

Welcome in the Name of Christ
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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Hernando, FL 34442



**“Is it lawful for a husband
to divorce his wife?” MARK 10:2**

**The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 10, 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

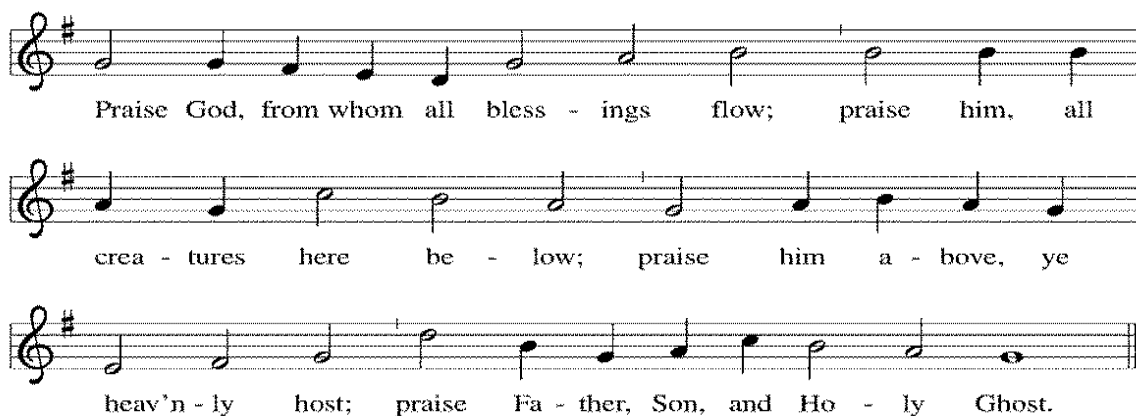
(Congregation responses are in bold print)

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

DOXOLOGY #884

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



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 HUNDREDDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510-1561

INVOCATION

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

Amen.

Confession and Absolution

All may make the sign, of the cross, the sign, marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure,
and whose love is endless.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our comforter:

like lost sheep, we have gone astray.

We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.

We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.

We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.

Free us from our sin, gracious God.

Listen when we call out to you for help.

Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

Amen.

HYMN

"LORD OF LIGHT"

ELW #688



1 Lord of light, your name out - shin - ing all the stars and
 2 By the toil of faith - ful work - ers in some far out -
 3 Grant that knowl - edge, still in - creas - ing, at your feet may
 4 By the prayers of faith - ful watch - ers, nev - er si - lent



suns of space, use our tal - ents in your king - dom
 ly - ing field, by the cour - age where the ra - diance
 low - ly kneel; with your grace our tri - umphs hal - low,
 day or night; by the cross of Je - sus, bring - ing



as the ser - vants of your grace; use us to ful -
 of the cross is still re - vealed, by the vic - to -
 with your char - i - ty our zeal; lift the na - tions
 peace to all and heal - ing light; by the love that



fill your pur - pose in the gift of Christ your Son.
 ries of meek - ness, through re - proach and suf - f'ring won:
 from the shad - ows to the glad - ness of the sun:
 pass - es knowl - edge, mak - ing all your chil - dren one:



Refrain
 Fa - ther, as in high - est heav - en, so on earth your will be done.

Text: Howell E. Lewis, 1860–1953, alt.

Music: ABBOT'S LEIGH, Cyril V. Taylor, 1907–1991

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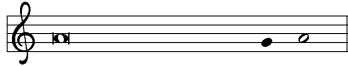
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APOSTOLIC GREETING

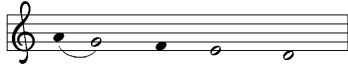
The grace of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



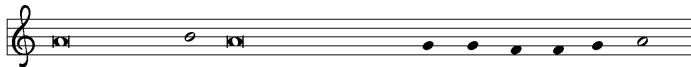
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - - men.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

THIS IS THE FEAST

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray:

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

TEMPLE TALK – Deacon Robert Bonomo

WORD

FIRST READING: AMOS 5:6-7, 10-15

⁶Seek the Lord and live,
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

⁷Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,
and bring righteousness to the ground!

.. ¹⁰They hate the one who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor
and take from them levies of grain,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not live in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.

¹²For I know how many are your transgressions,
and how great are your sins—

you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and push aside the needy in the gate.

¹³Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.

¹⁴Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.

¹⁵Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

PSALM: 90:12-17

¹²So teach us to number our days
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

¹³**Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry?
Be gracious to your servants.**

¹⁴Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning;
so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

¹⁵**Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us
and as many years as we suffered adversity.**

¹⁶Show your servants your works,
and your splendor to their children.

¹⁷**May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us;
prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.**

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 4:12-16

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The assembly stands and sings to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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



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

HOLY GOSPEL

The assembly stands and sings to welcome the gospel.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

GOSPEL: MARK 10:17-31

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’ ” ²⁰He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

²⁸Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” ²⁹Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

No; but he would give heed to me.

⁷There an upright person could reason with him,
and I should be acquitted forever by my judge.

⁸“If I go forward, he is not there;
or backward, I cannot perceive him;

⁹on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him;
I turn to the right, but I cannot see him.

¹⁶God has made my heart faint;
the Almighty has terrified me;

¹⁷If only I could vanish in darkness,
and thick darkness would cover my face!”

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY “Jesus, Priceless Treasure” ELW #775



1 Je - sus, price-less trea - sure, source of pur - est plea - sure,
2 In thine arm I rest me; foes who would mo - lest me
3 Hence, all fears and sad - ness, for the Lord of glad - ness,



tru - est friend to me: ah, how long I've pant - ed, and my heart has
can-not reach me here. Though the earth be shak - ing, ev - 'ry heart be
Je - sus, en - ters in. God, who dear-ly loves us, from all tri - al



faint - ed, thirst - ing, Lord, for thee! Thine I am, O spot - less Lamb;
quak - ing, Je - sus calms my fear. Light-nings flash and thun - ders crash;
saves us, gives sweet peace with-in. I have borne this world - ly scorn;



no - thing in this world can hide thee, naught I ask be - side thee.
yet, though sin and hell as - sail me, Je - sus will not fail me.
still in thee lies pur - est plea - sure: Je - sus, price-less trea - sure!

Text: Johann Franck, 1618–1677; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
Music: JESU. MEINE FREUDE. Johann Crüger. 1598–1662

APOSTLES' 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:

...Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

At the conclusion of the prayers,

Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:30 a.m. – “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” – Early Morning Singers

11:00 a.m. – “My Lord Is Like A Shepherd” – 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.

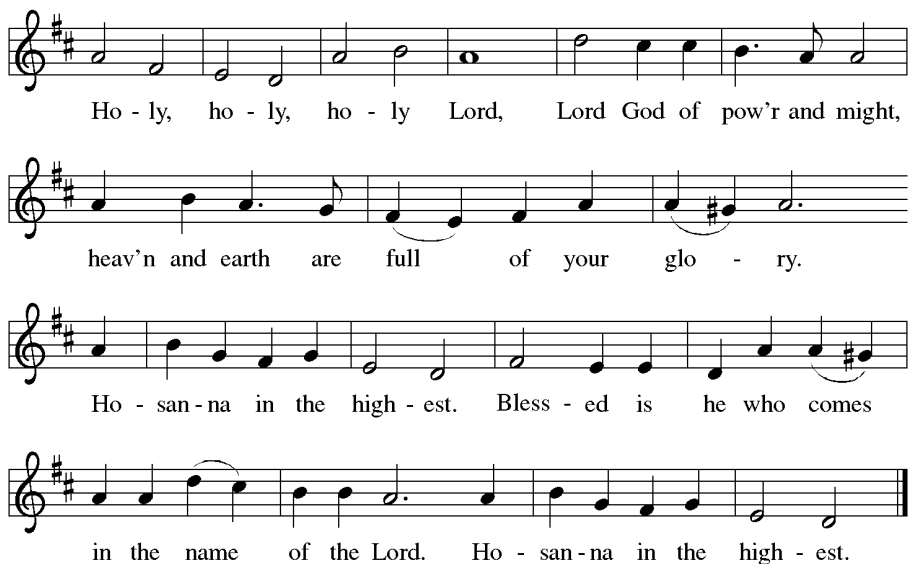
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,
almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ,
who on this day overcame death and the grave
and by his glorious resurrection
opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n 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.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

We give you thanks, Father...

... with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, both now and forever.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

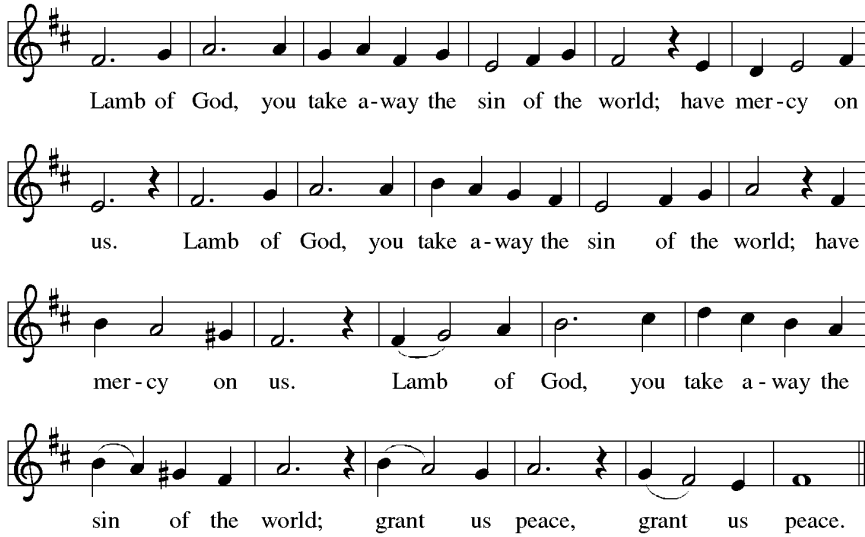
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,**

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

All who hunger and thirst, come.
The table is ready.

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: 515, 620, 484, 595

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

SENDING

BLESSING

HYMN “GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY”

ELW #705



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
 2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969
 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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*Welcome visitors! We rejoice in the presence of each worshiper.
Please visit 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, Margot Berger and Shelly Fortin.
Our Sincere thanks to all!

FLOWERS in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God.

MUSICAL OFFERING TODAY

8:30 a.m. “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” – Early Morning Singers

11:00 a.m. –“My Lord Is Like A Shepherd”– Chancel Choir

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Rick Mainster, Harv Johnson, Carolyn Wall, Bob Moll, Sauny Williams, Susan Fowler, Frank Wheatley, Gerri Fallanca, Gene Yoho, Todd Gaertner, Dorothy Mensing, Jeremy Page-Wood, Pr. Dennis, Linda & Michael Koch, Pam Dionne, Ilse Miles, Sheila Mandell, Maria Thomas, Ray & Maxine Whitcomb, Dawn Clark, Isabelle Amundsen, Dave Boerger, Carolyn Creager, Margaret Hehn, Bill Graham, Mireya Vera, Luna Bradford, Tommy & Rita Sillen, Karl Hertel, Joseph Dorwart, Alejandra Vukelich, Harper Wood, Pastor Felice Johnson, Pastor Frederick Ohseik, Pr. Bill Barrett, Heidi Rothmeyer, Steve Serafin, Adisynn Vincent, Tom Rice, Donna and Brian Brockschmidt, Billie Jean Chester, Jacqui Watkins, Nancy & Mike Kamm, Luna Jade Gonzalez, Nikki Robinette, Charlotte Clarke, Kent Gaertner and Roberta Rivera

Attendance last Sunday

Total: In-Person, Facebook Live & You Tube: 130

General Offering: \$6,301.50

THIS WEEK AT GSLC

SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Worship

Clergy Appreciation Sunday

8:30 a.m. – Early Morning Singers

11:00 a.m.– Chancel Choir

Temple Talk – Deacon Robert Bonomo

MONDAY

10:00 a.m.– Bible Study

TUESDAY

6:30 p.m. -- Cub Scouts

6:30 p.m. -- Bells

WEDNESDAY

8:00 a.m. – SOS

6:30 p.m. – Choir

THURSDAY

8:00 a.m. – SOS

3:00 p.m. – Council

FRIDAY

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

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.

COVID CHURCH PLANS UPDATE- Due to the current rise in the number of COVID related illnesses in Citrus County *it is requested by our church council* that everyone please wear a mask while in the building, regardless of your vaccination status.

TEMPLE TALK TODAY will be presented by Deacon Robert Bonomo.

TODAY'S MUSICAL OFFERING - 8:30 a.m. "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" – Early Morning Singers and 11:00 a.m. - **"My Lord Is Like A Shepherd"** -Chancel Choir.

BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Koch continues tomorrow morning at 10:00 a.m. Join him in-person and on Zoom as you continue to explore biblical Parables. For more information, please contact pastor at gslcpastor@outlook.com.

W/ELCA BIBLE STUDY will meet in-person and via Zoom Wednesday, October 13 at 1:00 p.m. Please contact Anne Storan at 740-507-7504 for the Zoom link or more information. All are welcome.

COUNCIL will meet Thursday, October 14 at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom. Please contact Dan Cashman at 419-4356 if you are unable to attend.

Fulfilling God's Purpose!

This week's theme is "Witnessing for Jesus." As witnesses for Jesus, we have the opportunity to tell others of the greatest miracle that has ever occurred. The Son of God condescended to come to earth to live as one of us, to be humiliated for the sake of those he loves, and then to rise victoriously, the *"first fruits of those who have fallen asleep"* (1 Corinthians 15:20). Through Jesus' resurrection, we can live as forgiven redeemed people who will spend eternity with him. This resurrection miracle is one to be shouted from the housetops, for it is meant not just for you and me, but for all humankind. Next week's theme in our program ***Fulfilling God's Purpose!*** will be "Living as Servants." Please join us in both worship and Bible study.

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