

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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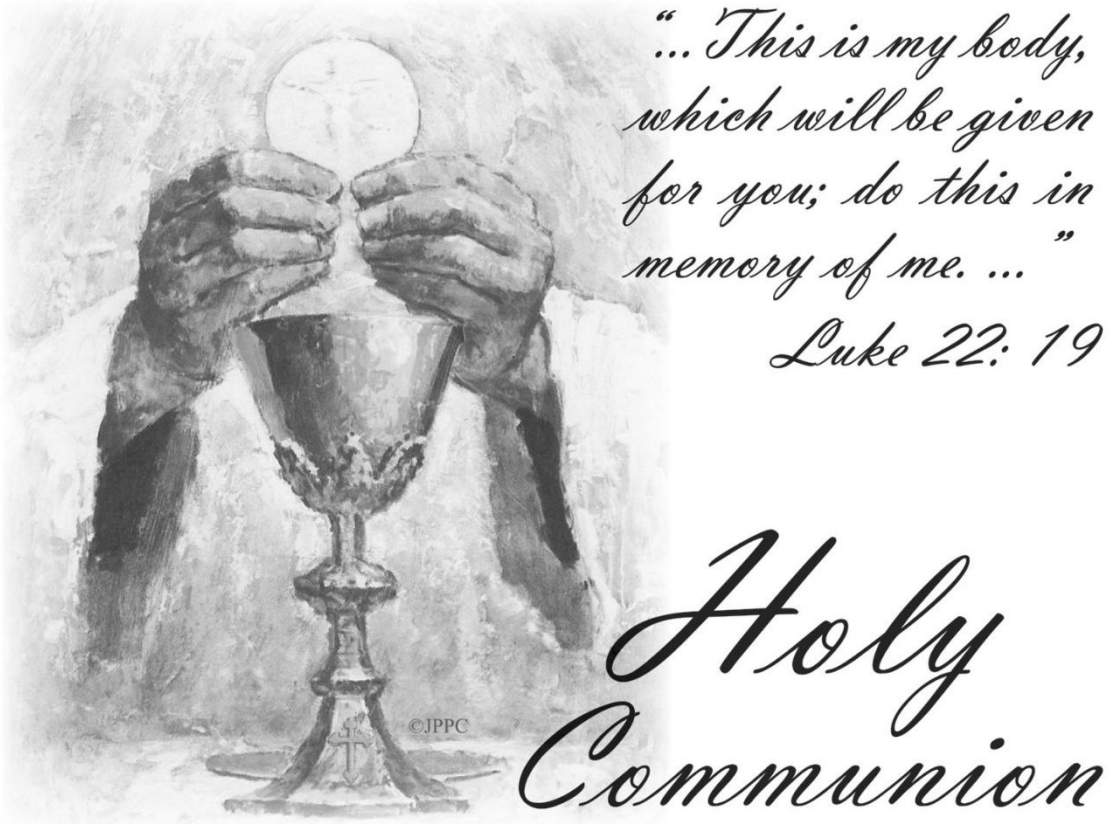
Special Thanks Today:  
Usher: David Diener  
Lay Leader: Ginger Stapley

Tina Wright – Clerk of Session  
Cindy Hurst – Treasurer

Class of 2025  
Gail Hamilton -Mission  
Mike Thorpe – Worship  
Jim Anderson – Nominating  
Whitney Duncan – Preschool  
Bill Morrow – CRT\*  
Joanne Folger – Faith Formation  
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Class of 2026  
Barbara Etheridge - Worship  
Corey Duncan – Faith Formation  
Dave Lux – CRT\*  
John Chvatal - Mission

Class of 2027  
Matt Clofine – CRT\*  
Karen Pirkle – Faith Formation  
David Diener - Worship  
Diane VanVolkenburg - Mission  
Dorothy Pettay - Personnel



Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church  
Sunday Order of Worship  
September 7, 2025

**Worship Service**

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September 7, 2025 11:00 AM

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## Prayer of Preparation

## Welcoming and Announcements

## Minute for Mission

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

Kimberly Adcock

## 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.

—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.

## 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