

SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Lutheran Community of Christian Believers - ELCA

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9:30 a.m. WORSHIP



**July 30, 2017
EIGHTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

All Are Welcome

All who have come to worship are heartily welcomed. Let us joyfully open our hearts to God and to one another.

You are encouraged to participate in all that Shepherd of the Glades has to offer and to make Shepherd of the Glades your spiritual home.

All are invited and welcome to partake of the sacrament of Holy Communion by kneeling at the altar rail. Children are encouraged to come to receive the Lord's Blessing. The Eucharist is celebrated by intinction. Our Altar Guild at all communion services offers grape juice (the smaller chalice), as well as wine, for intinction, the dipping of wafer into the wine or juice. The Assistant will hold both the wine and the juice and move from the center to the outside of the communion rail. Communion is continuous with kneeling. Note: Gluten free wafers are now offered as well.

If Shepherd of the Glades can be of service to you, please so indicate on the pew welcome sheet or call the church office.

We welcome to the pulpit today, Rev. Ray Branstiter, Spiritual Director of Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation, Naples, FL. Pastor Ray will be preaching in Pastor Doug's absence today and next Sunday. Please warmly welcome him.

Ministries for Today

Altar Assistant and Lector: 9:30 a.m. Bonnie Brisky

Altar Guild: 9:30 a.m. Anita Lehr

Ushers: 9:30 a.m. Guy & Pat Cooper and
Elaine & Bob Dunkle

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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost – July 30, 2017

9:30 A.M. Worship - Setting 10

+ Indicates Please Stand

Bold Indicates Congregation Joins In

PRELUDE

Megan Cianflone, Director of Music

INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presiding minister begins:

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C **Amen**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Gracious God,

C **Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C **Amen**

+ OPENING HYMN

“Gather Us In”

ELW 532

+ GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

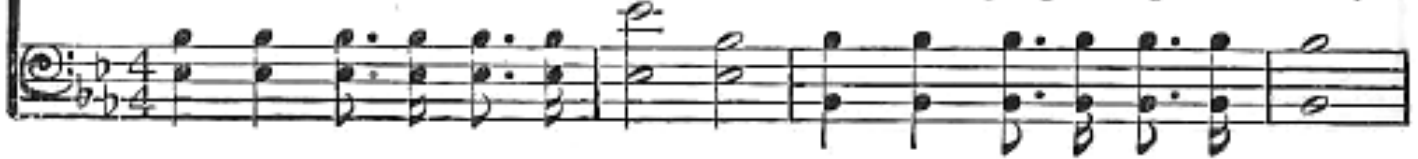
Shall We Gather At the River?

R. L.

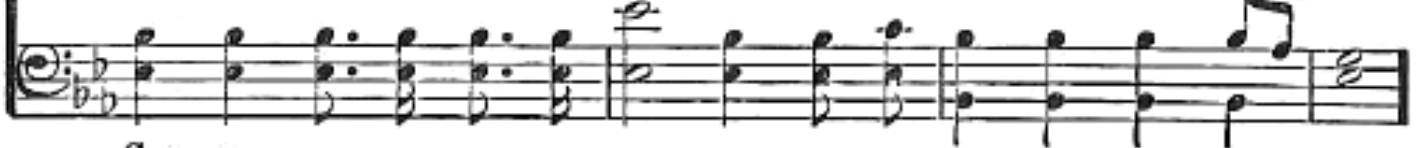
ROBERT LOWRY



1. Shall we gath-er at the riv - er, Where bright an-gel feet have trod;
2. On the bos-om of the riv - er, Where the Sav-ior-King we own,
3. Ere we reach the shin-ing riv - er, Lay we ev - 'ry bur-den down;
4. Soon we'll reach the shining riv - er, Soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



With its crys-tal tide for - ev - er Flow-ing by the throne of God?
 We shall meet, and sor-row nev - er, 'Neath the glo - ry of the throne.
 Grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, And pro-vide a robe and crown.
 Soon our hap - py hearts will qui - ver With the mel - o - dy of peace.



CHORUS



Yes, we'll gather at the riv - er, The beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv - er,



Gath-er with the saints at the riv - er That flows by the throne of God.



+ **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray.

C **Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 3:5–12

⁵At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." ⁶And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" ¹⁰It pleased the LORD that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 119:129–136 (*Read responsively*)

¹²⁹Your decrees are wonderful; therefore I obey them with all my heart.

¹³⁰**When your word is opened it gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.**

¹³¹I open my mouth and pant because I long for your commandments.

¹³²**Turn to me and be gracious to me, as you always do to those who love your name.**

¹³³Order my footsteps in your word; let no iniquity have dominion over me.

¹³⁴**Rescue me from those who oppress me, and I will keep your commandments.**

¹³⁵Let your face shine upon your servant and teach me your statutes.

¹³⁶**My eyes shed streams of tears, because people do not keep your teaching.**

SECOND READING: Romans 8:26–39

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. ²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

+ The Holy Gospel according to: Matthew 13:31–33, 44–52

C Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." ³³He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." ⁴⁴The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. ⁴⁵Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. ⁴⁷Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁵¹Have you understood all this? They answered, "Yes." ⁵²And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

Rev. Ray Branstiter

Text: Lessons for the day

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

ELW 775

+ APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
And he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

+ THE PRAYERS

P Generous, compassionate God, we gather before you to pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

P Shine the light of understanding on your church on earth. Bind us together in the word to share your love with the world. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Protect birds and their nests, fields full of crops, the seas and the fish that swim in them. Inspire us to care for the creation you love. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Raise up just and wise advocates and judges from small-town courts to international tribunals. Enlighten all leaders to discern what is right and do what is good. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Nurture faith in those who doubt. Lift up those who are weak in body, mind, or spirit. Heal the sick, comfort the grieving, and surround with love those facing their last days. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Expand the understanding of this assembly to see our neighbors as you see them. Let the yeast of your word grow beyond us to expand your boundless love to those around us. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P Sustain us by the intercession of your Holy Spirit. Let the Spirit's sighs, too deep for words, comfort us until we rejoice with those already united with you. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Into your hands we place all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, trusting in the mercy of Christ Jesus.

C **Amen**

+ **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

(Please greet one another as we share Christ's presence in our midst.)

WE SHARE OUR GIFTS & TITHES

OFFERTORY HYMN

“Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring”

ELW 691

+ **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A Let us pray.

C **Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

+ **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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 our thanks and praise.**

+ **PROPER PREFACE**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

+ **SANCTUS**

Veni Sancte Spiritus

Holy Spirit, Come to Us

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Ostinato (repeated continuously)



Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus. Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus. (REPEAT)
 Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us. Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.

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TAIZÉ VENI SANCTE
 Irregular

+ **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

+ **THE LORD’S PRAYER** *(Spoken)*

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 COMMUNION

P Taste and see that the Lord is good.

(Eucharist is celebrated by intinction, the dipping of bread into the wine or juice. All are welcome to partake of the sacrament.)

HOLY COMMUNION

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Eat This Bread
Jesus Christ, Bread of Life

Refrain

“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.
OR Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”
Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

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Irregular

COMMUNION HYMN

“Be Thou My Vision”

ELW 793

+ **COMMUNION BLESSING**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

+ **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**

GATHERING

Come and Fill Our Hearts

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Confitemini Domino

Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no quo - ni - am bo - nus.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a - lone, O Lord, are ho - ly.

Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no. Al - le - lu - ia!
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Al - le - lu - ia!

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CONFITEMINI DOMINO
PM

A Let us pray.

C **We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

+ **THE BLESSING**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C **Amen**

+ **SENDING HYMN**

"Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

ELW 547

+ **DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOTG MINNESOTA REUNION

The fifth annual Shepherd of the Glades Minnesota Reunion will once again be held at Gabes by the Park, in St. Paul, MN, on Monday, August 7th at 1 PM. Gabes is located at 991 Lexington Parkway, just south of Como Park and about one and one-half miles north of the I-94/Lexington exit, at the corner of Lexington and Energy Park Drive. The 1 PM starting time should allow out-of-town and out-of-state folks to arrive on a timely basis. Pastor Doug and Lynn Wahlberg will be with us, and we will have our own private room for socializing and fellowship. Please RSVP to Jim or Dee Lipe at 952-239-2247 if you plan to attend. We look forward to seeing you at the MN Reunion.

PASTOR DOUG AND LYNN ON VACATION

Pastor Doug and Lynn will be on vacation through September 3. If you have a pastoral need during this time, please call the church office.

This week at Shepherd of the Glades:

Office hours are: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. on Monday; 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 a.m. Tuesday through Friday. Lynn Dickerman will be back from vacation on Tuesday.

Today, Sunday, July 30, 2017, 9:30 a.m. Worship with Pastor Ray Branstiter

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