
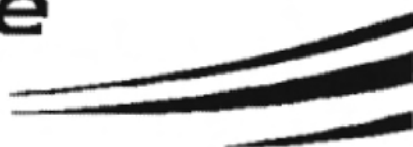


*...people
kept coming*



*and were
being
baptized.*



John 3:23

Baptism of Our Lord

January 12th, 2025

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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,
our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.

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: Trusting that God receives our words and the mediations of our hearts,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Merciful God,

C: you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

Forgive us for the ways we act with judgement,
cruelty, or indifference.

We ignore the needs of our neighbors;
we resist your call to oppose injustice;
we give in to scarcity and fear;
we assume the worst about one another.

Cleanse us from our faults
and release us from their grasp.

Show us your lovingkindness.

Restore our hearts and repair your world,
that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.

P: God proclaims these words of assurance:

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name. You are mine."

In † Christ, you are forgiven.

In the Spirit, you are made free.

Refreshed by the waters of mercy,
live anew as beloved children of God.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn

"Shall We Gather at the River"

ELW 423

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.

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.



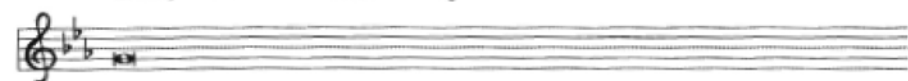
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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.

Refrain

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

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

Refrain

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.

PSALMODY (*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: A voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

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

Rev. Scherry Fouke

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

We stand

Hymn of the Day “Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters” **ELW 445**

NICENE CREED

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

C: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

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.

+ + + MEAL + + +

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: God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens,
and your abundance to the depths of the seas.

Bless what we offer to your service:
our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.

Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity,
now and always. 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.'. The notes are mostly quarter and eighth notes, with some rests and ties.

PROPER PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...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 One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

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.

P: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

P: With this bread and cup we remember your Word
dwelling among us, full of grace and truth.
We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.
We look with hope for his coming.

C: Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal.
May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people.
Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel,
Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High,
one God, 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: The joy of the Lord is our strength.

Come, eat this meal of gladness.

(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 "When Jesus Came to Jordan" ELW 305

We stand

TABLE BLESSING

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

C: Amen.



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. Nourishing God,
at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink.
Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news
of liberation and healing for the sake of the world.

In the name of Christ we pray,

C: Amen.

+++ SENDING +++

We sit

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We stand

BLESSING

P: The Spirit of the triune God † bless you with joy,
anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.

C: Amen

Sending Hymn “Go, My Children, with My Blessing” **ELW 543**

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Live in hope.

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 honor of their family

Lector: Marilyn Fahringer

Organist/Choir: Karoline Van Horn

Supply Pastor: Rev. Scherry Fouke

Worship Assistant: Matt Bergstresser

Zoom: Shannon Hancock

Flower Chart

The flower chart for 2025 still has openings for several Sundays. If you would like to donate for a set of Sundays please check the chart. The Sundays are divided into 2 or 3 Sundays as indicated on the chart. The cost for any set of Sundays is \$65. The same flowers are used from the first Sunday in a set to the last, so there are no additional costs. If you have any questions, please contact Wylene Hinkle at 423-586-0641. Thank you!

FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry was opened on Monday, December 16, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. till noon. Twenty - two people came and sixty - six were provided with food. Due to everyone's generosity of donating fleece throws all of the people who received one were very grateful and thankful for this Christmas surprise. Their smiles were like Christmas presents to us who were working at the Food Pantry that day.

My most deepest heart-felt thanks to Felicia Brandt, Sally Allen, Cheryl Stouffer, and Wylene Hinkle for their outstanding help at the Food Pantry that day. For me being at the Food Pantry when it is opened has been a humbling experience. It has been a blessing to shop for, stock the shelves, fill the Blessing Box, and work on Food Pantry Mondays.

A great big thank you to each of you for your continuous support, donations, and especially your prayers for the Food Pantry. Working together, God has allowed us to touch many hearts.

In His Loving Service, Chris Thompson

NEWS from DEBORAH CIRCLE

Our December meeting, Saturday, December 14, was a special Potluck Christmas Lunch at the beautiful home of Sally Allen. Thank you so much, Sally, for being such a wonderful hostess for this event.

Our next meeting will be, Friday, January 17, 2025, when Felicia Brandt will be leading the discussion of chapter 1 of "The Jesus I Never Knew" by Phillip Yancey.

We invite all the ladies of The Good Shepherd, friends of the Church, and their friends to attend this meeting. Please join us for devotions, prayers, discussion, and fellowship on Friday, January 17.

In His Wonderful Love, Chris Thompson

Coming up at Good Shepherd

Sunday, January 12	Baptism of Our Lord 10:00 am Worship Service
Friday, January 17	10:00 am Deborah Circle, <i>narthex</i>
Sunday, January 19	Second Sunday after Epiphany 10:00 am Worship Service
Monday, January 20	10:00 am—12:00 pm Food Pantry
Saturday, January 25	2:00 pm—4:00 pm Baby Shower
Sunday, January 26	Third Sunday after Epiphany 10:00 am Worship Service
Sunday, February 2	Presentation of Our Lord 10:00 am Worship Service
Tuesday, February 4	6:00 pm American Legion
Sunday, February 9	Fourth Sunday after Epiphany 10:00 am Worship Service
Wednesday, February 12	4:00 pm—6:00 pm Community Dinner
Thursday, February 13	6:30 pm Mission Council
Sunday, February 16	Fifth Sunday after Epiphany 10:00 am Worship Service
Monday, February 17	10:00 am—12:00 pm Food Pantry
Friday, February 21	10:00 am Deborah Circle, <i>narthex</i>



We Remember in Prayer



Members - *Healing, comfort, strength, & peace*

Ric Van Horn
Cody Nelson
Robert French

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

Family and Friends of Nancy Ellenburg, Aunt of Wylene Hinkle, *comfort in sorrow*

Roger Hayes, friend of Wylene Hinkle, *comfort in sorrow*

Jeff Wever, son of Judy Skorski

Troy Werner, son of Steve and Cindy Werner

From the Community - *Healing, comfort, strength, & peace*

Melissa Houston
Hope Williams
George Ruth
James Ruth
Pamela Thacker
Jacelyn Latimer
Donna Earl
Jennifer Earl
Debbie Lang
Patricia Duty
Lester Brown
Kari Seiber
Rhonda Costyn
Dorothy Ruble
Frank Bush
Jeannie Shults
Karina Vicente
Jayce Mantique
Cheryl Dugger

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

John Gray, Joshua Gray's brother
Ian Anderson, Alan Anderson's nephew
Joshua Sheaf, Good Shepherd member

Vision Statement

We are a congregation that shares a living, daring confidence in God's grace.
Liberated by our faith, we embrace you as a whole person -
questions, complexities and all.
Join us as we do God's work in Christ's name
for the life of the world God's people.

Mission Statement

By the grace of God, the Good Shepherd, we are called to serve Christ joyfully by sharing the Gospel, being faithful stewards of God's gifts, and by loving and celebrating all God's people.