

Worship
Third Sunday in Pentecost

June 19, 2022
8:30 & 9:45am



Good Shepherd
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Welcome to Worship

Whether one's feet are big or small, fresh or worn, running or crawling
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is:
Together on the Journey, Sharing God's Love

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism

- L. Welcome in the name of the holy Trinity, one God,
whose mercy endures forever.
- C. Amen.

SONG *"Canticle of the Turning"*

My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great, and my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait. You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?

Refrain: **My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.**

Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me, and your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be. Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn. *Refrain*

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- L. Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor,
let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

Silence for Reflection

- C. **God of mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
against one another,
and against the earth entrusted to our care.
We are worried and distracted by many things,
and we fail to love you above all else.
We store up treasures for ourselves
and turn away from our neighbors in need.
Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**
- L. When we are laid low by sin and guilt,
God makes us alive together with Christ,
forgiving us all our trespasses
for freedom, Christ has set us free:
Rejoice in this Good News!
- C. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE *“What a Beautiful Name it Is”*

**You were the Word at the beginning, one with God the Lord Most High.
Your hidden glory in creation, now revealed in you, our Christ.
What a beautiful name it is, what a beautiful name it is,
the name of Jesus Christ my King. What a beautiful name it is,
nothing compares to this. What a beautiful name it is, the name of Jesus.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- L. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the Communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you.
- C. And also with you.**
- L. Let us pray together,
- C. God of surprising compassion, in your mercy, set us free and defend us from
everything that is evil. We bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world, do not
keep silent, but continue in your steadfast embrace of your people, through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

(All those who are able, please stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me. Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.**

BIBLE READING Luke 8:26-39

Jesus and his disciples sailed to the Gerasenes' land, which is across the lake from Galilee. As soon as Jesus got out of the boat, a certain man met him. The man was from the city and was possessed by demons. For a long time, he had lived among the tombs, naked and homeless. When he saw Jesus, he shrieked and fell down before him. Then he shouted, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, don't torture me!" He said this because Jesus had already commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. Many times it had taken possession of him, so he would be bound with leg irons and chains and placed under guard. But he would break his restraints, and the demon would force him into the wilderness. Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" "Legion," he replied, because many demons had entered him. They pleaded with him not to order them to go back into the abyss. A large herd of pigs was feeding on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into the pigs. Jesus gave them permission, and the demons left the man and entered the pigs. The herd rushed down the cliff into the lake and drowned. When those who tended the pigs saw what happened, they ran away and told the story in the city and in the countryside. People came to see what had happened. They came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone. He was sitting at Jesus' feet, fully dressed and completely sane. They were filled with awe. Those people who had actually seen what had happened told them how the demon-possessed man had been delivered. Then everyone gathered from the region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave their area because they were overcome with fear. So he got into the boat and returned across the lake. The man from whom the demons had gone begged to come along with Jesus as one of his disciples. Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return home and tell the story of what God has done for you." So he went throughout the city proclaiming what Jesus had done for him.

The Word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God!

(Please be seated)

MESSAGE

Pastor Courtney Steitz

(All those who are able, please stand)

SONG OF THE DAY *“Christ Be Our Light”*

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 darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.**

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*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We belong to God,
Creator of all that is and all that is to come,
abundant provider of the gifts in this life
and the gifts in our own hearts.
It is God alone who gives life,
who is generous beyond measure with grace and blessing.**

**We follow Christ, whom God sent to teach and heal,
to show us a new way to live,
with love and trust and courage, with joy and generosity.
In this faith Jesus gave of himself, even his very life.
He was crucified and buried;
yet God raised him from death,
and he lives among us and grants his spirit to us.**

**We live by that Holy Spirit,
and entrust ourselves to the Spirit’s guidance and empowerment.
As members of the church, the Body of Christ,
we devote ourselves to lives of love,
rejoicing in the power of forgiveness,
the reality of resurrection,
and the mystery of eternal life. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You are invited to sing “The Spirit Intercedes for Us” before and after prayers
**The Spirit intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words to express oh, oh, oh.
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INVITATION TO OFFERING *(Luke 24:47)*

L. Christ calls us to participate in a mission of reconciliation throughout the world – inviting us to participate in the building up of the body of Christ, where justice and peace prevail. Let us give generously of our time, talents, and treasure to foster this mission.

OFFERING *You can place your offering in the plate upon entering or leaving worship. Or you may give online at our website.
Thank you for your generosity.*

OFFERING PRAYER

C. O God, we bring to you our offering, and ask you to bless it and use it to make your reign known in the world. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

OFFERTORY SONG *"The Doxology"*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION BLESSING

COMMUNION PRAYER

God of love, as you have blessed this meal, bless now our work and our words, that we may extend your welcome to the world in what we do and by who we are. May the Spirit's power make it so. Amen.

BLESSING

L. The blessing of God,
 source of life,
 power of life,
 redeemer of life,
 is with you now and always.

C. Amen.

SONG *"God of Grace and God of Glory"*

God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your pow'r; crown your ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flow'r. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of your salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving you whom we adore, serving you whom we adore.

DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

C. Thanks be to God.

This Week Please Pray For:

Healing:

Emily Glass, chemotherapy/physical therapy after surgery for breast cancer

Jean Buchholz, hospice care, but continuing to stay strong and relatively pain free

Eric Duchene, colon cancer

Millie Mlinarevich, recovering from surgery/6 weeks of non-weight bearing activity

Lloyd Pilot, transitional care following colon cancer surgery

Steve Larsen, grieving the death of his father

Auggie Michaels, hospitalized/newly dementia diagnosis (husband of Nancy Michaels)

Other:

An end to gun violence

Ukraine

Those suffering during a difficult economic time