

But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

James 1:22-26

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James 1:22



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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

We Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna,
The God of miracles, and the God of mercy.

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: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God, our provider,

C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life

and feed us for life in the world.

Amen.

P: Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, the bread of life,

you are shown God's mercy:

you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn

“Oh God, My Faithful God”

ELW 806

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

Celebrate Insert

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 (*sung or spoken responsively*)

Celebrate Insert

SECOND READING

Celebrate Insert

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

We stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

A: God gave us birth by the word of truth so that we would become a kind of first fruits of creation.

Repeat Alleluia verse.

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

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

We stand

Hymn of the Day

“In Christ Alone”

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APOSTLES' CREED

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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 God's peace)*

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

C: **And also with you.**

We Sit

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: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.**

**Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.**

**Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world. 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 a hymn. It consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has two measures: 'The Lord be with you.' and 'And al - so with you.'. The second staff has two measures: 'Lift up your hearts.' and 'We lift them to the Lord.'. The third staff has two measures: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.'. The fourth staff has two measures: 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'.

PROPER PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

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.

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:
Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.
You have filled all creation with light and life;
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age:
The promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt,
the gift of the promised land, the words of the prophets;
and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son,
who proclaimed the good news in word and deed
and was obedient to your will,
Even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

P: Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the life
our Lord offered for us.
And, believing the witness of his resurrection,
We await his coming in power to share with us
the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we who share
in Christ's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory
and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P: Join our prayers with those of your servants
of every time and every place, and unite them
with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until
he comes as victorious Lord of all.
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: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

(Please process, take a wafer from the pastor and then a communion cup from the assistant. Grape juice is in the center of the tray)

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*)

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.

Communion Hymn “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” ELW 697

We stand

TABLE BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen and preserve you in eternal life.

C: Amen.

CANTICLE (*NUNC DIMITTIS*)

ELW #113

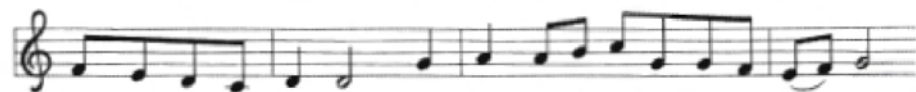
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Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



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.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.

As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.

In your name we pray.

C: Amen.

+++ SENDING +++

We sit

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We stand

BLESSING

P: The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen

Sending Hymn “Let Justice Flow Like Streams” **ELW 717**

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Altar Flowers are given by Mike and Chris Thompson to the Glory of God and in honor of all who celebrate birthdays in September, especially Adeline Thompson.

Communion Celebrant: Rev. Steve Werner

Lector: Rea Johnson

Organist/Choir: Karoline Van Horn

Worship Leader: Matt Bergstresser

Zoom: Mitchell Bradley

Annual Rummage Sale

We are having our annual rummage sale on September 13th and 14th. Please start gathering items for the sale now. If you have limited space and need to store something please talk with Marilyn. A hot item will be Christmas decorations. Thank you!

FOOD PANTRY

Monday, August 19, 2024, the Food Pantry was opened from 9:30 a.m. until NOON.

20 people came and 75 people received food. We didn't turn anyone away this month, thanks to your contributions.

We can't thank each of you enough for your generous monetary and food donations. They do make a difference. We hope that you have kept a copy of the list of needed food items in case you come across a sale and feel moved to bring these items to Church. Thank you.

We are also continuing to request plastic bags/tote bags for the Rummage Sale, Food Pantry, Free Monthly Community Dinner and Sleeping Mats for the Homeless. Thank you for your donations.

We continue to ask you to bring in Fleece Blankets to be given to those who come to the Food Pantry in December.

Deepest heartfelt thanks to everyone who have already brought in blankets. More are needed.

God bless each of you for your donations, support, and prayers not only for the Food Pantry, but also, for the upcoming Rummage Sale, our Free Monthly Community Dinner, and Sleeping Mats for the Homeless.

Together we have and will continue to make a difference in our community.

My deepest heartfelt thanks to Dixon and Felicia Brandt for all their invaluable help in working the Food Pantry on Monday, August 19.

Food Pantry will be opened Monday, September 16 at 10:00 a.m. until NOON .

In His Service,
Chris Thompson

Coming up at Good Shepherd

Weekday Morning Prayer	9:00 am, Monday through Thursday
Weekday Holy Communion	9:30 am, Monday through Thursday
Sunday, September 1	Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am Worship Service
Tuesday, September 3	6:00 pm American Legion
Sunday, September 8	Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am Worship Service 3:30 pm Piano Recital, <i>First Presbyterian Church, Morristown</i>
Wednesday, September 11	4:00 pm—6:00 pm Community Dinner
Thursday, September 12	5:30 pm Church Staff Meeting 6:30 pm Mission Council Meeting
Friday, September 13	Rummage Sale
Saturday, September 14	Rummage Sale
Sunday, September 15	Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am Worship Service 1:30 pm Christ News Ordination Service 2:30 pm Lifecare Service, <i>Life Care Center of Jefferson City</i>
Monday, September 16	10:00 am—12:00 pm Food Pantry
Friday, September 20	Deborah Circle, <i>Narthex</i>
Sunday, September 22	Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am Worship Service
Wednesday, September 25	7:15 pm Hymn Fest Rehearsal, <i>First United Methodist Church, Morristown</i>
Thursday, September 26	7:00 pm Hymn Fest, <i>First United Methodist Church, Morristown</i>

Sunday, September 29	Saint Michael and All Angels 10:00 am Worship Service
Tuesday, October 1	6:00 pm American Legion
Sunday, October 6	20th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am Worship Service
Wednesday, October 9	4:00 pm—6:00 pm Community Dinner
Thursday, October 10	5:30 pm Church Staff Meeting 6:30 pm Mission Council Meeting
Sunday, October 13	21st Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am Worship Service
Friday, October 18	Deborah Circle, <i>Narthex</i>
Sunday, October 20	22nd Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am Worship Service
Monday, October 21	10:00 am—12:00 pm Food Pantry



We Remember in Prayer



Members - *Healing, comfort, & strength*

Family and Friends of Carroll Allen, *comfort in sorrow*

Family & Friends - *Healing, comfort, strength, & peace*

Asilee Nelson, grandmother of Cody Nelson

Scott Huff, friend of Marilyn Fahringer

Military Serving our Country - *Protection, comfort, & strength*

John Gray, Joshua Gray's brother

Ian Anderson, Alan Anderson's nephew

Joshua Sheaf, Good Shepherd member

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my
 2. In Christ a - lone who took on flesh; Full-ness of God in help - less
 3. There in the ground His bod - y lay; Light of the world by dark - ness
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death; This is the power of Christ in

song: This Corn - er - stone, this sol - id ground, Firm through the
 babe. This gift of love and right - eous - ness Scorned by the
 slain. Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day. Up from the
 me. From life's first cry to fi - nal breath Je - sus com -

fier - est drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of
 ones He came to save; 'Til on that cross as Je - sus
 grave He rose a - gain! And as He stands in vic - to -
 mands my des - ti - ny. No power of hell, no scheme of

peace died When fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease; My Com - fort -
 ry The wrath of God was sat - is - fied; For ev - ery
 man Sin's curse has lost its grip on me; For I am
 Can ev - er pluck me from His hand; 'Til He re -

er, my All in All; Here in the love of Christ I stand.
 sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
 His and He is mine, Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ!
 turns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

