

# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

## Digital Worship



*Whoever does the  
will of God is my  
brother and sister  
and mother.*

Mark 3:35, NRSV

**June 6, 2021**

**Rev. Christopher Buresh**

**Rev. Andrew Bell**

*As we enter this time of digital worship, we do so alongside the Body of Christ in a spiritual space while we abstain from doing so in a physical space. Please participate by reading aloud along with the leader the parts of the service which are **bolded** and standing where you find the + symbol.*

*We will also be sharing virtually in Holy Communion. We would invite those who desire to partake to prepare by setting up a space with elements suitable for eating and drinking. Suggestions for these elements include bread, crackers, wine, juice or water.*

*Be sure to read the important notes following the service portion of the bulletin.*

### THE GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

### + THE 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.**



## + THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## THE READINGS FOR THE 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

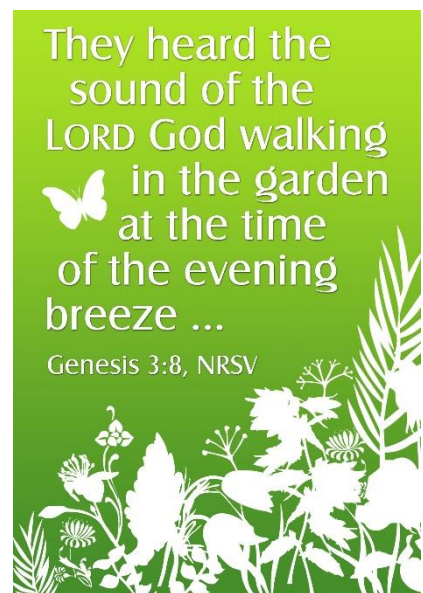
Lector: Malia Pellegrini

### **Genesis 3:8-15**

<sup>8</sup>[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.<sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." <sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent,

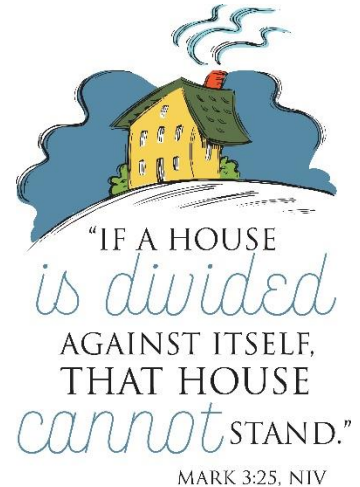
"Because you have done this,  
cursed are you among all animals  
and among all wild creatures;  
upon your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and hers;  
he will strike your head,  
and you will strike his heel."



### **Gospel: Mark 3:20-35**

[Jesus went home;] <sup>20</sup>and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.



<sup>28</sup>"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—<sup>30</sup>for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

<sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." <sup>33</sup>And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers!

<sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Here ends the Holy Gospel.

### **THE SERMON: "15 Fingers"**

### **THE ANTHEM: "The Church of Christ, in Every Age"**

Vocalist: Keith Gansel

Pianist: Cindy Gansel

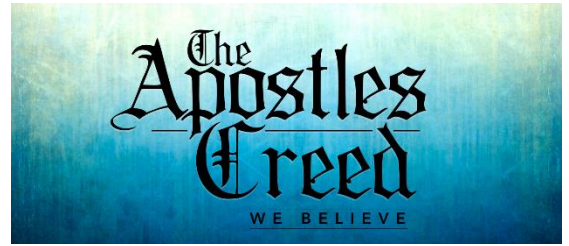
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## +THE APOSTLES' CREED

**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.**



## + THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

*A brief silence.*

God of wholeness, we pray for believers all over the globe especially in Coronationville. Unify us in service of the gospel, that we may work together as beloved siblings to share your love with all. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**



God of the cosmos, we pray for creation; the gardens, waterways and creatures near to us and diverse forms of life that remain unseen. Teach us to treat the natural world with reverence, seeking restoration when human divisions have caused harm to your beloved creation. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

God of all people, we pray for harmony among the nations. Cast out from us unclean spirits of greed and fear, that we may work in solidarity with one another for the common good. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

God of abundance, we pray for those who are oppressed or in any need (*especially*). Encourage those who have begun to lose heart. Strengthen and renew us with your Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

God of righteousness, we pray for all who worship here. Set our gaze upon things eternal, that in thanksgiving for your mercy, we may extend grace to more and more people. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.  
**Amen.**

### THE EXCHANGE OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**



### THE OFFERING

*We invite you to continue in your faithful support of God's work by contributing electronically during our season of meeting in a virtual world. Please see our website homepage for further instructions on how to participate in electronic giving.*

### + THE OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen**

### + THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### + THE LORD'S PRAYER

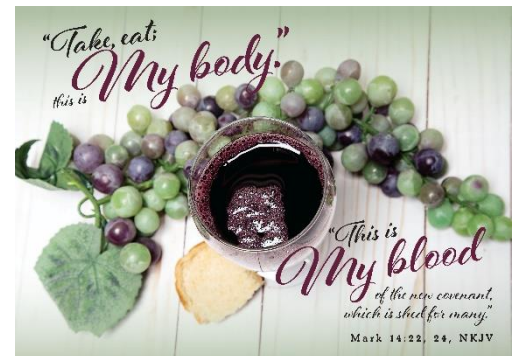
**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**



### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.  
Come!

The body of Christ, given for you.  
The blood of Christ, shed for you.  
Amen.



### + PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

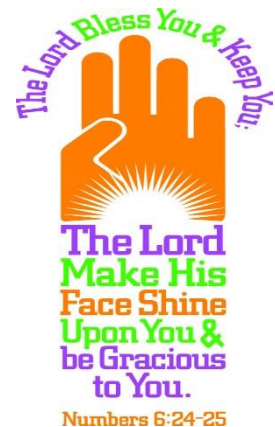
Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen**

### + THE BLESSING AND SENDING

The Lord bless us and keep us.  
The Lord's face shine upon us with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon us with favor and ☩ give us peace.  
**Amen.**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**





## ***Service Notes:***

*Today's chancel flowers are given by the Choquette family in loving memory of Donna's parents, Dorothy and Rich Misiak and by Carol Miller in loving memory of Chuck on the occasion of his birthday.*

### **Our intercessions include:**

**the hospitalized:** Hank Paulsen (Loyola)

***PLEASE NOTE:*** *Summer hours will continue through Sunday, September 5, Labor Day weekend. Enjoy your summer!*

***In-Person Sunday School takes place during the 10:00 service.*** Please make a reservation for your child by the Friday prior, so we can be properly prepared. Thank you!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING . . . All aboard! Climb aboard the Rocky Railway Express Vacation Bible School July 12-16! This year's VBS is completely outdoors** and will consist of two sessions: 10 am to Noon OR 1 pm – 3 pm, each having limited capacity. Children rotate through Worship Express, Bible Adventures, Craft Depot and Loco Motion Games. We plan to follow COVID Safety Guidelines given for those age 11 and under.

**Students will need to Pre-Register**, which ***began on June 1*** and will continue through June 30. Pre-registration takes place at the church during normal office hours Monday through Friday OR on Sundays from 9 am – 10 am. Pre-Registration will open up to the greater community on June 7, so register early!

You can find the registration form on our website so you may print it at home (we will also have copies available at church) and bring it in filled out with a \$10 fee per student payable with cash/check.

**ATTENTION VBS VOLUNTEERS!!** Please take note and mark your calendar for the **ALL STAFF MEETING** on June 28 at 7 pm. We will be meeting in the back parking lot, weather permitting. See you then!

***Pastor Bell is collecting contact info for high school youth*** as we plan for the future. He's reached out to all families we have phone numbers for, but just in case, we're asking here as well. If you are interested in hearing about and attending future youth events, we'd love a cell phone number for the high school student or parent, whichever is best. Please contact the office with your info. Thanks!

***The Flower Chart*** is located on the bulletin board next to the office door. If you're interested in signing up, you can either stop by the church, call the church office or email [donna@good-shepherd-church.com](mailto:donna@good-shepherd-church.com) with your date(s). Thank you!

Open dates for the year include:

October: 17, 24, 31

November: 28

Any date is available though, if you have a specific Sunday in mind.



### ***Good Shepherd responds to the needs presented by COVID***

Members of the Missions Committee expressed great concern about how best to provide for people near and dear to Good Shepherd who have experienced financial hardship due to the challenges of COVID-19. In that spirit, funding was set aside to assist people who are struggling financially due to loss of their expected income. If you are in need, please call the church office and we will arrange to discuss the situation and how we can help.

*As a community of faith, we strive to stay connected as we together journey through life. Please see the weekly calendar below to see what is happening this week at Good Shepherd.*

### **During This Week:**

SUN	8:30 am	In-Person and Online Worship
	8:30 am	Sunday School on YouTube
	9 – 10:00 am	VBS Registration
	10:00 am	In-Person Worship & Sunday School
MON	4:00 pm	“Just a Quick Word” – YouTube and Facebook
TUE	10:30 am	Bible Study on Facebook
	9:00 pm	Prayer Walk
WED		Hymn of the Week on Facebook
	7:00 pm	Faith Discussion
THU	7:00 pm	Where is God—reflection and prayer on Facebook
SAT	9:00 am	Youth Shopping for Beds+
SUN	8:30 am	In-Person and Online Worship
	8:30 am	Sunday School on YouTube
	9 – 10:00 am	VBS Registration
	10:00 am	In-Person Worship & Sunday School
	11:00 am	Youth Beds+ Meal Assembly & Delivery

***Also, know that Pastor Chris is happy to set up a zoom meeting or phone call with anyone who wants or needs to chat during this time. You are not alone! May you see God at work in and around you this week ahead.***