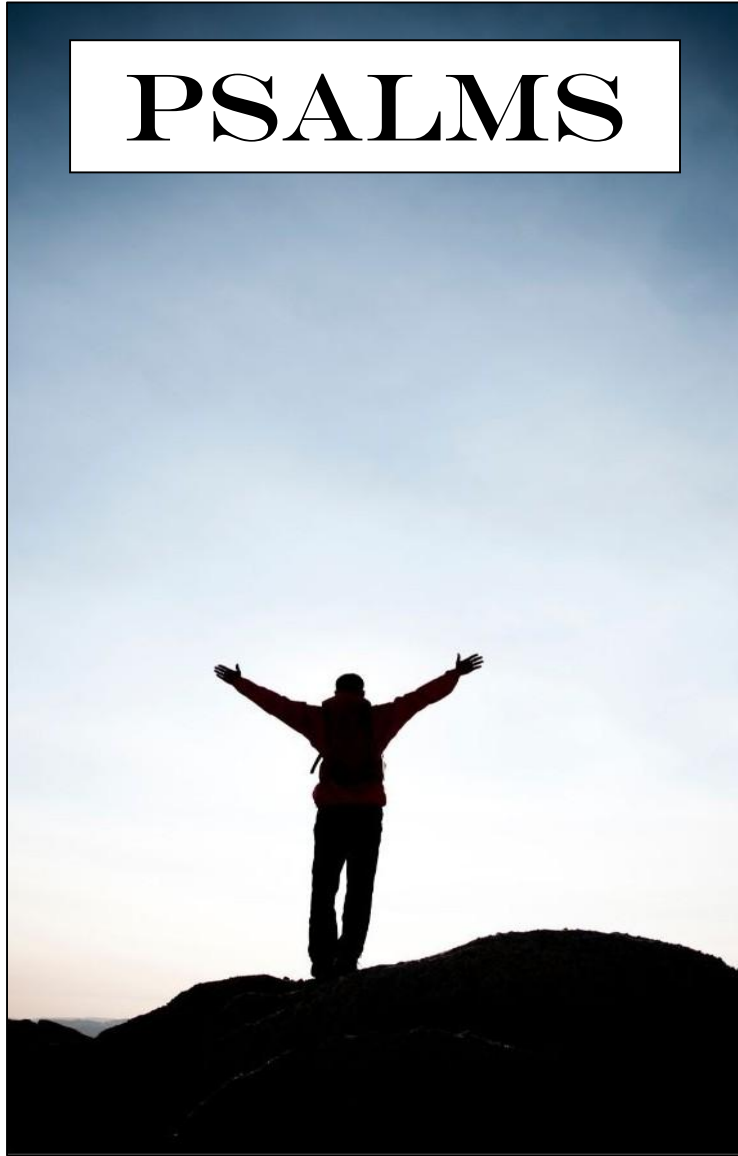


PSALMS



Gratitude for † Learning

August 2, 2026 | 10:00am



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 the presence of a loving God,
Who rejoices in the righteousness of God's people.
Who stands firm in the midst of suffering and torment,
Who holds the power to relieve suffering.
Who hears us even when we do not hear,
Who sees us even when we do not see.
Our God brings light and life to all who follow in God's ways,
In the presence of a loving God we gather. Amen.

Confession & Forgiveness

We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

Lord of the law and the gospel,

Although we do not intend it, too often we walk in the ways of the wicked. We take the path that sinners tread and sit in the seat of the scoffers. Plant us beside the streams of your nourishing love, forgive our sins, and help us to bear fruit. Amen.

The Lord God watches over the way of the righteous, and makes righteous those who stumble and fall. Today your sins are forgiven, and you have been made right with God, a loving, gracious, and merciful Lord. Amen.

The trumpets sound, the angels sing,
The feast is ready to begin.
The gates of heav'n are open wide,
And Jesus welcomes you inside.

Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight.
Come and revel in heaven's love and light.
Take your place at the table of the King.
The feast is ready to begin,
The feast is ready to begin.

Greeting

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

Lord of righteousness, **you have made your law a word of good news for us today. We desire to walk in your ways and follow in your footsteps. Recognize your righteousness within us, and make us your own. Amen.**

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching & song

In this instructional psalm the Lord makes a clear distinction between the righteous and the unrighteous. Those who do not follow in God's ways do not find happiness, while those who meditate on God's law day and night find peace and contentment.

Invitation to the Word

I Love You Lord

W&P 67

**I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice, to worship you; O my soul, rejoice!
Take joy, my King, in what you hear;
may it be sweet, sweet sound in your ear.**

Scripture Reading

Psalm 1

¹ Happy are those
who do not follow the advice of the wicked
or take the path that sinners tread
or sit in the seat of scoffers,

² but their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law they meditate day and night.

³ They are like trees
planted by streams of water,
which yield their fruit in its season,
and their leaves do not wither.
In all that they do, they prosper.

⁴ The wicked are not so
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous,

⁶ for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

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

Holy Gospel

John 14:1-6

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

¹⁴ "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to the place where I am going." ⁵ Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

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

Silence for reflection follows the sermon

Song

Many and Great

ELW 837

**Many and great, O God, are your works,
maker of earth and sky.
Your hands have set the heavens with stars;
your fingers spread the mountains and plains.
Lo, at your word the waters were formed;
deep seas obey your voice.**

**Grant unto us communion with you,
O Star-abiding One.
Come unto us and dwell with us;
with you are found the gifts of life.
Bless us with life that has no end,
eternal life with you.**

Proclamation of Faith

**We are not alone; we live in God's world.
We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in creation,
to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.
We are not alone. Thanks be to God!**

Prayers of the People

For the times of inconsolable sorrow and for the times of unbridled joy,
we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Prayer petitions response

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

With great joy we praise your holy name, confident that all our prayers have been heard, for the sake of Jesus Christ our savior and Lord. **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.**

Eucharistic Prayer

Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation, the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise. When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one.

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 acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both 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

All creation rejoices as God's Spirit brings it to life. Here at this table we rejoice in the gifts of creation - bread and wine, the very presence of Christ - given to restore us. Come now, for heaven has come near.



+ *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.

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One,
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.
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And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
let the poor say, "I am rich,"
because of what the Lord has done for us.
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let the poor say, "I am rich,"
because of what the Lord has done for us.
Give thanks!

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

-Townend

How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

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Prayer after Communion

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with word of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Blessing

Holy God, Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, increase your hope, strengthen your faith, deepen your love, and grant you peace. **Amen.**

Sending Song

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

ELW 857

Lord I lift your name on high,
Lord I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad you're in my life,
I'm so glad you came to save us.

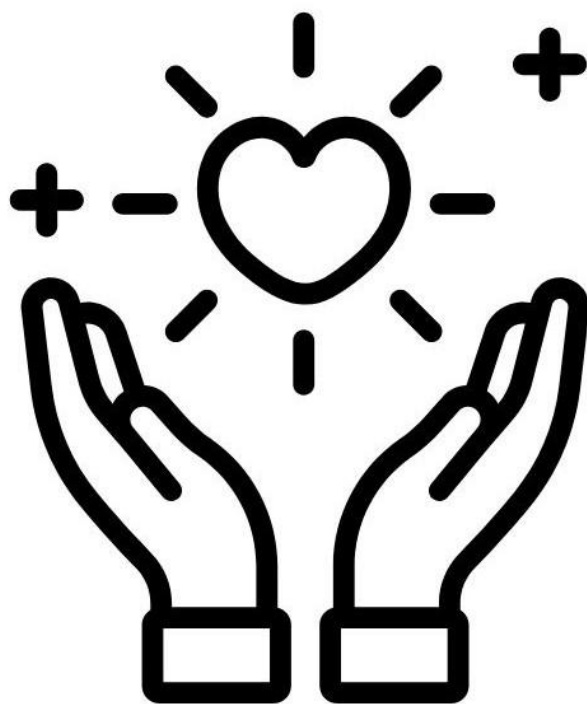
You came from heaven to earth,
to show the way,
From the cross to the grave,
from the grave to the sky,
Lord I lift your name on high. *(repeat)*

Sending

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude





Worship Leadership

PastorsJulie Brooks, Kim Gonia
Pianist/OrganistChris Johnson
Reader Tom Knapp
Communion Assistants Barb Jacobson, Jon Johnson
Greeters Corene Morcom, Lisa Scott
Usher Bob Mohrbacher
Altar Guild Donna Madsen
Children's Church Children's Church Team
Worship Technology Dan Mohrbacher, Mark Lee
Fellowship (August 2nd)..... Becky Sauer, Pat & Bob Mohrbacher
Fellowship (August 9th)..... Jim & Paul Freeman, Susan Linner

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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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