

*"I am
the light
of the
world."*

John 9:5

*4th Sunday in Lent
March 19, 2023*

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*** WORSHIP NOTES ***

- ✻ *Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd. We warmly greet you in the name of the Lord and give God thanks for your presence today.*
- ✻ *Most hymns are found in the Hymnal located in the pews. Hymns from other hymnals will be printed and provided in the insert.*
- ✻ *All baptized believing Christians are welcome to gather at the altar for Holy Communion. **Grape juice and low gluten wafers are available. Please see a greeter prior to the beginning of service.***
- ✻ *When it comes time for sharing of the peace, you may pass the peace by sign or physically to your neighbors as you are comfortable.*

SETTING THREE—EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP

+ + + GATHERING + + +

Please maintain silence in the Sanctuary as we prepare for worship

Prelude

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who journeys with us these forty days,
and sustains us with the gift of grace.

C: Amen.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

P: Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for
repentance and God's mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection

P: Holy God,

C: **we confess to you our faults and failings.**

Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word;

we take for ourselves instead of giving to others;

we spoil rather than steward your creation;

we cause hurt though you call us to heal;

we choose fear over compassion.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,

as we seek to follow in your way of life.

Amen.

P: Hear the good news:

God so loved the world that God gave the only Son,

so that all may receive life.

This promise is for you!

God embraces you with divine mercy,

✠ forgives you in Christ's name,

and revives you in the Spirit's power.

C: **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn "Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery" ELW 334

v. 1-3 & Lent 4

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray...

C: **Amen.**

+ + + WORD + + +

We sit

FIRST READING

Celebrate Insert

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Celebrate Insert

SECOND READING

Celebrate Insert

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

We stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

P: The holy gospel according to ...

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL

Celebrate Insert

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

We stand

Hymn of the Day

"Amazing Grace"

ELW 779

APOSTLES' CREED

P: Let us confess our faith, in the words of the Apostles' Creed:

C: 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

Celebrate Insert

PEACE (*a time set aside for sharing only God's peace*)

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

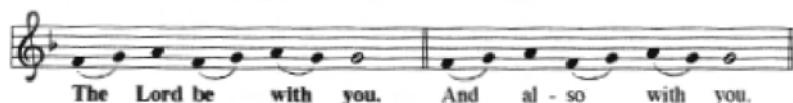
C: And also with you.

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

C: God of good gifts,
receive these and all our offerings
as we present them in faithful service
for the sake of your gospel.
Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal
as you pour out your very presence
through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



P: 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; ...we
praise your name and join their unending hymn.

SANCTUS



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

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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

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

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

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
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.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: O God of resurrection and new life:

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Bless this feast.

Grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.

Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.

Breathe new life into us.

Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: With your holy ones of all times and places,

with the earth and all its creatures,

with sun and moon and stars,

we praise you, O God,

blessed and holy Trinity,

now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: 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

P: Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

Communion Hymn

“Let It Be Said of Us”

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LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

S 146

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.

We stand

BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

CANTICLE (NUNC DIMITIS)

ELW #113



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful-



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the



sight of ev - ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER**A:** Let us pray...

Embodied God,

at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus.

With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise,

empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors

and touch the world with your love.

C: Amen.

+++ SENDING +++

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

P: God, the giver of love,
✠ Christ, the resurrection and the life,
and the Holy Spirit of rebirth
bless you in this Lenten journey.

C: **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

“Be Thou My Vision”

ELW 793

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Serve in love.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Counters: Jan and Larry Wallingford

Guest Pastor: Father Ken Brown

Lector: Olwynne Crampton

Mower: Ric Van Horn

Organist/Choir: Karoline Van Horn

Pianist: Sara Poovey

Zoom: Barry Pochron

COMMUNITY HOLY WEEK SERVICES

During Holy Week on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday there will be community worship services at 12 pm with lunch following at 12:30 pm at the host church. April 3rd is hosted by First United Methodist with Pastor Sam Shas giving the message. April 4th is hosted by First Presbyterian with Father Mark Holland giving the message. April 5th is hosted by All Saints Episcopal Church with Pastor Jason McIntosh giving the message.

IN KIND DONATIONS

To help with budget preparation for the next year, Cindy

Werner is keeping track of In Kind Donations.

Please put a note of your donations in box #19.

Include: your name, amount of purchase, and event on the note.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY AND SOUP SUPPER

We will be gathering on Wednesdays during Lent beginning March 1st. We will have a soup supper at 6 pm followed by a Bible study led by Pastor Wolff at 7 pm.
Please join us as you are able!

COMING UP AT GOOD SHEPHERD

Sunday, March 19	Fourth Sunday in Lent 10:00 am Worship Service
Tuesday, March 21	5:30 pm Christ News
Wednesday, March 22	6:00 pm Lenten Soup Supper 7:00 pm Lenten Bible Study
Sunday, March 26	Fifth Sunday in Lent 10:00 am Worship Service
Wednesday, March 29	6:00 pm Lenten Soup Supper 7:00 pm Lenten Bible Study
Sunday, April 2	Palm Sunday 10:00 am Worship Service 1:30 pm Christ News
Monday, April 3	12:00 pm Holy Monday Service 12:30 pm Lunch/ <i>First United Methodist Church</i>
Tuesday, April 3	12:00 pm Holy Tuesday Service 12:30 pm Lunch/ <i>First Presbyterian Church</i>
Wednesday, April 5	12:00 pm Holy Wednesday Service 12:30 pm Lunch/ <i>All Saints Episcopal Church</i> 6:00 pm Lenten Soup Supper 7:00 pm Lenten Bible Study
Thursday, April 6	7:00 pm Maundy Thursday
Friday, April 7	7:00 pm Good Friday
Sunday, April 9	Easter Day 10:00 am Worship Service 1:30 pm Christ News



WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER



Members

Healing, comfort & strength

Marilyn Fahringer

Carroll Allen

Jack Lowe

Pastor Bob Schefter

Elizabeth Schefter

Josh & Bergen Gray, God's guidance

Carolyn Absher – shoulder surgery on 3/30

Darlene Kline

Juanita Reynolds

Our congregation and future pastor – that we are guided by the Holy Spirit as we go through the call process

Family & Friends

Healing, comfort, strength & peace

Donnie Giovingo, Carolyn Absher's brother

Sue Zokoe, Ed & Judy Skorski's daughter

Melissa Miller, Larry & Jan Wallingford's neighbor

Marc Wallingford, Larry & Jan Wallingford's son

Ric Van Horn, Karoline Van Horn's husband

Amy Anderson, Alan Anderson's niece

Morgan Corthell, Larry & Jan Wallingford's granddaughter

Jackie & Dwayne Collins, Nancy McLoughlin's friends

Mary Jean Wesche, Ed & Judy Skorski's friend

From our Community

Healing, comfort, strength & peace

Rebecca Johnson and Family

Leona and Family

Military Serving our Country

Protection, comfort & strength

John Gray, Joshua Gray's brother

Ian Anderson, Alan Anderson's nephew

Joshua Sheaf, Good Shepherd member

597 Let It Be Said of Us

If we live by the Spirit, we must also follow the Spirit. Galatians 5:25

1. Let it be said of us that the Lord was our pas-sion,
2. Let it be said of us: we were marked by for-give-ness,

That with glad-ness we bore ev-'ry cross we were giv-en;
We were known by our love and de-light-ed in meek-ness;

That we fought the good fight, that we fin-ished the course
We were ruled by His peace heed-ing un-i-ty's call,

Know-ing with-in us the power of the ris-en Lord.
Joined as one bod-y that Christ would be seen by all.

WORDS: Steve Fry

MUSIC: Steve Fry; arr. Bruce Greer



FRY

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Chorus

Let the cross be our glo - ry and the Lord be our song; By

mer - cy made ho - ly, by the Spir - it made strong. Let the

cross be our glo - ry and the Lord be our song 'Til the

like - ness of Je - sus be through us made known. Let the

cross be our glo - ry and the Lord be our song.

(segue)