

# Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

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#### WELCOME

We are glad that you have chosen to spend time with us in worship. In our worship, we gather, before Jesus, our Good Shepherd, to offer him our love and praise. Our Lord builds us up in faith through his Word and equips us for living now and in eternity. Our prayer is that the good news of Christ's love touches your heart and transforms your life. Whether you're worshiping with us here today or watching online, we are happy you have joined us.

#### WORSHIP SERVICE

The goal of our worship is to praise God and enrich your faith through his Word. To make your experience today easier, the worship folder you're holding has the entire order of service. The pieces marked [P] are spoken by the pastor, and the parts marked [C] are to be spoken or sung by the congregation.

#### **FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN**

Our congregation enjoys the "worshiping family." Each service includes a children's message which teaches God's truth to your kids. Parents with small children are an essential part of God's kingdom. That's why children are never considered an inconvenience to our worship. We also want your family to be comfortable. There is a cry room outside the main doors to the right if you need a moment.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

For more announcements and event information visit the church website at www.dulutheran.org/connect, or sign up for our weekly email at www.dulutheran.org/subscribe. You can also view the church calendar at www.dulutheran.org/church-calendar.

Altar Flowers: These were given to the glory of God by Becky Miller in memory of her grandparents, Bob and Hope Schadl.

Guest Preacher: Thank you to Pastor Dallas Miller for leading our worship service today!

**Today's Schedule:** We hope you can join us after service for Adult Bible Study, Sunday School, and Youth Group. Youth Confirmation class will also be held at its usual time, led by Ryan Bogart.

Midweek Schedule: Please note that there will be no Midweek Bible Study and Midweek Service this week Wednesday, October 30th.

Call Meeting: All members are invited to come to the call meeting on October 29th at 7PM.



**Campus Ministry Meals:** If you would like to support the work of Campus Ministry, please consider providing a meal for the students! We have several weeks that need to be filled yet this year.

You can scan the QR code or go to www.dulutheran.org/ways-to-serve to sign up.

Second Harvest Northland Food Drive: For the month of November, we will be collecting food for the local food drive. Please see the sign on the bulletin board showing which foods are their most needed items. Starting on November 3rd, there will be a cardboard box in the entryway for any donations. Thank you for your help to support this good cause!

Women's Bible Study: The second session of "History of our Liturgy" will be on November 19th at 6 PM. Hosted by Diane Schlossin at Donna Bolf's home. 5906 Castle Road. Text Donna at 218-576-2518 or Diane at 218-393-7335 if you have any questions.



Women's Paint Night: Please join us for a Women's Paint Night on Thursday, November 14th at 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Come for a fun evening of painting and to enjoy some snacks and conversation. Scan the QR code to order your project. Feel free to invite a friend! All ages are welcome! Contact Kely Dunsmoor for questions.

Silent Auction and Pie Social: On Saturday, November 23rd from 2-4 PM we will have a fun afternoon of fellowship enjoying delicious pies, a raffle prize, and a silent auction to raise money for the Second Harvest Food Bank. Please consider joining us and donating an item to be auctioned. Contact Kely Dunsmoor for questions. Pumpkin Craft: Look for a sign-up sheet by the bulletin board if you are interested in painting a festive pumpkin sign at the Pie Social! Free will donations for this craft will go towards the food drive.

- P: This is a day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. We begin our worship in the name of the Father and of the Son \* and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

### **OPENING HYMN**

# "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

CW 201



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# CONFESSION OF SIN & GOD'S PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS

- P: Now we know that whatever the Law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God. (Romans 3:19)
- C: Therefore, no one will be declared righteous in his sight by observing the Law, rather through the Law we become conscious of sin. (Romans 3:20)
- P: But now a righteousness from God, apart from the Law, has been made known to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. (Romans 3:21-22)
  - Let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.
- C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, for sins of habit and sins of choice, for the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, you should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.
- P: God, in his great mercy, has given his Son to die for you and for Jesus' sake forgives you all your sins. Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth and the truth will set you free."
  - Friends in Christ, let us stand firm in Jesus' word, which brings the freedom of forgiveness.
- C: Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

# **RESPONSE OF FORGIVENESS**

"O Lord, Our Lord"

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Please sing at the beginning of the music...

O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.

Almight-y God, mer-ci-ful Fa-ther, you crown our life with your love.

You take a-way our sin; you com-fort our spir-it;

You make us pure and ho-ly in your sight.

You did not spare your on-ly Son, but gave him up for us all.

O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.

O Son of God, e-ter-nal Word of the Fa-ther,

You came to live with us; you made your Fa-ther known;

You washed us from our sins in your own blood.

You are the King of glo-ry; you are the Lord!

O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.
- C: Amen.

#### FIRST READING

#### Daniel 3:16-28

- <sup>16</sup> Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to him, "King Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. <sup>17</sup> If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us[a] from Your Majesty's hand. <sup>18</sup> But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up."
- <sup>19</sup>Then Nebuchadnezzar was furious with Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, and his attitude toward them changed. He ordered the furnace heated seven times hotter than usual <sup>20</sup> and commanded some of the strongest soldiers in his army to tie up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego and throw them into the blazing furnace. <sup>21</sup> So these men, wearing their robes, trousers, turbans and other clothes, were bound and thrown into the blazing furnace. <sup>22</sup> The king's command was so urgent and the furnace so hot that the flames of the fire killed the soldiers who took up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, <sup>23</sup> and these three men, firmly tied, fell into the blazing furnace.
- <sup>24</sup> Then King Nebuchadnezzar leaped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisers, "Weren't there three men that we tied up and threw into the fire?" They replied, "Certainly, Your Majesty." <sup>25</sup> He said, "Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods." <sup>26</sup> Nebuchadnezzar then approached the opening of the blazing furnace and shouted, "Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!"
- So Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego came out of the fire, <sup>27</sup> and the satraps, prefects, governors and royal advisers crowded around them. They saw that the fire had not harmed their bodies, nor was a hair of their heads singed; their robes were not scorched, and there was no smell of fire on them.
- <sup>28</sup> Then Nebuchadnezzar said, "Praise be to the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who has sent his angel and rescued his servants! They trusted in him and defied the king's command and were willing to give up their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God.

### **SECOND READING**

#### Revelation 14:6-7

<sup>6</sup>Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth—to every nation, tribe, language and people. <sup>7</sup> He said in a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water."

### **PSALM OF THE DAY**

Psalm 46

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God is our refuge and strength,\* an ever-present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way\* and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea.

though its waters roar and foam\*
and the mountains quake with their surging.

Refrain

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,\* the holy place where the Most High dwells.

God is within her, she will not fall;\*
God will help her at break of day.

"Be still, and know that I am God;"
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth."

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.

Refrain

### VERSE OF THE DAY

- P: Alleluia. "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." Alleluia. (John 8:31,32)
- C: These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing we may have life in his name.

### **GOSPEL READING**

### Mark 13:5-11

- <sup>5</sup> Jesus said to them: "Watch out that no one deceives you. <sup>6</sup> Many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am he,' and will deceive many. <sup>7</sup> When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. <sup>8</sup> Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places, and famines. These are the beginning of birth pains.
- 9 "You must be on your guard. You will be handed over to the local councils and flogged in the synagogues. On account of me you will stand before governors and kings as witnesses to them. 10 And the gospel must first be preached to all nations. 11 Whenever you are arrested and brought to trial, do not worry beforehand about what to say. Just say whatever is given you at the time, for it is not you speaking, but the Holy Spirit.
- P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.
- C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

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

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children in attendance today may come up to the altar steps and sit for a special devotion with Pastor Miller. This service segment is intended to be more interactive and engage the children to help them understand today's message. They will return to their seats afterward.

**HYMN** 

"If God Had Not Been On Our Side" CW 202

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# Shadrach, Me [you], Jesus and Luther; On Fire!

- 1. Where the fire came from.
- 2. Where would the fire lead?

#### WORSHIPING THE LORD WITH OUR OFFERINGS



Members of Shepherd of the Hills respond to their Savior's love with offerings that are given joyfully and freely according to how the Lord has blessed them. If you are a guest today, please know that there are no expectations for you to make a donation. If you wish to support us by making an online offering, scan the QR code here or visit our website: <a href="www.dulutheran.org">www.dulutheran.org</a> and click on the "GIVE" tab.

### ▶ PRAYERS ▶

#### **RESPONSIVE PRAYER**

- P: Almighty and eternal God, when the time had fully come, you sent your Son to take our place under the demands of the law and to endure the punishment for our sins. For us you accepted his sacrifice on the cross and raised him from death in glorious splendor.
- C: Praise the Lord, oh my soul, and forget not all his benefits.
- P: When the time had fully come, you bestowed your Spirit on your people as a testimony that you had called them to proclaim the gospel to every creature. Equipped and encouraged, they carried the Word of salvation into all the world.
- C: The Lord reigns. Let the earth be glad and rejoice.
- P: When the time had fully come, you made our forefathers bold to take their stand on the truth of your Word. You have blessed the generations which followed and enabled us to preserve and proclaim the saving gospel.
- C: Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world.
- P: Let this be a time, O Lord, when you renew us again by Word and sacrament. Grant to us in this age and in this place the courage of the apostles, the steadfastness of the reformers, and the dedication of those who have gone before us.
- C: May the Lord our God be with us as he was with our forefathers; may he never leave us nor forsake us.
- P: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

  Silent prayer
- P: Let this be a time, O Lord, when we recommit ourselves to the ministry of the gospel. Let us find joy in your love, zeal for our work, and success in our labor.
- C: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us. Amen.

### LORD'S PRAYER

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.

# **HYMN**

"Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See"

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Lord, when your glo-ry I shall see
And taste your king-dom's plea-sure,
Your blood my roy-al robe shall be,
My joy be-yond all mea-sure!
When I ap-pear be-fore your throne,
Your right-eous-ness shall be my crown;
With these I need not hide me.
And there, in gar-ments rich-ly wrought,
As your own bride I shall be brought
To stand in joy be-side you.

### **CLOSING PRAYER**

- P: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

# **BLESSING**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and **▼** give you peace.

C: Amen.

#### **CLOSING HYMN**

"Lord Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" CW 203

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