Communion of the People

(gluten free bread served)

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

Wonderful Grace of Jesus

*Gloria Patri No. 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*Hymn of Commissioning Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen No. 536

*Benediction

Postlude

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Special Thanks Today:

Usher: David Diener

Lay Leader: Ginger Stapley

Tina Wright – Clerk of Session Cindy Hurst – Treasurer

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Gail Hamilton -Mission
Mike Thorpe – Worship
Jim Anderson – Nominating
Whitney Duncan – Preschool
Bill Morrow – CRT*
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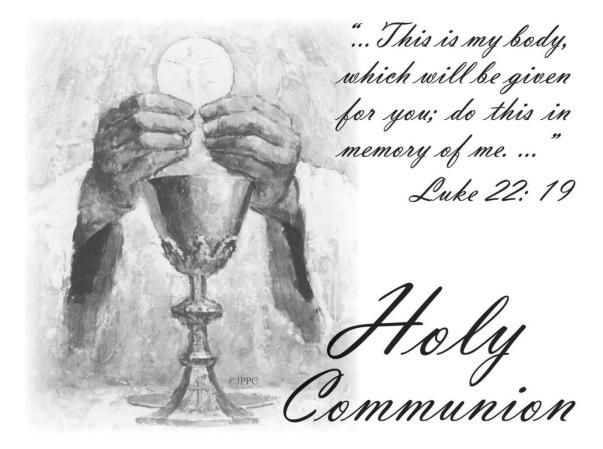
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Good Shepherd Presbyterían Church Sunday Order of Worship

September 7, 2025

1400 Killian Hill Road Lilburn, Georgia 30047 770-921-7434

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Worship Service

September 7, 2025 11:00 AM

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

Prayer of Preparation

Dear God, silence all voices within our minds but Your own. Help us to seek and be able to follow Your will. May our prayers be joined with those of our sisters and brothers in the faith, that together we may glorify Your name and enjoy Your fellowship forever. In Jesus' name, 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 50th Anniversary Celebration

Kimberly Adcock

*Greeting One Another in Love

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

Prelude Be Still My Soul

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: There is none like You, O Lord, nor are there any works like Yours.

People: All the nations You have made shall come and bow down before You, O Lord, and shall glorify Your name. For you are great and do wondrous things. You alone are God.

-from Psalm 86:8-10, NRSV

*Hymn of Praise

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

No. 475

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.

We come to you now in a time of silence to prepare our hearts for communion.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

*Assurance of God's Grace (Responsive)

Leader: In Christ we have the forgiveness of sins and the riches of God's grace. This grace was given to us: to preach to the nations the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things.

People: Thanks be to God.

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Lesson John 1:1-5 Pew Bible page 751

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Second Scripture Lesson Genesis 1:1-2: 4a Pew Bible pages 1-2

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

Anthem

Sermon Image Bearers Rev. Shelby Baxter Andrews

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of the Day For the Bread Which You Have Broken No. 516

*Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Words of Institution