



THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist, Enriching Our Worship

August 23, 2026, at 8:00am



The Church of the Good Shepherd

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WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD!

We are glad you are here! If you are new to Good Shepherd, or are interested in learning more about our community, please fill out a Welcome Card, located in the pews, and place it in the offering plate on the table at the back of the Sanctuary or hand it to an usher, greeter, or member of the clergy. Please call the parish office at 703-323-5400 if you have questions about baptisms, weddings, membership, or any other needs.

HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Those who are not baptized are invited to come forward during Communion to receive a blessing from a priest. If you are interested in learning more about the sacrament of Baptism, please talk to a priest.

FAMILY ROOM

While all children are always welcome in the Sanctuary, families are also welcome to use the Parlor (to the right as you exit the Sanctuary) which has toys and room to move around as well as a livestream of the service.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION FOR ALL AGES

We offer Christian Formation for all ages at 9:00a on most Sundays, September through May. Classes include **Shepherd Kids** for K-3rd grades, **Faith Explorers** for 4th-6th grades, **EYC** for youth in grades 7th-12th, and **Sunday Adult Forum** for adults.

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The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God.

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THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation and Opening Collect

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

Celebrant God our rock and refuge: keep us safe in your care and strengthen us with your grace, that we may pray to you faithfully and love one another boldly, following the example of Jesus, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives for ever and ever.

People Amen.

Trisagion

Celebrant Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,

People Have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever

People Amen.

First Lesson Isaiah 51:1-6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness,
you that seek the LORD.

Look to the rock from which you were hewn,
and to the quarry from which you were dug.

Look to Abraham your father
and to Sarah who bore you;
for he was but one when I called him,
but I blessed him and made him many.

For the LORD will comfort Zion;
he will comfort all her waste places,
and will make her wilderness like Eden,
her desert like the garden of the LORD;
joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people,
and give heed to me, my nation;
for a teaching will go out from me,
and my justice for a light to the peoples.
I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,
my salvation has gone out
and my arms will rule the peoples;

the coastlands wait for me,
and for my arm they hope.
Lift up your eyes to the heavens,
and look at the earth beneath;
for the heavens will vanish like smoke,
the earth will wear out like a garment,
and those who live on it will die like gnats;
but my salvation will be for ever,
and my deliverance will never be ended.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 138

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple
and praise your Name, *
because of your love and faithfulness;
- 3 For you have glorified your Name *
and your word above all things.
- 4 When I called, you answered me; *
you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *
that great is the glory of the LORD.
- 7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *
he perceives the haughty from afar.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall save me.
- 9 The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *
O LORD, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.

Second Lesson Romans 12: 1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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Gospel Matthew 16: 13-20

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Reverend Christopher Garcia, *Assisting Priest*

The Nicene Creed

All 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 Form IV

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy;

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy;

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy;

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy;

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit [, especially those added to our parish prayer list this week, _____]; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy;

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We commend to your mercy all who have died [, especially _____]; that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy;

People Hear our prayer.

Silence is kept, during which the People may add their own prayers.
The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession & Absolution

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

All God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

All Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements and Birthday & Anniversary Prayers

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory & Presentation of the Gifts

All All things come of thee, O Lord.
 And of thine own have we given thee. Amen. .

The Great Thanksgiving, Enriching our Worship Eucharistic Prayer I

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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

All Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All Christ has died.
 Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.

Celebrant Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

All AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All 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. Amen.

The Fraction

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.
People We who are many are one body, because we all share in the one bread.

The Invitation & Communion of the People

The Celebrant gives the invitation to Communion and then the People may be seated.

Communion Instructions:

To receive Communion, offer your cupped hands to receive the host and then proceed to a chalice-bearer to sip from the cup. If you would like Communion by intinction (host dipped in wine), give the appropriate gesture (fingers of one hand in the palm of the other) and the host will be dipped in the wine and offered to you. Also, gluten-free Communion is available, just ask the priest. As always, receiving Communion in one kind (e.g. bread only) is considered full and complete. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest. If you would like Communion brought to you in your pew, please inform an usher.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant gives the blessing.

People Amen.

The Dismissal

The Priest bids the dismissal.

People Thanks be to God.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

For the special concerns of: Marion Cooney, Judy and Ray Caddell, Landra, Packy Daniels, Diane Stevens, Robert Carroll, Deb Angerman, Lee Allen, Luke Margolis, Laura Hammer, Chen Hollifield, Richard Morris, Ricardo Cruz, Marlene Bekey, Mary Helman, the Rubin, Newcomer, Hunt, Henderson, Pollard, Barker, and McGarry families, Dr. Stephen Post, Elena Johnson, Joe St. Germain, Spencer Goldman, Jane and Kirk Taylor, Cora, Robert Harrison Reed, Rod McFadden, Alfonse Russiero, Barbara Burgess, Robert Grey, Heather Abrams, Michael Dubin, Susan Marshall, Cindy, Ken, Elizabeth Anderson, Marcia Brock, Susan Generazio, Gary Halstead, Jim Zernicke, Nancy Ehlke, Margaret Donahoe, Norris and Charlene Sisson, David Stiles, Doug Smith, Craig Dubishar, Alli Houseworth, Ann Grey, John Wires, Nim Mercado, Rita Farris, Dorian, Linda Fox, the Allard, Barker, Jillson, Yoshiko Goto, Ric Pettit, Addie, Elijah, Pete Larsen, Bill Schuiling, Ivey Virgil, Fran Vassalotti, Kate, Cory, Jason, Sherry Cable, Christian Cancino, David Jones, Steve Goldman, Max Dale, David L., Bob and Chepi DiCalogero, Tom Allen, Christy Brown, Gabriel Neagle, Maryann Stinson, Elaine Sasser, Jason Hartman, Anna Jones, Evangeline, Ida Portland, Steve and Diane Gaiser, Joseph Nolan, Margaret McHugh, Kay Silver, Heather Bartee, Jenny Seguinot, Arline Easley, Sean, Lily, Pam and Doug Hawkins, Charlie Kemp, Lee McKenna, Anne Jackson, Helen Demestihis, Betty, David Chamberlain, Calvin Kraft, Nancy Biele, Maureen Murray, Linda, Barton Fox, Elizabeth Ames, Carol and Bill, Sharon Jones, Betty Laine, Rich Allen, Elva Crawford, Roy Jones, Elizabeth Helman, Monte Montgomery, Ann Johnston, Jana Allen, Christine Jouannet, Michael, Stacey Jolly, Toddy Fox, Catherine Mitchell, Emily Leanne Bucur, Scott Allen, Shannon Allen.

For the repose of the soul: Ted Stevens.