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Colossians 3:1-11

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Know Christ...Make Him Known
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WELCOME...to all who are joining us this morning as we receive God's gifts and respond with praise and thanksgiving. For prayer requests, please contact Pastor Wildauer in advance.

To All Who Are Communing: See the back page of today's bulletin for our belief and procedure.

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

SILENCE *to prepare our hearts*

OPENING HYMN: *"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"*

LSB 791 v 1-3

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with mirth, His praise forthtell;
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

Know that the Lord is God indeed;
Without our aid He did us make.
We are His folk, He doth us feed,
And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise;
Approach with joy His courts unto.
Praise, laud, and bless His name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

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INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

A TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

- P: How foolish we are, Almighty God, when we are rich in things and impoverished toward You.
- C: We confess Lord, that we so often get caught up in wanting more material things.**

(A time of personal reflection and confession)

- P: Forgive us, Father, when we seek things which distract us from You.
- C: Forgive us when we seek abundance in things that mean nothing.**
- P: Forgive us when we measure our worth by what we have.
- C: Forgive us when we are more concerned with physical wealth than spiritual wealth.**
- P: Forgive us when we do not seek the things that are above.
- C: Forgive us when we are wise in the eyes of the world and foolish toward You.**
- P: God, Who is rich in mercy and abundant in grace, forgives you your sins. His love is overflowing and has no limits. We see the riches of His love especially in the cross of Jesus Christ, who became poor that we might be rich; who died that we might live; Who took on our flesh that we might live in the power of His Spirit; Who rose again that we might live in the power of the resurrection. We are blessed beyond measure. For God has called us His children. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE: *"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"*

LSB 791 v. 4-5

For why? The Lord our God is good:
His mercy is forever sure.
His truth at all times firmly stood
And shall from age to age endure.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom heav'n and earth adore,
From us and from the angel host
Be praise and glory evermore.

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PRAYER

- P: O Lord, the riches of this world rest in money and wealth, fame and prestige. But the riches of Your kingdom lie in goodness and compassion, life and salvation. Let us not seek treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But rather help us to store up for ourselves treasures in heaven, Turn our faces away from worldly blessings that lead to greed and evil desires, and help us look to the blessings of heaven that bring everlasting honor and delight. For You, O Lord, will satisfy our every need according to your glorious riches in Christ Jesus.
- C: Amen.**

• WE HEAR GOD'S WORD +

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FIRST LESSON: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-26

Bible page(s) 1034-1037

What really counts? What really lasts? As hard as it is to hear, Solomon has explored the value of human success and declares it to be “meaningless.”

“Meaningless! Meaningless!” says the Teacher. “Utterly meaningless! Everything is meaningless.”

I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. I devoted myself to study and to explore by wisdom all that is done under heaven. What a heavy burden God has laid on men! I have seen all the things that are done under the sun; all of them are meaningless, a chasing after the wind.

I hated all the things I had toiled for under the sun, because I must leave them to the one who comes after me. And who knows whether he will be a wise man or a fool? Yet he will have control over all the work into which I have poured my effort and skill under the sun. This too is meaningless. So my heart began to despair over all my toilsome labor under the sun. For a man may do his work with wisdom, knowledge and skill, and then he must leave all he owns to someone who has not worked for it. This too is meaningless and a great misfortune. What does a man get for all the toil and anxious striving with which he labors under the sun? All his days his work is pain and grief; even at night his mind does not rest. This too is meaningless.

A man can do nothing better than to eat and drink and find satisfaction in his work. This too, I see, is from the hand of God, for without him, who can eat or find enjoyment? To the man who pleases him, God gives wisdom, knowledge and happiness, but to the sinner he gives the task of gathering and storing up wealth to hand it over to the one who pleases God. This too is meaningless, a chasing after the wind.

EPISTLE: Colossians 3:1-11

Bible page(s) 1834

Our new life that Jesus gives us begins to transform our lives. We don't act like the people of the world, instead our focus is on Christ!

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy

language from your lips. Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. Here there is no Greek or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21

Bible page(s) 1617

The story that Jesus tells underscores the futility and meaninglessness of our pursuit of success and wealth.

The congregation will read the part of the Man.

Narrator: Someone in the crowd said to him,

Man: “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.”

Jesus: “Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you? Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man’s life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.”

Narrator: And he told them this parable:

Jesus: “The ground of a certain rich man produced a good crop. He thought to himself, ‘What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.’

“Then he said, ‘This is what I’ll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I’ll say to myself, “You have plenty of good things laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.”’

“But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?’

“This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God.”

APOSTLES’ CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

**Christian: the ancient text reads “catholic,” meaning the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of Christian doctrine.*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE –PRAYER

HYMN OF THE DAY: *“All Depends On Our Possessing”*

LSB 732

All depends on our possessing
God's abundant grace and blessing,
Though all earthly wealth depart.
They who trust with faith unshaken
By their God are not forsaken
And will keep a dauntless heart.

He who to this day has fed me
And to many joys has led me
Is and ever shall be mine.
He who ever gently schools me,
He who daily guides and rules me
Will remain my help divine.

Many spend their lives in fretting
Over trifles and in getting
Things that have no solid ground.
I shall strive to win a treasure
That will bring me lasting pleasure
And that now is seldom found.

When with sorrow I am stricken,
Hope anew my heart will quicken;
All my longing shall be stilled.
To His loving-kindness tender
Soul and body I surrender,
For on God alone I build.

Well He knows what best to grant me;
All the longing hopes that haunt me,
Joy and sorrow, have their day.
I shall doubt His wisdom never;
As God wills, so be it ever;
I commit to Him my way.

If my days on earth He lengthen,
God my weary soul will strengthen;
All my trust in Him I place.
Earthly wealth is not abiding,
Like a stream away is gliding;
Safe I anchor in His grace.

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MESSAGE: Mindset

OFFERING: *(As the offering is received, take this time to meditate on today's message and how God would have you apply it to your life and respond to it.)*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

+ The Lord's Supper +

Here our Lord gives to us His own Body and Blood for the forgiveness of all our sins.

WE PREPARE

P: In faith, we come to share in this Feast of Your Body and Blood, Lord Jesus. We cannot see You present here. We cannot understand the holy mysteries of this divine meal. We cannot really explain it to others. But You are here with us. We are aware of Your Presence, and we are humbled that You should invite us to Your table. By faith we come. By faith we receive you. By faith we believe, and are blessed! Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION: *As we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion, the congregation will sing the following hymns:*

"Chief of Sinners Though I Be"

LSB 611

Chief of sinners though I be,
Jesus shed His blood for me,
Died that I might live on high,
Lives that I might never die.
As the branch is to the vine,
I am His, and He is mine.

Oh, the height of Jesus' love,
Higher than the heav'ns above,

Deeper than the depths of sea,
Lasting as eternity!
Love that found me—wondrous thought!
Found me when I sought Him not.

Only Jesus can impart
Balm to heal the wounded heart,
Peace that flows from sin forgiv'n,
Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,
Faith and hope to walk with God
In the way that Enoch trod.

Chief of sinners though I be,
Christ is all in all to me;
All my wants to Him are known,
All my sorrows are His own.
He sustains the hidden life
Safe with Him from earthly strife.

O my Savior, help afford
By Your Spirit and Your Word!
When my wayward heart would stray,
Keep me in the narrow way;
Grace in time of need supply
While I live and when I die.

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INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION

“Son of God Eternal Savior”

LSB 842

Son of God, eternal Savior,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
Hallows all our human race,
You our Head, who, throned in glory,
For Your own will ever plead:
Fill us with Your love and pity,
Heal our wrongs, and help our need.

As You, Lord, have lived for others,
So may we for others live.
Freely have Your gifts been granted;
Freely may Your servants give.
Yours the gold and Yours the silver,

Yours the wealth of land and sea;
We but stewards of Your bounty
Held in solemn trust will be.

Come, O Christ, and reign among us,
King of love and Prince of Peace;
Hush the storm of strife and passion,
Bid its cruel discords cease.
By Your patient years of toiling,
By Your silent hours of pain,
Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,
Stem our selfish greed of gain.

Son of God, eternal Savior,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
Hallows all our human race:
By Your praying, by Your willing
That Your people should be one,
Grant, O grant our hope's fruition:
Here on earth Your will be done.

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with His favor and give you peace.

C: *(sing)* **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: *"Christ Be My Leader"*

LSB 861

Christ be my Leader by night as by day;
Safe through the darkness, for He is the way.
Gladly I follow, my future His care,
Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.

Christ be my Teacher in age as in youth,
Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.
Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand,
Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.

Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife;
Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain

Serving In His Worship

08-03	8:00AM	10:30AM
Deacon	David Cameron	Dale Clarke
Musicians	Diane Long	
Greeters	Mary Edmonds	TL & Lisa Nussbaum
Readers	Randy Carter	Marty Hasz
Communion Prep	Donna Magwitz	Lori Sparks
A/V Tech	Patrick Kirchoff	Julie Fiehler
Live Stream Tech	Charles Pancoast	n/a
Ushers	Ben Judkins	Mike Hartle
	Dale Bremmer	Anita Hartle

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Phil's Friends – Please contact the church office if you need a Phil's Pack for an acquaintance dealing with cancer.

Prayer Shawl Ministry - An important ministry at Good Shepherd is the Prayer Shawl Ministry. If you know of anyone who is going through some difficulties in life, you might want to remember them with the gift of a prayer shawl. The shawls are located in the closet of the second to last classroom on the left. They will be marked with a small tag indicating that they are part of the prayer shawl ministry.

Continue to pray for our missionary, Rev. Micah Wildauer and his family. Thanks to all our members who have assisted him by providing funds to support his work in foreign countries.



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TO ALL WHO DESIRE TO RECEIVE COMMUNION



When Jesus said – “*This is My Body...this is My Blood*” – He really meant it. We believe in the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament, not merely in a figurative or symbolic sense. Jesus is present with His Body and Blood, given to us in the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins. It is an act of His love, which we don't deserve, we cannot explain, nor even understand. It is the request of our congregation that anyone who wishes to commune with us share our faith. As we participate, we follow Scripture's instruction to – “examine yourself,” using the questions below. We also believe Scripture's instruction to be in unity with our brother.

- Do I believe that I have come short of God's expectations, and am I sorry for my sins?
- Do I believe that Jesus, my Savior and Lord, forgives me?
- Will I, with a grateful heart, and in loving obedience, allow God's Holy Spirit to improve my attitudes, and empower me to live for Him?
- Do I share the confession and therefore unity with this congregation?

If you answer “No” to any question or if it is your first time at Good Shepherd or if you have any additional questions, please speak with the Pastor.

If you wish to commune, please check the box next to your name on the attendance card and place it in the offering plates.

When you are ushered to the front for communion, you are welcome to either kneel or stand. Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available to those that for health reasons cannot have wheat wafers and/or wine.