

Offertory

*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 What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine No. 837

*Benediction

Postlude

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Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church

April 6, 2025
Sunday Order of Worship

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

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

Prayer of Preparation

Lord of the lost, We are quick to judge and slow to accept those whom we consider lower than ourselves. But You show us the way of acceptance, forgiveness, and peace. We honor Your name for teaching us to love, for the sake of the one who is the essence of love itself, Jesus Christ our loving 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: Holy God, Your Word, Jesus Christ, spoke peace to a sinful world and brought humanity the gift of reconciliation by the suffering and death He endured.
People: Teach us who bear His name to follow the example He gave us. May our faith, hope, and charity turn hatred to love, conflict to peace, and death to eternal life; through Christ our Lord.

*Hymn of Praise

Blessed Assurance

No. 839

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of mercy, You sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from You and turned aside from Your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored Your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

*Assurance of God’s Grace

Those who love me, I will deliver, says the Lord; I will protect those who know My name. When they call to Me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them and show them My salvation. Receive the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
—based on Psalm 91:14-15, NRSV

*Hymn of Preparation

What Wonderous Love Is This

No. 215

WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson

Psalm 84:1-4, 10-12

Pew Bible pages 420-421

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Second Scripture Lesson

Luke 18:31-43

Pew Bible page 743

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“What Do You Want?” - Jesus

Rev. Russ Weekley

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Anthem

Remembrance

Lloyd Larson

*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

Karen Pirkle

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