

Welcome in the Name of Christ
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

439 E. Norvell Bryant Hwy
Hernando, FL 34442



**At his gate lay a beggar
named Lazarus LK.16:20**

**Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 25, 2022**

The Reverend Dennis W. Koch, Pastor

Robert Bonomo and Rick Mainster, Deacons

Renate Williams, Director of Music, Organist & Pianist

Roger Johnson, Choir Conductor

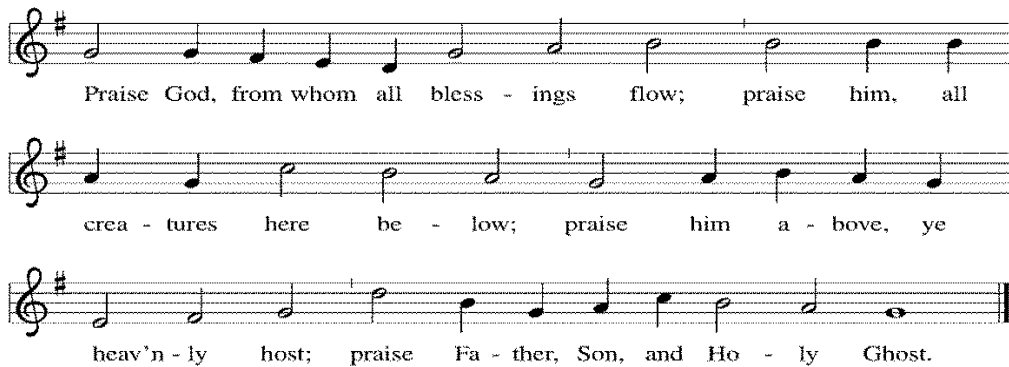
(Congregation responses are in bold print)

PRELUDE - "Seek Ye First" – Chime Choir

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,
who is eager to forgive
and who loves us beyond our days.

Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection

God of mercy and forgiveness,
we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.
We have failed to do justice,
love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.
Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
Amen.

Beloved of God:
your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole.
God points the way to new life in Christ,
who meets us on the road.
Journey now in God's abiding love
through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

"Gather Us In"



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark-ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-t'ry, we are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



van-ish-ed a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through-out all of his-t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a-way— here in this place the new light is shin-ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en, gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly,
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,



we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.
 lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

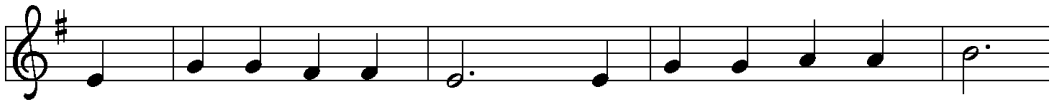
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APOSTOLIC GREETING

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:

O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: AMOS 6:1a, 4-7

^{1a}Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,

⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,
and lounge on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock,
and calves from the stall;

⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;

⁶who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

PSALM: PSALM 146

¹Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²**I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my
being.**

³Put not your trust in rulers,
in mortals in whom there is no help.

⁴**When they breathe their last, they return to earth,
and in that day their thoughts perish.**

⁵Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,
whose hope is in the LORD their God;

⁶**who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all
that is in them;
who keeps promises forever;**

⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food
to those who hunger.

The LORD sets the captive free.

⁸**The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts
up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.**

⁹The LORD cares for the stranger;
the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates
the way of the wicked.

¹⁰**The LORD shall reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all
generations. Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING: 1 TIMOTHY 6:6-19

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with
contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that
we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and
clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want
to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many
senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin
and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds
of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have
wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with
many pains.

¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

HOLY GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 16th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: LUKE 16:19-31

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his

finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony.’²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’²⁷He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’²⁹Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’³⁰He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

“Christ Be Our Light”



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
 2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
 3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
 4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

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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:

... God of grace,
hear our prayer.

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

MUSICAL OFFERING

"God of Grace, We Ring your Praise" –Bell Choir [8:30]

"Standing On The Rock" -- Chancel Choir [10:00]

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, 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

Christ invites you to this table.

Come, taste and see.

"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 814 Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am

ELW 479 We Come to the Hungry Feast

ELW 793 Be Thou My Vision

ELW 608 Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of the abundant table,
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.

Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

God, who gives life to all things
and frees us from despair,
bless you with truth and peace.
And may the holy Trinity, † one God,
guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
Amen.

HYMN

ELW 723

“Canticle of the Turning”



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .
3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a
4 Though the na - tions rage from . . . age to age, we re -

God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
work great . . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -

won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . . from his throne.
liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.

You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
The hun - gry poor shall . . . weep no more, for the
This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the

weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry
prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace, with Christ beside you, and have fun
doing it!

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 devices available from the Media Center

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Deacons: Robert Bonomo and Rick Mainster
Lectors: Dave Sotrines, Vera Swade

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

MUSICAL OFFERING TODAY

Prelude – Chime Choir
8:30 – Bell Choir
11:00 – Chancel Choir

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Denise Costa, Carol Herbst, Carol Seefeld, Sue Buldiger, 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 Skillen, Karl Hertel, Heidi Rothmeyer, Adisynn Vincent, Tom Rice, Donna Brockschmidt, Nancy Kamm, Luna Jade Gonzalez, Nancy O'Malley, Josie Ferrell, Judy Harper, Sarah and Harry Robertson, Tim Nine, Shona Donegan, Donna & Craig Simpson, Paul Bradford, Antoinette Magri, Nancy Stephan, Diane Lubkeman, Daryl Hickman, Dell Peterson, Christopher Hulbert, Donna Schwarz, Elaine Campoli, Eloise Fidell, Jean Burns, Ann Crane, Russell Lattuca, Gilberto Alfonso, Muriel Bochnak, Odie Malave, Bill Scott, Robert Bell and the families of Marie Klun, Ron Hansen, Nessie Bell, Kathy Bernard, Anthony Corsino, Mikki Benvenuti and Louis Smrdel.

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

*In-Person-139 FB-08, YT-20 Total: 170
General Offering: \$3,180.00*

**THIS WEEK AT GSLC
SUNDAY**

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship
**Free Blood Pressure
Screening**

MONDAY

10:00 a.m. – Bible Study

TUESDAY

7:30 a.m. – Breakfast at
Mama's Kuntry Kafe
6:30 p.m. – Cub Scouts
6:30 p.m. – Bell Choir

WEDNESDAY

8:00 a.m. – SOS
9:00 a.m. – Prayer Time
10:00 a.m. – Craft ` Share
6:30 p.m. – Choir

THURSDAY

7:30 – 9:30 a.m. – SOS

FRIDAY

8:00 a.m. – Workday on
Grounds

SATURDAY

10:00 a.m. - Pumpkin Patch
Volunteers

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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FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING in the Fellowship Hall between services today by our Faith Community Nurse and Health Team. Contact Kathy Metz at 746-1911 for more information.

BIBLE STUDY each Monday morning at 10:00 a.m. with Pastor Koch. For more information, contact pastor at gslcpastor@outlook.com.

PRAYER TIME – Join us each Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m. for a time of prayer.

CRAFT 'SHARE will meet Wednesday, September 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come and join us for a fun time as we work and chat. Bring your lunch and a beverage. For more information, please give Maggie Bregger a call at 860-2215.

PUMPKIN PATCH VOLUNTEERS will meet Saturday, October 1 at 10:00 a.m. Please plan to attend if you have signed up to help during this fundraiser or see Deacon Rick Mainster for more information.