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Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

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Church Service Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

WELCOME GUESTS


*We invite you to sign our guest book and/or complete a visitor card to help us remember you. Here at Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church we celebrate Holy Communion whenever we gather, and we would like to invite you to join us, as **all** are welcome to the Lord's table here. Thank you for joining us.*

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Empowered by the power of the Holy Spirit and rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ, we are a loving community that follows Jesus and seeks to hear the Word of God and practice it in our daily lives.

Recorded Services:

All Sunday services at Shepherd of the Lakes are recorded and put on You Tube.

Go to the Church website at www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org and look for the  symbol.
Click on this symbol to take you to the Church's YouTube site.

*For those of you worshipping with us at home – You can mail your donations to:
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Or on the church website – www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org
You can donate through our PayPal account.
“Thank you for your continued support of our ministry together.”*

Readings for August 10, 2025 9th Sunday After Pentecost

First Reading	Genesis 15: 1-6
Psalm	33:12-22
Second Reading	Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16
Holy Gospel	Luke 12: 32-40

A Kingdom for the Little Flock

“Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.” Jesus promises the kingdom to us, his little flock, straining our minds with this uninhibited generosity. Even to us, so little and undeserving? Even to us, in the face of so many things to be afraid of? Suddenly everything we hold dear in this world is repriced, and the true value of things becomes plainly clear. We are being given the kingdom! So why not sell our possessions and give to those in need? We are being given the kingdom! So why not wait on expectant tiptoes for the master? When he comes he will wait on us! The Father’s free generosity calls forth in us a generosity we have never before known. Fear is now met with anticipation, and tightfistedness with open hands. We are being given the kingdom, so now we know what true treasure looks like. And yet, like our fathers and mothers in faith that the Hebrews reading speaks of, we too “desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one.” But in Christ our heavenly country has already arrived. In him, God has freely given us the kingdom.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers today are provided by Anita Horan in memory of her husband Dennis.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES AT 9:00 A.M.

Holy Communion is offered at every service. All are welcome. The Sunday service will be live-streamed and recorded and available for viewing on YouTube later on Sundays. Join us for coffee and fellowship in the Community Room after church service. Fellowship Brunch is held every second Sunday, and you are welcome to bring a dish to share.

QUILTING

Please join the quilting group at 9 a.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. You don’t need to know how to quilt or sew – if you can tie knots, they can use your help!

ALTAR FLOWERS - INFORMATION ON HOW TO SIGN UP

Contact Person - Jo Ann Kehl Cell 715-892-0413

The Sign-Up Sheets are located in the Narthex on the shelf under the Lutheran Rose.

STEP ONE:

Sign up for the date you wish to provide the set of two altar bouquets

STEP TWO:

You can provide flowers in two ways:

1. You may purchase your own flowers and bring them to church.
2. You may contact Jo Ann Kehl and she will order them for you. Just let her know what flowers you would like and how much you would like to spend. You can then write a check to Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church for that amount and designate it as ***Altar Flower Donation***.

ANY QUESTIONS? Contact Jo Ann

WEEKEND BACKPACK PROGRAM

With the additional number of children receiving weekly food supplements during the school year, we have finally depleted the weekend backpack fund. Please consider making a donation for this very worthwhile program headed up by the Krieck family. Pink envelopes are located on the Narthex table for your use.

CALL COMMITTEE

Here are the Call Committee members. Please feel free to contact them if you have any questions.

Lloyd Andersen	715-892-3513
Karen Carter	715-542-4049 or 715-525-1733
Ginger Eade	608-317-9563
Shawn McCormick	715-605-2552
Joanne Pierce	414-477-5804
Charlie Rice - Chairman	715-617-1398 or 715-479-9336

MELODY KYIAK ARRANGEMENTS

Per request of Melody, there will be no funeral services held. In lieu of flowers, family has requested that donations be made to either Shepherd of the Lakes or a local Humane Society in her name.

Next Financial Report will be early in August (They will now be monthly reports)

July 27, 2025 Attendance: 90



PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for those dealing with current issues:

Evie, Doug, Graham, Jim C, Dick K., Tom (friend of Tracey), Mike, and Mary (mother of Ahlborn Equipment employee).

(Please let us know if/when names should be removed from this “current issues” list or moved to “ongoing list”)

Pray for those with ongoing health issues:

Larry, Mary Lou, Ericka, Mike, Shelle, Sharon G., Brian, and Ron

Pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:

Adam & Brittany, Brooks, Will, Sgt. Keara, Alex, Jared, Noah, Dylan, and David.

Pray for those in nursing homes or homebound:

Elisabeth

Pray for peace and consoling comfort for the families of those who have passed:

Family of Lynn Carlson; Family of John Schaeffel; Family of Melody Kysiak; Family of Mark Hammer

Special Prayers

Please keep our Church Council, the Call Committee and every member of this congregation in your prayers as we begin our search for a new Shepherd.

*Please email Jean Maines at jamaines2012@gmail.com or text her at 715-891-3344
or contact Sharon at plclerk@gmail.com or text her at 715-892-7049
if you would like to be included on the prayer chain list.*

CONTACT INFO

In addition to the listed office hours, we are also available anytime by phone!

Treasurer – Jean Maines (715) 542-4213 or (715) 891-3344

Email: treasurer@sotlsayner.com or jamaines2012@gmail.com

Office Hours on Monday and Friday, 10 am – 2 pm

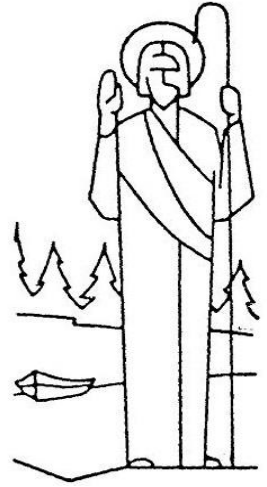
Secretary – Sharon Brooker (715) 892-7049 (call or text)

Email: secretary@sotlsayner.com or plclerk@gmail.com

Office Hours on Tuesday from 3 pm – 6:30 pm and Thursday from Noon – 4 pm

In case of Pastoral Emergency, please contact
Council President Mike Pockat at (715) 892-4488 or
Vice-President Sharon Rice at (715) 891-0259

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Eighth Sunday After Pentecost August 3, 2025



Greeting & Announcements

Invocation

(Please remain seated.)

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession And Forgiveness

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Gracious God,

Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Gathering Song

“A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing” ELW 393

Verses 1-3

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!



1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New hymns through-out the world shall
2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band up - on the Mount of Ol - ives
3 To whom the shin - ing an - gels cry, “Why stand and gaze up - on the
4 “You see him now, as-cend-ing high up to the por-tals of the
5 O ris - en Christ, as-cend-ed Lord, all praise to you let earth ac -



ring: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
stand, Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! and with his faith-ful fol-l'wers
sky?” Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! “This is the Sav-ior!” thus they
sky.” Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! “Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall
cord: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! You are, while end-less ag - es



trod, as - cends un - to the throne of God.
see their Lord as-cend in maj - es - ty.
say, “this is his glo-rious tri-umph day!” Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le -
see re - turn-ing in great maj - es - ty.”
run, with Fa - ther and with Spir - it one.



lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!

Text: Bede, 673–735; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623

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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.

Opening Dialog

Rejoice in the Lord always. Say it again: Rejoice!

Let gentleness be evident to all, for the Lord is near.

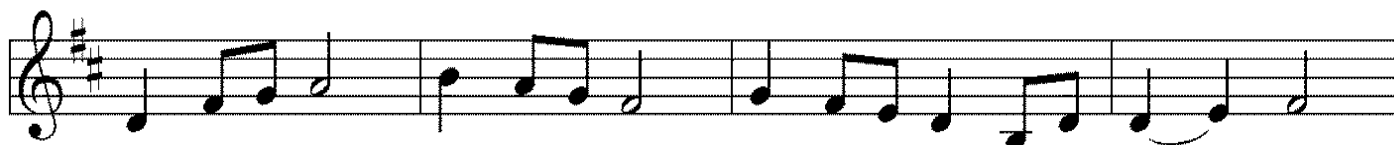
Let us not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present our requests to God.

Rejoice in the Lord always. Say it again: Rejoice!

Let gentleness be evident to all, for the Lord is near.

(Philippians 4:4-6)

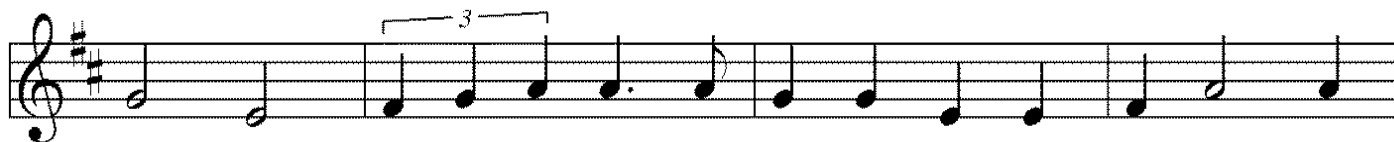
HYMN OF PRAISE



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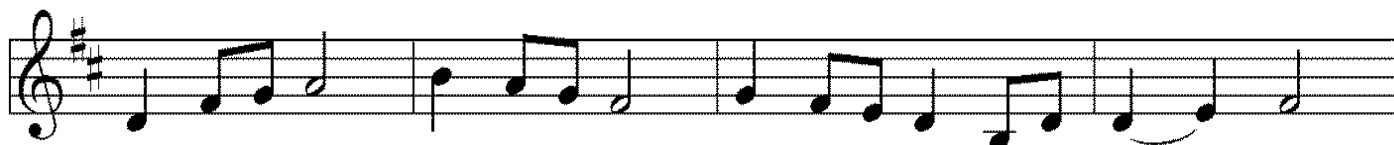
glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth.

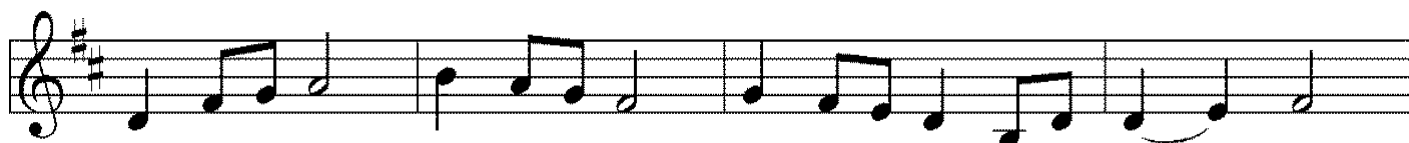


☐ Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al- might- y God and Fa- ther, we

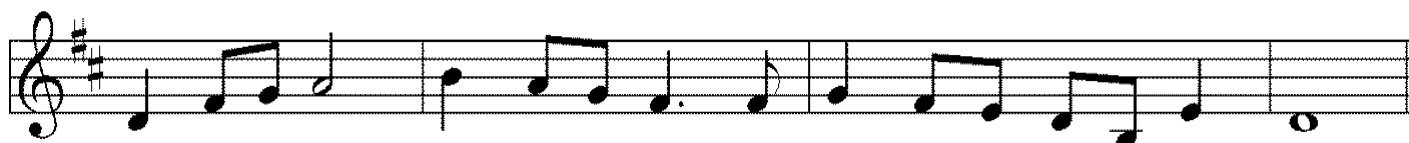


wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

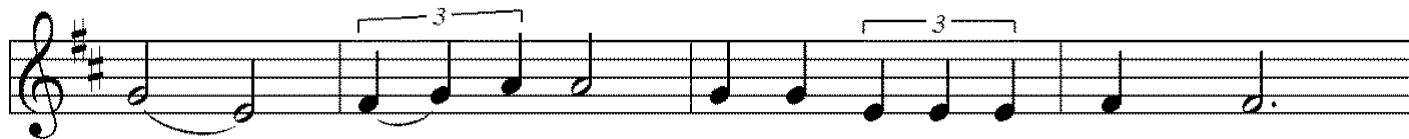




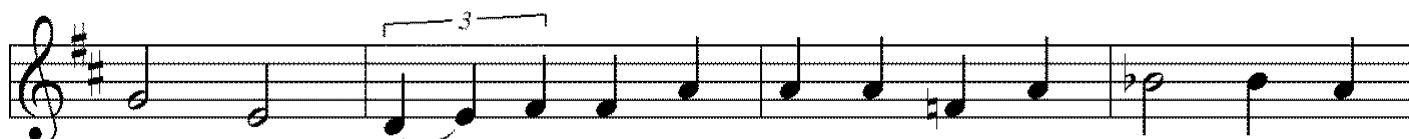
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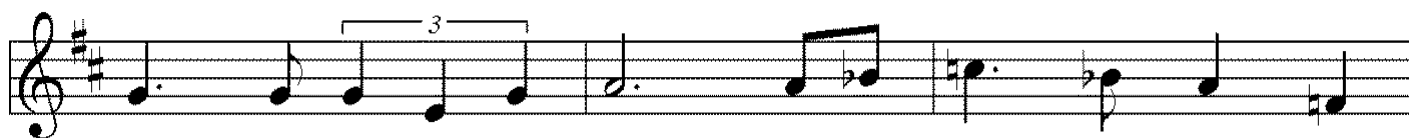
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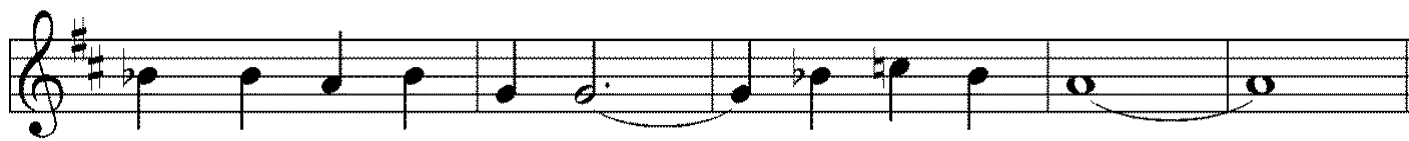
☐ Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



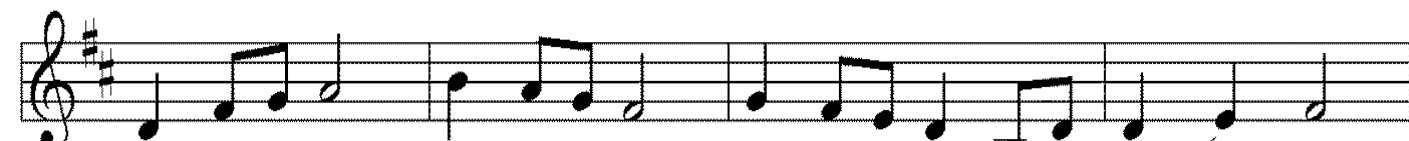
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

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

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Let us pray....

Almighty God,

We thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit, help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Please share the peace as you are comfortable, then please be seated.

First Reading

Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 12-14; 18-23

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 49: 1-12

¹ Hear this, all you peoples;
give ear, all you who dwell in the world,

² **you of high degree and low,
rich and poor together.**

³ My mouth shall speak of wisdom,
and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

⁴ **I will incline my ear to a proverb
and set forth my riddle upon the harp.**

⁵ Why should I be afraid in evil days,
when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,

⁶ **the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess,
and boast of their great riches?**

⁷ One can never redeem another,
or give to God the ransom for another's life;

⁸ **for the ransom of a life is so great
that there would never be enough to pay it,**

⁹ in order to live forever and ever
and never see the grave.

¹⁰ **For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish
and leave their wealth to those who come after them.**

¹¹ Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation
to generation,

though they had named lands after themselves.

¹² **Even though honored, they cannot live forever;
they are like the beasts that perish.**

Second Reading Colossians 3: 1-11

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *(Please stand as you are comfortable)*

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

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

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel According to....

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading Luke 12: 13-21

The Gospel of the Lord....

Glory to you, O Christ.

(Please be Seated)

Sermon

Please remain seated for the hymn of the day.

Hymn of the Day

“Son of God, Eternal Savior” ELW 655

Verses 1 - 3

Son of God, Eternal Savior



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,
2 As you, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, so may we for oth - ers live.
3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and Prince of peace;
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,



Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race,
Free - ly have your gifts been grant - ed; free - ly may your ser - vants give.
hush the storm of strife and pas - sion, bid its cru - el dis - cords cease.
Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race:



you our head, who, throned in glo - ry, for your own will ev - er plead:
Yours the gold and yours the sil - ver, yours the wealth of land and sea;
By your pa - tient years of toil - ing, by your si - lent hours of pain,
by your pray - ing, by your will - ing that your peo - ple should be one,



fill us with your love and pit - y, heal our wrong, and help our need.
we but stew - ards of your boun - ty held in sol - emn trust will be.
quench our fe - vered thirst of plea - sure, stem our self - ish greed of gain.
grant, oh, grant our hope's fru - i - tion: here on earth your will be done.

Text: Somerset C. Lowry, 1855–1932

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710

(Please remain seated)

Apostles Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day, He rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

Offering

(We will receive our offering today in the traditional manner)

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Presentation Of Gifts

(Please stand as you are comfortable and join in the offertory hymn)

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
 bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
 sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
 Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
 of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
 Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer

Merciful God,

You open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord.....

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.

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy.....and join their unending hymn:



The musical score is written on five staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a common time signature 'C'. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with many notes beamed together. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav - en 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The score ends with a double bar line.

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, heav - en 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

Lords 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

Invitation

Everyone is welcome to the Lord's Table at Shepherd of the Lakes. Please come forward as the ushers direct, receive the bread in your hand and then receive the wine by dipping the host into the wine (chalice). Grape juice is also offered as an alternative to the wine in the clear chalice. We also have gluten free wafers for those in need, simply ask for them when you come forward. Small children and others that wish not to commune may come forward for a blessing. ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE.

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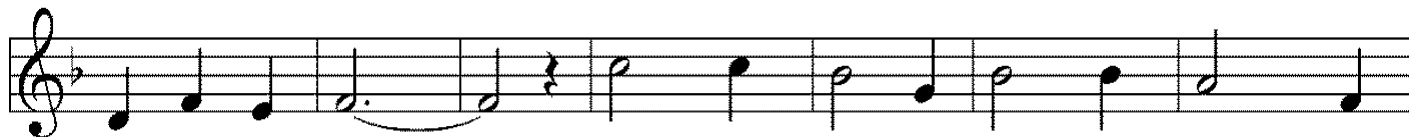
(Please be seated)



☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Hymns

"This is My Father's World" ELW 824

This Is My Father's World



1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all
 2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car-ols raise; the
 3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for-get that,



na-ture sings, and round me rings the mu-sic of the spheres.
 morn-ing light, the lil-y white, de-clare their mak-er's praise.
 though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul-er yet.



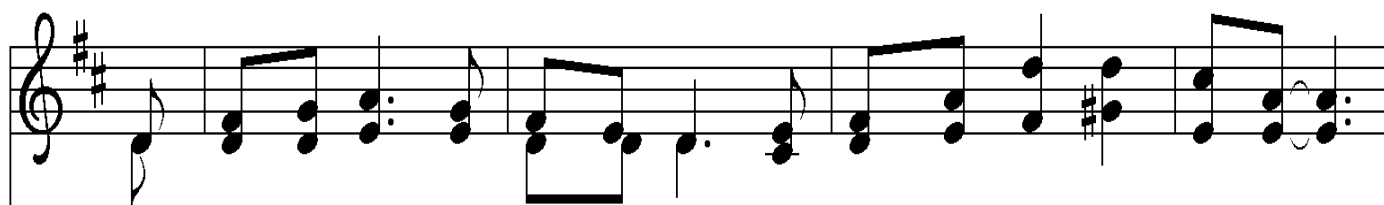
This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
 This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
 This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The



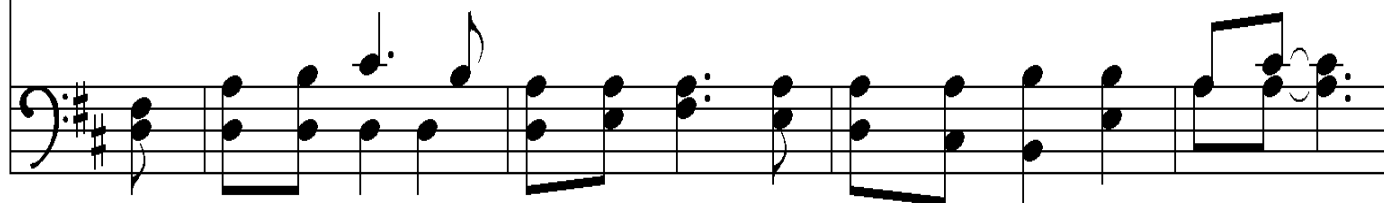
rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won-ders wrought.
 rus-tling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev'-ry-where.
 Lord is king, let heav-en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858–1901
 Music: TERRA PATRIS, Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930, adapt.

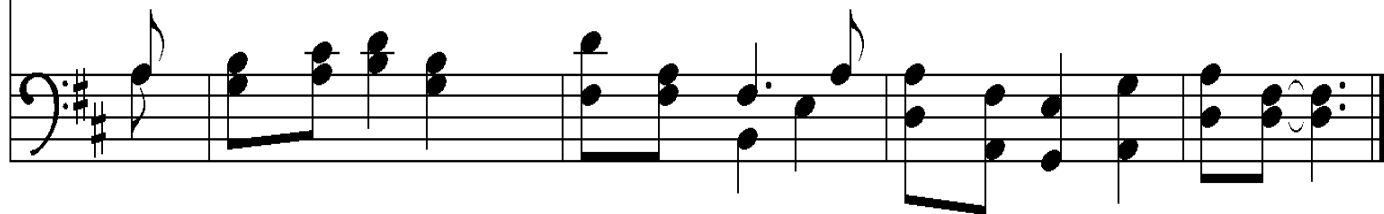
My Lord of Light



- 1 My Lord of light who made the worlds, in wis - dom you have spo - ken;
- 2 My Lord of love who knew no sin, a sin - ner's death en - dur - ing;
- 3 My Lord of life who came in fire when Christ was high as - cend - ed:
- 4 My Lord of lords, one Trin - i - ty, to your pure name be giv - en



but those who heard your wise com-mands your ho - ly law have bro - ken.
for us you wore a crown of thorns, a crown of life se - cur - ing.
your burn - ing love is now re - leased, our days of fear are end - ed.
all glo - ry now and ev - er - more, all praise in earth and heav-en.



Text: Christopher Idle, b. 1938

Music: BARBARA ALLEN, English folk tune; arr. Alice Parker, b. 1925

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Beautiful Savior



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in the flow'rs of spar - kling stars on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904
 Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

Communion Blessing

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen

Prayer

Almighty God,

You gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Blessing/Benediction

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 favor and give you peace.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, † and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Sending Hymn

“Blest Be The Tie That Binds” ELW 656

Verses 1 - 3

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris - tian love;
2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne we pour our ar - dent prayers;
3 We share our mu - tual woes, our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
4 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free;

the u - ni - ty of heart and mind is like to that a - bove.
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
and of - ten for each oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
and per - fect love and friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Blest Be the Tie That Binds". It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system contains four verses of the hymn. The second system contains the concluding lines of the hymn. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature.

Text: John Fawcett, 1740–1817, alt.

Music: DENNIS, Johann G. Nägeli, 1773–1836, adapt.

Dismissal

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Calendar for Week of August 4 to August 10, 2025

Thursday	August 7, 2025	Text Study	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	August 10, 2025	Worship	9:00 a.m.

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Next Council Meeting:

August 24, 2025, at 10:30 a.m.

Upcoming Events:

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