

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 27, 2010

Welcome to Shepherd of the Hills! We thank the Lord for this opportunity to share the joy of Jesus Christ with you as we gather together to worship Him. Our prayer is that each of us will grow in the assurance of Jesus as Savior and have the peace of a daily personal walk with Him.

If you are visiting with us today, and have no church home, we would consider it a privilege to be able to invite you to share in the fellowship of the Shepherd of the Hills family. If you have any questions about Shepherd of the Hills please feel free to ask any of our members or our pastor before you leave today – we care and are here to help. If you already have a church home, we hope you will continue to grow in faith while you are with us and will return to worship again when you have the opportunity.

As we prepare to worship today, we ask that each one be respectful of others as they pray silently and meditate on the great gifts God has both given and promised to all His faithful children.

For those people bringing their own hymn books, the order of service is based upon Lutheran Service Book Divine Service Setting Four (modified), page 203.

PRESERVICE MUSIC RINGING OF THE BELLS and WELCOME

Opening Hymn

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

[LSB #802]



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all life Thou giv - est— to both great and small—
4 Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;
In all life Thou liv - est, the true Life of all;
Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;

Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
Thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree
All laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.
Thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
And with - er and per - ish— but naught chang - es Thee.
'Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light that hides Thee.

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(Please rise as you are able.)

Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

People: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and to call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

(Pause for personal reflection and confession.)

All: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
 Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
 In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray ... Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name and nourish us with all goodness that we may love and serve our neighbor; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

(Please be seated.)

Old Testament Reading 1 Kings 19:9b–21

Behold, the word of the Lord came to [Elijah], and he said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He said, "I have been very jealous for the Lord, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the Lord." And behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He said, "I have been very jealous for the Lord, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." And the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

Lector: So far the readings.

Psalmody Psalm 16

Lector: Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

People: I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

Lector: As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.

People: The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.

Lector: The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

People: The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

Lector: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.
People: I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Lector: Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.
People: For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.

Lector: You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy;
People: at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Epistle Galatians 5:1, 13–25

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. ...

For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

(Please rise as you are able.)

Verse

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that
Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel Luke 9:51-62

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 9th chapter.
People: Glory to You, O Lord.

When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. And they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." And Jesus said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Yet another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

Hymn of the Day

"Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake

[LSB #688]



1 "Come, fol - low Me," the Sav - ior spake, "All in My
 2 "I am the light, I light the way, A god - ly
 3 "My heart a - bounds in low - li - ness, My soul with
 4 "I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your
 way a - bid - ing; De - ny your - selves, the world for - sake,
 life dis - play - ing; I bid you walk as in the day;
 love is glow - ing; And gra - cious words My lips ex - press,
 soul's sal - va - tion, Your heart from ev - 'ry guile to free,
 O - bey My call and guid - ing. O bear the cross, what -
 I keep your feet from stray - ing. I am the way, and
 With meek - ness o - ver - flow - ing. My heart, My mind, My
 From sin and its temp - ta - tion. I am the ref - uge
 e'er be - tide, Take My ex - am - ple for your guide.
 well I show How you must so - journ here be - low.
 strength, My all, To God I yield, on Him I call.
 of the soul And lead you to your heav'n - ly goal."

5) Then let us follow Christ, our Lord, And take the cross appointed
 And, firmly clinging to His Word, In suff'ring be undaunted.
 For those who bear the battle's strain The crown of heav'nly life obtain.

Sermon “A Vacation with Christ” (Luke 9:51-62)

Offering

*The offering is an act of worship for members and friends of Shepherd of the Hills Church,
 moved by God's love, to support this ministry.
 Guests should not feel obligated, but we thank you for your gifts as well.*

However, we do ask at this time that each member and guest kindly complete the attendance folder that is found at the end of each pew. Thank you.

Native American Flute Solo ----- “Amazing Grace” Mr. Danny Holder

(Please rise as you are able.)

Offertory

Lord of All Good

[LSB #786]

1 Lord of all good, our gifts we bring You now;
 2 We give our minds to un - der - stand Your ways;
 3 Fa - ther, whose boun - ty all cre - a - tion shows;

Use them Your ho - ly pur - pose to ful - fill.
 Hands, eyes, and voice to serve Your great de - sign;
 Christ, by whose will - ing sac - ri - fice we live;

To - kens of love and pledg - es they shall be
 Hearts with the flame of Your own love a - blaze—
 Spir - it, from whom all life in full - ness flows:

That our whole life is of - fered to Your will.
 Thus for Your glo - ry all our pow'rs com - bine.
 To You with grate - ful hearts our - selves we give.

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Prayer of the Church

Each petition of the prayer will conclude with “**Lord, in Your mercy,**”
 to which the congregation may respond “**hear our prayer.**”

Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray.

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 forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

Pastor: The almighty and merciful Lord,
the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit,
bless and preserve us.

People: Amen.

Closing Hymn

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

[LSB #853]

1 How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord,
2 But if, for - get - ful, we should find
3 We mar - vel how Your saints be - come
4 In what You give us, Lord, to do,
When once we heed Your call: To live ac - cord - ing
Your yoke is hard to bear; If world - ly pres - sures
In hin - dranc - es more sure; Whose joy - ful vir - tues
To - geth - er or a - lone, In old rou - tines or
to Your Word And dai - ly learn, re - freshed, re - stored,
fray the mind, And love it - self can - not un - wind
put to shame The cas - ual way we wear Your name
ven - tures new, May we not cease to look to You,
That You are Lord of all And will not let us fall.
Its tan - gled skein of care: Our in - ward life re - pair.
And by our faults ob - scure Your pow'r to cleanse and cure.
The cross You hung up - on— All You en - deav - ored done.

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Pause for silent reflection and prayer.

(Please be seated.)

Announcements and Welcome of Guests Postlude

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Following the service, all are invited for coffee and treats in our Fellowship Hall
(across the parking lot as you leave the Narthex).
It is good to gather together in the joy of the Lord.

THRIVENT – I am looking for a Communication Director for our Thrivent Chapter, need to do newsletters to Thrivent members. I am also needing, a volunteer from our church to be our advocate which replaces the former three member committee. Neither of these jobs are difficult and do not require a large amount of time. See me. Tom Towers

THRIVENT MEMBERS – On July 10th there will be an Appreciation Breakfast in our Fellowship Hall @ 8:00 a.m. Did I mention it is FREE? There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church. Tom Towers

CAREVAN – Please save your motel soaps from your summer vacations. We will send it to CareVan in November. Thanks, Donna Elmore

GIFTED TO CARE – Spiritual gifts are gifts to give away. God gives them to us, and we use them to serve others. How are you using your gifts right now? Are you looking for a new way to use them? If your spiritual gifts include one or more of the following—faith, mercy, teaching the faith, encouragement, or knowing—consider Stephen Ministry, our congregation's one-to-one caregiving ministry. This may be just what you've been looking for! Contact Rev. Paul Wiegert (931) 456-9053.

THE MITE BOXES are an important part of the support that LWML gives to the Zone and Synod toward Missions. Mites are collected the third Sunday each month. The mite boxes and/or change may be placed in the yellow box on the credenza at the back of the sanctuary or in the offering plate so marked. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you, LWML

SLF GIVING - Special envelopes for donations to SLF are available on the credenza in the back of church. Please remember to make checks payable to Shepherd of the Hills and place in envelopes marked Shepherd's Little Flock. Thank you.

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