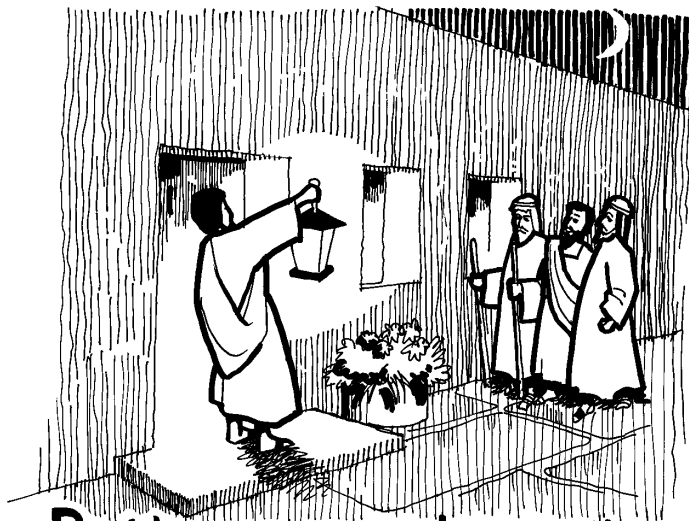


Welcome in the Name of Christ
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

439 E. Norvell Bryant Hwy
Hernando, FL 34442



**Be like servants who await
their master's return**
LK.12:36

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 7, 2022

The Reverend Dennis W. Koch, Pastor

Robert Bonomo and Rick Mainster, Deacons

Renate Williams, Director of Music, Organist & Pianist

Roger Johnson, Choir Conductor

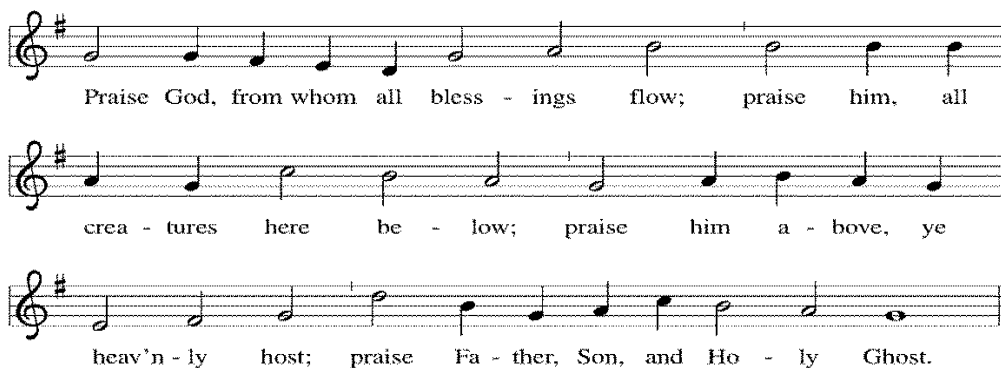
(Congregation responses are in bold print)

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 HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

Merciful God,

**we confess that we have not followed your path
but have chosen our own way.**

**Instead of putting others before ourselves,
we long to take the best seats at the table.**

**When met by those in need,
we have too often passed by on the other side.**

Set us again on the path of life.

**Save us from ourselves
and free us to love our neighbors.**

Amen.

Hear the good news!

God does not deal with us according to our sins
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.

In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are free to love as God loves.

Amen.

"God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens"



1 God, who stretched the span - gled heav - ens in - fi - nite in time and place,
 2 We have ven - tured worlds un - dreamed of since the child-hood of our race;
 3 As each far ho - ri - zon beck - ons, may it chal-lenge us a - new:



flung the suns in burn-ing ra - diance through the si - lent fields of space;
 known the ec - sta - sy of wing-ing through un - trav-eled realms of space;
 chil - dren of cre - a - tive pur - pose, serv - ing oth - ers, hon - 'ring you.



we, your chil - dren in your like-ness, share in - ven - tive pow'rs with you;
 probed the se - crets of the at - om, yield-ing un - i - mag - ined pow'r,
 May our dreams prove rich with prom-ise; each en-deav-or well be - gun;



great Cre - a - tor, still cre - at - ing, show us what we yet may do.
 fac - ing us with life's de - struc - tion or our most tri - um-phant hour.
 great Cre - a - tor, give us guid - ance till our goals and yours are one.

Text: Catherine Cameron, b. 1927

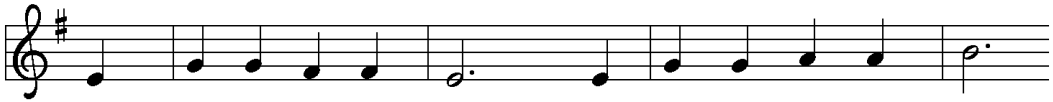
Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **Amen.**

KYRIE



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

HYMN of PRAISE "Glory to God in Heaven"



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray:

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: GENESIS 15:1-6

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ²But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

PSALM: PSALM 33:12-22

¹²Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD!

Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!

¹³**The LORD looks down from heaven,
and sees all humankind.**

¹⁴God sits firmly enthroned and watches
all who dwell on the earth.

¹⁵**God fashions all their hearts
and observes all their deeds.**

¹⁶A king is not saved by the size of the army,
nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.

¹⁷**The horse gives vain hope for victory;
despite its great strength it cannot save.**

¹⁸Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O LORD,
upon those who wait for your steadfast love,

¹⁹**to deliver their lives from death,
and to keep them alive in time of famine.**

²⁰Our innermost being waits for you, O LORD,
our helper and our shield.

²¹**Surely, our heart rejoices in you,
for in your holy name we put our trust.**

²²Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, be upon us,
even as we place our hope in you.

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 11:1-3, 8-16

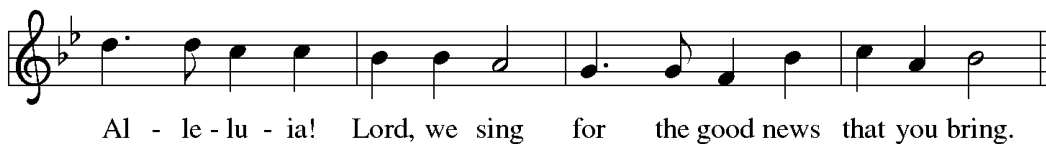
¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars

of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.”

¹³All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



HOLY GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 12th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: LUKE 12:32-40

[Jesus said:] ³²“Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵“Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹“But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Hymn Of The Day

ELW 764

"Have No Fear, Little Flock"



1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; have no fear, lit - tle
2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; have good cheer, lit - tle
3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; praise the Lord high a -
4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; thank - ful hearts raise to



flock, for the Fa - ther has cho - sen to
flock, for the Fa - ther will keep you in
bove, for he stoops down to heal you, up -
God, for he stays close be - side you, in



give you the king - dom; have no fear, lit - tle flock!
his love for - ev - er; have good cheer, lit - tle flock!
lift and re - store you; praise the Lord high a - bove!
all things works with you; thank - ful hearts raise to God!

Text: Luke 12:32, st. 1; Marjorie Jillson, b. 1931, sts. 2-4
Music: Heinz Werner Zimmermann, b. 1930
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LITTLE FLOCK
6 5 7 6 6

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:

... Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

*At the conclusion of the prayers, **Amen.***

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Somebody Bigger Than You And I" - Ann Neville [8:30]

"We Have Come to Praise The Lord" - Chancel Choir [11:00]

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...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

The musical score is written on four staves of music in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,". The second staff contains: "heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est." The third staff contains: "Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -". The fourth staff contains: "san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est." The music consists of a series of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests and a final double bar line at the end of the fourth staff.

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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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: ...

...we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

...to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

...and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

...all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father,
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

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.

Come to the banquet.

"LAMB OF GOD"



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMNS: ELW 186, 167, 580, 488

ELW 186 Create in Me

ELW 167 Now the Feast and Celebration

ELW 580 How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

ELW 488 Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Life-giving God,
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds
and fed us with your mercy.
Now send us forth to live for others,
both friend and stranger,
that all may come to know your love.
This we pray in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The God of peace,
Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you,
and show you the path of life
this day and always.

Amen.

“The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve”



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
 2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
 3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
 4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
 bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
 joy like seed and, all our days, to
 to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
 share a dream and help the blind to see.
 cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
 pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

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 Music: CHESTERFIELD, attr. Thomas Haweis, 1734–1820
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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbor and have fun doing it!

Thanks be to God.

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TODAY’S WORSHIP LEADERS

Deacons: Robert Bonomo and Rick Mainster
Lectors :Shelly Fortin, and Leith Masters

FLOWERS in the sanctuary today are given by Vera Thorne in honor of her 93rd birthday.

MUSICAL OFFERING TODAY

8:30 – Ann Neville
11:00 – Chancel Choir

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Carol Herbst, Carol Seefeld, Roger & Carol Lee Johnson, Ken Meltesen, Carol Wall, Bob Moll, Michael Koch, Maria Thomas, Ray & Maxine Whitcomb, Dawn Clark, Dave Boerger, Margaret Hehn, Mireya Vera, Rita Sillen, Karl Hertel, Alejandra Vukelich, Harper Wood, Heidi Rothmeyer, Adisynn Vincent, Tom Rice, Donna & Brian Brockschmidt, Billie Jean Chester, Nancy Kamm, Luna Jade Gonzalez, Arlene Mainster, Nancy O’Malley, Steve Busler, Debi Wilson, Josie Ferrell, Judy Harper, Bob Burns, Sarah and Harry Robertson, Pastor Felice Johnson, Tim Nine, Shona Donegan, Donna & Craig Simpson, Paul Bradford, Melissa Hall, Antoinette Magri, Nancy Stephan, Diane Lubekman, Ann Melachowski, Megan Shepherd, Daryl Hickman, Dell Peterson, Christopher Hulbert, Carol Woolley, Donna Schwarz, Tracy Adams, Larry Campoli, Vicki Ocasio., Eloise Fidell, Jean Burns and the families of Eleanor Conklin and Charlotte Clarke.

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

*In-Person-109, FB-25, YT-16 Total: 150
General Offering: \$3,605.00*

THIS WEEK AT GSLC

SUNDAY

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. – Worship

MONDAY

TUESDAY

7:30 a.m. – Breakfast at
Mama’s Kuntry Kafe
10:00 a.m. – Worship & Music

WEDNESDAY

8:00 a.m. – SOS
9:00 a.m. – Prayer Time
1:00 p.m. – WELCA Bible Study

THURSDAY

7:30 – 9:30 a.m. – SOS
10:00 a.m. – Pastoral Care
3:00 p.m. - Council

FRIDAY

8:00 a.m. – Workday on
Grounds

SATURDAY

2:00 p.m. – WELCA Afternoon
Tea Party

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

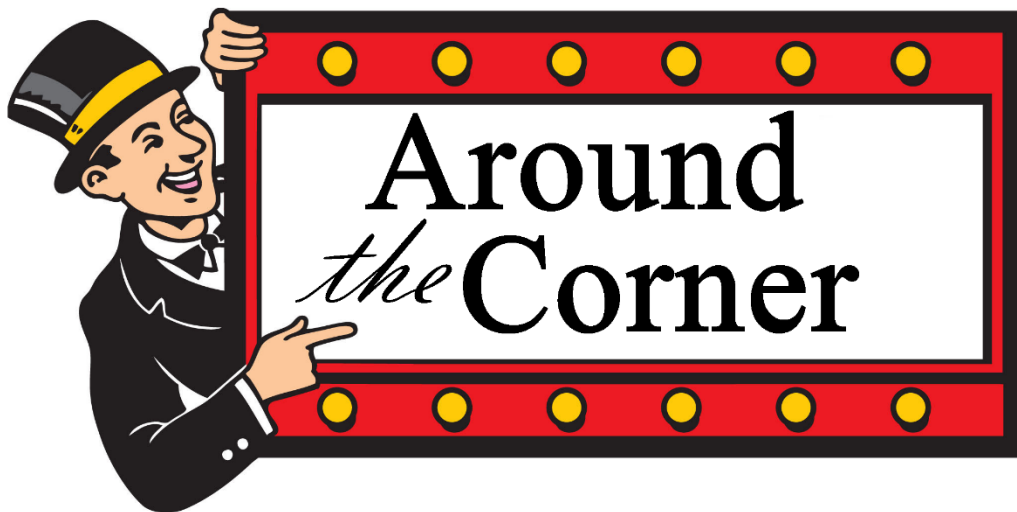
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Chancel Choir [11:00]

BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Koch **will not** meet during the month of August. Studies will resume Monday, September 12 at 10:00 a.m. For more information, contact pastor at gslcpastor@outlook.com.

COFFEE & TEA -WELCA will be selling Fair Trade coffee and tea next Sunday, August 14, in the Fellowship Hall between services. Come see some of the new items as well as old favorites.

COUNCIL will meet Thursday, August 11 at 3:00 p.m. Please contact Dan Cashman if you are unable to attend.

NEW MEMBERS – Pastor Koch will receive new members into the Good Shepherd family next Sunday at both services. If you or someone you know is interested in joining our congregation, please call the church office or contact Pastor Koch at gslcpastor@outlook.com for more information.



Sunday, August 21, 2022

Single Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. followed by our

Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting

Election of Council Officers and Members
All voting members are encouraged to attend.

Rally Day

will take place in the fellowship hall following the Congregational Meeting.