*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 Alleluia! Laud and Blessing No. 755

*Benediction

Postlude

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August 24, 2025

Sunday Order of Worship 11:00 am

Good Shepherd Presbyterian

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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August 24, 2025 Worship Service 11:00 am

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

Prayer of Preparation

O God, You pour out the Spirit of grace and love. Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts, that with steady minds and burning zeal we may worship You in spirit and truth. 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 (Unison)

O God, glorious and faithful, to those who seek You with a sincere heart You reveal the beauty of Your face. Strengthen us in faith to embrace the mystery of the cross, and open our hearts to its transfiguring power; that, clinging in love to Your will for us, we may walk the path of discipleship as followers of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

*Hymn of Praise

Make a Joyful Noise to God

No. 54

*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

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson Genesis 3:1-11, 22-24

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

Second Scripture Lesson Luke 4:1-13 Pew Bible page 727

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

Anthem

Sermon Last Things First – Adams Rev. Jeff Davis

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of the Day Take Us As We Are, O God No. 312

*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

Gail Hamilton

Pew Bible pages 2-3

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, forever. Amen.

The Offering

Offertory