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**WE ARE GOD'S FAMILY OF FAITH —
GOD-GATHERED AND EXPECTING GUESTS**

WELCOMING SONG:

TEXT: HORATIUS BONAR, 1808–89 TUNE: WORCESTER



**Glory be to Him who loved us, washed us from each spot and stain;
Glory be to Him who bought us, made us kings with Him to reign!
Glory, glory to the Lamb that once was slain!**

**Glory to the King of angels, Glory to the Church's King,
Glory to the King of nations; Heav'n and earth, Your praises bring!
Glory, glory to the King of glory sing!**

**Glory, blessing, praise eternal!—Thus the choir of angels sings;
Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion!—thus its praise creation brings.
Glory, glory, glory to the King of kings!**

PASTOR: In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

ADULTS & CHILDREN: Amen.

CONFESSION/ABSOLUTION

**Merciful Father in heaven, I am completely sinful from birth. I do not
deserve Your kindness. In countless ways I have sinned against
You. But I trust in Jesus Christ, my Savior, therefore I ask You to
have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me
from my sin. Restore to me the joy of my salvation.**

God the Father canceled the debt of all your sins on the cross of His eternal Son, Jesus Christ. The resurrected Lord Jesus Christ declares you to be free and forgiven. Trust this Good News from God's heart to you: Peace! God does not condemn you. Go and sin no more.



**Glory be to God the Father! Glory be to God the Son!
 Glory be to God the Spirit! Great Jehovah, Three in One!
 Glory, glory while eternal ages run!**

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Merciful Father, You gave Your Son Jesus, crucified and risen to save the world. Grant us faith to trust Him. Let us rely on Your full and free salvation. Your Word alone promises life everlasting.

We ask this in joyful confidence through Your Son, Jesus Christ, crucified and risen. He lives and rules with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

THE LORD GIVES HIS WORD

1st Bible Reading Isaiah 55:1-5 [NLV]

"Is anyone thirsty? Come and drink— even if you have no money! Come, take your choice of wine or milk— it's all free! 2 Why spend your money on food that does not give you strength? Why pay for food that does you no good? Listen to me, and you will eat what is good. You will enjoy the finest food. 3 "Come to me with your ears wide open. Listen, and you will find life. I will make an everlasting covenant with you. I will give you all the unfailing love I promised to David. 4 See how I used him to display my power among the peoples. I made him a leader among the nations. 5 You also will command nations you do not know, and peoples unknown to you will come running to obey, because I, the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, have made you glorious."



**1 Give to the winds thy fears, hope and be undismayed;
 God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears; God shall lift up thy head.**

**2 Leave to His sov'reign sway to choose and to command,
 so shalt thou wond'ring own His way, how wise, how strong His hand!**

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2nd Bible Reading Matthew 14:13-21 [LB]

¹³ As soon as Jesus heard the news, He went off by Himself in a boat to a remote area to be alone. But the crowds saw where He was headed and followed by land from many villages. ¹⁴ So when Jesus came out of the wilderness, a vast crowd was waiting for Him, and He pitied them and healed their sick.

¹⁵ That evening the disciples came to him and said, "It is already past time for supper, and there is nothing to eat here in the desert; send the crowds away so they can go to the villages and buy some food."

¹⁶ But Jesus replied, "That isn't necessary—you feed them!" ¹⁷ "What!" they exclaimed. "We have exactly five small loaves of bread and two fish!" ¹⁸ "Bring them here," He said.

¹⁹ Then He told the people to sit down on the grass; and He took the five loaves and two fish, looked up into the sky, and asked God's blessing on the meal, then broke the loaves apart and gave them to the disciples to place before the people. ²⁰ And everyone ate until full!

And when the scraps were picked up afterwards, there were twelve basketfuls left over! ²¹ (About five thousand men were in the crowd that day, besides all the women and children.)



1 Still heavy is thy heart, still sink thy spirits down?

Cast off the weight, let fear depart, and every care be gone.

2 Far, far above thy thought His counsel shall appear

when fully He the work hath wrought, that caused thy needless fear.

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3rd Reading Romans 8:35-39 [ICB]

Can anything separate us from the **love Christ has for us**? Can troubles or problems or sufferings? If we have no food or clothes, if we are in danger, or even if death comes—can any of these things separate us from Christ's love? As it is written in the Scriptures:

"For You we are in danger of death all the time.
People think we are worth no more than sheep to be killed."

Psalm 44:22

But in all these things **we** have full victory through God who showed His love **for us**. Yes, I am sure that nothing can separate **us** from the love God has **for us**. Not death, not life, not angels, not ruling spirits, nothing now, nothing in the future, no powers, nothing above **us**, nothing below **us**, or anything else in the whole world will ever be able to separate **us** from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

 **1 Thou seest our weakness, LORD, our hearts are known to Thee;
O lift Thou up the sinking heart, confirm the feeble knee.**

**2 Let us in life, in death, Thy steadfast truth declare,
and publish with our latest breath Thy love and guardian care.**

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father, Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus, Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and

is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,


the holy Christian Church—the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Victory Song of the Day TEXT: PAUL GERHARD 1607-1676

 **1 If God Himself be for me, I may a host defy; for when I pray, before me my foes, confounded, fly. If Christ, my Head and Master, befriend me from above, what foe or what disaster can drive me from His love?**

2 This I believe, yea rather, of this I make my boast, that God is my dear Father, the Friend who loves me most, and that, whate'er betide me, my Savior is at hand thro' stormy seas to guide me and bring me safe to land.

3 I build on this Foundation, that Jesus and His blood alone are my salvation, my true, eternal good. Without Him all that pleases is valueless on earth; the gifts I have from Jesus alone have priceless worth.


4 He canceled my offenses, delivered me from death; He is the LORD who cleanses my soul from sin through faith. In Him I can be cheerful, courageous on my way; in Him I am not fearful of God's great Judgment Day.

Instruction from God's Word *Romans 8:35ff* What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will trouble or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? Just as it is written: *For Your sake we are being put to death all day long. We are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.* No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor rulers, neither things present nor things to come, nor powerful forces, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.



THEME: THE LOVE OF GOD'S GOTCHYA!

No matter — Who! What! When! Where! Why!

 **5 Now no one can condemn me or set my hope aside; now hell no more can claim me, its fury I deride. No sentence now reproves me, no guilt destroys my peace, for Christ, my Savior, loves me and shields me with His grace.**

6 No danger, thirst, or hunger, no pain or poverty, no earthly tyrant's anger shall ever vanquish me. Though earth should break asunder, you are my Savior true; no fire or sword or thunder shall sever me from You.

7 My heart with joy is springing and can no more be sad; my soul is filled with singing, see only sunshine glad. The sun that cheers my spirit is Jesus Christ, my King; the heav'n I shall inherit makes me rejoice and sing.

GATHERING OF OUR GIFTS OF THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE

GOD'S PEOPLE CAN'T HELP BUT GIVE

God does His work for us with gifts He gives to us in the first place. That's just how cool God really is! So here at Good Shepherd, we **do not make** families pay for Gospel ministries that we provide.

Instead each decides how much God's love means to them and then freely returns a percentage of God's generous gifts first given to us. We thank our Lord, and we thank you, for your gifts for His use.

Giving is not about guilt, it is about freedom. So if you are visiting and God moves you to give a gift, thank you.

It is joyful confidence God's people live, give, serve and encourage — all for Jesus' sake.



Our giving is in response to God's great gift to the world, to us, in His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

"I am not commanding you, but I want to test the *sincerity of your love* by comparing it with the earnestness of others. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor that you, through His poverty, might become rich." 2 Corinthians 8:1-5


Each believer is to give systematically, regularly, in proportion to God's gifts to each of us.

"On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income..." 1 Corinthians 16:2



Prayer of the Church & The Lord's Prayer

BENEDICTION AND PARTING SONG: "FEAR NOT!"

-  1. Jesus came to save the world, on the tree He died.
Spear into His lifeless body! - Died, for me, He died!
I get lost and I am frightened. *LORD, what shall I do?*
"Listen to the Word I have written: Fear not, I love you!"
2. Yes, He died but He has risen! Jesus lives again!
Jesus lives and has all power, pow'r in earth and heav'n!
I get lost and I am worried. *LORD, where shall I turn?*
Then I hear You call me, **'Child, fear not! I'll return!'**
3. Hatred, anger, greed increases; love is growing cold.
These are signs and these are warnings; these You have foretold.
I get lost and I am troubled. *LORD, when will it end?*
Once again I hear You calling, **"Fear not! I'm your Friend!"**
4. **"I shall soon one Day be coming, coming in the skies!
Angels then will sound the trumpet! All the dead shall rise!
I then shall take you, My child, wipe away your tears!
No more sorrow! No more crying! Joy evermore! No fear!"**

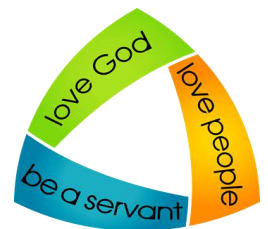
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We welcome all who worship the living God today!

THANK YOU for supporting Good Shepherd's Gospel ministries in so many ways.

THANK YOU to all the various helpers who today blessed us in our worship of Jesus Christ.

THANK YOU for your generous, faithful service to Jesus!



WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD



Our mission is simple and bold:

We seek to grow in faith and knowledge of our Savior Jesus. We want to *make Him known to others* so they, too, might share in the joy Jesus won for them.



JESUS CARES
worship at the cross

Worship at the Cross is a resource for our friends with special needs to learn more about their Savior Jesus and grow in their faith. On August 17 & 20 we will use this simplified worship

service. Invite someone you know who has family members with autism or other disabilities. Come and worship!

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS IN AUGUST

How to answer the evolutionist theory which denies the Scriptural view of creation.

Looking ahead—in September: The Chosen, a tv series based on the Gospel accounts of Jesus' earthly life. If there is interest, it will be available on a weekday night also. Watch for a sign-up sheet in the narthex.



August 16 Newsletter Deadline

August 17th & 20th
Worship at the Cross

August 20th Amanda Irwin Installation

September 18th FREE Meal at Grace's 11 AM

Our Extended & Growing Family of Faith remains in our prayers to God our Father

Pat Tesch
Emily Erwin
Connie Heitl
Chris Ryun
Family of Mistie Griffith
Pat & Al Rozelle
Diane Bannerman
Jerry Blum
John & Bonnie Haag
Elmer Loechler
Alberta Schroeder
Sonia in India
Lynn & Deb Ives
Melissa in England
Curtis Schultz
Dr. Cheli & DeeDee Marichal family
Bill & Elaine Harrington
Family of Shirley Johnson
Brad Roberts
Troy Marks
Jerry & Donna Marks
Betty Havlik
Jon Mittelsteadt
Gloria Kraus, Kim Mittelsteadt's mom
Robert in Ecuador
Gloria Walters in NY
Mandy Ehlke & Family
Pastor Mike Wolff
Sam & Becky Piper
Pat Hunziker in IN
Sarah Allarding's Grandma
Forrest & Elizabeth in CA
Junita in Hong Kong
Kristin in USA
Dyde -France
Janet in CA
Erik & Leah Alair & Family (Sem. student)
Sean Jenkins in TN
Syed Gul in Pakistan
Family of Lisa Cooper
Nick Carpenter
Lauren Thomas



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OUR WEEK WITH JESUS



8/13 SUNDAY 9:00 am **Worship Service**
 10:15 am Creation vs Evolution Bible Study
 2:00 pm Cable TV of **Last week's** service
 Solarus Ch 3 & Spectrum Ch 985
 Worship Online 24/7 at live.1goodshepherd.org

8/14 Monday 11:00 am Coffee with Christ @ Grace's Restaurant
8/17 Thursday 7:00 pm **Worship Service**

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week :

8/13 Bruce Zanow, Heather Dietzler, 8/14 Jacob Erwin, 8/15 Bertie Schroeder, 8/16 Lexie Schmidt 8/18 Nils Carlson, 8/19 Tom Graumann

8/13 David & Ash Skibba (1) 8/16 Dan & Ashley Brandl (15) 8/18 Ed & Pat Tesch(61) 8/19 Jerry & Barb Blum(62)

Usher Teams: 8/13 Conrad McGarry, Larry Kellinger
 8/20 Chris Rhein, Bruce Mohns
 8/27 David Hoppe & Andy Hogan

**PLEASE PLACE IDEAS FOR OUR
SCHOOL'S FUTURE IN THE BOX IN
THE NARTHEX BY August 20**

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETS
each Tuesday from 12-2 PM**

SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Jim Timmermann, Tom Woltman, Karen McGarry, Pastor Dennis Valteau and Larry Kellinger, PLUS all school staff are meeting weekly. The role of this group is to recommend how to proceed with our school when Mrs. Tullberg retires as it is challenging to call a single teacher for grades 1-8. An Open Forum for all members will be announced soon.



HELP NEEDED!

Your technology team is looking for a few good button pushers! (think George Jetson)

The learning curve varies depending on position in the team, but our current team really knows their stuff, and can show you all you need to know! Please see either Allan Bunt or Andrew Bunt if you're interested in knowing more!

