



The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

**Holy Eucharist
The Holy Trinity**

May 31, 2026

8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Though the word trinity is not found in the scriptures, today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

The assembly stands at the ringing of the bell.

At the entrance of the Nave:

Invocation

P In the name of the Father, and of the ☩Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Apostolic Greeting

P The grace of our risen Savior, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be God, who chose us in Christ. Let us come to the fountain of mercy.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom:
Lord, have mercy.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Lord Jesus, your spirit gives us the consolation of the truth: Christ, have mercy.

C **Christ, have mercy.**

P Lord Jesus, you raise the dead to life in the Spirit: Lord, have mercy.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P In great mercy God has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. In obedience to our Lord's command, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Gathering Song

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

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- 1 **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!**
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
- 2 **Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,**
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.
- 3 **Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,**
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.
- 4 **Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Banner Dedication (8:30 a.m.)

Entrance Antiphon

P Blessed be God the Father and his only-begotten son and the Holy Spirit;

C **for He has shown that He loves us.**

Canticle of Praise

Mass of God's Promise
Dan Schutte

Refrain

Glo-ry to God, give glo-ry to God. Glo-ry to God in the
high - est. Peace on the earth and glo-ry to God.
Peace to all peo-ple, peace to all peo-ple on earth. (3. For)

Verse 1

1. Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we
1. wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Verse 2

2. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord
2. God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer -
2. cy, have mer - cy, have mer - cy
2. on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand
2. of the Fa - ther: re-ceive our prayer.

Verse 3

(3. For) you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
3. you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-
3. ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther.

Prayer of the Day

P Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The assembly may be seated.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading

Genesis 1:1—2:4a

At the beginning of time, God the Creator, God the powerful Word, and God the life-giving Spirit form the earth and all its inhabitants. God sees that all this created work is good and then rests on the seventh day.

A A reading from Genesis

¹ When God began to create the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶ And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷ So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸ God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹ And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹ Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. ¹² The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴ And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶ God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷ God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰ And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” ²¹ So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²² God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” ²³ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴ And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. ²⁵ God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind and the cattle of every kind and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, “Let us make humans in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

²⁷ So God created humans in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” ²⁹ God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. ³¹ God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

^{2:1} Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all their multitude.

² On the sixth day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³ So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. ^{4a} These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

A The Word of the Lord.

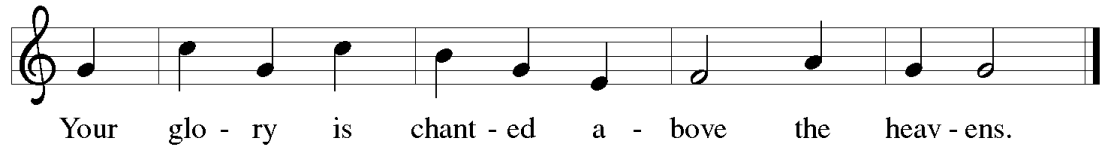
C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

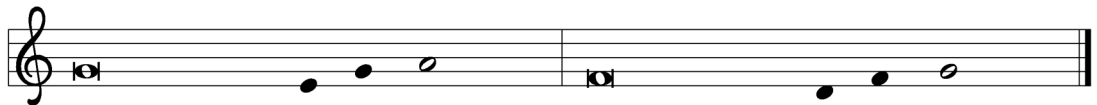
Psalm 8

The antiphon will be sung by the cantor and repeated by the congregation. The antiphon is then repeated as indicated R.

Psalm Refrain



Psalm Tone



¹O | LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!—

²**you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of in|fants and children;**

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe | and avenger. R

³When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,
⁴**what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of them,**
human beings that you should | care for them? R

⁵Yet you have made them little less | than divine;
with glory and hon- | or you crown them.

⁶**You have made them rule over the works | of your hands;**
you have put all things un- | der their feet:

⁷all | flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts | of the field,

⁸**the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea,**
and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.

⁹O | LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in | all the earth! R

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Paul closes a challenging letter to the Corinthians with an appeal to Christian fellowship grounded in the triune harmony of Christ's grace, God's love, and the Spirit's partnership.

A A reading from 2 Corinthians

[Paul writes:] ¹¹ Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

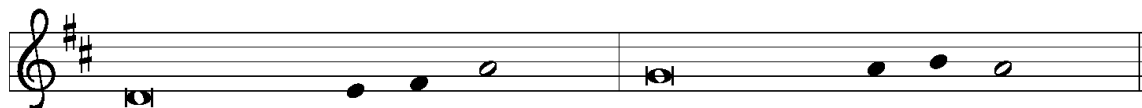
Gospel Acclamation

The cantor introduces the acclamation. The assembly will repeat the acclamation. Following the verse, the acclamation is sung again by all.

*Mass of God's Promise
Dan Schutte*



Verse Tone



Cantor:

Holy, holy, holy is the | Lord of hosts; God's glory fills | the whole earth. (Isa. 6:3)*

Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

After his resurrection, Jesus summons his remaining disciples and commissions them to baptize and teach all nations in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

P The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew the 28th chapter.

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

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly may be seated.

Sermon

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Hymn of the Day

O Holy Trinity

The assembly stands at the last stanza.

Text: Holly Gainor
Tune: LANCASHIRE

- 1 O God, beyond all-knowing, creation in your hand
Abounding field and vineyard both yield at your command.
The rivers roar and thunder; they answer to your name.
With water marked, forgiven, your promises we claim.**
- 2 O Jesus, faithful servant, whose cross redeemed us all,
your life of love and mercy becomes our faithful call.
A star proclaimed your coming, a tomb your victory;
at God's right hand, the promise of all humanity.**
- 3 O Spirit, ever with us, the fire and breath of life,
bring peace and move among us in lives of joy and strife.
Inflame our hearts to kindness, affection, grace and truth;
in unity preserve us, your Word our deepest roots.**
- 4 O Holy God the Father, O Holy God the Son,
O holy God the Spirit, most holy three in one!
The Tree of Life, our promise, O Blessed one in three,
To you our highest praises, O Holy Trinity!**

**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.**

Prayers Of The People

Hearing the Word of God in Scripture and in Preaching moves us to pray for the whole Church, the nations, those in need, the parish, and our special concerns. The intercessor moves to stand with the assembled people of God, as a rich symbol of the petitions truly being the Prayers of the People.

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:

- A God of grace,
C **hear our prayer.**

Response at the conclusion of the prayers of the people:

- C **Amen.**

Peace

The words of the Peace are an ancient and solemn blessing signifying the reconciliation that we have with God and, through Christ, with one another. Please do not use this time for casual greetings or conversations.

- P Jesus said: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled.
The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

- C **And also with you.**

Please share some sign (a handshake, an embrace, etc.) with one another as you exchange the greeting of peace.

Greeting: Peace be with you.

Response: And also with you.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

Offertory

Offering plates are located by the font and inside the West Nave entrance.



Offertory Song

The assembly stands as the ushers come forward with the gifts.

Come Join the Dance of Trinity (verses 1-2)

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- 1** Come, join the dance of Trinity,
before all worlds begun—
the interweaving of the Three,
the Father, Spirit, Son.
The universe of space and time
did not arise by chance,
but as the Three, in love and hope,
made room within their dance.

- 2** Come, see the face of Trinity,
newborn in Bethlehem;
then bloodied by a crown of thorns
outside Jerusalem.
The dance of Trinity is meant
for human flesh and bone;
when fear confines the dance in death,
God rolls away the stone.

Offertory Prayer

- P** Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.
- C** **Blessed be God forever!**
- P** Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.
- C** **Blessed be God forever!**
- A** Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C** **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Dialogue

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

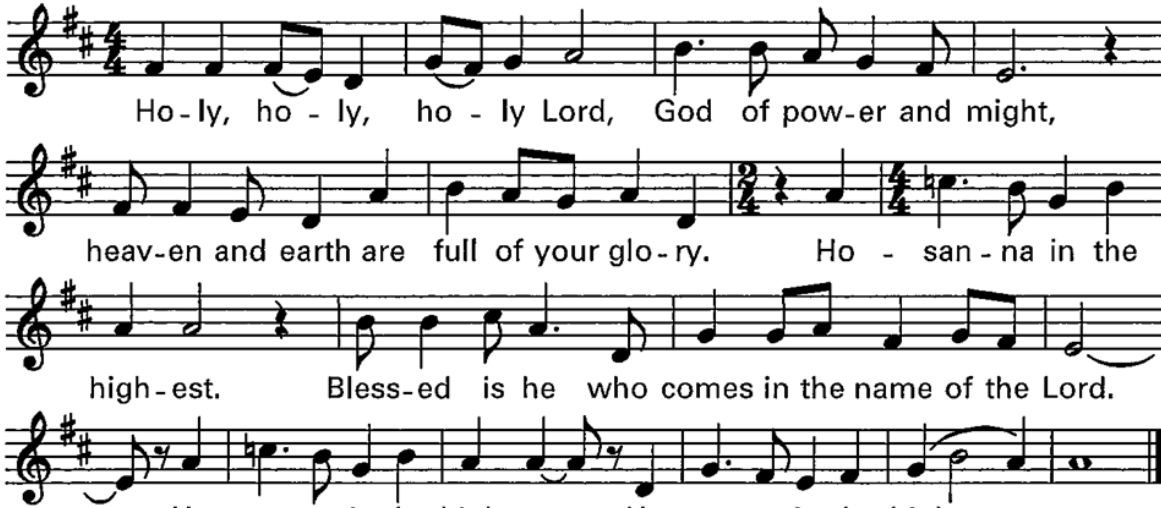
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy

C



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. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

At the Presiding Minister's invitation: "...we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C



Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

The Presiding Minister continues the prayer, and concludes: "... with all your saints in light."

C



A - men. A - men. A -
men. For ev - er and ev - er, a - men.

The Lord's Prayer

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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.**

Lamb of God

Cantor/Choir All

(Invocations) you take a - way the sins of the

1, 2... world: have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy, have mer-cy on
(Final) world: O grant us peace, O grant us last - ing

1, 2... us. (Final) peace, Lamb of God.

Invitation to Communion

P This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

C **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Communion Of The Faithful

All baptized Christians are invited to share faithfully in the Holy Eucharist. In this sacrament, by the power of God's Word and the Holy Spirit, we receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ along with the bread and wine for our forgiveness and salvation, as we celebrate our unity with Christ and all the saints.

Please come by the center aisle as directed by the ushers.

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."

Music During Distribution

Song After Communion

Come, Join the Dance of Trinity (Verses 3-4)

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- 3** **Come, speak aloud of Trinity,
as wind and tongues of flame
set people free at Pentecost
to tell the Savior's name.
We know the yoke of sin and death,
our necks have worn it smooth;
go tell the world of weight and woe
that we are free to move!**
- 4** **Within the dance of Trinity,
before all worlds begun,
we sing the praises of the Three,
the Father, Spirit, Son.
Let voices rise and interweave,
by love and hope set free,
to shape in song this joy, this life:
the dance of Trinity.**

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

P Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, †one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C Amen.

Sending Song

Holy God. We Praise Your Name

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- 1 Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you.
All on earth your scepter claim, all in heav'n above adore you.
Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.**
- 2 Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising; cherubim and Seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
“Holy, holy, holy Lord!”**
- 3 Lo, the apostolic train join your sacred name to hallow; prophets swell the glad refrain, and the white-robed martyrs follow;
and from morn to set of sun through the church the song goes on.**
- 4 Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name you,
though in essence only one; undivided God we claim you and,
adoring, bend the knee while we own the mystery.**

Dismissal

A The liturgy is ended. Go in peace. Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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A warm welcome to our visitors in the Name of Christ.

We seek to minister to all who become a part of our community in Christ as we worship together. We are pleased to have you share in our worship and ministry and sincerely hope you will return. Please sign the guest register in the Narthex and introduce yourself to the Pastor.

- The liturgy and worship book page numbers are printed in the worship folder. Please join in the responses as indicated. You may stand as you are able where indicated or remain seated. Hymns marked with ELW are in the red hymnal, Evangelical Lutheran Worship. Hymns marked with WOV are in the blue soft cover hymnal, With One Voice.
- A rest room with a baby changing area is located off the Narthex of the Nave
- The guest register and devotional booklets are in the Narthex.

Holy Eucharist

Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel

Sundays at 8:30 a.m. in the Nave and 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel

Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel

Summer Fellowship

There will be a social time between Sunday services, from 9:30 a.m. until 10 a.m., on the patio off the education wing's Wilhelm Road entrance.

In case of inclement weather, we will move inside to the St. Stephen Room.



Worship Dedications

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Lily Sprunk's graduation from High School by Mary and Fred Sprunk.

The bulletins are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Dave and Sue Boyne's wedding anniversary and in thanksgiving for all that Dave has done and is doing for Sue by Sue Boyne.

The lamps are burning to the Glory of God

Adult Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation is on hiatus for the summer and will return in October.

Last Week

Our praise and thanksgiving to God for our many blessings reflected in our tithes and offerings.

Spending Proposal Per Week	\$4,904.00
Total Received	2,805.50
Difference	-2,098.50

Daily Readings

- M** Job 38: 39—39:12, 1 Corinthians 12: 1-3, Psalm 29
T Job 39: 13-25, 1 Corinthians 12: 4-13, Psalm 29
W Job 39: 26—40:5, John 14: 25-26, Psalm 29
Th Lamentations 1: 7-11, 2 Peter 2: 17-22, Psalm 50: 7-15
F Lamentations: 3: 40-58, Acts 28: 1-10, Psalm 50: 7-15
Sa Exodus 34: 1-9, Matthew 9: 27-34, Psalm 50: 7-15
Su Hosea 5: 15—6:6, Romans 4: 13-25, Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26, Psalm 50: 7-15

This Week

Sunday 5/31 The Holy Trinity	8:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave/YouTube—link may be found at www.goodshepherdpxtang.com) 9:30 a.m. Summer Fellowship (Wilhelm Road Patio) 10:00 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Chapel)
Monday 6/1	6:30 p.m. Cub Pack 42 (ASH)
Tuesday 6/2	9:30 a.m. Workshop (St. Lydia/ASH) 10:00 a.m. Ready for School, Ready to Succeed (Sts. Peter and Paul)
Wednesday 6/3	9:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Chapel)
Friday 6/5	10:00 a.m. Ready for School, Ready to Succeed (Sts. Peter and Paul)
Saturday 6/6	5:00 p.m. Word and Sacrament (Chapel)
Sunday 6/7	8:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave/YouTube—link may be found at www.goodshepherdpxtang.com) 9:30 a.m. Summer Fellowship (Wilhelm Road Patio) 10:00 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Chapel)

Announcements

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all those who, because of illness or infirmity, are unable to be with us for worship. Your prayers, cards, and visits to them are invited so that Christ may be glorified by the manner in which his people care for one another.

PRAYER CHAIN: Good Shepherd members lift up prayer requests throughout the week. If you have a prayer request you wish to share, or if you would like prayer requests to include in your daily devotions, please contact Edna Hafer or Dix McCauley.

COMMUNITY AID: When dropping off your donations at a Community Aid center, **please note Good Shepherd's partner number—10055**—so the church will receive appropriate credit for donations. Thank you!

ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTIONS AVAILABLE: Contributions may be made via eCheck or Credit Card by scanning the QR code with your smart phone or by clicking on the GIVE NOW button on goodshepherdpxtang.com.



SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, September 12, 2026, is the date for this year's Community Day. More details will be forthcoming in the July newsletter and future bulletins.

2026 ADVENT DEVOTIONAL: In 2025, we tried something new for Advent. Rather than ordering a devotional booklet from a publisher, we created our own. Members of the congregation wrote stories, shared memories, offered commentaries, reflected on scripture – all relating to the season of Advent. Some devotionals were a paragraph, others spanned several pages, and ALL helped us learn something important about the authors and ALL deepened and enhanced our journey through the Advent Season. Because the devotional booklet was so well-received, we are doing it again for 2026!

A devotional entry is needed for each day of Advent. Inspiration for your entry can come from a variety of sources:

- * Scripture texts assigned for that day
- * Traditional themes of Advent – waiting, watching, preparing, the coming of the Light
- * The 4 Advent candles on the Advent wreath: HOPE, PEACE, JOY, LOVE
- * A favorite scripture that reminds you of Advent
- * A personal experience

The compilation of this booklet is a time-consuming process but well worth the effort. Consequently, entries for this year's Advent devotional need to be submitted by August 9, 2026. Your submission should include your name, a title, and a scripture reference if applicable, and then email it to the church – goodshepherdpxtang@gmail.com Start thinking now. In the coming weeks, a list of the assigned Scripture texts will be placed in the Narthex and outside the Chapel entrance. Some people may choose to use these scripture texts while others may not. A sign-up sheet will also be made available. Last year, some of the writers selected a specific date because their Advent memory was tied to a birthday, anniversary, or special event. Please consider sharing your Advent message with your church family – a booklet written **for us by us**.

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP: The summer continental breakfast (snack) social will be held between the two Sunday services outside the Wilhelm Road entrance to the Chapel. Please sign-up to volunteer for one or more Sundays through September 13, inclusive. **The sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board outside the St. Stephen's room.** Volunteers are responsible for set-up, food and beverage and clean-up. If you would like to share a Sunday with someone, you are welcome to do so. Necessities (table, table cloth, napkins, cups, plates, plastic ware) will be located behind the door in the St. Stephen's room. Other needs may be obtained in kitchenette by the Gathering Room.

THE MISSION AND MINISTRY COMMITTEE is in the process of setting up transportation solutions"! If anyone would be willing to volunteer to drive people needing rides to appointments, please call the church office at 717-564-0385. If you are in need of a ride to an appointment, please call the church office and make that known. Hopefully we can get this up and running as soon as possible., This same committee is also trying to set up meals for those who need them. We would need volunteers to make and deliver those and we also need to know if you are in need of a meal. Please call the church office if you fit into either of these categories. Thank you so much for everyone's assistance with this project. Blessing, Sue Bricker, Committee Chair

REMEMBER OUR MEMORIAL FUND: Thank you. The Memorial Fund has regained some of its available punch, but we still need your help. Your donations and gifts have added more that \$4,000 to the fund, topping \$20,000, since we used about \$15,000 last spring to help finance our new fans in the Nave and mini-split air-conditioning in All Saints Hall. However, the council wants to remind the congregation of our goal to completely replenish the Memorial Fund. Please prayerfully consider continuing this effort. Thank you again.

USHER SCHEDULE SIGN-UP: Please consider serving as an usher for the Sunday morning worship services. A new sign-up sheet is located in the Narthex. The ushers greet worshipers, distribute the bulletins, bring the offering and the communion elements to the altar, and send people forward to receive Holy Communion. If you are a first-time usher, a "veteran" usher will be happy to serve with you to guide and answer questions.

FROM THE BROADER CHURCH COMMUNITY

June 7th is Harrisburg Food Pantry Sunday. Please place donations in the shopping cart in the breezeway.

Needed Items — The Basics

Canned Items

Packaged Items

baby food

baby formula

fruit juice

cereal

meats (tuna, stew)

crackers

peanut butter

mac & cheese dinners

Soups

powdered milk

spaghetti sauce

pudding

Tomatoes

Jell-o

Vegetables

ramen noodles

Rice

spaghetti

Other items: Cake mix, flour, pancake mix, condiments: jam, jelly, mustard, ketchup, salad dressing, salt (no sugar due to mice) toiletry items: toilet paper, bar soap, shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, baby diapers.

Health Ministries Wishlist
Christ Lutheran Church
124 South 13th Street, Harrisburg

Items needed:

Bayer contour blood glucose test strips

Tussin CF cough medicine

honey ● lice shampoo ● allergy eye drops

sugar-free cough drops ● shoe inserts

men's & women's socks ● underwear

t-shirts ● chap stick ● toothpaste

toothbrush ● deodorant ● soap

back supports/braces

HP LaserJet toner, 85A & 83A

quality orthotics (knee, ankle, wrist braces)

muscle rub pain relief cream

hot/cold packs for muscle pain

coffee ● tea ● sugar ● powdered creamer

These items may be put in the black bin marked for Health Ministries.

Bleiler Care Cottage at Masonic Village at Elizabethtown, Pa. is a home for adults with intellectual development disabilities. The residents are encouraged to develop their skills, creativity, and self esteem. They participate in the Special Olympics, local food banks, write Thank You notes to our Masonic Village veterans, assist with Hershey Cocoa Packs and Elizabethtown College Best Buddies. I would like to Thank everyone who donated used greeting cards and craft items. Please continue to do so. Thank you for contributing. If you have any questions, please contact Carol Siipple at 717-512-2138.

Serving God's People at the Liturgies

Preaching and Presiding

The Rev. Kathleen J. Baker, STM

Organist

Nicholas P. Werner

Assisting Ministers

8:30 a.m.
10:00 a.m.

Kirk Barbour
Susan Master

Ushers

8:30 a.m.
10:00 a.m.

Mary and Fred Sprunk
Vicki Delp

The Parish Staff

Kathleen J. Baker, STM, Pastor
Nicholas P. Werner, Director of Music
Church Administrator

Kester T. Sobers III, Pastor Emeritus
Herbert O. Fowler, Cantor Emeritus

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