The Offering

Offertory

Heaven Medley

*Doxology No. 606

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*Hymn of Commissioning Since Jesus Came into My Heart

(see insert)

*Benediction

Postlude

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Good Shepherd Presbyterían Church

November 3, 2024

Sunday Order of Worship

1400 Killian Hill Road Lilburn, Georgia 30047 770-921-7434 November 3, 2024 Worship Service 11:00 am

Prayer of Preparation

God of life, thank You for each person You have placed in this congregation and for the gifts You have given them. We pray that everyone here—rich and poor, men and women, young and old—will find effective ways to use their gifts for the common good. May our worship today encourage and challenge all who come to know and use the gifts You have them given for your purposes in this world. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

Welcoming and Announcements

Everyone is asked to sign the Friendship Folder in the pew rack. **Visitors**: Please completely fill out your name, mailing address, and e-mail address to enable us to extend our Christian hospitality. Please pass the folder to your neighbor, and then return it to the center aisle with the cover open so that you may learn the names of the other worshipers. **For sight impaired worshipers**: Large Print Hymnals are available from the ushers. **For hearing impaired worshipers**: We recommend downloading the Listen Everywhere app.

Minute for Mission Angel Tree Roxanne Lau

*Greeting One Another in Love

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

Prelude Victor Holton

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

People: there is no end to His greatness.

Leader: One generation shall praise Your works to another

People: and shall declare Your power.
Leader: All your works praise You, Lord,
People: and Your faithful servants bless You.

Leader: They make known the glory of Your kingdom

People: and speak of Your power.

Leader: My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:

People: Let all flesh bless His holy name for ever and ever.

-based on Psalm 145:3-4, 10-11, 21

*Hymn of Praise O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

No. 610

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to You, confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.

*Assurance of God's Grace

You are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In Him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

-Ephesians 2:19-22, NRSV

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson Psalm 146 Pew Bible pages 447-448

Leader: The word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Second Scripture Lesson Mark 12:28-34 Pew Bible page 718

Leader: The word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Sermon Listen and Love Rev. Weekley

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of the Day Love Divine, All Loves Excelling No. 366

All Saints Recognition (Responsive)

Almighty God, we remember before You those who have lived among us who have directed our steps in the way, opened our eyes to the truth, inspired our hearts by their witness, and strengthened our wills by their devotion. We rejoice in their lives dedicated to Your service. We honor them in their death.

(*Presentation of the names*)

Ever-faithful God, You have knit together as one body in Christ those who have been Your people in all times and places. Keep us in communion with Your saints, following their example of faith and life, until that day when we shall dwell with them in the joy of your eternal kingdom. Amen.

^{*} Those who are able, please stand. **Bold** is to be read in unison.