



KEEP AWAKE  
THEREFORE,  
FOR YOU  
KNOW NEITHER  
THE DAY  
NOR THE HOUR.

MATTHEW 25:13

*24th Sunday after Pentecost/Lectionary 32  
November 12, 2023 10:00 a.m.*

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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.*
- ✧ *After receiving communion, you may kneel at the altar or return to your seat for silent prayer or singing the communion hymn.*

**SETTING ONE—EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP**

**+ + + GATHERING + + +**

*Please maintain silence in the Sanctuary as we prepare for worship*

**PRELUDE**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be God,  
the one who forms us,  
✠ Jesus who bears the cross,  
the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

**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 bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Steadfast and faithful God,

C: **you have revealed the ways of justice,  
yet we fail to follow you.**

**We are overwhelmed  
by the world's violence and suffering.**

**We are afraid to risk what we have  
for the sake of others.**

**For the harm we have caused,  
known and unknown, forgive us.**

**For the unjust demands we place on others  
and your creation, forgive us.**

**For the ways we turn away  
from you and our neighbor, forgive us.**

**Lead us back to you and set us on the right path;  
in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

**Amen.**

P: Beloved in Christ,

God's justice stretches beyond all understanding.

God's compassion is beyond compare.

In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us.

In **✠** Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

C: **Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn**    **"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"**    ELW 888

#### **APOSTOLIC 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

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Celebrate Insert

PSALM (*Spoken or chanted responsively*)

Celebrate Insert

SECOND READING

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Celebrate Insert

*We stand*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

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.**

SERMON

Rev. Scherry Fouke

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

**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 Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

+ + + MEAL + + +

Offering

*We stand*

**OFFERING HYMN**

**ELW #186**



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right  
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take  
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of  
your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

**OFFERING PRAYER**

**A:** Let us pray.

**C:** God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you.  
We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed.  
Form us into the body of your Beloved,  
Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

## THE 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.

The image shows a musical score for 'The Great Thanksgiving' in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: '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.'

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-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

The image shows a musical score for 'Sanctus' in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. The melody is more complex than the first piece, featuring some eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.'

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: 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 your Holy Spirit,  
that by this Holy Communion  
we may know the unity  
we share with all your people  
in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours,  
almighty Father, 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:* Jesus invites you to this table. Come, eat and live.

***After receiving communion, you may kneel around the altar for silent prayer.***

*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.**

## LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)



*We stand***TABLE 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 fulfilled. 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. Blessed be your name, O God,  
 for we have feasted on your Word,  
 Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts.  
 Strengthened by this food,  
 send us to gather the world to your banquet,  
 where none are left out and all are satisfied.  
 In Jesus' name we pray.

C: **Amen.**

+ + + SENDING + + +

*We sit*

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

AN ORDER OF FAREWELL TO CHURCH MEMBERS

**P:** The church is a family. United by the common recognition of Jesus Christ as our Savior, we are all brothers and sisters.  
And, for a time, The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is our home.

Like every human family,  
our church family is formed and reformed over time;  
as members are born, as they die,  
as members are adopted into our family,  
and as they leave our congregation for a new home, in a different place.

For a time, Jim and Sue have lived with us.  
We have shared with each other good times and bad,  
we have shared each other's joys and sorrows,  
we have lightened each other's heavy loads.  
Together we have laughed and cried,  
together we have worshiped and praised God, together we have lived.

**C:** **We feel sorrow in your leaving,**  
**yet we rejoice with you in anticipation**  
**of this new phase of your life.**  
**We will miss your love and support,**  
**yet we know you will add much to the lives**  
**of those who will be your new church family,**  
**as you have added much to our lives.**

**We will pray for you and for the whole family of God.**

**P:** Let us pray:  
O God, you are the strength and the protector of your people.  
We humbly place in your hands Jim and Sue of this congregation  
who are about to leave us.  
Keep and preserve them, O Lord,

in all health and safety, both of body and soul;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*We stand*

**BLESSING**

P: The God of Glory,  
✠ Jesus Christ, name above all names,  
and the Spirit who lives in you,  
bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**Sending Hymn “God Be With You Till We Meet Again” ELW 563**

**DISMISSAL**

A: Go in peace. God is at work in you.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The altar flowers are given by** Ed and Judy Skorski to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Sue Zokoe, Stanley & Olga Skorski, and Mike & Lois DeBruyn

**Communion Setup:** Wylene Hinkle

**Guest Pastor/Celebrant:** Rev. Steve Werner

**Guest Pastor/Homilist:** Rev. Scherry Fouke

**Lector:** Ric Van Horn

**Organist/Choir:** Karoline Van Horn

**Zoom:** Joshua Gray



## WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER



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### Members

*Healing, comfort & strength*

**Larry Wallingford**

**Janet Cate**

**Karoline Van Horn**

**Sara Poovey**

**Ric Van Horn**

**Jan Wallingford**, *comfort in time of sorrow*

**Ed & Judy Skorski**, *comfort in time of sorrow*

**Carroll Allen**

**Jack Lowe**

**Pastor Bob Schefter**

**Elizabeth Schefter**

**Josh & Bergen Gray**, *God's guidance*

**Carolyn Absher**

**Darlene Kline**

**Juanita Reynolds**

**Our congregation & future pastor**—*that we be guided by the Holy Spirit*

### Family & Friends

*Healing, comfort, strength & peace*

**Bedford Collins**, *friend of Juanita Reynolds*

**Dee Dee and Tim Clevenger**, *friends of GSLC*

**Flip DeFilippo**, *father of Sandy Kubis*

**Bev DeFilippo**, *mother of Sandy Kubis*

**Family & Friends of Rosa Mullins Bailey**, *family of Cody Nelson*,  
*comfort in sorrow*

**Family & Friends of Priscilla Jackson**, *friend of Wylene Hinkle*,  
*comfort in sorrow*

**Family and Friends of Jeanne Remillard**, *Jan Wallingford's sister*,  
*comfort in sorrow*

**Carol Yohn** (*brain cancer*), *Carroll & Sally Allen's friend*

**Whitney Dixon Mason** (*pancreatic cancer*), *step-daughter of Dee Dee Talley Dixon & Wayne Dixon* (cards may be sent to 430 N. Hill Street, Morristown 37814)

**Rev. George Martzen**, *friend of Cody Nelson*

**Family & Friends of Sue Zokoe, Ed & Judy Skorski's daughter,**  
*comfort in sorrow.*

**Amy Anderson, Alan Anderson's niece**

**Jackie & Dwayne Collins, Nancy McLoughlin's friends**

**Mary Jean Wesche, Ed & Judy Skorski's friend**

### **In The Community**

**Steve Silar, hope, comfort, strength, and peace**

**George Ruth, hope, comfort, strength, and peace**

**Roger Bunch, hope, comfort, strength, and peace**

**Justin Murray, Leona Crowe's son, healing, strength, comfort, and  
peace**

### **Military Serving our Country**

*Protection, comfort & strength*

**John Gray, Joshua Gray's brother**

**Ian Anderson, Alan Anderson's nephew**

**Joshua Sheaf, Good Shepherd member**

### **Pumpkin Patch Prayers**

**Prayers for Peace in the Ukraine, Israel, and the entire World.**

**Prayers for the Family of Pris Jackson**

**Prayers of thanksgiving for Family, Friends, and The Good  
Shepherd Lutheran Church.**

**Prayers of strength, peace, and comfort for Sara Poovey.**

### **Reception for the Whiting's**

After today's Service, please join us in the Narthex to  
say "Until we meet again and God be with you" to  
Jim and Sue Whiting.

### Coming up at Good Shepherd

- Sunday, November 12      Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
10:00 am Worship Service  
*Reception for Whiting's following the service*  
1:30 pm Christ News  
3:00 pm Kari Novilla concert  
*All Saints Episcopal Church*
- Friday, November 17      10:00 am Deborah Circle  
*church narthex*
- Sunday, November 19      Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
10:00 am Worship Service  
*Thanksgiving Potluck following service. Please sign  
on sign-up sheet prior to this event.*  
1:30 pm Christ News
- Monday, November 20      10:00 am—12:00 pm Food Pantry
- Tuesday, November 21      5:30 pm Christ News
- Thursday, November 23      Thanksgiving Day
- Friday, November 24      Quilters
- Sunday, November 26      Christ The King  
10:00 am Worship Service  
Christ News—*fellowship hall following service*
- Tuesday, November 28      5:30 pm Christ News
- Sunday, December 3      First Sunday of Advent  
10:00 am Worship Service  
Christ News—*fellowship hall following service*
- Tuesday, December 5      5:30 pm Christ News  
6:00 pm American Legion
- Friday, December 8      12 pm Noon *Ladies Christmas Potluck Lunch at  
Sally Allen's house. Please sign on sign-up sheet  
prior to this event.*

Sunday, December 10	Second Sunday of Advent 10:00 am Worship Service Christ News— <i>fellowship ball following service</i>
Tuesday, December 12	5:30 pm Christ News
Wednesday, December 13	1:00—4:00 pm Community Dinner setup 4:00 pm Community Dinner pick up
Thursday, December 14	6:30 pm Church Council Meeting
Sunday, December 17	Third Sunday of Advent 10:00 am Worship Service
Tuesday, December 19	5:30 pm Christ News
Monday, December 18	10:00 am—12:00 pm Food Pantry
Sunday, December 24	Fourth Sunday of Advent 10:00 am Worship Service Christmas Eve
Monday, December 25	Christmas Day