

\*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 Dedication**

**WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

**\*Hymn of Commissioning**

Standing on the Promises

No. 838

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

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*Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church*

**January 12, 2025**

**Sunday Order of Worship**

**11:00 am**

**We are a community of believers, sharing God's love, in worship  
and service, as disciples of Jesus Christ.**

**The marks of this life are:**

**Pray daily;**

**Worship weekly;**

**Enjoy spiritual friendships;**

**Read and study the Scriptures;**

**Engage in service in and beyond the church;**

**Share the Good News of the Gospel with others, and**

**Practice generosity with one's time, talent, and money.**

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January 12, 2025

Worship Service

11:00 am

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

### Prayer of Preparation

Heavenly Father, with joy and awe we praise You for claiming us as Your sons and daughters, and for pouring Your Holy Spirit upon us. Help us to prepare this earth for Your glory, and shine Your light on all your faithful children, for the sake of the One whose birth and baptism brought renewal and transformation to this world, Jesus Christ. 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 worshippers. **For sight impaired worshippers:** Large Print Hymnals are available from the ushers. **For hearing impaired worshippers:** We recommend downloading the Listen Everywhere app.

### Minute for Mission

Yolanda McGee

### \*Greeting One Another in Love

## PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

### Prelude

Victor Holton

### Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord the glory of His name. Worship the Lord in holy splendor.

**People: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, "The Lord," over mighty waters.**

Leader: The voice of the Lord is powerful. The voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

### \*Hymn of Praise

All Creatures of our God and King

No. 15

### \*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, in baptism You grafted us into the body of Christ, promising us forgiveness of sin and newness of life. But we fail to live as forgiven people. We keep destructive habits and hold grudges. We allow our past to hold us hostage and are reluctant to welcome newness. In Your loving kindness, have mercy on us and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises You have made to us in baptism so that we may live as Your people, claimed in the waters of promise. Amen.

### \*Assurance of God's Grace (Responsive)

Leader: You did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption.

When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs; heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.

**People: Praise God that in the power of the Spirit, we are joint heirs with Christ! We see the love of God at Christ's baptism.**

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

### First Scripture Lesson

Psalm 51:6-17

Pew Bible page 405

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Second Scripture Lesson

Luke 3:1-22

Pew Bible page 726

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Anthem

### Sermon

Repent and Be Baptized

Rev. Weekley

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

### \*Hymn of the Day

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

No. 829

### \*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

### Prayer of Intercession and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

### The Offering

### Offertory