

Welcome in the Name of Christ
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
439 E. Norvell Bryant Hwy
Hernando, FL 34442



Second Sunday of Easter
April 11, 2021

The Reverend Dennis W. Koch, Pastor
Robert Bonomo and Rick Mainster, Deacons
Renate Williams Slick, Director of Music, Organist & Pianist
Roger Johnson, Choir Conductor

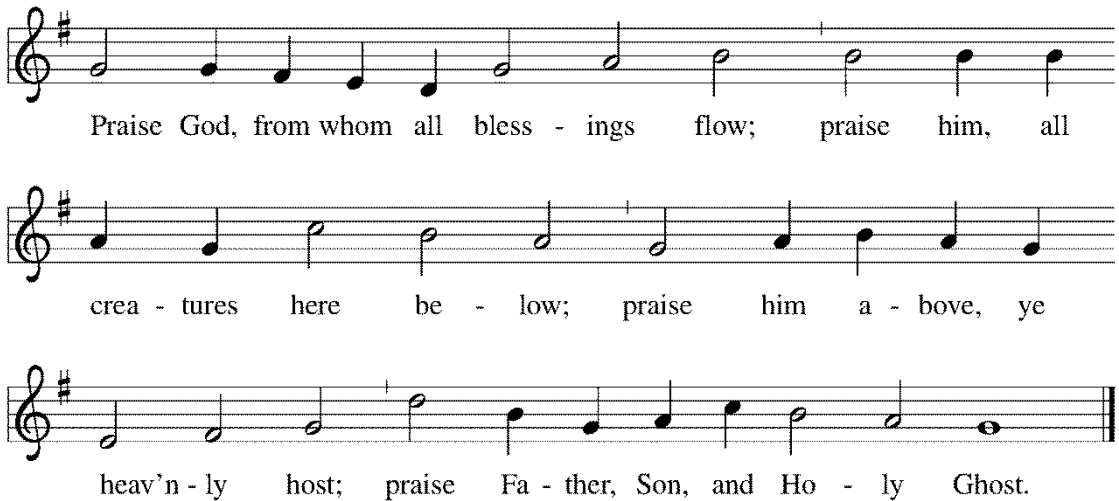
(Congregation responses are in bold print)

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

DOXOLOGY #884

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



The musical notation is written on three staves in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The first staff ends with a semicolon, the second with a comma, and the third with a double bar line.

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

INVOCATION

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

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves,
and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins,
God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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

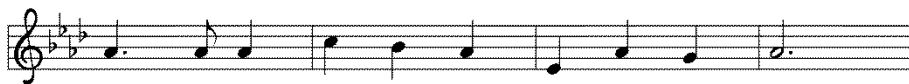
Hymn

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

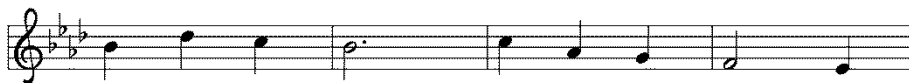
ELW 377



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
 2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
 3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;
 4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent;
 5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
 tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
 life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;
 death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
 gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
 break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
 heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,
 Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
 riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
 Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
 gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to
 Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
 sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



Refrain
 Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926
 Music: David N. Johnson, 1922–1987
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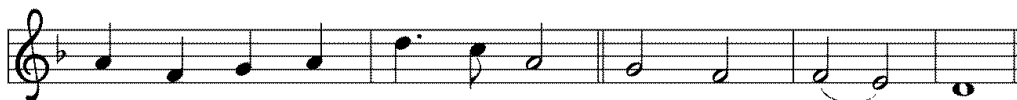
KYRIE



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Lord, have mer - cy:

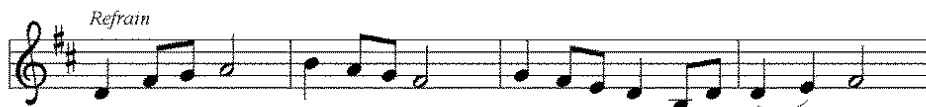


Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **Christ, have mer - cy.**
Christ, have mer - cy:

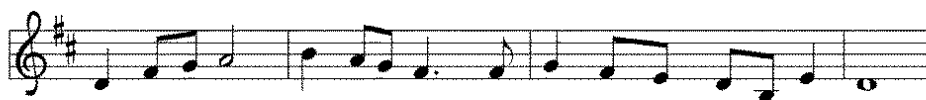


Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **Lord, have mer - cy.**
Lord, have mer - cy:

HYMN OF PRAISE



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.



1 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.

Refrain

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.

2 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.

Refrain

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.

3 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.

Final refrain

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

Let us pray.

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: ACTS 4:32-35

³²Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

PSALM: PSALM 133

¹How good and how pleasant it is,
when kindred live together in unity!

²**It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down upon the beard,
upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar of his
robe.**

³It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the hills of Zion.
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing: life forevermore.

SECOND READING: 1 JOHN 1:1--2:2

¹We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—²this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—³we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

^{2:1}My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ²and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



HOLY GOSPEL:

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

JOHN 20:19-31

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” ²⁸Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

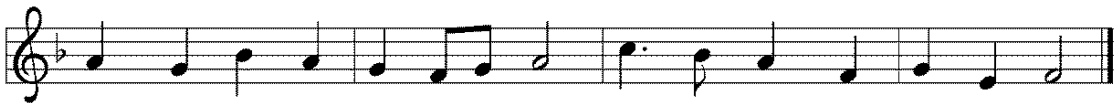
HYMN

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

ELW 373



1 “Christ the Lord is ris’n to - day!” All on earth with an - gels say;
 2 Love’s re-deem-ing work is done, fought the fight, the bat - tle won.
 3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ has burst the gates of hell.
 4 Lives a - gain our glo - rious king! Where, O death, is now your sting?



raise your joys and tri - umphs high; sing, O heav’ns; and earth, re - ply.
 Lo! The sun’s e - clipse is o’er. Lo! He sets in blood no more.
 Death in vain for - bids his rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
 Once he died our souls to save; where your vic - to - ry, O grave?

5 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!
Praise to thee by both be giv'n.
Thee we greet triumphant now:
hail, the resurrection, thou!

6 King of glory, soul of bliss,
everlasting life is this:
thee to know, thy pow'r to prove,
thus to sing, and thus to love!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: ORIENTIS PARTIBUS, Pierre de Corbeil, d. 1222

APOLSTLES' 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

The prayers are led by the assisting minister. Each portion ends with these words:

...Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

At the conclusion of the prayers, Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING [11:00]

Harps And Wheels

Chancel Choir

MEAL

DIALOG

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

It is indeed right and salutary...
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

We give you thanks, Father...
...in your holy Church both now and forever.
Amen.

THE 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.

Invitation to Communion

The risen Christ invites us to this table.
Come, eat and be satisfied.

Lamb of God

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: 484, 393, 793, 805

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart ELW 484

Refrain

You satisfy the hungry heart
with gift of finest wheat.
Come give to us, O saving Lord,
the bread of life to eat.

1 As when the shepherd calls his
sheep, they know and heed his
voice; so when you call your
fam'ly, Lord, we follow and
rejoice. *Refrain*

2 With joyful lips we sing to you
our praise and gratitude that you
should count us worthy, Lord,
to share this heav'nly food.
Refrain

3 Is not the cup we bless and share
the blood of Christ outpoured?
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare
our oneness in the Lord? *Refrain*
The myst'ry of your presence,
Lord, no mortal tongue can tell:
whom all the world cannot
contain comes in our hearts to
dwell. *Refrain*

5 You give yourself to us, O Lord;
then selfless let us be,
to serve each other in your name
in truth and charity. *Refrain*

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1997
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A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing! ELW 393

1 A hymn of glory let us sing!
New hymns throughout the
world shall ring:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ, by a road before untrod,
ascends unto the throne of God.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 The holy apostolic band
upon the Mount of Olives stand,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

and with his faithful foll'wers see
their Lord ascend in majesty.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 3 To whom the shining angels cry,
"Why stand and gaze upon the
sky?"

Alleluia! Alleluia!

"This is the Savior!" thus they
say, "this is his glorious triumph
day!"

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 4 "You see him now, ascending
high up to the portals of the sky."

Alleluia! Alleluia!

"Hereafter Jesus you shall see
returning in great majesty."

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 5 O risen Christ, ascended Lord,
all praise to you let earth accord:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

You are, while endless ages run,
with Father and with Spirit one.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

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Be Thou My Vision ELW 793

- 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my
heart; naught be all else to me,
save that thou art: thou my best
thought both by day and by
night, waking or sleeping, thy
presence my light.

- 2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou
my true word; I ever with thee
and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou
my high tow'r, raise thou me

heav'nward, O Pow'r of my
pow'r.

- 3 Riches I heed not, nor vain,
empty praise, thou mine
inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, the first in
my heart, great God of heaven,
my treasure thou art.
- 4 Light of my soul, after victory
won, may I reach heaven's joys,

O heaven's Sun! Heart of my
own heart, whatever befall, still
be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860-1935, alt.;
tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880-1931

Lead On, O King Eternal! ELW 805

1 Lead on, O King eternal!
The day of march has come;
henceforth in fields of conquest
your tents will be our home.
Through days of preparation
your grace has made us strong;
and now, O King eternal,
we lift our battle song.

2 Lead on, O King eternal,
till sin's fierce war shall cease,
and holiness shall whisper
the sweet amen of peace;

for not with swords loud clashin
nor roll of stirring drums, but
deeds of love and mercy the
heav'nly kingdom comes.

3 Lead on, O King eternal:
we follow, not with fears,
for gladness breaks like morning
where'er your face appears. Your
cross is lifted o'er us; we journey
in its light;
the crown awaits the conquest;
lead on, O God of might!

Text: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1862-1917

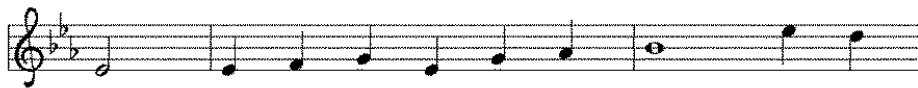
POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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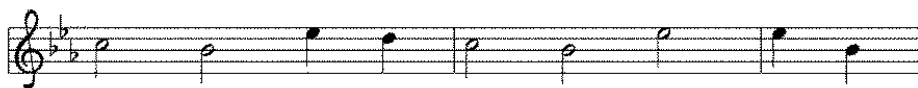
BLESSING



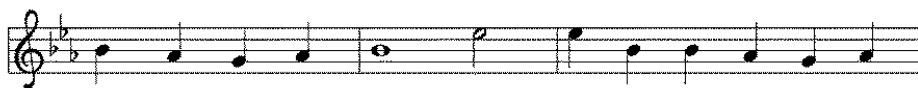
1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



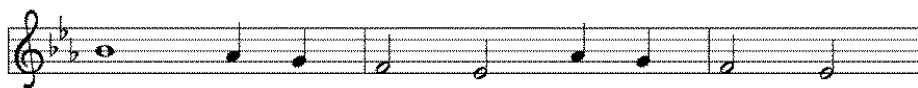
in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
 there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
 set heart and will on things a - bove that we
 and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



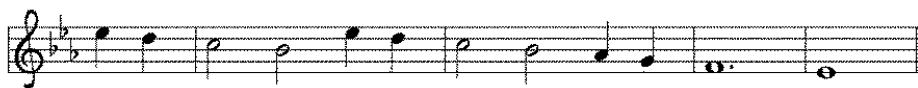
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
 Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



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

DISMISSAL

Christ is risen, just as he said.

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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WELCOME VISITORS. We extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting and hope you will return to worship with us again.

WE ARE EQUIPPED WITH A HEARING LOOP Assistive Listening System. Please switch your hearing aid or cochlear implant to “T” during worship. Additional hearing devices are available from the Media Center.

TODAY’S WORSHIP LEADERS

Deacon Bob Bonomo, Deacon Rick Mainster, and Ann Neville. Our sincere thanks to all!

FLOWERS in the sanctuary today are given by Sandy Jackson in honor of her 85th blessing.

MUSICAL OFFERING TODAY

11:00 - **“Harps And Wheels”** – Chancel Choir

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Frank Wheatley, Nicholas Schenk, Marion McGauran, Cathy Heaps, Dorothy Mensing, Kathy & Dick Hildebrandt, Carole Wagner, Jeremy Page-Wood, Michael Koch, Pam Dionne, Pr. Bill Barrett, Ilse Miles, Sheila Mandell, Sylvia Hartsfield, Maria Thomas, Ray & Maxine Whitcomb, Jeanette Jimenez, Nancy Justiniano, Dawn Clark, Isabelle Amundsen, Dave Boerger, Carolyn & Ray Creager, Barb Johnson, Tom & Sue Fowler, Margaret Hehn, Bill Graham, Peter Krol, Mireya Vera, Luna Bradford, Rita Sillen, Karl Hertel, Chuck Tuegel, Joseph Dorwart, Alejandra Vukelich, Harper Wood, Mike Hickman, Pastor Felice Johnson

Attendance last Sunday

Total: In-Person, Facebook Live & You Tube: 190

General Offering: \$7,116.00

THIS WEEK AT GSLC

SUNDAY

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. –In-Person, FB Live & YouTube Worship

MONDAY

10:00 a.m. – Bible Study

TUESDAY

11:00 a.m. - Finance
6:00 p.m. - Bells

WEDNESDAY

8:00 a.m. - SOS
1:00 p.m. – W/ELCA Bible Study/Circle
6:30 p.m. – Choir

THURSDAY

8:30 a.m. – SOS
3:00 p.m. – Council

FRIDAY

8:00 a.m. – Property Workday on grounds

Zoom Coffee Hour

Sundays 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMINDER TO ALL – As you enter the sanctuary, please lower your voices so as not to disturb those who are meditating and praying in preparation for worship.

BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Koch continues each Monday morning at 10:00 a.m. Please contact him for more information.

FINANCE COMMITTEE will meet Tuesday, April 13 at 11{00 a.m. Please contact Louise Osborn at 746-2405 if you are unable to attend.

W/ELCA BBLE STUDY CIRCLE meeting Wednesday, April 14 at 1:00 p.m. Please contact Ann Storan at asotan46@gmail.com for the Zoom link or for more information.

BABY BLANKET UPDATE: Whether you quilted, knitted, crochet or purchased a new blanket, please know that 87 infants right here in Citrus County will soon be wrapped in your gifts of love. Many thanks to those who participated in this important outreach ministry. *"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."* Matthew 25:40

THRIVENT WEBINAR – Will your taxes affect your retirement? Join us for a free webinar presented by financial professionals Stephen Miller, FIC and Dennis Gafur on April 14 at 6:00 p.m. Pastor Koch will Zoom the event here at Good Shepherd in the fellowship hall for anyone interested in watching in-person. Please RSVP by calling 813-694-9354, sending an email to sally.miller@thrivent.com, or signing up in the Narthex. Zoom information will be provided upon receipt of your RSVP.