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Know Christ...Make Him Known
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WELCOME...to all who worship with us this morning, especially our guests. What a joy it is to worship Jesus as members of His Family! Please separate the attendance/prayer request slip and pass any prayer requests to the center aisles where the ushers will collect them.

ORDER OF SERVICE

AS WE GATHER...The Good News of God's grace transforms lives. First it gives us the assurance of God's love and forgiveness. Having freed us from having to worry about our relationship with God, we are now free to care and serve our neighbor. In our worship today, we consider God's will that we live "worthy of the Lord."

WELCOME

SILENCE *to prepare our hearts*

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: "Triune God, Be Thou Our Stay"

LSB 505

Triune God, be Thou our stay;
O let us perish never!
Cleanse us from our sins, we pray,
And grant us life forever.
Keep us from the evil one;
Uphold our faith most holy,
And let us trust Thee solely
With humble hearts and lowly.
Let us put God's armor on,
With all true Christians running
Our heav'nly race and shunning
The devil's wiles and cunning.
Amen, amen! This be done;
So sing we, "Alleluia!"

INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: We take this time now to do some self-reflection. We need to ask ourselves, "How am I doing inside?" We all have areas in our lives where sin's power seeks to lead us away from God. Now is a good time to be honest with ourselves and own up to the sinful thoughts, attitudes, actions, reactions, and the omissions that have kept us from being the faithful disciples God desires us to be in Christ. Let's confess now in silence and come to repentance.

(Silence for personal reflection and confession)

P: Lord God...

C: **We confess to You that we have not lived our lives in accordance with Your Word and Your desires for us. We have given You only a part of ourselves in service and worship and have let other things take our attention away from that which is most important. Forgive us, Lord, for not always striving toward a higher level of Christian maturity. Forgive us, Lord, for not letting our lights shine over the darkness of this world. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ, to whom we look for grace.**

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, be confident in the promise from our Lord that your sins are forgiven. This gift of grace was clearly shown on the cross when Christ shed his blood for the world. As the church, it is our duty to make this message known so that others may come to know Him as Savior and Lord. 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 "Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing" LSB 737 vs 1,2,7

Rejoice, my heart, be glad and sing,
A cheerful trust maintain;
For God, the source of ev'rything,
Your portion shall remain.

He is your treasure, He your joy,
Your life and light and Lord,
Your counselor when doubts annoy,
Your shield and great reward.

Upon your lips, then, lay your hand,
And trust His guiding love;
Then like a rock your peace shall stand
Here and in heav'n above.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: O Lord, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Your Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

+ WE HEAR GOD'S WORD +

FIRST READING: Isaiah 66:18-23

Bible page(s) 1166-1167

Even several centuries before Jesus, the Lord made it plain that people of all nations – not just the people of Israel – would know his salvation.

"And I, because of their actions and their imaginations, am about to come and gather all nations and tongues, and they will come and see my glory.

I will set a sign among them, and I will send some of those who survive to the nations--to Tarshish, to the Libyans and Lydians (famous as archers), to Tubal and Greece, and to the distant islands that have not heard of my fame or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory among the nations. And they will bring all your brothers, from all the nations, to my holy mountain in Jerusalem as an offering to the LORD--on horses, in chariots and wagons, and on mules and camels," says the LORD. "They will bring them, as the Israelites bring their grain offerings, to the temple of the LORD in ceremonially clean vessels. And I will select some of them also to be priests and Levites," says the LORD.

"As the new heavens and the new earth that I make will endure before me," declares the LORD, "so will your name and descendants endure. From one New Moon to another and from one Sabbath to another, all mankind will come and bow down before me," says the LORD.

EPISTLE: Hebrews 12:4-24

Bible page(s) 1877-1878

Enduring hardship and difficulties does not mean that we are not loved by God, but in fact, it's just the opposite. God disciplines those he loves, treating them as children for their growth and maturity of faith and life.

In your struggle against sin, you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. And you have forgotten that word of encouragement that addresses you as sons: "My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, because the Lord disciplines those he loves, and he punishes everyone he accepts as a son."

Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his sons. For what son is not

disciplined by his father? If you are not disciplined (and everyone undergoes discipline), then you are illegitimate children and not true sons. Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of our spirits and live! Our fathers disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, that we may share in his holiness. No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

Therefore, strengthen your feeble arms and weak knees. "Make level paths for your feet," so that the lame may not be disabled, but rather healed.

Make every effort to live in peace with all men and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord. See to it that no one misses the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many. See that no one is sexually immoral, or is godless like Esau, who for a single meal sold his inheritance rights as the oldest son. Afterward, as you know, when he wanted to inherit this blessing, he was rejected. He could bring about no change of mind, though he sought the blessing with tears.

You have not come to a mountain that can be touched and that is burning with fire; to darkness, gloom and storm; to a trumpet blast or to such a voice speaking words that those who heard it begged that no further word be spoken to them, because they could not bear what was commanded: "If even an animal touches the mountain, it must be stoned." The sight was so terrifying that Moses said, "I am trembling with fear."

But you have come to Mount Zion, to the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the judge of all men, to the spirits of righteous men made perfect, to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 13:22-30

Bible page(s) 1621

Jesus shocks his hearers as he tells them that many of those who think that they will be saved will not be, while many who are thought to have no chance, will be!

Narrator: Then Jesus went through the towns and villages, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him,

ALL: "Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?"

Jesus: "Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to. Once the owner of the house gets up and closes the door, you will stand outside knocking and pleading, 'Sir, open the door for us.' "But he will answer, 'I don't know you or where you come from.' "Then you will say, 'We ate and drank with you, and you taught in our streets.' "But he will reply, 'I don't know you or where you come from. Away from me, all you evildoers!' "There will be weeping there, and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of

God, but you yourselves thrown out. People will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. Indeed there are those who are last who will be first, and first who will be last."

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C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE –PRAYER

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Faith and Truth and Life Bestowing"

LSB 584

Faith and truth and life bestowing,
Open now the Scriptures, Lord,
Seed to life eternal sowing,
Scattered on the wind abroad.
Let not hearts, Your Word receiving,
Like a barren field be found,
Choked with thorns and unbelieving,
Shallow earth or stony ground.

May the Spirit's pow'r unceasing
Bring to life the hidden grain,
Daily in our hearts increasing,
Bearing fruit that shall remain.
So in Scripture, song, and story,
Savior, may Your voice be heard.

Till our eyes behold Your glory
Give us ears to hear Your Word.

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MESSAGE: All Things New

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

+ The Lord's Supper +

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

WE PREPARE BY CONFESSING

P: In thanksgiving we come to the table of the Lord. Lift up your hearts!

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: We come as people needing change in our lives

C: Yet we waste life stuck in patterns we have no intention of changing!

P: God loves us too much to leave us that way.

C: We appear as sinners who keep sinning.

P: God's grace is given to you as a free gift. You are truly God's saints.

C: So we come here, because we know at this table, God offers forgiveness and newness of life.

P: Here we receive the very body and blood of Christ our Lord, a meal that renews our faith, restores our souls and strengthens us to live in that faith. Hear the invitation our Lord gives; then come to the table of life!

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.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

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

“Once He Came In Blessing”

LSB 333

Once He came in blessing,
All our sins redressing;
Came in likeness lowly,
Son of God most holy;
Bore the cross to save us;
Hope and freedom gave us.

Now He gently leads us;
With Himself He feeds us
Precious food from heaven,
Pledge of peace here given,
Manna that will nourish
Souls that they may flourish.

Soon will come that hour
When with mighty power
Christ will come in splendor
And will judgment render,
With the faithful sharing
Joy beyond comparing.

Come, then, O Lord Jesus,
From our sins release us.
Keep our hearts believing,
That we, grace receiving,
Ever may confess You
Till in heav’n we bless You.

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INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION

“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. *(conts on next page)*

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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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: “O God of God, O Light of Light”

LSB 810

O God of God, O Light of Light,
O Prince of Peace and King of kings:
To you in heaven’s glory bright
The song of praise forever rings.
To Him who sits upon the throne,
The Lamb once slain but raised again,
Be all the glory He has won,
All thanks and praise! Amen, amen.

For deep in prophets’ sacred page,
And grand in poets’ wingèd word,
Slowly in type, from age to age
The nations saw their coming Lord;
Till through the deep Judean night
Rang out the song, “Goodwill to men!”
Sung once by firstborn sons of light,
It echoes now, “Goodwill!” Amen.
That life of truth, those deeds of love,
That death so steeped in hate and scorn—
These all are past, and now above
He reigns, our King once crowned with thorn.
Lift up your heads, O mighty gates!
So sang that host beyond our ken.
Lift up your heads, your King awaits.
We lift them up. Amen, amen.

Then raise to Christ a mighty song,
And shout His name, His mercies tell!
Sing, heav’nly host, your praise prolong,
And all on earth, your anthem swell!
All hail, O Lamb for sinners slain!
Forever let the song ascend!
Worthy the Lamb, enthroned to reign,
All glory, pow’r! Amen, amen.

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Serving In His Worship

Sunday 8/24	8:00 worship	10:30 worship
Deacon	Joel Allison	Brian Kirn
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Greeters	Dianne Meyr	Don & Terri Wilson
Readers	Caitlyn Cameron	Linda Engelman
Communion Prep	Joyce Macke	Marilyn Fritzler
A/V Tech	HW Meyr	Dru Hasz
Live Stream Tech	Zach Kuehn	n/a
Ushers	Dale Bremmer David Cameron	Ron Hasten Aaron Geis

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.

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