

Song Service



## 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. If you prefer to use a physical hymnal or wish to see the songs in four-part harmony, there are hymnals available in the pew stands.

#### **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**

Alter Flowers: Today's bouquet is given to the glory of God by Lisa Sanders in loving memory of her uncle, Galen Sommer.

Office Hours: Pastor Warskow will not be in the office tomorrow, Monday May 5th, as he will be attending the Pastor's Conference in Cornell/Ladysmith

**Call Update:** Last Sunday we extended a call to Pastor Nicholas Quinnett, who currently serves at St. John in Watertown, WI. We also extended a call to his wife, Monica Quinnett, to serve as a teacher at LLLC. Please keep the Quinnett family in your prayers as they deliberate their calls to serve at SOTH.

End-of-Year Schedule: As the Sunday School year nears its end, here is a reminder of the schedule of the upcoming weeks:

- Today, Sunday May 4th: No Sunday School/Youth Group/Adult Bible Study because of Teacher/Youth Appreciation Potluck; Final day of Youth Confirmation Class held at usual time
- Sunday May 11th: Last Day of Sunday School; no Youth Confirmation class (there is also no Public Examination as previously announced)
- Sunday May 18th: Confirmation Sunday; no Adult Bible Study
- Sunday May 25th: no Adult Bible Study

Women's Fellowship: North Shore Day Trip: Our day trip to Tettegouche State Park is coming up this Saturday, May 10th. If you plan to attend and have not RSVP'ed yet, please speak with Kely Dunsmoor.

For more announcements and event information, visit the church website at www.dulutheran.org/events 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.

# Celebration of Christian Education

# at Shepherd of the Hills and Little Lambs Learning Center

Thank you for joining us for this morning's special Song Service! As we celebrate Christian Education here at Shepherd of the Hills & Little Lambs Learning Center, we'd like to thank all those involved with this special area of ministry:

## YOUTH MINISTRY TEACHERS

Shepherd of the Hills 2024-2025

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS**

PreK-K: Kiersten Nash / Kely Dunsmoor

3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>: Kim Kirkland / Brandon Benzer

1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>: Hannah Black / David and Diane Schlossin

5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>: Joeleen Hacker / Lisa Dunsmoor

Sunday School Substitutes: Jolene Shult / Zach Richie Sunday School Director: Zach Richie

## **YOUTH MUSIC MINISTRY LEADERS**

Laura Metcalf / Lisa Sanders / Miriam Hokanson

#### YOUTH GROUP LEADERS

Jesse Dunsmoor / Alison Moeri

#### YOUTH CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTORS

Pastor David Warskow / Ryan Bogart

#### A Special THANK YOU to all the worship service accompanists!

Dawn Bird / Alison Moeri / Donna Bolf / David Larson

## PRESCHOOL TEACHERS AND STAFF

Little Lambs Learning Center 2024-2025

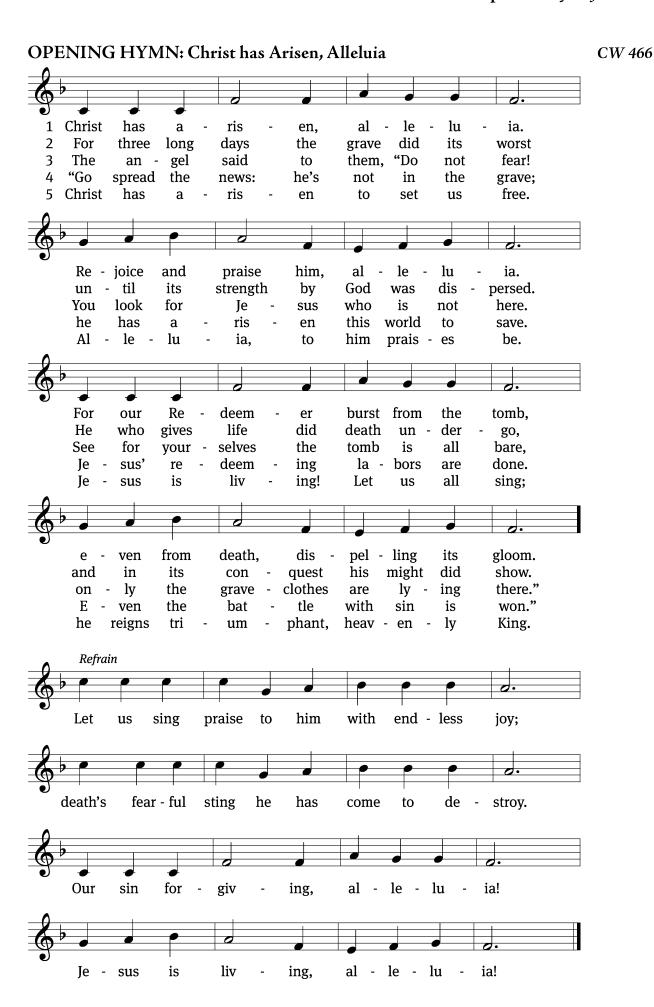
Director & Lead Teacher: Zach Richie Lead Teacher: Hannah Black

Christina Bogart Coral Stephens
Mallory Defoor Teresa Walker
Isabel Franta Kely Dunsmoor (substitute)
Rayann Schramm Jolene Shult (substitute)

# A Special THANK YOU to all the Youth! You are all gifts from God!

Everyone is invited to join us following the service as we continue today's celebration with a potluck luncheon in the Fellowship Hall!





## **INVOCATION**

- P: In the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

CONFESSION CW 172

- P: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
- C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.
- P: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.
- C: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

ABSOLUTION CW 172

- P: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

## LORD, HAVE MERCY

CW 174

Singing is led by the Choir

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



P: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



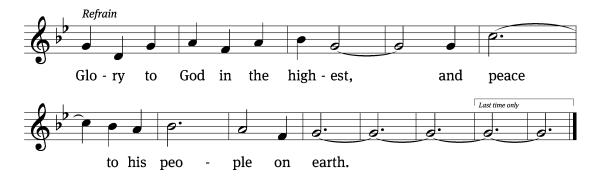
P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



## GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

CW 176

The Choir will introduce the refrain by singing it the first time through; the congregation will join on the remaining refrains. The Choir will sing the verses.



Choir: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain* 

Choir: Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. *Refrain* 

Choir: For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen. *Refrain* 

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

O God, by the humiliation of your Son, you lifted up this fallen world from the despair of death. By his resurrection to life, grant your faithful people gladness of heart and the hope of eternal joys; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Be seated

## ▼ READINGS FROM GOD'S WORD ▼

FIRST READING

Acts 9:1–22

## Jesus Appears to Saul on the Road to Damascus

<sup>1</sup>Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the disciples of the Lord. He went to the high priest <sup>2</sup>and asked him for letters to the synagogues of Damascus, so that if he found any men or women belonging to the Way, he might bring them to Jerusalem as prisoners.

<sup>3</sup>As he went on his way and was approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup>He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?"

<sup>5</sup>He asked, "Who are you, Lord?"

He replied, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you need to do."

<sup>7</sup>The men traveling with him stood there speechless. They heard the voice but did not see anyone.

<sup>8</sup>They raised Saul up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes, he could not see anything. They took him by the hand and led him into Damascus. <sup>9</sup>For three days he could not see, and he did not eat or drink.

#### Ananias Is Sent to Saul

<sup>10</sup>There was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias!"

He answered, "Here I am, Lord."

<sup>11</sup>The Lord told him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul. In fact, at this very moment he is praying. <sup>12</sup>In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he can regain his sight."

<sup>13</sup>Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many people about this man and how much harm he did to your saints in Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>And he has authority here from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name."

<sup>15</sup>The Lord said to him, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the people of Israel. <sup>16</sup>Indeed, I will show him how much he must suffer for my name."

<sup>17</sup>Ananias left and entered the house. Laying his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, whom you saw on your way here, has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit."

<sup>18</sup>Immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized. <sup>19</sup>And after taking some food, he regained his strength.

## Saul (Paul) Proclaims Jesus

Saul stayed with the disciples in Damascus for several days. <sup>20</sup>Immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

<sup>21</sup>All who heard him were amazed and said, "Isn't this the one who raised havoc in Jerusalem among those who call on this name? Didn't he come here for this very purpose: to bring them as prisoners to the chief priests?" <sup>22</sup>But Saul continued to get stronger and kept confounding the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus is the Christ.

- P: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

#### SECOND READING

#### Revelation 5:11-14

<sup>11</sup>And I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels who were around the throne and around the living creatures and the elders. Their number was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands upon thousands. <sup>12</sup>With a loud voice they were saying:

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing.

<sup>13</sup>I also heard every creature that is in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying:

To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever.

<sup>14</sup>The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders bowed down and worshipped.

- P: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Stand

# SUNDAY SCHOOL CHOIR: Agnus Dei

by Michael W. Smith

GOSPEL John 21:1–14

## Breakfast With the Lord Jesus

<sup>1</sup>After this, Jesus showed himself again to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. This is how he showed himself: <sup>2</sup>Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. <sup>3</sup>Simon Peter said to them, "I'm going fishing."

They replied, "We'll go with you."

They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. <sup>4</sup>Early in the morning, Jesus was standing on the shore, but the disciples did not know it was Jesus.

<sup>5</sup>Jesus called to them, "Boys, don't you have any fish?"

"No!" they answered.

<sup>6</sup>He told them, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." So they cast the net out. Then they were not able to haul it in because of the large number of fish.

<sup>7</sup>The disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard, "It is the Lord!" he tied his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the little boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about one hundred yards. When they stepped out on land, they saw some bread and a charcoal fire with fish on it. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you just caught."

<sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter climbed aboard and hauled the net to land, full of large fish, 153 of them. Yet even with so many, the net was not torn.

<sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, "Come, eat breakfast."

None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord.

<sup>13</sup>Jesus came, took the bread, and gave it to them, and also the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

- P: The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

PRE-K/K CHOIR: I've Got the Joy Joy Joy

by William G. Ortlip

#### **▼** THE MESSAGE **▼**

John 21:1-14
It Is The Lord

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#### **CONFESSION OF CHRISTIAN FAITH**

Apostles' Creed

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.

Be seated

## 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: www.dulutheran.org and click on the "GIVE" tab.

## **OFFERATORY**

# SUNDAY SCHOOL TONE CHIME CHOIR: You're Worthy of Our Praises

by David Russ arranged by Peggy Betcher

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- Eternal Lord, give us peace as we ponder the good news that you forgive our sins in Christ. Lead us to see clearly the path you have laid out for us.
- Work in us so that we believe and live the Word we have heard today.
- P: Provide courage and compassion to all who preach and teach your Word. Fill them with a love like yours as they proclaim your grace to us and all people.
- Move us to love all ministers of the Word wherever they serve.
- P: Guard and guide the families of our congregation. Lead husbands and wives to love each other with commitment, respect, and patience. Help parents to grasp the eternal value of keeping their children close to Jesus all their lives. Grant joy to those who are single, and make them a blessing to others.
- C: Protect us from the temptations that surround us; give us pure hearts and minds.
- Provide wisdom and insight to those who make laws and set policies. Give us respect for those who protect us from crime. Lead us to value the rights of our fellow citizens and to defend those who cannot defend themselves.
- Bless our land with peace and prosperity so that the gospel may be proclaimed to all.

- P: Give us passion to share the story of your love with our family and friends. Overcome unbelief, and open the hearts of people everywhere to believe the good news that Jesus has forgiven their sins and opened the gates of heaven.
- C: Fill us with joy over every sinner who repents and comes to trust in you.
- P: Extend your healing power to those who are sick and suffering in body or mind. Give patience and compassion to all who care for the sick and dying.
- C: Lift the eyes of the distressed to your love in Christ.
- P: Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

## Silent prayer

- P: Gracious God, you govern and direct all things and you love all people. Hear our prayers, spoken and silent, and answer them in your wisdom and grace.
- C: In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

## YOUTH/ADULT CHOIR: How Beautiful

by Twila Paris arranged by Benjamin Harlan

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## **PRAYER**

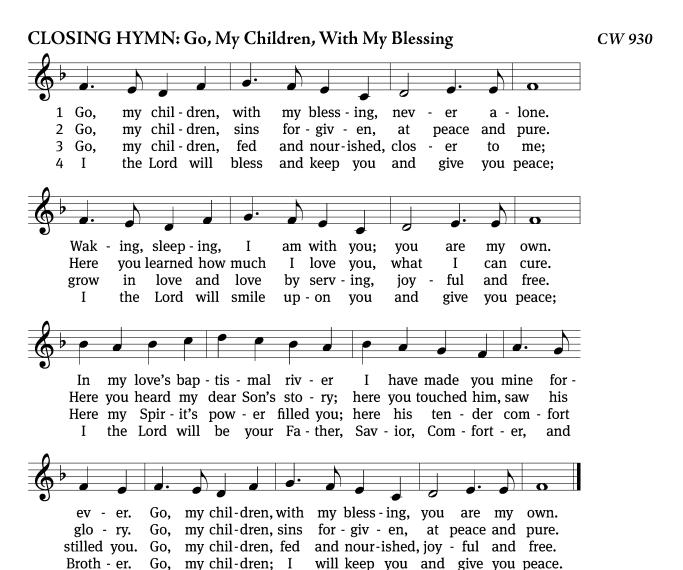
- P: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: 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.

#### **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.



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