

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 13, 2026

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite II



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Sunday Services at 8 and 10 AM • Wednesday at 6 PM

Our Sunday 10 AM service is livestreamed

WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

Restrooms: Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

Standing, sitting, and kneeling: Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

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A gentle Reminder: Please enter the Nave quietly and reverently and silence your phones.

Most of the sung music is found in the blue hymnal, *The Hymnal, 1982*. In the bulletin, an "H" indicates the hymn section of the book; an "S" indicates it's from the service music section in the front of the book.



Virtual Worship Bulletins

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Prayer—Morning Song

Michael Helman

From *Four Meditations for Organ*

During the Voluntary, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENTRANCE HYMN H-429

I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath

OLD 113TH

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

All Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS S-280

Robert Powell

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray... O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 50:15-21

The people sit.

Lector The First Reading is taken from Genesis chapter 50...

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 103

Hal H. Hopson

All sing this refrain; the cantor sings the verses

Refrain



We see God's might, God's deeds and ways; yes, Moses saw them, too.

God's ways were shown to Israel, the Lord is ever near to all who call. (*Refrain*)

As heav'ns are high above the earth, so is the love of God.

As far as east is from the west, so far does God remove our sin and shame. (*Refrain*)

As parents love their very own, so God loves all who trust.

O bless the Lord, my heart and soul, in ev'ry place, forever bless the Lord. (*Refrain*)

THE SECOND READING

Romans 14:1-12

Lector *The Second Reading is taken from Romans chapter 14...*

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Lector *The Word of the Lord.*

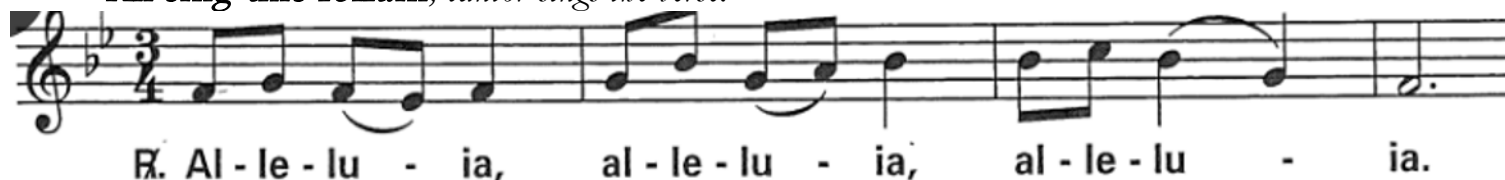
People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as able.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John Schiavone

All sing this refrain; cantor sings the verse:



Cantor: I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for his word. Alleluia. (**Refrain**)

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 18:21-35

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Celebrant will read the Gospel.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

NICENE CREED *All stand as able.*

People 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:
 by the power of the Holy Spirit
 he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
 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.
 With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.
 He 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.

Celebrant Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Lector Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Lector Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Lector Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Lector Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We give thanks for the flowers given for the glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays this coming week of Mary Anne Dorner and Butch Niford.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Lector Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially those on our parish prayer list and those we now name aloud or in our hearts (*Pause*), give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Lector We commend to your mercy all who have died, and those we now name aloud or in our hearts (*Pause*) that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Please kneel or stand as able.*

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE *Please be seated.*

OFFERTORY When We Are Living SOMOS DEL SEÑOR

When we are living, it is in Christ Jesus, and when we're dying, it is in the Lord.
Both in our living and in our dying, we belong to God; we belong to God.

Through all our living, we our fruits must give.

Good works of service are for offering.

When we are giving or when receiving, we belong to God; we belong to God.

'Mid times of sorrow and in times of pain, when sensing beauty or in love's embrace,
whether we suffer or sing rejoicing, we belong to God; we belong to God.

Across this wide world, we shall always find those who are crying with no peace of mind,
but when we help them, or when we feed them, we belong to God; we belong to God.

PRESENTATION HYMN H-380

OLD HUNDREDTH

(stanza 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are written below the notes.

Staff 1: *Celebrant* The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so with you.

Staff 2: *Celebrant* Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.

Staff 3: *Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Staff 4: *People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant adds a proper preface.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

SANCTUS S-129

Robert Powell

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is My Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
People **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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-161

David Hurd

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the Chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you.
If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.*

COMMUNION

Reflection

Michael Helman

1. Help us for - give, for - giv - ing Lord, The
 2. For on the cross you bore for us The
 3. Let grace un - lock each pris - oned heart, Un -
 4. And then, the bro - ken cir - cle closed, The

wrong that oth - ers do And, when our hearts are
 curse, the scorn, the hate And gave your life to
 coil each fist - ed hand Un - til from hate our
 bro - ken friend - ships healed, Lord, hold us fast with -

pierced by pain, To bring the hurt to you.
 lift from us Sin's cruel and crush - ing weight.
 hearts are freed, Our hands in love ex - tend.
 in the bonds By your for - give - ness sealed.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant

Let us pray...

All

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE SENDING HYMN H-671

Amazing Grace

NEW BRITAIN

You are invited to remain for the closing voluntary.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven
(based on the hymn at H-410 in *The Hymnal 1982*)

Michael Burkhardt

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Reverend Whitney Burton
Lay Preacher	Cindy Huffman
Organist/Choirmaster	Tom Huffman
Cantor	Brian Shannon
Crucifer	Alice Scotti
Torch/Chalicists	Carolyn Hughes and Dan Depies
Lectors	Carolyn Hughes and Stephanie Scotti
Prayers of the People	Mary Ratliff
Ushers	Jim and Mary Ratliff
	Gerry Boone and Alan Mackay
Building & Grounds	Gerry Boone

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR

Liz N, Allison W, David B, R. J., Pat B, Pam T, Breanna B, Olivia and Spencer, Heather S, Tony S, OL Park 2, Lou F, Colette S, Bernie L, Pedro G, Nancy B, Bernie L, Norman L, Mandeville P, Angela P, Mavis S, Jonquil S, Michael W, Butchie L, Eva P, John W, Patrick R, Jay O, Rose Marie, Mary Ann W, Elena G, Judy W, Carol B, Millie L, Hilda M, Sharon D, David M, Hazel D, Reverend Kathy, Rosemarie W, Pat and Carol C, Sherry B, Tony and Priscilla, Linda, Gus R-P, Cheryl S, the Ozbun family, Jim and Barbara G, Ana M, the people of Ukraine, Jay H, Gloria and Dan S, Maureen B, Bill G, Indra E, Mark and Maryellen, Kam M.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Birthdays – Mary Anne Dorner and Butch Niford

FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Wednesday Bible Study has resumed from 1:30-3 PM. We are continuing the book of Mark.

See Cindy Huffman for more information.

Soul Sisters will start again on October 17th at 10 AM in Kirk Hall.

Dunedin Cares collection is sent every 3rd Sunday. Please donate shelf-stable food and personal care items.

Daughters of the King meet each 4th Sunday at 11:30 AM in the lounge.

Cursillo Gathering is every 3rd Sunday in the Patio Room.

Sunday School is available during the 10 AM service. Kiddos kindergarten through grade 6 begin in the church with their families and return prior to communion.

The **Nursery** is available for infants through pre-K and begins at 9:45 AM on Sundays.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Daughters of the King will be giving a Discernment class to be a Daughter starting this week. This class is a 3-month course. Installation will be on Sunday, November 8th. Any women of the church interested in becoming a Daughter of the King should call Marianne Heredia or Donna Charles for more information.

Cursillo #154 will take place this week at DaySpring Camp and Conference Center, September 17-20. See Reverend Kathy for more information.

Blessing of the Animals will be on Sunday, October 4th at 4 PM.

Choir Resumes in October - Choir will be returning on the second Sunday of October. Rehearsals will be weekly on Thursdays from 6:00-7:30 p.m. with a 9:30 a.m. warmup on Sundays. Your voice is needed. Talk to Choirmaster/Organist Tom Huffman about it.

Quilt and Craft Show and Sale will take place on Saturday, October 10 and Sunday, October 11.