

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 29, 2025

9:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite II



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(Summer) Sunday Service at 9 AM • Wednesday at 6 PM

Our Sunday 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

Voluntary in C Major
Slow—Allegro

Anonymous English
(c. 1765)

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENTRANCE HYMN H-525

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

(stanzas 1, 4, 5)

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the word:
from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her and for her life he died.

Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war
she waits the consummation of peace forever more;
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blessed,
and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we like them,
the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

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.

We sing to you, O God, the Rock who gave us birth,
Let our rejoicing sing your name in all the earth.
To you, O God, let songs be raised, in joyful hymns, our feast of praise.

O God, eternal God, we hide within your wings,
The everlasting arms to whom our praises ring.
Your word is true, your way is just, you are the God in whom we trust.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Lector The First Reading is taken from 2nd Kings Chapter 2...

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

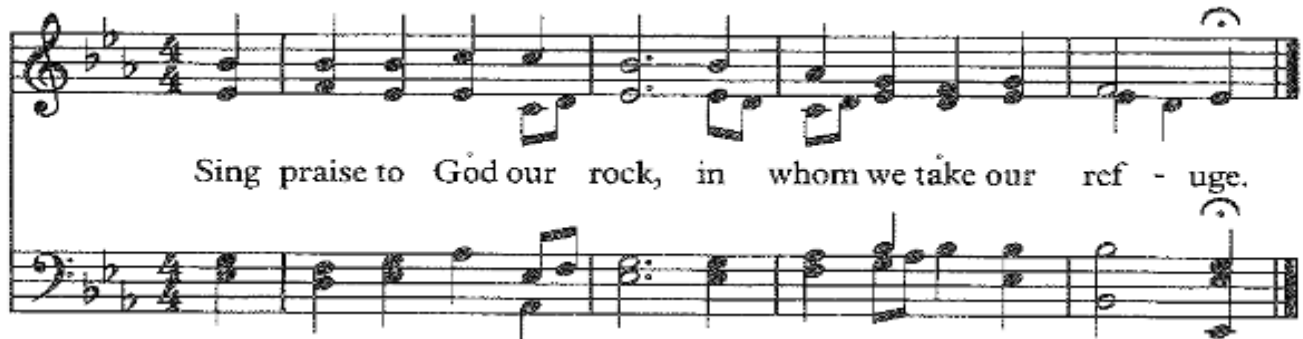
He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

Lector **The Word of the Lord.**

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 77:1-2, 11-20

All sing this refrain and read the verses responsively



I cry aloud to God, aloud that God may hear me.

In the day of my trouble I seek the Lord,

in the night my hand is stretched out continually;

my soul refuses to be comforted.

I will call to mind the deeds of the Lord; I will remember your wonders of old.

I will meditate on all your work, and muse on your mighty deeds.

Your way, O God, is holy.

What god is great like our God?

You are the God who works wonders,

you manifested your might among the peoples.

You redeemed with your arm your people,

the descendants of Jacob and Joseph. (Refrain)

When the waters saw you, O God, when the waters saw you, they were afraid,
the very deeps trembled.

The clouds poured out water; the skies gave forth thunder;

your arrows flashed on every side.

The crash of your thunder was in the whirlwind; your lightnings illumined the
world;

The earth trembled and shook.

Your way was through the sea, your path through the great waters;

yet your footprints were unseen.

You led your people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron. (Refrain)

THE SECOND READING

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Lector *The Second Reading is taken from Galatians chapter 5...*

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Lector *The Word of the Lord.*

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as able.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION H-632

O Christ, the Word Incarnate

MUNICH

(stanza 1)

**O Christ the Word Incarnate, O wisdom from on high,
O truth, unchanged, unchanging, O light of our dark sky;
we praise thee for the radiance that from the scripture's page,
a lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age.**

THE GOSPEL

Luke 9:51-62

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

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

Celebrant When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON The Rev. Whitney Burton

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 worshiped 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 to the Glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays this coming week of Rose Acre, Crystal Collyer, Allen Teeter, Bob Wonder, Brian Shannon, Ali McCann, Jerry Mullinax, and Robert King; and for the anniversaries of Alan and Debra Mackay, Bob and Llorra Wonder, Barbara and Jim Groff, Bob and Hazel DeStefano, and Peter and Patricia Tardif.

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 & 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	Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God	Keith Getty/Stuart Townend
	Cindy Huffman, Solo	arr. Lloyd Larson

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. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Bless-ed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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 he 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, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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

Prelude on LAND OF REST

Richard Proulx
(1937 – 2010)

COMMUNION HYMN

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Anonymous



2. The world behind me, the cross before me.....
3. Though none go with me, still I will follow.....

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

O Christ, Who Called the Twelve

TERRA BEATA

O Christ, who called the Twelve to rise and follow you,
forsaking old, familiar ways for ventures bold and new:
grant us to hear your call to risk security
and, bound in heart and will to you, find perfect liberty.

O Christ, who taught the Twelve the truth for ages sealed,
whose words and works awakened faith, the ways of God revealed:
instruct us now, we pray, by your empow'ring Word.
True teacher, be for all who seek their light, their life, their Lord.

O Christ, who led the Twelve among the desolate
and broke as bread of life for all your love compassionate:
lead us along the ways where hope has nearly died
and help us climb the lonely hills where love is crucified.

O Christ, who sent the Twelve on roads they'd never trod
to serve, to suffer, teach, proclaim the nearer reign of God:
send us on ways where faith transcends timidity,
where love informs and hope sustains both life and ministry.

--text by Herman G. Stuempfle (1923-2007)

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Let the Merry Bells Ring Round

G. F. Handel
(1685 – 1759)

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Whitney Burton
Organist/Choirmaster	Tom Huffman
Crucifer	Nancy Vallely
Torch/Chalicists	Joe Nixon and Miriam Benitez-Nixon
Lectors	Miriam Benitez-Nixon and Ryan Stollenmaier
Prayers of the People	Maureen Belote
Ushers	Bill and Mary Lasko Steve and Caroline Maisel
Building & Grounds	Cheryl Sharpe
Welcome Table	John and Sheila Scott

Prayers are requested for: Helen Marie, Michelle and family, Bonnie S, Debbie P, S.H. and V. L., Cheryl and her mom Carm, Peg G, Mandeville P, Mavis S, Gloria S, Bill G, Stacy H, Blair B, Mike H, Bridget H, the people of Ukraine, Miguel S, Ana M, Judith's sister Donna, Chloe J, Priscilla B, Cindy R, Amber S, Indra, Milly L's son and bride Ann, Miguel S, and Donna C.

Celebrations this week:

Birthdays – Rose Acre, Crystal Collyer, Allen Teeter, Bob Wonder, Brian Shannon, Ali McCann, Jerry Mullinax, and Robert King

Anniversaries – Alan and Debra Mackay, Bob and Llorra Wonder, Barbara and Jim Groff, Bob and Hazel DeStefano, and Peter and Patricia Tardif

Announcements

Fifth Sunday Feast – Come join us for brunch immediately following the service today in Kirk Hall.

The Chosen – Watch episodes together and join the group discussion. Tuesdays at 5:30 PM in the Patio Room. Led by Reverend Whitney Burton.

Trip to Carnegie Hall - On July 10 seven folks related to Good Shepherd will be traveling to New York City to sing in a concert in the storied Carnegie Hall. Renowned sacred music composers Lloyd Larson and Mark Hayes will be conducting a choir of 200 voices with orchestra in a program of their own works on Saturday, July 12. Cindy Huffman, Carolyn Hughes and Judy Warner will be singing with the group. The 40-minute featured work, composed by Larson for this occasion, is *Amazing Grace—from Blind to Free*. Most of the remainder of the concert will include shorter sacred works by both composers. Please join in praying for safe travels, renewal, growth and fun!

Donation Collection – Drop (off) Your Drawers collection will end on July 13th for all sizes of boys and girls underwear. See the donation box in Kirk Hall.

Book Club meeting – For July 13th, our book is *The Penguin Lessons* by Tom Michell. Meet in the Patio Room at 11:45 AM.