



July 13, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd

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Where Love Abounds and Hope is Found!

Our Vision: *To be a faithful and growing Church that connects people to Jesus Christ.*

Our Mission: *To know Christ more fully,
To love and serve Him more faithfully,
To make Him better known to others.*

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Please enter and sit in the Sanctuary quietly in reverence to our Lord and others meditating. Kindly turn off or silence cell phones for the duration of the service.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Prelude

Time for quiet meditation

Processional Hymn (1982 Hymnal #304) *“I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord”*

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Acclamation



Celebrant: ☒ Bles - sed be God: Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spirit.



Community: And bles - sed be his Kingdom, now and for e - ver. A - men.

Collect for Purity

The Celebrant may say:

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.***

Confession of Sin

Celebrant:

Brothers and Sisters, let us acknowledge our sins and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

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.

Absolution

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.

Gloria (1982 Hymnal # S-280)

“Glory to God”

(sung together, all standing as you are able)

Collect for the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated for the readings.

A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said to the people of Israel, "The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

"Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25:1-9 *(read responsively by verse)*

1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; * let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; * let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

3 Show me your ways, O LORD, * and teach me your paths.

4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, * for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, * for they are from everlasting.

6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; * remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; * therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right * and teaches his way to the lowly.

9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness * to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Second Lesson (Colossians 1:1-14)

Denise King

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

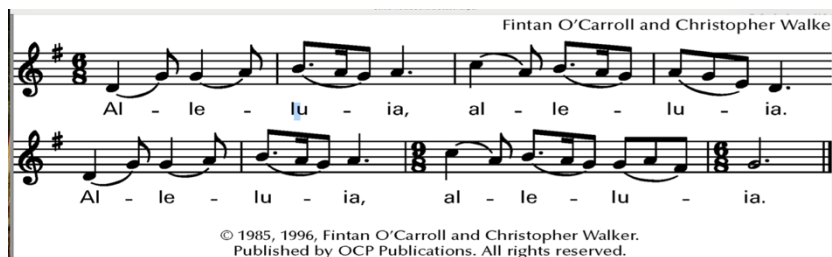
Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia

Please stand as you are able.



Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

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The Holy Gospel

Luke 10:25-37

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

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

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You

shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

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

The Homily

Fr. Russell A. Griffin, SSC

The Nicene Creed *(Please stand as you are able: all say together)*

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.*

Prayers of the People

Andrew Listman

The Celebrant says:

Divine compassion is revealed in Christ, the healing Lord who leads us to His Father. Taught by Him to love our neighbor, let us pray saying, Lord, hear our prayer.

Lay person & people read responsively:

That the Church, in her pastors and people, may show the love of God by being examples of the gospel.

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That the lonely, frail, and elderly in our society will never be ignored, or “passed by.”

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That those who work for the poor and outcast will never lose heart or be discouraged.

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That we may treat every person we meet with dignity and respect.

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That the prayers of this community may be received in heaven, as we pray for:

- *Stephen*, the Archbishop of York/Interim Head of the worldwide Anglican Communion; *Sean*, our Presiding Bishop; *Sally*, our Bishop; *Leo XIV*, the Bishop of Rome; and *Bartholomew* the Patriarch of Constantinople.
- *Donald*, our President; *Phil*, our Governor; and *Rick*, our Mayor.
- All Missionaries throughout the world.
- The persecuted Church throughout the world.
- Our troops serving at home and abroad.
- All expectant mothers and their unborn children.
- All those who are sick and suffering, especially *Dcn. Bruce Cecchini and Wanda Sarno*.
- The victims of crime in our communities.
- The victims of natural and environmental disasters.
- Those nations engaged in wars and suffering from the devastation in the wake of conflicts.
- Our family and friends celebrating birthdays, *especially Dorothy Macauley*.

- For our absent brothers and sisters.

The people are invited to add their own intercessions either silently or aloud.

- Silence -

Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

That Christ will bring those who have died to His eternal Kingdom, especially *Mary Smith, Marjory Hopper, Gordon Wright, and the victims of the Texas floods.*

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Let us pray together for the Good Shepherd Church Family:

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for the Church family of Good Shepherd. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant:

God our Father, as we pray for others, we ask you to help us to love and serve our neighbor, and so welcome your beloved Son, who lives and reigns in glory for ever and ever. Amen.

General Prayer for Comfort and Healing *(please come forward to the altar rail if you are interested).*

The Peace

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Announcements

- **Giving Statements** are in the back for pickup.
- **The Mission Committee** meets today at 11 a.m.
- **Episcopal Relief & Development** is working closely with partners to support people affected by the Texas flooding. The Flood Response Fund is an important tool for responding to immediate needs and supporting long-term recovery. You can make a gift here at Good Shepherd or visit episcopalrelief.org to donate and get more information.
- **Backpack Distribution and Social, Saturday, August 2, 2025, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.,** in the Multi-Purpose Room.
- **Trex Recycling Film Challenge:** Please continue to bring in your household plastics for special recycling to benefit Good Shepherd. White bins are provided for you to place your plastics in.
- **Sign-Up Sheets and Forms** in the back:
 - **Lay Readers**
 - **Memorial Pavers**
 - **Prayer Request**
- **Fundraisers:**
 - **50/50 Cash Raffle** drawing takes place today at 11 a.m.
 - **Wawa Hoagie Coupons** are available at \$5 each. Please see Lillian if you are interested.
 - **Basket Auction and Luncheon, Sunday, October 26, 2025.** at Paris Caterers Berlin. Tickets are **\$45 per person**. If you would like to donate **brand new** items for the baskets, purchase or get tickets to sell, or **if you are available to help wrap the baskets**, please see Darlene or Lillian.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRIFICE OF CHRIST

Offertory Hymn (LEVAS II #62)

*“In Christ there is
No East or West”*

Please stand as you are able.

The Offering of the Bread

*The Celebrant takes the bread to be consecrated and places it on the corporal.
The following may be said:*

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to
offer, which earth has given and human hands
have made. It will become for us the Bread of
Life.

People **Blessed be God for ever.**

The Offering of the Wine

*The Celebrant takes the wine to be consecrated and places it on the corporal.
The following may be said:*

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to
offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us our spiritual drink.

People **Blessed be God for ever.**

The Celebrant may address the community with these words.

Celebrant: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my Sacrifice and
yours may be acceptable to God the Father
Almighty.

People: **May the Lord receive the Sacrifice at your
hands, to the praise and glory of His Name,
both to our benefit, and that of all His holy
Church.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Please stand as you are able.

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 proceeds:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. *Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down on this day from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.*

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 *(sung together, all remain standing as you are able.*

HOLY

Intro: With movement (♩ = 132-138)

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.

Soprano
Alto Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Tenor
Bass

unison
mf Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. *S* *ff* Ho - san - na in the high - est.
A *T* *B* *ff*

rit. *fff* Ho - san - na in the high *molto rit.* *div.* est.
rit. *fff* *molto rit.* *div.*

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The people stand or kneel. 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 error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, 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.” ✠

Celebrant
There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,
Celebrant and People
We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -
rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

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 the apostles, martyrs, and 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 forever.



The Lord's Prayer


And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing:

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.

Breaking of The Bread


***Fraction Anthem* (1982 Hymnal S-172)**

Antiphon
Cantor; then All

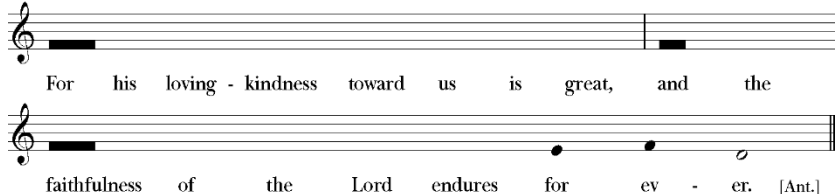


Bles-sed are those who are called to the Sup-per of the Lamb.

Cantor



Praise the Lord, all you nations; laud him, all you peo-ples.



For his loving-kindness toward us is great, and the
faithfulness of the Lord endures for ev-er. [Ant.]

Agnus Dei

LAMB OF GOD

Celtic Mass
Christopher Walker

Choir/Cantor All

Lamb of God, } you take a - way the sins of the
*Bread of Life,
**Lamb of God, }

1, 2... 3

world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us.

Celebrant:

✠ Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [***Amen.***]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [***Amen.***]

Communion Hymn (Alleluia II #120)

“Here I Am Lord”

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and people:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant blesses the congregation.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, the ☩ Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

The Dismissal

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Recessional Hymn (Alleluia II #142) *“Worthy is the Lamb”*

After Worship Prayer *BCP #68, Page 835*

Grant, we beseech *thee*, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through *thy* grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of *thy* Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***



The Ministers of the Liturgy

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A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS! You may be new to us, but you are known and loved by God. Please fill out the visitor's card found in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate. We look forward to meeting you and having you worship with us again soon.

Prayer List (please let us know when your loved one should be removed).

Current Military Service:

Aiden Borden	Jonathan DeMaria
Andrew Miller	Joseph Hodges
Carter Smyth	Keith Taylor
Charles Devoll	Mason Smiley
Dalton Anders	Roman Mealey
David Daniels	Ted Chavis
Dave Niglio	
Dominique Trappey	
Felix Perez	
Francois Trappey	<u>Expectant Mothers and their Babies</u>
Jacob Listman	Laura Lombardelli (Nov)
Jessica Smyth	
Jimmy Sheridan	

Comfort & Healing

Barbara Alber	Jerry Hathaway	Robert Macioce
Barbara MacLeod	Jim Jackson	Ryan Kass
Barbara Peters Villari	John Collier	Tom Knott
Bernice Finkbeiner	John Rankin	Sheila Williams
Betsy Richards	Joyce Foster	Wanda Sarno
Bob Nottle	Judi Hathaway	
Carlos Guemes	Lee Mencl	
Corin King	Linda Mulero	
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Jack Rogers	Ricky Beam	
Jason	Robert Huster	
Jean Hackett	Robert Kebler	