

*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**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

No. 12

***Benediction**

Postlude

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Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church

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Sunday Order of Worship

**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.

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

Prayer of Preparation

Holy God, we pray Your blessing on those who lead us in worship this day, those who speak and sing and move among us, those who direct others in singing and playing, those who have prepared this space with beauty. We ask that each of them may lead with a sense of peace and confidence that comes from Your Spirit, so that Your truth may be proclaimed faithfully and we may live up to our calling as the body of Christ. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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.

***Greeting One Another in Love**

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

Prelude Victor Holton

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: Let us worship God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ.

People: We are new creations; the old has gone, the new has come!

Leader: Let us worship God as Christ’s ambassadors.

People: Through us and through our worship may we announce the good news to all.

Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

People: Praise God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!

—based on John 4:24; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

***Hymn of Praise** Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun No. 663

***Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Almighty God, You despise nothing You have made, and You forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts, that, truly repenting of our sins and acknowledging our brokenness, we may obtain from You, the God of all mercy, full pardon and forgiveness, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

***Assurance of God’s Grace (Unison)**

O Israel, put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord is unfailing love and with Him is full redemption. He Himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.

—Psalm 130:7-8, NIV

***Hymn of Preparation** Create in Me a Clean Heart No. 423

WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson **Psalm 122** Pew Bible pages 440-441
Leader: The word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Second Scripture Lesson **Luke 13:1-9, 31-35** Pew Bible pages 738-739
Leader: The word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *The Power of Repentance* Rev. Weekley

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Anthem

***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 John Chvatal
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