

Welcome

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Good Shepherd Lutheran Church & School
is a welcoming, Christ-centered family,
dedicated to sharing our love and faith.

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4TH SUNDAY AFTER
EPIPHANY

Sunday, February 1, 2026, 9:15 AM



LORD'S SUPPER - As Lutherans, in joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus, we invite to His table at Good Shepherd those who trust His Word, repent of their sins, and set aside refusal to forgive and love just as we have been loved and forgiven by God. If you are unsure about whether you should commune or not, speak to an usher prior to the service. Thank you and welcome!

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN “God of Grace and God of Glory” LSB 850

THE SERVICE OF CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

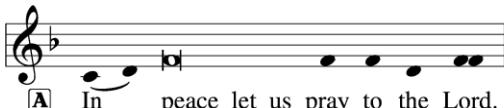
P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

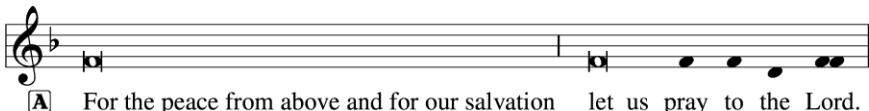
KYRIE *LSB 152*



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



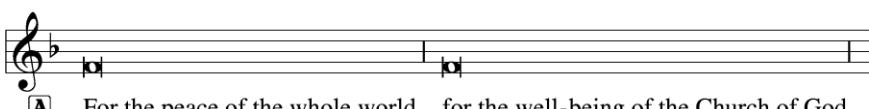
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



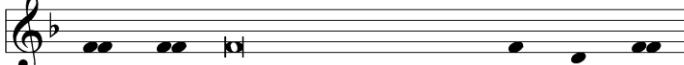
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - - men.

THIS IS THE FEAST LSB 155



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose

2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to

5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be people of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray. Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

THIS WEEK'S THEME... God Manifests His Glory in the Humility and Weakness of Christ Crucified

OLD TESTAMENT READING**Micah 6:1–8**

Hear what the Lord says: Arise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the indictment of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth, for the Lord has an indictment against his people, and he will contend with Israel. “O my people, what have I done to you? How have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember what Balak king of Moab devised, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.” “With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

CHOIR ANTHEM “Blest are They” LSB 982 David Haas

Congregation please sing on the refrain

EPISTLE**1 Corinthians 1:18–31**

The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world

did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. Therefore, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA AND VERSE



C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 5:1-12

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.“ Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CHILDREN’S CHAPEL

HYMN OF THE DAY “Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service”
LSB 848

SERMON **1 Corinthians 1:18-31; “The Foolishness of Wisdom”**

APOSTLES’ CREED

C 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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Each Petition ends with:

P Lord in Your mercy,
C Hear our Prayer.

THE OFFERING

While we gather the offering today you are invited to fill out the red “Record of Fellowship” forms located at the end of the pew. If you would, please pass the red pad down the pew so everyone can complete the record. Thanks!

+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

LSB 160



P The Lord be with you.



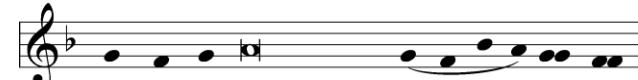
C And also with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 161



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **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 forever and ever. Amen.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**



C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION

As Lutherans, in joyful obedience to the clear teaching of Lord Jesus, we now invite to His table those who trust His Word, repent of their sins, and set aside refusal to forgive and love just as we have been loved and forgiven by God. You will receive the host and then will have a choice of either the individual cups or the common cup. If you would like the common cup, place your hands **FLAT** on the rail while the individual cups are offered. This way Pastor will know that you desire the common cup. If for medical or other reasons you would prefer a non-alcoholic individual cup, they are located in the center of each tray. If you would like to receive communion in the pew, please inform an Usher and what your preference would be – either common or individual cup. Thank you.

HYMNS DURING THE DISTRIBUTION

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”	LSB 425
“What Is This Bread”	LSB 629
“Where Charity and Love Prevail”	LSB 845
“Son of God, Eternal Savior”	LSB 842
“Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us”	LSB 851

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

P Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

CLOSING HYMN “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” LSB 803

POSTLUDE

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1 O Lord, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill? 2 He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart; 3 who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend; 4 in whose eyes a vile person is despised, but who honors those who fear the Lord; who swears to his own hurt and does not change; 5 who does not put out his money at interest and does not take a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things shall never be moved.



COME SEE WHAT GOD IS DOING IN OUR MIDST; COME GROW WITH US

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

08- LWML Hope Seeds	After worship
12- Fellowship Dinner	5:30 PM Olive Garden
16-Church Council Meeting	6 PM
24- School Board Meeting	5:45 PM
18- Ash Wednesday Service	7 PM “Standing in the Word”
25- Wednesday Lent Service	7 PM “Standing in Prayer”
28-Building Bash	12-4 PM

MARCH

04- Wednesday Lent Service	7PM “Standing Unafraid”
11-Wednesday Lent Service	7 PM “Standing in Suffering”
18-Wednesday Lent Service	7 PM “Standing Through Persecution
25-Wednesday Lent Service	7 PM “Standing in Truth”
29-Palm Sunday	9:15 AM “Standing in Humility”

APRIL

2-Maundy Thursday	7 PM “Standing in Faith”
3- Good Friday	7 PM “Standing in Forgiveness”
5- Easter Morning	7:15 AM & 9:15 AM “Standing in Victory”
16- Fellowship Dinner	5:30 PM TBD

LWML HOPE SEEDS

Our next LWML Hope seeds event will be held on Saturday, February 8 right after worship. ALL members and guests are invited to pack seeds to be sent abroad through Hope Seeds International out of Bradenton. Help reduce hunger and bring in Christ worldwide.

ALTAR FLOWERS

You are invited to select a weekend to provide Altar Flowers, either in celebration or in memory of a loved one. To participate, please sign up on the flower chart located in the church entry hall. The cost of each arrangement is \$70, and contributions may be shared among those who wish to donate.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Brian Tippman	02/01	Steve Briggs	02/10
Ralph Scheiwe	02/02	Birgit Crowder-	
Mary Leeseberg	02/02	Swanson	02/17
Royce Imhoff	02/02	Otto Koelling	02/17
Lori Minor	02/04	Paul Duncan	02/21
Michele Tippman	02/08	Megan Rhinehart	02/21
Janice LaGorin	02/08	Sarah Crissman	02/22

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Earl & Janice LaGorin 02/27 66 Years



MORE WAYS TO GIVE

1st is Joyful Response- sign up from your checking or savings account to the church on a recurring basis. There is no cost for either the member or church to participate in this program.

2nd is Zelle- sign into your bank via your cell phones and initiate an on-time transfer from your account to the church checking account. There is no cost for the member, however, the church must pay a 1% fee to the bank.

NOTARY SERVICE AVAILABLE

Call Sue at the office 941-3673

WEEK OF JANUARY 24-25,2026 Tithes & Offering: \$ 5686
ATTENDANCE

Saturday 1/24:16

Sunday 1/25:125



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