9:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE



My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.

MAY 11, 2025 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

John 10:27, ESV

SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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 standing at the altar rail. For your safety and convenience, you will have a choice of coming to the altar rail or taking communion in your pew in an individually sealed container. If, for any reason, you are not comfortable receiving communion, but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms, indicating you wish to receive a blessing. The Eucharist is celebrated by intinction. Our Altar Guild at all communion services offers grape juice (lighter color), as well as wine (darker color), for intinction, the dipping of wafer into the wine or juice. One chalice will hold both wine and grape juice. Communion is continuous with kneeling or standing. Note: Gluten free wafers are now offered as well.

If you have an offering for the church, the offering plates are located at the entrance of the church.

If Shepherd of the Glades can be of service to you or if you would like Pastor Jeff to contact you, please so indicate on the pew welcome sheet. The office phone number and Pastor Jeff's cell phone number are on the cover of the bulletin.

<u>Ministries for Today</u> Altar Assistants: Mary Winsor, Lester Larrabee, & Linda Tidmore

Lector: Lawrence Buettner

Altar Guild: Donia Mrozek

Ushers: 9:30 a.m. Lester Larabee, Linda Tidmore, Tom Dunlop, & Jackie Masterson

AV Technicians: Abraham Ungs Kelli Ungs

SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH A Lutheran Community of Christian Believers Fourth Sunday of Easter May 11, 2025, 9:30 A.M. Worship - Setting I

+ Indicates Please Stand

Bold Indicates Congregation Joins In

PRELUDE "A Mother's Day Surprise" Sung by: Pastor Bob Hoffman

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!
- P In the name of + the One who was, who is, and who is to come.
- C Amen.
- P Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.
- A Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,
- C make us one as you are one.
- A We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,
- C make us one as you are one.
- A We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,
- C make us one as you are one.
- A Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.
- C Amen.

+ OPENING HYMN "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" ELW 414

- A 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.

+ THE PRAYER OF PRAISE



- + PRAYER OF THE DAY
- A Let us pray.
- C O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: Acts 9: 36-43

³⁶ Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷ At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸ Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹ So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰ Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹ He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴² This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 23 (Read responsively)

- ¹ The LORD is my shepherd;
 - I shall not be in want.
- ² The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.
- ³ You restore my soul, O LORD,
- and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.
- ⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

SECOND READING: Revelation 7: 9-17

⁹ After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹ And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor

and power and might

be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴ I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵ For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

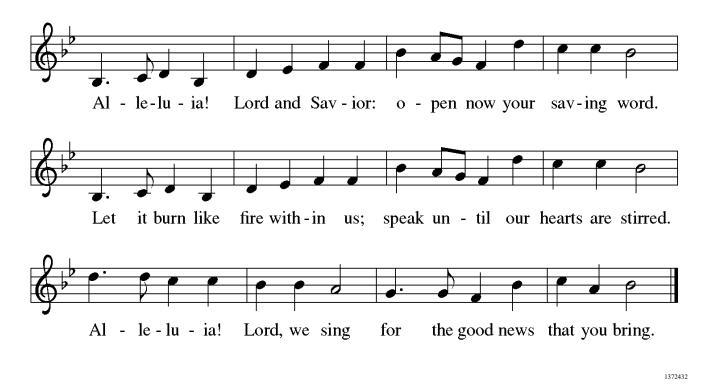
¹⁶ They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷ for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

+ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE HOLY GOSPEL according to: John 10:22-30

C Glory to you, O Lord.

²² At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴ So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵ Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶ but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep.

²⁷ My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰ The Father and I are one."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Text: Lessons for the day

+ HYMN OF THE DAY "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" ELW 502

- A Let us proclaim our trust in the presence and power of God in our lives with the words of the Apostles' Creed.
- **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 life everlasting. Amen.

ELW 105

Pastor Jeff Ungs

+ THE PRAYERS

A God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A You guide your people to the waters of life. Make your church a nourishing place for all who are thirsty for hope and healing. Renew us in the waters of baptism, and send us forth as signs of your love. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A You tend to the earth, sustaining life in all places. Revive fragile ecosystems and restore species in danger of extinction. Teach us new ways of living in balance and harmony with our non-human neighbors. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A You lead all peoples along right pathways. Grant wisdom and compassion to judges, lawyers, mediators, and legal advocates. Dismantle systems of mass incarceration, empower processes of restorative justice, and encourage all who strive for healing in our communities. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A You wipe the tears from every eye. Tend to all who struggle with anxiety or depression, loneliness, or despair. Enfold all who are in any need in your shepherding care. Today we pray especially for: the family of Rev. H. Peter Lyberg, family of Kent Adams, Marian Swain, Lauwrie & Jamie Lein, Skip Parker, Rev. Ron Klose, Myrka Gonzalez, Kelsay Hocanson, Jackson Drum, Donna Accetta, Eric Nolle, Patty Musielak, Rob L., David Einink, Sue Popivach, Manuela Schultz, Kimberly Lasher, Cornelia Setzkorn, Theresa Chiorazzi, Vicki Dunlop, Kalem, Gail Fesnak, Alison Heck, Jim Shaw, Barbara Gega, Vernon Rasmussen, Ron Blasig, Sandy Lofthouse, Ryan Smith, Rod Barikmo, Nick & Anita Lehr, Micah Smith, and others we name in our hearts or out loud. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

- A This Mother's Day, bless mothers, grandmothers, and all who offer mothering care. Come close to those whose relationships with their families are difficult, and console all who grieve the loss of mother figures or the loss of children. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.

- A God of mercy, you are our resurrection. We give you thanks, oh God, for the celebration of birthdays within our faith community. Today we pray for Paul Smith and Larry Tommingo as they celebrate their birthdays. Hear us, O God.
- **C** Your mercy is great.
- A You are the source of everlasting life. In deep gratitude for all your saints, we rejoice in the joy and hope of the resurrection made known to us in Jesus, your beloved child. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.
- C Amen.

+ SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

- A The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.
- + **OFFERTORY**
- + **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

ELW 107

- A Let us pray.
- C Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

+ **PROPER PREFACE**

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

+ THE LORD'S PRAYER (Spoken)

- 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.

+ DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

MUSICAL OFFERING "One Bread, One Body" Sung by: Pastor Bob Hoffman

+ COMMUNION BLESSING

- A Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.
- C Amen.

+ THE BLESSING

- P The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.
- C Amen.

+ SENDING HYMN "For All Your Saints, O Lord" ELW 427

+ **DISMISSAL**

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- A Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- C Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers on the chancel this morning are given by Heidi and Mike Dziubla in celebration of Mother's Day and in celebration of birthdays for their grandson, Matthew Balek and their niece, Lauren Dameron.

HOSPITALIZATIONS

Local hospitals are no longer calling church offices to advise of the hospitalizations of parishioners. If you are hospitalized, or know of someone that is hospitalized, please let the church office know so that we may keep you/them in our prayers and provide pastoral support.

THIS WEEK AT SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES:

The office is open from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

Pastor Jeff is available in the office by appointment.

<u>Monday, May 12th and Wednesday May 14th,</u> Bone Builders in Hanson Hall from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

<u>Wednesday, May 13, 2025,</u> Bible study with Pastor Ungs, starting at 10:00 a.m.

<u>Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 18, 2025</u>, 9:30 a.m., public worship with Pastor Jeff Ungs. Worship will also be live streamed on YouTube, or you can access on our website. See website for details www.sotgweb.org.

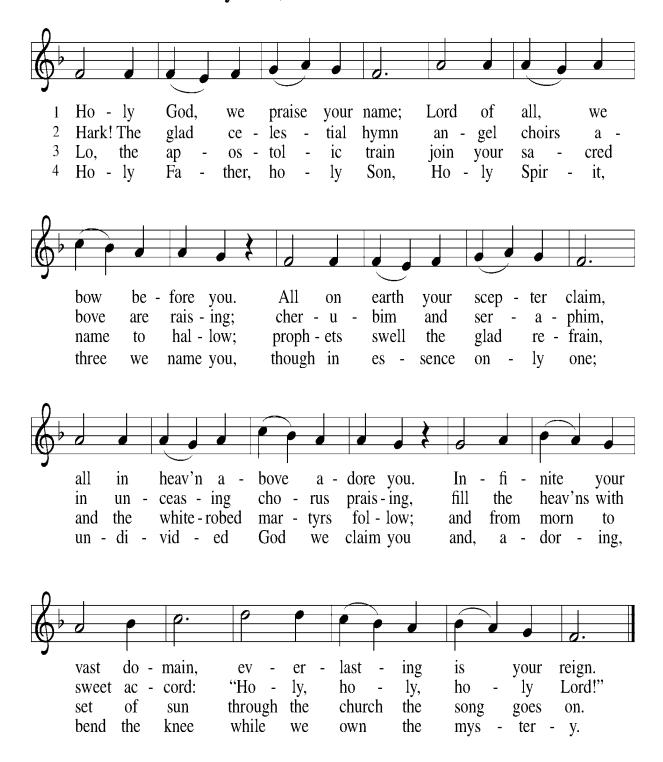
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Holy God, We Praise Your Name



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The King of Love My Shepherd Is



- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; thine unction grace bestoweth; and, oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so, through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never. Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

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For All Your Saints, O Lord



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