

# February 2nd, 2025 Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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Our Mission: Created, saved and strengthened through God's grace, we give, share, love and care for all people.



# Gathering

### Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

# Please stand as able **Confession and forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end. **Amen.** 

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin. Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy, we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.

These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation. **Amen.** 

Hymn

Dearest Jesus, at Your Word

ELW 520

Greeting

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

### Open Your Ears, You Faithful People

ELW 519

Prayer of the Day Response: Amen.

# Word

Please be seated First Reading

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD." Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

### Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

### Second Reading

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

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Please stand as able at the introduction **Gospel Acclamation** 



Gospel

Luke 4:21-30

# The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 4th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus began to say to all in the synagogue in Nazareth, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated through the Offering **Homily** 

# Response to the Word

Hymn of the Day

In Christ There Is No East or West

ELW 650

### Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### Prayers of Intercession

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, ...God of grace, **hear our prayer.** ... We entrust our prayers to you, O God, ... that your promise is revealed among the people. **Amen.** 

### Lord's Prayer

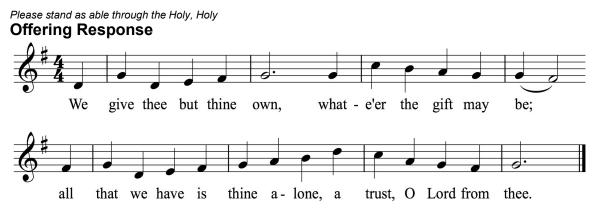
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.** *Greet those near you.* 

Meal

### Offering

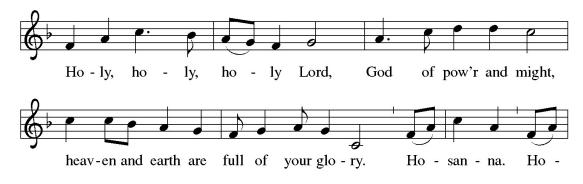


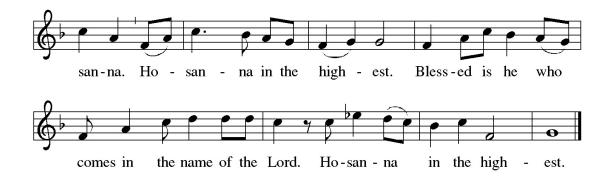
Offering Prayer Response: Amen

# **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. And also 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** join their unending hymn... (4 measure intro)



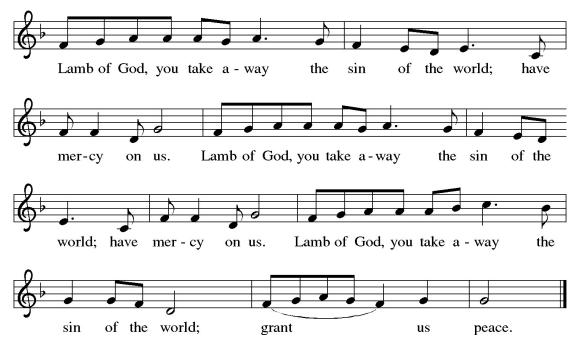


Please be seated **Thanksgiving at the Table** 

### Invitation to Communion

The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

### Lamb of God



### Communion

The body of Christ, given for you. Amen. (All take the wafer located in the bottom of the chalice)

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.** (All drink from the top of the chalice)

### Prayer After Communion

Blessing Response: Amen

# Sending

Hymn

Arise, Your Light Has Come!

ELW 314

### Dismissal

Go in peace. Live in hope. Thanks be to God.

### Postlude

### Worship Assistants

Homilist Lei Fahrner

Lector Cindy Leasure

Ushers Judy & Wil Baum

**Greeter** Howard Leasure

Main Camera/Production Carl & Anne Fahrner

> Pianist Maira Liliestedt



Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of our Good Shepherd family.



# Sunday School Resumes, Today!!!

# Join us as we study... The Hunt for Biblical Artifacts

We will study Noah's Ark, the Ark of the Covenant, the Holy Grail and more. Join us in your Indiana Jones attire (just kidding) and we will dig up facts as to where these artifacts may be hiding! I promise there will be no snakes!





# Sunday, March 2nd Rite for the Burning of the Palms

We will burn last year's Palm branches in the parking lot in preparation for Ash Wednesday. This will happen right after the service but before Sunday school.

# Sunday, March 16th St. Patrick's Day Brunch

Enjoy some great food and fellowship right after the service. More details to come! Stay Tuned!!!

# February Concern of the Month



# Monetary Donations for the California Wildfires

As we all know, wildfires in California are devastating communities, leaving families in urgent need of help. Homes, schools, businesses and churches have been destroyed, with entire neighborhoods reduced to ashes.

Monetary donations to Lutheran World Relief help provide hot meals, essential household supplies and support for transportation costs, so residents can travel out of harm's way.

Best of all, 100% of donations aid the residents in need!!



The 2025 Altar Flower Sign up sheet is in the Gathering Space. I would like to try something new this year. Right by the sign up chart, you will find some blue papers sitting there. When you sign up for flowers, please fill out one of those papers so I know what dedication you would like printed in the bulletin. Even if you're signing up for flowers in November, please fill out one of the blue papers and put it in the office. This way I won't have to chase folks around or call you and interrupt your favorite TV show just so I can finish the bulletin.

Thank you in advance for your help! Lei





Looking Ahead... Lenten Bible Study Series

Join Pastor Eli on Tuesdays March 11th, 18th, 25th, April 1st, 8th, and 15th at 6:30 pm in the chapel for the Lent Series by Max Lucado: *In The Footsteps of the Savior.* Books are \$9 each and are in the office. Please pay Pat Hoffman.





Have you ever wondered what the Holy Land might have looked like through Jesus's eyes? Max Lucado takes you on an unforgettable journey following Jesus through his life on earth, giving you a chance to see the Holy Land and God's heart for humanity in a brand-new light.

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# Worship Assistants

| Date    | Usher                   | Lector                  | Greeter                      | Flower Wrapper       | Pew Racks             | Opening   |
|---------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| 2/2     | Judy & Wil Baum         | Cindy Leasure           | Cindy Leasure Howard Leasure | Karen Pressler       | Sandi Self            | Miller    |
| 2/9     | Pat Long/Rod Swartz     | Anne Fahrner            | Anne Fahrner Donna Jakmides  | Karen Pressler       | Sandi Self            | Burgess   |
| 2/16    | Linda & Gary Miller     | Neil Carlson            | Wil Baum                     | Judy Flading         | Sandi Self            | Robinson  |
| 2/23    | Cindy & Howard Leasure  | Pat Hoffman             | Bill Toy                     | Judy Flading         | Sandi Self            | Davenport |
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| 3/2     | Karen & Chuck Pressler  | Jen Lowry               | Pat Hoffman                  | Jill & Bill Toy      | Gloria Kohl Miller    | Miller    |
| 3/5 AW  | Linda Burgess/Judy Baum | Gale Nagel              | Gary Miller                  | Jill & Bill Toy      | Gloria Kohl Hoffman   | Hoffman   |
| 3/9     | Donna Jakmides/Bill Toy | Rod Swartz              | Linda Lautenschlager         | Jill & Bill Toy      | Gloria Kohl Burgess   | Burgess   |
| 3/16    | Lorelei & Rod Lopick    | Linda Burgess           | Gay Rankin                   | Kathy Schmidt        | Gloria Kohl Robinson  | Robinson  |
| 3/23    | Kathy & Dave Schmidt    | Gale Nagel              | Linda Miller                 | Kathy Schmidt        | Gloria Kohl Davenport | Davenport |
| 3/30    | Jill & Bill Toy         | Judy Flading            | Pat Long                     | Linda Lautenschlager | Gloria Kohl Hoffman   | Hoffman   |
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| 4/6     | Anne Fahrner/Pat Long   | Anne Fahrner Sandi Self | Sandi Self                   | Linda Lautenschlager | Linda Neal Miller     | Miller    |
| 4/13    | Jan & Neil Carlson      | Rod Swartz              | Jan Carlson                  | Gay Rankin           | Linda Neal            | Burgess   |
| 4/17 MT | Cindy & Howard Leasure  | TJ Miller               | Nancy Miller                 | Karen Pressler       | Linda Neal            | Hoffman   |
| 4/18 GF | Linda & Gary Miller     | Cindy Leasure           | Howard Leasure               | Karen Pressler       | Linda Neal            | Hoffman   |
| 4/20    | Judy & Wil Baum         | Nancy Miller            | Gloria Kohl                  | Gay Rankin           | Linda Neal            | Robinson  |
| 4/27    | Rod Swartz/Judy Flading | Pat Long                | Chuck Pressler               | Karen Pressler       | Linda Neal Davenport  | Davenport |

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| <ul> <li>Pr. Eli Here</li> <li>Worship 9:15a</li> <li>Sunday School</li> <li>10:30a</li> </ul> | 10  | 11  | 12 Council 7p<br>AA 7p | <b>13</b><br>Yoga 10a       | 14 Crafts &<br>Conversations 10a      | 15  |
| <ul><li>16 Pr. Eli Here</li><li>Worship 9:15a</li><li>No Sunday School</li></ul>               | 17  | 18  | 19<br>AA 7p            | 20<br>Yoga 10a              | <b>21</b><br>Quilting 10a             | 22  |
| <b>23</b><br>Worship 9:15a<br>Sunday School<br>10:30a  | 24  | 25  | 26<br>AA 7p            | <mark>27</mark><br>Yoga 10a | 28<br>Crafts & Conversa-<br>tions 10a |     |