



The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

Holy Eucharist
Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 10, 2026
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Jesus does not abandon his followers. Through the Holy Spirit, Jesus comes to abide with his disciples of every generation. As Pentecost draws near, we are reminded that the risen Christ dwells in us as the Spirit of truth. We receive this Spirit in baptism and pray that in our gathering around the Lord's table the Spirit will transform us to be the body of the risen Christ in the world.

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 Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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 In Christ's dying and rising, we are reborn; we are no longer dead in our sin. Let us return to the shepherd and the guardian of our souls, confessing our sin.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Lord Jesus, you have shown us the way to the Father: Lord, have mercy.
C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Lord Jesus, you have given us the consolation of the truth: Christ, have mercy.
C **Christ, have mercy.**

P Lord Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd, leading us into everlasting life: Lord, have mercy.
C **Lord, have mercy.**

P God, who loves you dearly, forgives you all your sin, raises you to new life in Jesus Christ, and renews you by the power of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Gathering Song

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We know That Christ Is Raised

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- 1 **We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold,
and our despair he turned to blazing joy. Hallelujah!**

- 2 **We share by water in his saving death.
Reborn, we share with him an Easter life,
as living members of our Savior Christ. Hallelujah!**

- 3 **The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life.
The Spirit's fission shakes the church of God.
Baptized, we live with God the Three in One. Hallelujah!**

- 4 **A new creation comes to life and grows
as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood.
The universe restored and whole will sing: Hallelujah!**

Entrance Antiphon

P Speak out with a voice of joy; let it be heard to the ends of the earth:
C **The Lord has set his people free, alleluia. (Isaiah 48:20)**

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



Refrain
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



Final refrain
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



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

Prayer of the Day

P Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the 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

Acts 17:22-31

In Athens, Paul faces the challenge of proclaiming the gospel to Greeks who know nothing of either Jewish or Christian tradition. He proclaims that the “unknown god” whom they worship is the true Lord of heaven and earth who will judge the world with justice through Jesus, whom God has raised from the dead.

A A reading from Acts.

²² Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. ²³ For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴ The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵ nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶ From one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷ so that they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸ For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

‘For we, too, are his offspring.’

²⁹ “Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰ While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹ because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 66:8-20

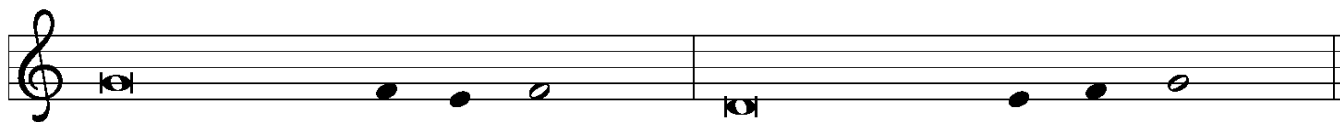
The antiphon will be sung by the cantor and repeated by the congregation. The antiphon is then repeated as indicated R.

Psalm Refrain



Bless our God, you peo - ples; let the sound of praise be heard.

Psalm Tone



⁸Bless our | God, you peoples;

let the sound of | praise be heard.

⁹**Our God has kept us a- | mong the living**

and has not allowed our | feet to slip. R

¹⁰For you, O God, have | tested us;

you have tried us just as sil- | ver is tried.

¹¹**You brought us in- | to the net;**

you laid heavy burdens up- | on our backs.

¹²You let people ride over our heads; we went through | fire and water,

but you brought us out into a place | of refreshment.

¹³**I will enter your house | with burnt offerings**

and will pay | you my vows—

¹⁴those that I promised | with my lips

and spoke with my mouth when I | was in trouble.

¹⁵**I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the | smoke of rams;**

I will give you ox- | en and goats. R

¹⁶Come and listen, all you | who believe,

and I will tell you what God has | done for me.

¹⁷**I called out to God | with my mouth,**

and praised the Lord | with my tongue.

¹⁸If I had cherished evil | in my heart,

the Lord would | not have heard me;

¹⁹**but in truth | God has heard me**

and has attended to the sound | of my prayer.

20 Blessed be God, who has not rejected | ed my prayer,
nor withheld unfailing | love from me. R

Second Reading

1 Peter 3:13-22

The author of 1 Peter encourages Christians to remain faithful even in the face of defamation and persecution. In baptism we are made clean to act in accordance with what is right.

A A reading from 1 Peter.

¹³ Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵ but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, ¹⁶ yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. ¹⁸ For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight lives, were saved through water. ²¹ And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

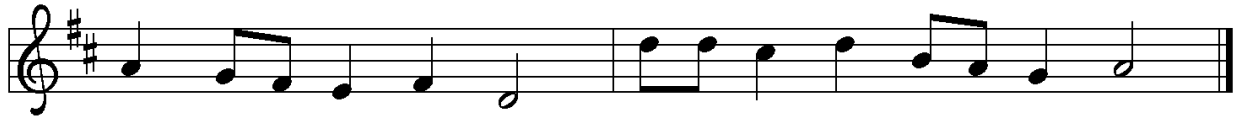
The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

Gospel Acclamation

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

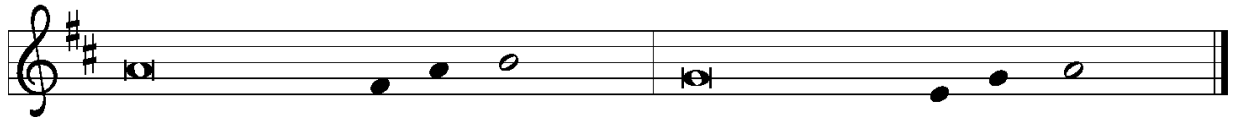


Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Verse tone



Cantor

Those who love me will keep my word, and my Fa- | ther will love them, and we will come to them and make our | home with them.*

Gospel Reading

John 14:15-21

In final words to his disciples on the night of his arrest, Jesus encourages obedience to his commandments and speaks of the Spirit, who will be with them forever.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th chapter.

C



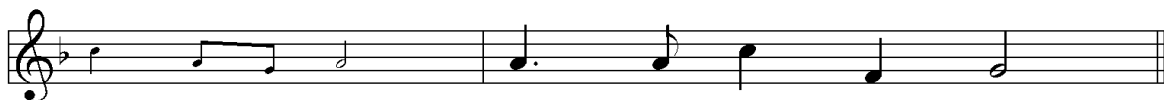
Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵ “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

¹⁸ “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

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

Come Down, O Love Divine

The assembly stands at the last stanza.

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- 1** **Come down, O Love divine;
seek thou this soul of mine
and visit it with thine own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near;
within my heart appear
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.**

- 2** **Oh, let it freely burn,
till worldly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.**

- 3** **Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing--
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.**

- 4** **And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the pow'r of human telling;
no soul can guess Love's grace
till it become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.**

**Profession of Faith
The Nicene Creed**

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**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 Merciful God,
C **receive 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.

The assembly may be seated.

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
Thy Holy Wings

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

**1 Thy holy wings, O Savior,
spread gently over me,
and let me rest securely
through good and ill in thee.
Oh, be my strength and portion,
my rock and hiding place,
and let my ev'ry moment
be lived within thy grace.**

**2 Oh, let me nestle near thee,
within thy downy breast
where I will find sweet comfort
and peace within thy nest.
Oh, close thy wings around me
and keep me safely there,
for I am but a newborn
and need thy tender care.**

**3 Oh, wash me in the waters
of Noah's cleansing flood.
Give me a willing spirit,
a heart both clean and good.
Oh, take into thy keeping
thy children great and small,
and while we sweetly slumber,
enfold us one and all.**

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 Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.
- C Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving
Dialogue

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The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes, and musical directions 'P' and 'C' are placed above the first note of each staff.

Staff 1: **P** The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

Staff 2: **P** Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

Staff 3: **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Staff 4: **C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface
Holy, Holy, Holy

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes.

Staff 1: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,


Staff 2: heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -

Staff 3: san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who

Staff 4: comes in the name of the Lord. 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  A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of the following notes: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half). The lyrics are: Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

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 musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of the following notes: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half). The lyrics are: A - men, a - men, a - men.

A - men, a - men, 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, 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.

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

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

The assembly stands.

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- 1 **“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love’s baptismal river
I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”**

- 2 **“Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son’s story,
here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.”**

- 3 **“Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit’s power filled you,
here my tender comfort stilled you.
 Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.”**

Prayer After Communion

Sending

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

Blessing

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✠ bless you now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sending Song

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth

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- 1 Mothering God, you gave me birth
in the bright morning of this world.
Creator, source of ev'ry breath,
you are my rain, my wind, my sun.**
- 2 Mothering Christ, you took my form,
offering me your food of light,
grain of life, and grape of love,
your very body for my peace.**
- 3 Mothering Spirit, nurt'ring one,
in arms of patience hold me close,
so that in faith I root and grow
until I flow'r, until I know.**

Dismissal

A Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

A The liturgy is ended. Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

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 is located off the Narthex.
- 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. and 11:00 a.m. in the Nave

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

Sundays beginning May 24—8:30 a.m. in the Nave and 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel

Adult Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation meets Sundays at 9:45 a.m. in the Gathering Room.

Daily Readings

M	Genesis 9: 8-17, Acts 27: 39-44, Psalm 93
T	Deuteronomy 5: 22-33, 1 Peter 3: 8-12, Psalm 93
W	Deuteronomy 31: 1-13, John 16: 16-24, Psalm 93
Th	Acts 1: 1-11, Ephesians 1: 15-23, Luke 24: 44-53, Psalm 93
F	2 Kings 2: 1-12, Ephesians 2: 1-7, Psalm 93
Sa	2 Kings 2: 13-15, John 8: 21-30, Psalm 93
Su	Acts 1: 6-14, 1 Peter 4: 12-14; 5: 6-11, John 17: 1-11, Psalm 68: 1-10, 32-35



Worship Dedications

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in celebration of our grandson Joel's 17th birthday
by John and Sue Bricker.

The bulletins are given to the Glory of God
and in celebration of Phyllis's Birthday
by John Switaj.

The lamps are burning to the Glory of God
and in celebration of Jonah Petruschke's graduation from IUP
by his loving parents.

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 goodshepherdpx-tang.com.



LIVING ROOM DIALOGUE: The next meeting of Living Room Dialogue will be Sunday, May 31 at 6:30 p.m. in 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.

SOCIAL HALF-HOUR BEGINS WITH SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE: Good Shepherd’s Hospitality Committee is seeking volunteers to help host our social time in the half-hour between services during the summer months. Beginning Sunday, May 24, services will be held at 8:30 a.m. in The Nave and 10 a.m. in St. Mary’s Chapel. Between services, we will have snacks, beverages and fun conversations on the patio by the Wilhelm Street entrance to the chapel. In case of inclement weather, we will move inside to the St. Stephen Room. Sue Master has placed a signup sheet for volunteer hosts on the bulletin board by the door of the St. Stephen Room. Hosts will be responsible for set-up, light snacks, and clean-up. Necessities are available behind door inside St. Stephen Room and Kitchen #3.

Adult Formation: The Adult Formation Class will be taking a deeper look into the Biblical references used in the award-winning 1971 musical “Godspell.” Fred Sprunk will serve as leader for the class, which meets between services Sunday mornings from 9:45 to 10:45a.m. in The Gathering Room. The class will be in recess on Sunday, May 3, due to the single 9:30 a.m. service prior to the Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting.

250th USA Anniversary Committee: The 250th USA Anniversary Committee is seeking Good Shepherd members who have served in our country’s armed forces. The goal is to honor our veterans in association with our nation’s 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. Veterans are asked to contact a member of the Anniversary Committee or place a note with details of their service (i.e. branch of military served, dates of service, rank and honors achieved) in the offering plate. Committee members include Bill and Sandy Baum, Greg and Karen Borzok, Dix McCauley and Fred Sprunk.

Thank you for your service.

Mission and Ministry Committee: There will be a meeting on THURSDAY, May 14 at 10 a.m. in the Gathering Room.

WEAR RED ON PENTECOST We will celebrate Pentecost at our worship services on Saturday, 5/23/26, and Sunday, 5/24/26. On Pentecost, we remember the tongues of fire that descended upon the apostles marking the presence of the Holy Spirit. In the church, the color red signifies the fervor and passion of our faith. The liturgical color for Pentecost is **RED**. You are encouraged wear red when you attend worship on Pentecost as an outward sign of the inward transformation of your heart by the Holy Spirit.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL/BAND CONCERT ANOTHER SUCCESS: The Evangelism Committee reported some 65 people attended Good Shepherd’s Ice Cream Social in All Saints Hall on the afternoon of Saturday, May 2. The event featured a performance by the Keystone Concert Band. Led by principal conductor Donna Deaven, some 50 members of the band opened the 2026 season with a series of American-themed numbers in honor of our nation’s 250 th anniversary. Thanks to our intrepid ice-cream scoopers John MacAnnaney, John Switaj and Fred Sprunk, as well as Bill Baum, Dix McCauley and a host of willing hands which helped with set-up and clean-up. Together, they made this annual event a success.

Decorations for Pentecost

Red geraniums will be used to decorate for Pentecost. After the plants have been used in the Nave and Chapel, they will be planted around the building to beautify our grounds for the summer. If you wish to contribute to this project, please submit your donation with your completed slip to the church office **by Sunday, May 17, 2026.**

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Preaching and Presiding		The Rev. Eric N. Anderson
Organist and Cantor		Nicholas P. Werner
Assisting Ministers	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Julie McCauley Susan Master
Ushers	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Fred and Mary Sprunk Bill and Sandy Baum

The Parish Staff

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