



May 1, 2022 Third Sunday of Easter

Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Building up God's people through His word for His world

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The disciples make a big splash and eat breakfast with the risen Jesus. Wading in the water (remembering baptism) and eating with Jesus (celebrating holy communion) is our weekly encounter with the risen Christ. Jesus asks us again and again: Do you love me? And Jesus invites us, again and again, to follow him, bringing the Easter life to others.

We especially welcome our guests who are worshiping here today. What a privilege to greet you! If you have no church home in the area, we invite you to participate in the life and ministry of Good Shepherd. For information about our congregation, visit gslcva.org. Also, please fill out a Welcome Card, which you'll find near the hymnals, and place it in the offering plate.

Our worship reflects the liturgical tradition of the Christian church. Holy Communion is celebrated in all indoor services on the first, third, and fifth Sundays at 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday/PRAISE, an informal worship service featuring contemporary music, is held in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 a.m. on the second and fourth Sundays of the month, and communion is celebrated on fourth Sundays. Holy Communion is part of every outdoor worship service, each Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

To all worshippers: The presence of children in worship is a gift to the Body of Christ and a reminder that our congregation is growing. Remember that Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me." Please welcome our young ones and give their parents a smile of encouragement or a helping hand if needed.

To the parents of young ones, here are few suggestions for worshiping with your children: Relax! God put the wiggles and giggles in kids; don't feel that you have to suppress them in His house. All are welcome! Sit toward the front where it is easier to see and hear what's going on. Quietly explain the parts of the worship service and actions of the pastor, ushers, communion assistants, etc. Sing the hymns and songs, pray, and voice the responses out loud. Children learn worshipful behavior by copying you. If you have to leave the worship service with your child or stand up and walk around the back of the sanctuary, feel free to do so, but please come back! And finally, if you so choose...

We have a staffed nursery for children (infants through age four), as well as a parents' room next to the nursery, where parents can stay with their young ones who may need a break from the service. The Parents' Room is also a comfortable and private place where mothers may nurse their babies. Parents may drop off their children in the nursery for all or part of the service after signing in with our nursery attendants.

We offer Sunday School and a variety of Bible studies and spiritual growth opportunities for children, youth, and adults on Sunday mornings from 10:00 to 10:45 a.m. An Adult Education class will meet in the Fellowship Hall; children and youth meet in designated areas on the lower level of the church.

Flowers and plants in our worship areas are supported by financial donations to the Flower Fund. These floral offerings beautify the church, uplift the service participants, and remind us all of God's good creation. You can find information about being a flower sponsor on the bulletin board near the Fellowship Hall and at gslcva.org/ministries/worship, under "Flower sponsorships."

PRELUDE "Christ Is Arisen" setting by Johann George Albrechstberger edited by Charles Callahan

WELCOME Pastor James

(Please stand)

OPENING HYMN "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" Hymn No. 465

INVOCATION, CONFESSION, AND FORGIVENESS

(The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)

- **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.
- 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. Please kneel/stand.)

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.
- 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 Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

(Please stand)

SERVICE OF THE WORD

KYRIE [Lord, have mercy]

Music in Hymnal, Pages 152–153

HYMN OF PRAISE

"This Is the Feast"

Music in Hymnal, Page 155

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Music in Hymnal, Page 156

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Please sit)

FIRST READING Acts 9:1–20

Saul (later called Paul) was an ardent persecutor of all who followed the Way of Christ. This reading recounts the story of his transformation beginning with an encounter with Jesus Christ on the way to Damascus.

¹Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you

persecute me?" ⁵He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." ⁷The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. ⁸Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." ¹¹The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, ¹² and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." ¹³But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; ¹⁴and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; ¹⁶I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." ¹⁷So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, ¹⁹ and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, ²⁰and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Revelation 5:11–14

The vision of John recorded in Revelation offers a glimpse of cosmic worship around the throne. At its center is "the Lamb who was slain."

Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

¹³Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

¹⁴And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL John 21:1–19

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

Music in Hymnal, Page 157

The risen Christ appears again to his disciples by the sea where they were first called. After echoes of the fishing and feeding miracles, he gives a final reminder of the cost of a disciple's love and obedience.

¹After [he appeared to his followers in Jerusalem,] Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way.

²Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. ³Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. ⁸But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." ¹⁹(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

(Please sit)

KIDS' MESSAGE (11:00) "Feed My Sheep" Colleen Judson

HYMN OF THE DAY "Take My Life and Let It Be" Hymn No. 783

MESSAGE "The Least Likely" Pastor Johann

Please use these questions to prompt prayerful discussions in Life Groups, Bible studies, and family gatherings:

- 1. Who is the least likely person you know who would ever become a Christian? Why do you think that?
- 2. How should you begin praying for that person?
- 3. When might the Lord provide an opportunity for you to share Christ with him or her?
- 4. What about (Saul's) Paul's story is encouraging?
- 5. What about Ananias's story is convicting?
- 6. What about Lin's story is motivating?
- 7. What are your next prayerful steps?

(Please stand)

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© 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.

(Please sit)

ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor James

INSTRUMENTAL ANTHEM (8:00) "Savior Like a Shepherd arr. Dan Marvin Lead Us"

(Charlie Peterson, trumpet)

CHORAL ANTHEM (11:00)

"God So Loved the World"

Sir John Stainer

God so loved the world God so loved the world God so loved the world God so loved the world

That He gave His only begotten Son That He gave His only begotten Son That whoso believeth, believeth in Him That whoso believeth, believeth in Him Should not perish

Should not perish

Should not perish but have everlasting life Should not perish but have everlasting life

For God sent not His Son into the world to God so loved the world condemn the world God so loved the world But that the world through Him might be saved. God so loved the world

(Please stand)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

At the end of each petition, the prayer leader will say "God, in your mercy" The congregation responds "hear our prayer." Please see the News and Announcements sheet for a listing of intercessions.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE AND PROPER PREFACE

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SANCTUS [Holy, holy, holy]

Music in Hymnal, Page 161

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

PAX DOMINI [The peace of the Lord]

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

AGNUS DEI [Lamb of God]

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(Please sit)

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

DISTRIBUTION

We believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine, according to His Word: "This is My body ... this is My blood" (Matthew 26:26–27), and that in this sacrament our Lord gives us forgiveness of our sins, unity with God, and strength for a life of service.

We invite all baptized Christians who have made their First Communion, examined themselves, discern the body and blood of Christ in the sacrament for the forgiveness of their sins, and sincerely seek to amend their lives to join us at His Table.

Distribution procedure: Holy Communion will be distributed in two ways. For those who will commune using the prepackaged elements, the officiant will instruct communicants on this procedure.

Communion will also be distributed in a continuous walking fashion. At the direction of the ushers, walk toward the front of the church in a single-file line. The pastor will distribute the host (communion wafers). Receive the host in hand, consume it, and then take the wine from the tray (held by the communion assistant). After you have drunk the wine, place the empty cup in the bowl and return to your pew. If you are <u>not</u> receiving communion, please fold your arms across your chest with hands toward the shoulders (St. Andrew's cross) and approach to receive a blessing. There will be a single dismissal blessing after all have communed.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

Hymn No. 641

(Please stand)

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.
- C Amen.

BLESSING

- God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption,
 bless you now and forever.
- C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"This Joyful Eastertide"

Hymn No. 482

DISMISSAL

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- **P** Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

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C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Toccata in C Major"

Girolamo Frescobaldi

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Note: Please join us for coffee fellowship following the service today.

We hope you will continue to connect with us by liking our Facebook page and following our Instagram account. Find them by searching @gslcva within those social media platforms. We also encourage you to subscribe to our YouTube channel and follow us on Vimeo so that you don't miss any of our virtual services, kids' messages, and more! If you have any questions, please reach out to jeff@gslcva.org.

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Today's Worship Team

	8:00 AM	11:00 AM
Worship Leader	Pastor James	Pastor James
Preacher	Pastor Johann	Pastor Johann
Acolyte	James Moore - (Crucifer) NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED - (Crucifer) Kara Gilbreath
Altar Guild	Kristi Nickerson	Joey Tempel
Cantor	Kathy Otterbacher	Kathy Otterbacher
Communion Assistant	Pastor Johann - (Host) Pastor James - (Tray)	Pastor Johann - (Host) Pastor James - (Tray)
Projectionist	Jeff Donahue	Jeff Donahue
Audio Engineer	Dan LaMaestra	Dan LaMaestra
Livestream Manager		Matt Hardy
Organist	Julie Stone	Julie Stone
Choir Director		Alison Carlson
Greeter	Kristi Nickerson - (Door) Ric Nickerson - (Visitor Center)	June McGurn - (Door) Karen Kidwell - (Visitor Center)
Guest Welcome	Donna Harper	Malcolm Gilbreath
Prayer Leader	Henry Eickelberg	Georgia Thorstenson
Scripture Reader	Kirsten Bates	Jim Micsan
Usher	Jim Smith - (Lead) Allen Millman	Helen Skillman - (Lead) Jeff Peterson
Opener	Ric Nickerson	
Closer		Allen Millman
Coffee Setup	Roger Thorstenson	
Kitchen Cleanup		Mia Millman Goodwyn Morgan

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CORE MINISTRY AREAS

Worship Team Leaders: Georgia Thorstenson and Julie Schorfheide;

Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann

music, seasonal celebrations, arts, worship schedule, Sanctuary Choir (Alison Carlson), Children's Choir (Laura Owens), Handbell Choir (Laura Owens) traditional, contemporary, physical space, support personnel (e.g., ushers, greeters, acolytes)

Discipleship Team Leader: Pastor James (temporary)

adult education, Sunday school, Vacation Bible School, family ministry, children's ministry, youth ministry

Parish Life Team Leader: Brian Cors; Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann

Life Groups (Brian Cors), member engagement, fellowship events, new member inclusion (Heidi Cooper), concerts, public events, picnics, intergenerational events

Administration Team Leader: Pastor Johann

property (Roger Thorstenson), financing the mission (Mike DeWan), stewardship (Don Kidwell), human resources/personnel (Matt Franker), communications, contracts, church office, calendar/program management, technology

Mission Team Leaders: John and Debbie Linn; Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann world missions, synod, outreach, social ministry, community service, evangelism, publicity, media, social media

Congregational Care Team Leader: Marilyn Voigt; Staff Liaison: Pastor Johann member care visits, emergency transportation, maintain roster of the willing, guest follow-up

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About Good Shepherd...

Ourvision

We will be a congregation known for building up God's people through His Word for His world.

Worship

During worship, God comes to us through his gifts of Word and Sacrament. What a joy to respond with prayer and songs of praise. Our worship services give us opportunity to listen to God's word and meditate upon it, thus feeding our faith; and express our concerns for our friends, families, community, and the world through prayer.

Serve

We are called to actively share the Good News of Jesus Christ through word and deed. One way we share is by serving one another and our neighbors in our community and throughout the world. Look at our Community Service Opportunities listing to find a way to serve.

Grow

We are committed to spiritual growth through the weekly gathering for prayer, praise, and thanksgiving, and through lifelong learning. In addition to growing in knowledge, we want to grow in love and service to others within and beyond our church community.

Connect

As we grow in our love for Jesus and our neighbors, as we serve our neighbors near and far, we help and encourage one another, challenge one another, and share one another's joys and sorrows. We build strong ties when we gather for worship as well as for events throughout the week. Look inside for many opportunities for connection.



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