



The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

**Holy Eucharist
Lectionary 28
October 11, 2026**

In Isaiah we are given a vision of the great feast to come, when God will wipe away death forever. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.

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 Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C **And also with you.**

Confession and Forgiveness

P My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves to celebrate these sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.
Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.
 C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.
 C **Christ, have mercy.**
- P You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us:
 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

Now We Join in Celebration

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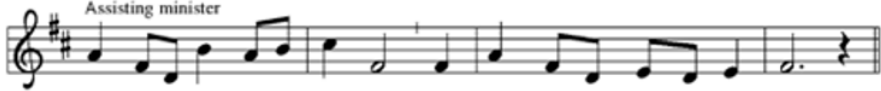
- 1 Now we join in celebration at our Savior's invitation,
 dressed no more in spirit. Somber,
 clothed in-stead in joy and wonder;
 for the Lord of all existence, putting off divine transcendence,
 stoops again in love to meet us, with his very life to feed us.**
- 2 Lord, as round this feast we gather, fill our hearts with holy rapture!
 For this bread and cup of blessing are for us the sure possessing
 of your loving deed on Calv'ry, of your living self, our victory,
 pledge of your unfailing presence, fore-taste here of heavenly gladness.**
- 3 Lord, we share in this communion as one family of God's children,
 reconciled through you, our brother, one in you with God our Father.
 Give us grace to live for others, serving all, both friends and strangers,
 seeking justice, love, and mercy till you come in final glory.**

Entrance Antiphon

- P O Lord, you have given everything its place in the world, and no one can make it otherwise.
- C **But now show us your greatness of heart, and treat us with your unbounded kindness Lord.**

Canticle Of Praise

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

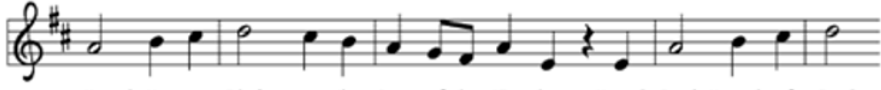
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Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



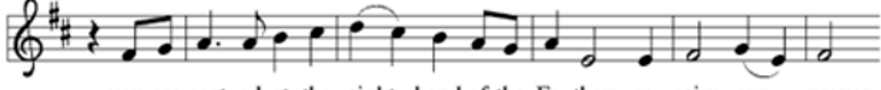
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



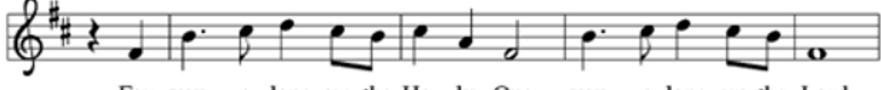
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



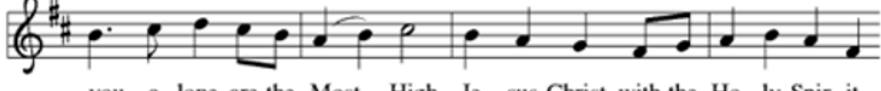
you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



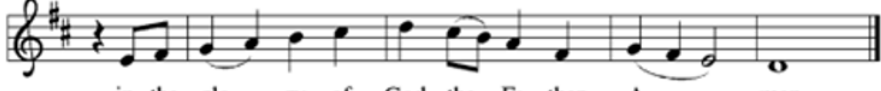
you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

The assembly may be seated.

WORD

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

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 25: 1-9

After a hymn of praise acknowledging God as a shelter for the poor, the prophet portrays a wonderful victory banquet at which death—which in ancient Canaan was depicted as a monster swallowing up everyone—will be swallowed up forever. The prophet urges celebration of this victory of salvation.

A reading from Isaiah.

¹ O Lord, you are my God;
I will exalt you; I will praise your name,
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.
² For you have made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;
the palace of foreigners is a city no more;
it will never be rebuilt.
³ Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.
⁴ For you have been a refuge to the poor,
a refuge to the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.
When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm,
⁵ the noise of foreigners like heat in a dry place,
you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;
the song of the ruthless was stilled.

⁶ On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

⁷ And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the covering that is spread over all nations;

⁸ he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.

⁹ It will be said on that day,
"See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 23

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



- ¹The LORD ¹ is my shepherd;
I shall not ¹ be in want.
- ²**The LORD makes me lie down ¹ in green pastures
and leads me be- ¹ side still waters.**
- ³You restore my ¹ soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways ¹ for your name's sake.
- ⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall ¹ fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they ¹ comfort me. R**
- ⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence ¹ of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is ¹ running over.
- ⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days ¹ of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the ¹ LORD forever. R**

SECOND READING

Philippians 4: 1-9

Though writing from prison and facing an uncertain future, Paul calls on the Philippians to rejoice and give thanks to God no matter what the circumstance. God's peace is with us and binds together our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ, especially when things around us do not seem peaceful.

A reading from Philippians.

¹My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

²I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord.

³Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my coworkers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹As for the things that you have learned

and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with 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.

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

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

Tone

Cantor

*This is the Lord for whom | we have waited; * let us be glad and rejoice in | God's salvation.
(Isa. 25:9)*

GOSPEL

Matthew 22: 1-14

Jesus tells a parable indicating that the blessings of God's kingdom are available to all, but the invitation is not to be taken lightly.

P The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ² "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen

and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’⁵ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business,⁶ while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them.⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city.⁸ Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy.⁹ Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’¹⁰ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad, so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe,¹² and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless.¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY

As We Gather at Your Table

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IN BABILONE

The assembly stands at last stanza

**1 As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word,
help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;
teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love’s Victory known.**

**2 Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life;
send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave;
may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.**

**3 Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast
where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least.**

**There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy,
as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.**

Profession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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**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 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 Hear us, O God.
C Your mercy is great.

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.**

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.

Offerings may also be made electronically by scanning the QR Code:



Offertory Song

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At The Lambs High Feast We Sing (vs 1-4) SONNE DER GERECHTIGKEIT

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

**1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious king,
who has washed us in the tide flowing from his wounded side. Alleluia!**

**2 Praise we Christ, whose love divine gives his sacred blood for wine,
gives his body for the feast- Christ the victim, Christ the priest. Alleluia!**

**3 Where the paschal blood is poured death's dread angel sheathes the sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go through the waves that drowns the foe. Alleluia!**

**4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, paschal victim, paschal bread;
with sincerity and love eat we manna from above. Alleluia!**

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 God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts to our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always.

C **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving Dialogue

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.

Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy

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

heav'n 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.

Eucharistic Prayer

At the Presiding Minister's invitation: "...For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."

C



The Eucharistic prayer continues: "... Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your Holy Church, both now and forever."

C



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



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

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At The Lambs High Feast We Sing (vs 5-8) SONNE DER GERECHTIGKEIT

**5 Mighty victim from the sky, hell's fierce powers beneath you lie;
you have conquered in the fight, you have brought us life and light. Alleluia!**

**6 Now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall;
you have opened paradise, and your saints in you shall rise. Alleluia!**

**7 Easter triumph, Easter joy, this alone can sin destroy!
From sin's power, Lord, set us free, newborn souls in you to be. Alleluia!**

**8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, your name we praise. Alleluia!**

Prayer After Communion

Sending

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

Blessing

P The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind, in the body
of Christ Jesus. The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all
circumstances through the interceding of the Spirit. The God of grace
✠ bless you now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sending Song

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Sent Forth by God's Blessing

THE ASH GROVE

**1 Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.
The supper is ended. Oh, now be extended
the fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching,
shall blossom in action for God and for all. Your grace shall incite us,**

your love shall unite us to work for your kingdom and answer your call.

**2 With praise and thanksgiving to God ever-living
the tasks of our everyday life we will face -
our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
embracing God's children, the whole human race.
With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us;
unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving give
honor to Christ and his name that we bear.**

Dismissal

A The liturgy is ended. Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

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. and 11 a.m. (Nave)
Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel

Adult Faith Formation

Meets Sunday at 9:45 AM in the Gathering Room.

Last Week

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

Spending Proposal	\$4904.00
Total Received	\$8675.00
Difference	+\$3771.00

This Week

Sunday October 11	8:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave) 9:45 A.M. Adult Faith Formation (The Gathering Room) 11:00 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave) 2:00 p.m. Pet Blessing (Rose Garden)
Monday October 12	6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 42 (ASH) 6:30 p.m. Congregation Council (Gathering Room)
Tuesday October 13	9:30 a.m. Workshop (St. Lydia/ASH) 10:00 a.m. Ready for school, Ready to succeed (St's Peter + Paul) Annual Report Due
Wednesday October 14	9:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Chapel) 10: 45 a.m. Mission and Ministry (Gathering Room) 7:00 p.m. Keystone Concert Band (ASH)
Friday October 16	10:00 A.M. Ready for school, Ready to succeed (St's Peter + Paul)
Saturday October 17	5:00 p.m. Word and Sacrament (Chapel)
Sunday October 18	8:30 a.m. Word and Sacrament 9:45 a.m. Adult Faith Formation (Gathering Room) 11:00 a.m. Word and Sacrament (Nave) The Call Deadline

Daily Readings

M	Psalm 34, Exodus 19: 7-20, Jude 17-25
T	Psalm 34, Amos 9: 5-15, Philippians 3: 13-4:1
W	Psalm 34, Song of Solomon 7:10, 8:4, John 6: 25-35
Th	Psalm 96: 1-9 (10-13), Judges 17: 1-6, 3 John 9-12
F	Psalm 96: 1-9 (10-13), Deuteronomy 17: 14-20, 1 Peter 5:1-5
S	Psalm 96: 1-9 (10-13), Isaiah 14: 3-11, Matthew 14: 1-12
Su	Psalm 96: 1-9 (10-13), Isaiah 45: 1-7, 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10 Matthew 22:



Worship Dedications

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in memory of my mother Ruth K. Albright
by Edna Hafer.

The bulletins are given to the Glory of God
and in celebration of Mary's Birthday
by her loving husband Fred Sprunk.

The lamps are burning to the Glory of God
And in memory of Joe Kopecki
by Dixie McCauley.

HAPPY 79TH BIRTHDAY, GOOD SHEPHERD!

On October 19, 1947, 109 individuals signed the original charter, and The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd was born. One week later, on October 26, 1947, the new congregation celebrated its first Holy Communion. Then, on April 24, 1949, the groundbreaking ceremony took place, and six months later, the Good Shepherd building was dedicated.

During these past 79 years, Good Shepherd has been blessed by the ministries of six devoted, faithful pastors:

The Rev. Charles C. Frazier 1947-1959
The Rev. Lee F. Snook 1959-1962
The Rev. Craig J. Dorward 1963-1966
The Rev. Larry J. Hofer 1967-1975

The Rev. Kester T. Sobers III 1975-2008
The Rev. Kathleen J. Baker 2008-present

Together, over the past 79 years, these pastors and generations of dedicated members have shared their time, talents, and resources to ensure that Good Shepherd's ministry would continue.

We will remember this 79th anniversary on Sunday, 10/18/26, during our worship. Please take a moment on our Anniversary Sunday or in the weeks to follow to look at the Anniversary Banner hanging in the rear of the Nave. This banner was created for our 75th Anniversary by several of our members, and it depicts not only Good Shepherd's story, but also the chapter that was added in 2018 with the merger of Zion Lutheran, Penbrook. The banner will remain in the Nave for several weeks before it returns to its wall in The Gathering Room.

For 79 years we have been an important presence in our community, and we will continue living our purpose **as the eyes, ears, hands, feet, and voice of Jesus**...not only in this place but throughout the world for many years to come.

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.



PET BLESSING: Good Shepherd will once again hold its annual Pet Blessing this afternoon at 2:00 p.m.. by the Rose Garden. Pets of any size and any kind are welcome!

WELCA: You're invited to WELCA's Monday, October 12th meeting at 9:30 am in the Gathering Room. We will be discussing the second part of our series, "I Am Worthy", Edna Hafer will be our leader. Join us for a morning of faith, food and fellowship.

MISSION AND MINISTRY: There will be a Mission and Ministry meeting on Wednesday, October 14th at 10:45 a.m. in the Gathering Room to assemble and set up delivery of fruit baskets for our homebound members. Everyone is welcome.

LIVING ROOM DIALOGUE: Good Shepherd's Living Room Dialogue will meet again on Sunday, Oct. 25, in the Gathering Room at 6:30 p.m. The group currently is studying Max Lucado's book, *That's Why We Call Him the Savior*.

CONSIDERING THE SAINTS: The Adult Formation Class will continue its study of sainthood with Martin Scorsese's DVD series this Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Gathering Room. The subject of this week's video is John The Baptist.

ATTENTION: Please use the Harvest Home envelope for In-Gathering. This will help defray shipping costs of our donations.

IN-GATHERING THANK YOU: Thank you to everyone who helped make In-Gathering the success that it was! A special thanks to all the dedicated workers and members who donate their time, skills, and materials to make this possible! Workshop is a non-budgeted item and can operate only because of your time and donations! Stay tuned! A complete count will be coming shortly!

WEAR RED ON REFORMATION: According to history, Martin Luther was led by the Holy Spirit to post a list of 95 statements (theses) on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany on October 31, 1517. These theses concerned false teachings within the church. This was the beginning of the Reformation. Red is the liturgical color for Reformation because it represents the Holy Spirit. This year, Reformation Sunday will be celebrated the weekend of October 24th and October 25th at our worship services. When you come to worship that weekend, you are invited to **WEAR RED** in remembrance of Martin Luther's bold act over 500 years ago and in honor of the continuing work of the Holy Spirit in our congregation.

All Saints Sunday

November 1 and 2, 2026

You are invited to submit the names of those you hold in remembrance to the church office for inclusion in All Saints Sunday's communion. These persons need not have died during the last year, nor do they need to be members of Good Shepherd Parish.

Submitted by _____

**Please return completed form to the church office by
Monday, October 26, 2026.**

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.	Fred Sprunk
	11:00 a.m.	Dixie McCauley
Cantor		Nicholas P. Werner
Ushers	8:30 a.m.	Don and Georgia Rehm
	11:00 a.m.	Bill and Sandy Baum

The Parish Staff

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

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

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