

## 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**

**Call Meeting:** We will be having our call meeting **today** following the service in the Bible study hour. Come join us and give your input on the candidates Pastor Klatt provides for us to choose from. Childcare will be available on the back playground during the regular Children's Fellowship Hour.

**Guest Preacher:** Thank you to retired Pastor Dallas Miller for leading our worship today so that Pastor Warskow could remain in Spooner to attend the retirement potluck for his preschool teacher.

Fellowship Campfire: Please join us for a campfire on Friday, July 11th at 6pm behind church. All ages welcome! S'mores supplies will be provided; bring your own chair. Please feel free to invite friends and bring outdoor games/toys to share!

**Lawns & Landscaping:** If you enjoy getting outside for gardening and yardwork, please join us in upkeeping the church grounds! During the warmer months, we get together on **Thursday mornings from about 9am to noon** to care for SOTH's lawns and garden areas. Everyone is welcome to come help out! Please speak with David Hedin if you have any questions.

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.



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#### INVOCATION

- P: In the name of the Father and of the \(\mathbb{F}\) 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

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.







- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared joys beyond understanding for those who love you. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING

### 1 Kings 19:19-21

<sup>19</sup>So Elijah went from there and found Elisha son of Shaphat. Elisha was doing the plowing with twelve teams of oxen in front of him, and he himself was driving the twelfth team. Elijah crossed over to him and threw his cloak over him. <sup>20</sup>Then Elisha left the oxen and ran after Elijah. He said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother good-bye! Then I will follow you." Then Elijah said, "Go back! For what have I done to you?"

<sup>21</sup>So Elisha turned back from following him. Then he took the team of oxen and slaughtered them. Using the equipment from the oxen as fuel, he cooked the meat and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he got up, followed Elijah, and served him.

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

#### SECOND READING

#### 2 Corinthians 11:21b-30

However bold anyone might be (I am speaking in a foolish way), I am going to be bold too. <sup>22</sup>Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they Abraham's seed? So am I. <sup>23</sup>Are they ministers of Christ? (I am speaking in a crazy way.) I am even more. I've done more hard work, been in prisons more often, been whipped far more, and I've been close to death many times. <sup>24</sup>Five times I received from the Jews the forty lashes minus one. <sup>25</sup>Three times I was beaten with rods. One time I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked. I have spent a night and a day on the open sea. <sup>26</sup>I have often been on journeys, in danger from rivers, in danger from robbers, in danger from my own people, in danger from Gentiles, in danger in the city, in danger in the wilderness, in danger on the sea, in danger among false brothers. <sup>27</sup>I have worked hard and struggled. I've spent many sleepless nights. I've been hungry and thirsty. I've gone without food many times. I've been cold and lacked clothing.

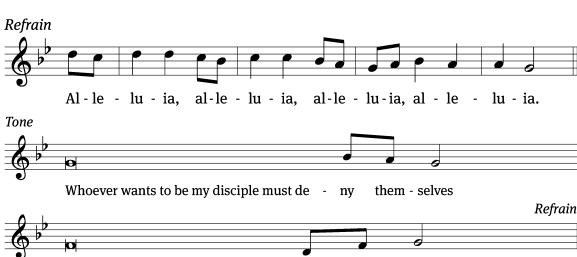
<sup>28</sup>Besides those external matters, there is the daily pressure on me of my concern for all the churches. <sup>29</sup>Who is weak without my being weak? Who falls into sin without my being distressed?

<sup>30</sup>If it is necessary that I boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness.

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

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GOSPEL Luke 9:51-62

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<sup>51</sup>When the days were approaching for him to be taken up, Jesus was determined to go to Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup>He sent messengers ahead of him. They went and entered a Samaritan village to make preparations for him. <sup>53</sup>But the people did not welcome him, because he was determined to go to Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup>When his disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to consume them?"

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<sup>55</sup>But he turned and rebuked them. "You don't know what kind of spirit is influencing you. <sup>56</sup>For the Son of Man did not come to destroy people's souls, but to save them." Then they went to another village.

<sup>57</sup>As they went on the way, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."

<sup>58</sup>Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head."

<sup>59</sup>He said to another man, "Follow me!"

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But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father."

- <sup>60</sup>Jesus told him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God."
- <sup>61</sup>Another man also said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say good-bye to those at my home."
- <sup>62</sup>Jesus told him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."
  - P: The Gospel of the Lord.
  - C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

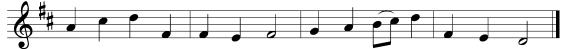
Children in attendance today may come up to the altar steps and sit for a special devotion with Pastor Miller. This service segment is intended to engage the children to help them understand today's message. They will return to their seats afterward.

## HYMN OF THE DAY: Take My Life and Let It Be

CW 695



- 1 Take my life and let it be con-se-crat-ed, Lord, to thee;
- 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im pulse of thy love;
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing al-ways, on ly for my King;
- 4 Take my sil ver and my gold, not a mite would I with-hold;



take my mo-ments and my days, let them flow in cease-less praise. take my feet and let them be swift and beau-ti - ful for thee. take my lips and let them be filled with mes-sag - es from thee. take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

- Take my will and make it thine, it shall be no longer mine; take my heart, it is thine own, it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

### **▼** THE MESSAGE **▼**

# Apostolic Attitude for Audience Accepting

2 Corinthians 11:21b-30

- 1. Denying the Destroyer
- 2. Magnifying the Master

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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: <a href="https://www.dulutheran.org">www.dulutheran.org</a> and click on the "GIVE" tab.

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#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

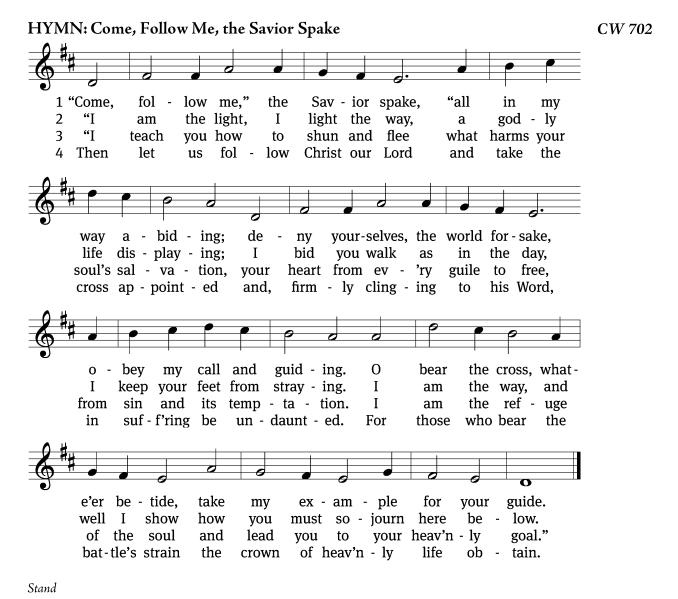
- P: Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.
- C: Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.
- P: Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.
- C: Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.
- P: Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.
- C: Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.
- P: Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.
- C: Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.
- P: Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.
- C: Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.
- P: Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.
- C: Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.
- P: Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

### Silent prayer

P: We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

- C: Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.
- P: Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.
- C: Amen.

Be seated

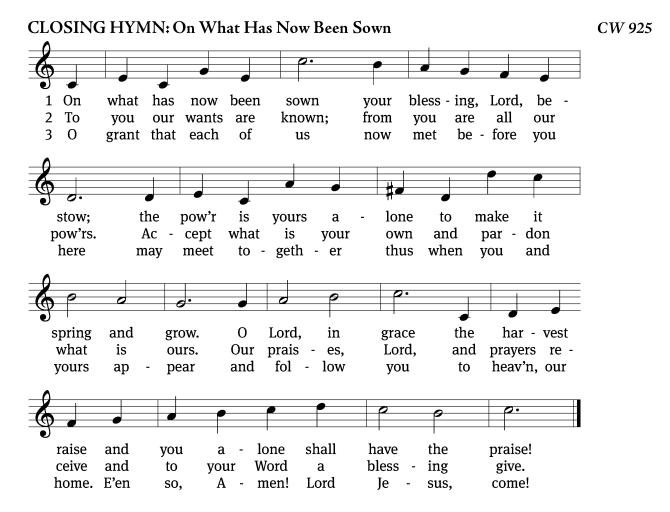


PRAYER

- P: God of all power and might, you are the giver of all that is good. Help us love you with all our heart, strengthen us in true faith, provide us with all we need, and keep us safe in your care; through your Son, 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.



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