

The Season of Easter

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More Than Enough

Paul and Timothy Are Full of Gratitude for Partners in the Gospel



Welcome! We're glad you're here!



If you are a guest and are interested in knowing more about this community and the ministries that Holy Shepherd is engaged in, please add your information on the clipboard located at the **Information Center** kiosk. You may add as much information as you'd like to share. We look forward to getting to know you!

Trusting God + Loving the World

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

We gather in this place to hear God's word.

We are like eager children, ready to learn.

Let us sing and pray and rejoice in God.

We come with the enthusiasm of the young.

Welcome in the name of Jesus.

Welcome, Jesus, into our midst!

Confession & Forgiveness

We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

Merciful God,

Give us the willingness to be honest with ourselves, with one another, and with you about the ways in which we have caused harm in this world. Give us the openness to see where our actions or failures to act have led to pain in those closest to us and in those far away. Do not let us sink further into self-harm through self-blame and hatred, but give us the courage to set right our wrongs, and to return to you again and again for forgiveness.

The risen God has raised you to newness of life in Jesus' name. You are in Christ a new creation, and God forgives you every wrong. Celebrate with all of creation a world redeemed, and lavish the love you have received on all that is. Amen.

Hymn of Praise

Refrain



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God. *Refrain*



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er. *Refrain*

Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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.**

Prayer of Day

Holy God,

You call us into partnership with you, through the Holy Spirit, in carrying the good news of Jesus' saving love to the ends of the earth. Make us bold to proclaim what you have done for us, and compassionate to all who suffer for your sake. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching & song

Paul continued to write letters to the Christian communities he helped start, even when he was imprisoned.

Scripture Reading

Philippians 1:1-18a

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus.

To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:

²Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³I thank my God every time I remember you, ⁴constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, ⁵because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ.

⁷It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus.

⁹And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight ¹⁰to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, ¹¹having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

¹²I want you to know, beloved that what has happened to me has actually helped to spread the gospel, ¹³so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to everyone else that my imprisonment is for Christ; ¹⁴and most of the brothers and sisters, having been made confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, dare to speak the word with greater boldness and without fear. ¹⁵Some proclaim Christ from envy and rivalry, but others from goodwill. ¹⁶These proclaim Christ out of love, knowing that I have been put here for the defense of the gospel; ¹⁷the others proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but intending to increase my suffering in my imprisonment. ¹⁸What does it matter? Just this, that Christ is proclaimed in every way, whether out of false motives or true; and in that I rejoice.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!**

Holy Gospel

Luke 9:46-48

The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

⁴⁶An argument arose among them as to which one of them was the greatest. ⁴⁷But Jesus, aware of their inner thoughts, took a little child and put it by his side, ⁴⁸and said to them, "Whoever welcomes this child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me; for the least among all of you is the greatest."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

+ Children's Time +



Children's Church

Children age 3yrs – 4th grade.
After children's message, meet the
leader in back of church.



Message

(a moment of silence follows the message)

Song

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

ELW 659

**Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.**

**We are pilgrims on a journey, we are trav'lers on the road;
we are here to help each other, walk the mile and bear the load.**

**I will hold the Christ-light for you, in the nighttime of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.**

**Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace to, let you be my servant, too.**

Proclamation of Faith

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**God – who created the light and separated it from the darkness
– I Believe**

**Jesus – who is the light and shines in the darkness yet is not overcome by it
– I Believe**

**Spirit – who spreads the light into the darkness of our world
– I Believe**

Prayers of the People

With renewed confidence in your power and love, we pray for the church,
the world, and all in need.

Prayer response:

God of new life, **hear our prayer.**

Hear all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, and gather them into your loving arms,
for the sake of our risen savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sharing God's Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

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 God thanks and praise.**

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, who on the cross joined with all creation in the fullness of suffering and death, and in rising brought new life to all. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, with angels and archangels, cherubim, and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy are you, God of power and might;
heaven and earth are filled with your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in your name.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Eucharistic Prayer

Holy, living, and loving God, we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth. We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world. Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ. We praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Invitation

The one who sets all prisoners free now invites you to this holy table. Come with your siblings in Christ and meet him in this simple meal of bread and wine, where freedom from sin and death are found. This invitation is for you, no matter who you are.



+ All are welcome at the table +

Options for receiving Holy Communion

Please come forward to the front where the pastors are standing. Come forward starting with the front pews, there will be no ushers. After you have received communion please exit by the side aisles and put your empty cup in the basket. There are kneelers on each side where you are free to kneel and pray before you return to your seat. Bread (gluten-free) and wine or grape juice (center of the tray) will be given to you with the words spoken:

“The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.”

If you would like communion served in the pew, please signal to a pastor or let the usher in the back know.

You are invited... To bring **offering** forward during Holy Communion or before or after worship
The offering is gathered in front of the church in front of the communion table (altar) where we are reminded of
God’s gifts given to us in Christ and our response to these gifts.

Communion Songs

- Haugen

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world
have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you are the way of mercy and love.
have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world
Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.**

**Are you thirsty? Are you empty?
Come and drink these living waters.
Tired and broken, peace unspoken,
rest beside these living waters.**

**Christ is calling, find refreshing.
At the cross of living waters.
Lay your life down, all the old gone,
rise up in these living waters.**

Chorus

***There's a river that flows, with mercy and love,
bringing joy to the city of our God.
There our hope is secure, do not fear anymore,
praise the Lord of living waters.***

**Spirit moving, mercy washing.
Healing in these living waters.
Lead your children, to the shoreline,
life is in these living water. (*Chorus*)**

**Are you thirsty? Are you empty?
Come and drink these living waters.
Love forgiveness, vast and boundless.
Christ He is our living waters. (*Chorus*)**

Prayer after Communion

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,
Amen.

God blesses us and sends us out in mission to the world.

Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✝ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Song

You Are Holy

ELW 525

**You are holy, you are whole.
You are always ever more
than we ever understand.
You are always at hand.
Blessed are you coming near.
Blessed are you coming here
to your church in wine and bread,
raised from soil, raised from dead.**

**You are holy, you are wholeness, you are present.
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!
Sing hosanna in the highest! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to our God! *(repeat song)***

Sending

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude



Worship Leadership

Pastors Julie Brooks, Kim Gonia
Pianist/Organist Chris Johnson
Assisting Minister Scott Ikenberry
Reader Lee Ann Hufford
Communion Assistants Pat Mohrbacher, Dianne Watts
Greeters Wally & Linda Settgest
Usher..... Jeff Watts
Altar Guild Joan Meister-Bridges
Children's Church Children's Church Team
Worship Technology Judy Ekberg, Mark Lee

Blessings

WORSHIP SERVICE NOTES

THANK YOU for being considerate of disabled worshippers and their families. Please leave the pew cuts and several adjoining seats available for those with walkers & wheelchairs.

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES are located at the sound booth located in the back of the sanctuary on the east side. You can also download the app WaveCast Receiver which is designed for hearing aids with Bluetooth capability. See our sound engineer Mark, in the sound booth if you have any questions. (*Back of the sanctuary, SE corner*).

CANDLE STATION is available for candle-lighting. (*In the back of the sanctuary*).

RELATIONSHIP BUILDING (FELLOWSHIP)

After worship, you are invited to get to know one another for the first – or 100th time, in the narthex (behind the sanctuary) or in the fellowship hall with coffee and snacks.

OFFERING



Your financial gifts support Holy Shepherd and its vision to nurture trusting relationships with God and with one another, along with its vision to engage in generous activities that serve to love the world as Jesus has shown us. Cash, or checks made out to Holy Shepherd, can be placed in the front bowl by the front pews on your way to communion. (Envelopes are available in your pews if you'd like.) You can also scan the QR code to the left and give through Tithely. *Thank you for your generosity.*

KIDS

Kids Zone (un-staffed) is available your family to use if you need a place to step out with kids during the service. It is located off the hallway west of the sanctuary and has a television available for watching the worship live-stream.

Kid busy bags are located in the narthex (outside the sanctuary) and contain kid friendly items for families to take into worship. Please return to the stand after worship.

Children's Church is offered after the kids, typically 3 years old to 4th grade, come up for *Children's Time* with the pastor. This optional activity is during the pastor's message and is led by an adult. It is located in the room just through the nursery off the west hallway of the sanctuary.

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