 7:55-60

A reading from Acts.

⁵⁵ Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶ “Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” ⁵⁷ But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸ Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him, and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹ While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” ⁶⁰ Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16

¹ In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be | put to shame;
deliver me | in your righteousness.

² **Incline your | ear to me;
make haste to de- | liver me.**

³ Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag | and my stronghold;
for the sake of your name, lead | me and guide me.

⁴ **Take me out of the net that they have secretly | set for me,
for you are my tow- | er of strength.**

⁵ Into your hands I com- | mend my spirit,
for you have redeemed me, O LORD, | God of truth.

¹⁵ **My times are | in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who | persecute me.**

¹⁶ Let your face shine up- | on your servant;
save me in your | steadfast love.”

SECOND READING

1 PETER 2:2-10

A reading from 1 Peter.

² Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. ⁴ Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and ⁵ like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For it stands in scripture: “See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” ⁷ This honor, then, is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner,” ⁸ and “A stone that makes them stumble and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. ⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the excellence of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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 14:1-14

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going.” ⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.

⁸Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

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 758 *Congregation stands.*

YOU ARE THE WAY

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| 1 You are the way; to you alone
from sin and death we flee;
all those who search for God, you find
and by your grace set free. | 3 You are the life; the rending tomb
proclaims your conqu’ring arm;
and those who put their trust in you
not death nor hell shall harm. |
| 2 You are the truth; your word alone
true wisdom can impart;
you only can inform the mind
and purify the heart. | 4 You are the way, the truth, the life;
grant us that way to know,
that truth to keep, that life to win,
whose joys eternal flow. |

WELCOMING A NEW MEMBER TO THE CONGREGATION

PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBER

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for this sister, one with us in the body of Christ, whom we welcome as a new member into the life and ministry of this congregation.

Today we welcome as a member:

Karen Hellwig whose sponsor is Karin Culp.

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.

ADDRESS AND QUESTIONS

In baptism, we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God. We are called to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

Karen, do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism among God's people in this place?

Response.

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

The minister addresses the assembly.

People of God, do you promise to support and pray for this new member in her life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

WELCOME

Let us welcome this sibling in Christ to this community of faith.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.

Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *Congregation kneels or sits.*

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

A brief silence.

God of glory, you have built your church on Christ the cornerstone. Inspire lay leaders, deacons, pastors, and bishops to proclaim forgiveness and your steadfast love to all whom they encounter.

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God of majesty, you bring forth plants and animals, skies and seas, mountains and valleys. Protect all you have made from the ravages of pollution and disaster. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God of mercy, you intend governments and social service agencies to be instruments of peace and justice. Guide political leaders and organizations to be agents of compassion, and raise up advocates for those who seek refuge and assistance. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God of well-being, you soothe those in distress, console all who grieve, provide for any in need, and comfort those who are sick, especially all whom we name now. Instill caregivers with a sense of purpose to be your healing hands in this world. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

God of community, you call us together as your people for mutual support and to witness to your love in the world. Make your presence known among those unable to attend worship today. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Your work is done in this congregation with our hands, feet, voices, minds, and hearts. Build up the ministries of this community, that we serve our neighbors and welcome the stranger in your name. We give you thanks for our new member, Karen, whom you have drawn to yourself by the love of Jesus Christ and whom we have welcomed into this household of faith. Keep us close together in your Spirit, in the breaking of bread and the prayers, and in service to others. Hear us O God,
receive our prayer.

God of eternal life, you have prepared dwelling places for your people, so that we are never separated from you. We give you thanks for the faithful departed who witnessed to your mighty acts in word and deed. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.
Amen.

PEACE *Congregation stands.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

✠ MEAL ✠

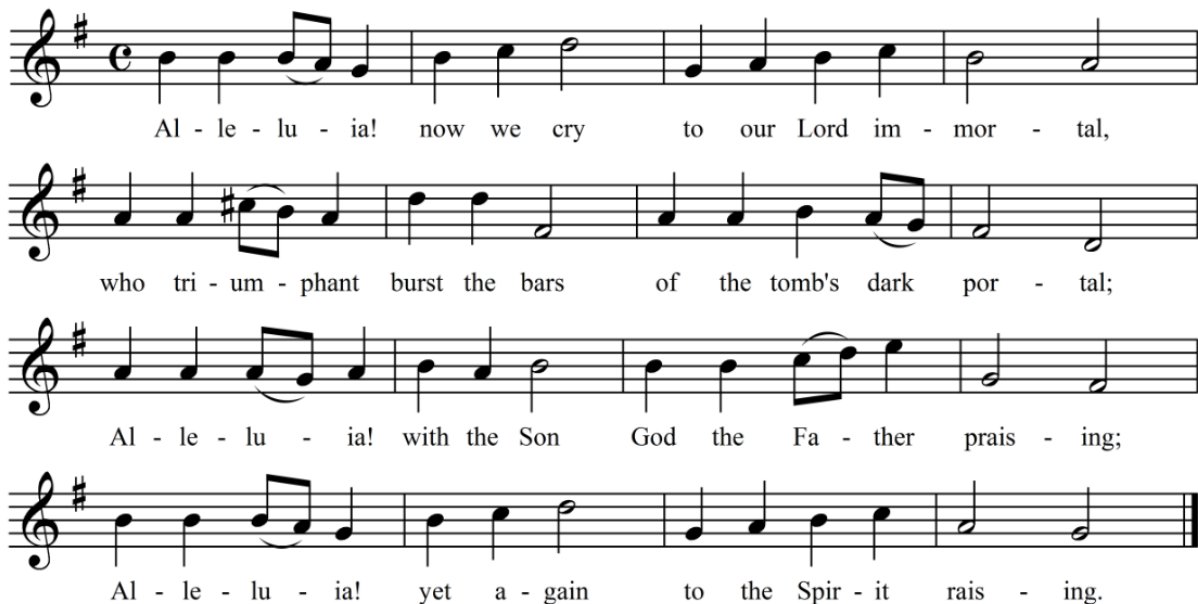
OFFERING *Congregation sits.*

ANTHEM

ON THAT GREAT MORNIN'

MCDONALD

OFFERING SONG *Congregation stands.*



Al - le - lu - ia! now we cry to our Lord im - mor - tal,
who tri - um - phant burst the bars of the tomb's dark por - tal;
Al - le - lu - ia! with the Son God the Fa - ther prais - ing;
Al - le - lu - ia! yet a - gain to the Spir - it rais - ing.

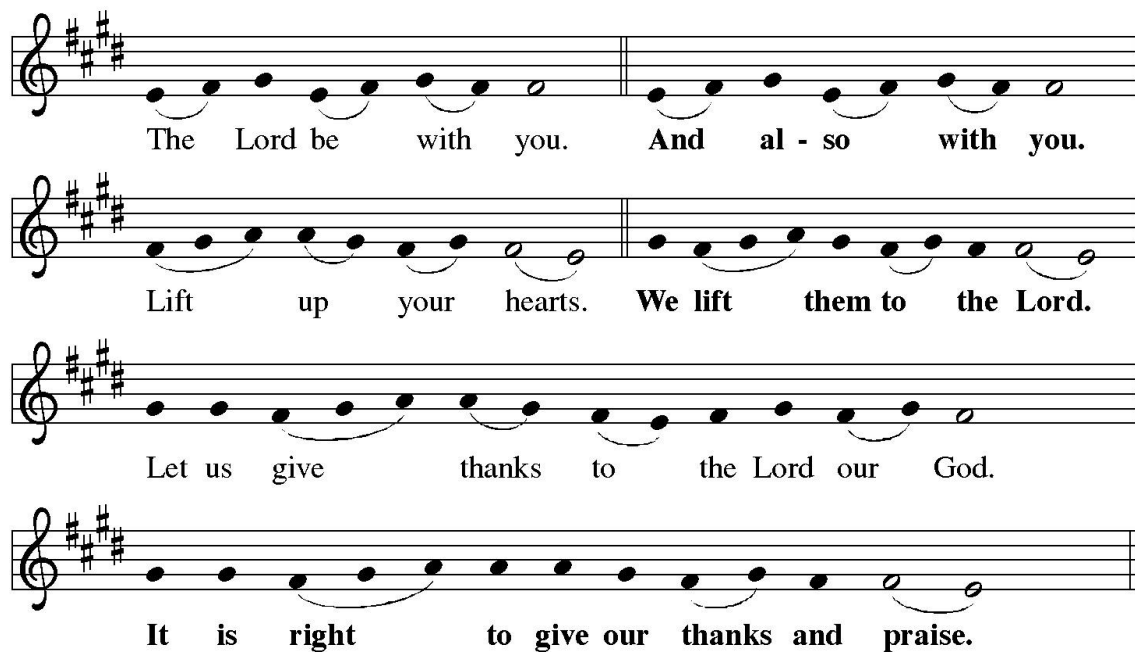
OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love.

In the name of Jesus, **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, 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Holy, living, and loving God,
we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.
We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood,
for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery,
and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus
who, living among us,
healed the sick,
fed the hungry,
and with a love stronger than death,
gave his life for others.

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 life-giving death and glorious resurrection,
we await your promised life for all this dying world.
Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup:
carry us in your arms from death to life,
that we may live as your chosen ones,
clothed in the righteousness of Christ.
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.

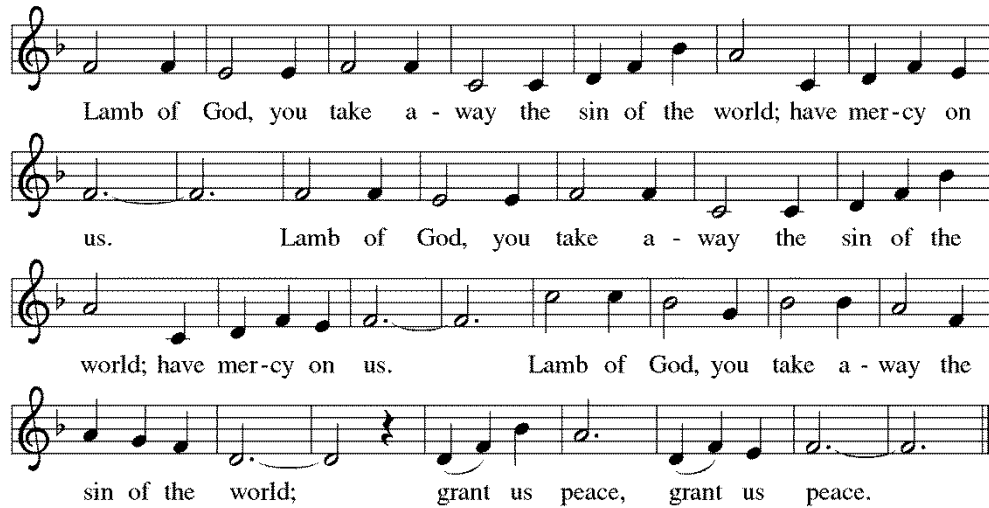
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of new life.
Receive the risen Lord.
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 461

ALL WHO HUNGER, GATHER GLADLY

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 One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new.

Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, **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 389

CHRIST IS ALIVE! LET CHRISTIANS SING

- 1 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.
- 2 Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
but saving, healing, here and now,
and touching ev'ry place and time.
- 3 In ev'ry insult, rift, and war,
where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,
and lives, where even hope has died.
- 4 Women and men, in age and youth,
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,
and find the way, the life, the truth,
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.
- 5 Christ is alive, and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

CHRIST IS ALIVE! LET CHRISTIANS SING!

BURKHARDT

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LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

- The Heritage at Lowman** – Marianne De Werdt, Violet Fetner
- Mill Creek Manor** – Sara Hydrick
- The Palmettos** – Sara Loyd
- Rice Estate** – Grace Boozer
- 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, Joyce Mobley, Justine Parker, Charlie Sigel

APRIL 26, 2026 ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

9:30 a.m. Worship Service: 67 Sunday School: 9
Congregational Retreat: 34

- *Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Collections needed: \$9,371**
- *Current Expenses & Benevolences Received: \$12,178**

OTHER MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS

Memorial Fund	\$75	April Social Ministry Focus – St. Jude Children’s Hospital	\$435
Pastor’s Discretionary Fund	\$270	Lenten Self-Denial Envelopes	\$41
Altar Flowers	\$500	VANCO Processing Fees	\$37

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Pam and Frank Fusco to the Glory of God and in honor of their 52nd wedding anniversary.

THE ALTAR ROSE is given by Albert and Barbara Nagy to the Glory of God and in memory of their son James E. Nagy.

THE NARTHEX FLOWERS are given by Jamie & Suzanne Sanders to the Glory of God and honor of their 18th wedding anniversary today.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER! Today we welcome a new member into the Good Shepherd congregation. Karen Hellwig is joining. Please make an effort to meet and greet our newest Good Shepherd member!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU – to Mike Weaver, Russ Cox and Steve Bowden. They spent many hours replacing the broken tiles in the Altar area. It involved removing the old tiles, prepping the underlayment, replacing the tiles and installing new grout between the tiles. Steve, with his artist’s eye, color matched the grout. The results are outstanding. It should be noted that this was

done at no extra cost to the church thanks to existing and donated supplies. David Lucas, Council President.

SOCIAL MINISTRY MONTHLY EMPHASIS – For May, the Social Ministry committee chose the United Service Organizations (USO) as the monthly emphasis for congregational donations. The USO is a non-profit organization that supports active-duty service members and their families. In Columbia, the USO South Carolina offers support through centers at military installations and airport facilities, offering amenities such as snacks, entertainment, and recreational activities. The organization aims to strengthen the well-being of service members and their families, ensuring they have a sense of home wherever they are stationed. To give your support to the USO, you may contribute any time during May by putting your donation in a pink envelope 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 the USO.

PATHFINDERS OF GOOD SHEPHERD (POGS) will be meeting May 13, 2026, in the FAB at 12 noon. It will be the annual picnic. Hamburgers, hot dogs and buns will be provided. Please bring your favorite side dish, chili or slaw for the dogs, and dessert to share for a traditional cook out lunch.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING SENIOR Savannah Gross will receive a matted frame signed by members of GSLC and a picture of our Cross that hangs inside the Sanctuary. It has become a tradition for graduates to receive these small gifts as a reminder of all those congregational members who have helped them grow along the way in their faith journey and who will continue to love and pray for them in the future. **Please stop by the Narthex over the next several weeks to sign the mat.**

SAVE THE DATE – JUNE 7, 2026 – Please join us in the FAB on June 7th at 12 noon for Earline Suydam’s 100th birthday celebration!

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY bulletins are due by 12 noon each Wednesday. Email your announcements to 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.

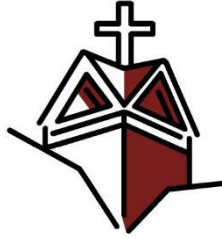
SERVING IN WORSHIP

GREETER:	Pat Quattlebaum
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LECTOR:	Karin Culp
COMMUNION ASST:	Amanda Snodgrass
ACOLYTE:	Anna-Maria Plyler
CRUCIFER:	Jan Haigler
ALTAR GUILD:	Marcia Woodward, Anna-Marie Plyler
TABULATORS:	Karen Lucas, Rick Storey
CC PERSON OF MONTH:	Lisa Sanchez

THIS WEEK AT GSLC

- May 3 **Fifth Sunday of Easter**
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)
11:05-11:25 a.m. Preschool Music (E-115)
11:25-11:45 a.m. Children's Choir (E-115)
- May 4 5:30 p.m. Communication Committee meeting (Conference Room)
- May 5 11:30 a.m. Bible Study (Conference Room)
5:00 p.m. Congregational Retreat planning meeting (Conference Room)
- May 6 8:15 – 8:45 a.m. Wednesday Virtual Bible Study
6:30 p.m. Choir Supper
- May 7 Mary Group meeting (off-site)
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. [private event] FLT meeting (FAB)
- May 10 **Sixth Sunday of Easter**
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)
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