

"Proclaiming Christ Crucified"

Presbyterian Church in America

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Sunday School – 9:00 AM (No Sunday School in Summer) Morning Worship – 10:30 AM

By discipling God's people through the word, prayer, and sacraments, we seek to see the Church redeemed, individual lives transformed, families strengthened, our people equipped for service, our community growing strong in their faith in Jesus Christ, and that Christ would be known among the nations.

ABOUT OUR CHURCH

Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church's vision is to glorify God in proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the church and to the world so that the light of Christ will shine brighter and brighter in our lives, in our family's lives, in the lives of our local community and to the ends of the Earth, all to the glory of God.

TO OUR VISITORS

We are thankful for your visit and warmly welcome you to the worship service today. Please don't hesitate to stick around after the service to meet us or get more information.



Please scan this QR Code to help us connect with you or fill out the blue form at the welcome desk.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Children of all ages are welcome in worship! The following activities are also available for the children:

Children's worksheets are available on the windowsill in the back of the sanctuary.

Nursery is available during the worship service for infants.

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GOOD SHEPHERD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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TODAY WE CELEBERATE THE LORD'S SUPPER

Today at Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church, we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper. This sacrament was instituted by Christ. Through this sacrament, in the giving of bread and wine, we remember His sacrificial death on the cross on our behalf, and we, by faith, and through the Spirit, find Him to be our source of spiritual renewal, nourishment and life. We invite all today who are trusting in Christ alone for their salvation, and who are seeking to walk before him in humble repentance and new obedience, to join us in this holy sacrament. During this time of worship, reflection and examination, we encourage you to draw near to Christ, to come to Him with all your sin and brokenness, to repent, and to receive His mercies anew for your spiritual joy, nourishment and growth in grace.

We also believe that Christ has ordained the church to administer this sacrament, and so we believe that all who participate should be in good standing with this, or some other Christian church, or if not, have sought prior approval from the Elders. Although we each may be at various stages of development in our commitment to and participation in church, each of us as Christians, whether adult or child, is encouraged to publicly profess faith before a local Christian congregation and to benefit from the mutual encouragement and fellowship that Christ's church provides.

Since the Bible does give a warning that one should not participate in the Lord's Supper in an unworthy manner, we ask those who are not trusting in Christ, or not walking before Him in humble repentance, to refrain from partaking of the elements this morning. We do, however, encourage you to ponder deeply the things you have heard today in this worship service and to seek the Lord, that He may give you faith and understanding to appreciate and receive His great work of redemption that is represented in this sacrament. The pastor or any of the elders would be glad to answer any questions you may have about this sacrament or about what it means to be a Christian.

We use wine in the Lord's Supper (wine colored cups); however, for those who prefer, grape juice is provided in the outer ring of the tray (clear cups).

Let us draw near to the love of Christ on this special day of celebration and spiritual renewal.

This is the day that the LORD has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

*Hymn of Praise

⁸Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly.⁹ Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.

We Gather Together

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; He chastens and hastens His will to make known: the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing: sing praises to His name; He forgets not His own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine; so from the beginning the fight we were winning: Thou, Lord, wast at our side: all glory be Thine!

We all do extol Thee, Thou leader triumphant, and pray that Thou still our defender wilt be. Let Thy congregation endure thro' tribulation: Thy name be ever prais'd! O Lord, make us free! Hymns from Trinity Hymnal used by permission of Great Commission Publications.

*Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading

Gen 47:1-12

Ps. 85:8-9

ESV

No. 363

Selection by CE

Oct 10, 2021

Prayer of Confession

Holy Father,

We have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, of failure to find your mind in your Word, of neglect to seek you in our daily lives.

Our transgressions and short-comings present us with a list of accusations, But we plead with you now that they will not stand against us, for all have been laid on Christ;

Go on to subdue our corruptions, and grant us grace to live above them. Go on with your patient work, answering 'no' to our wrongful prayers, and fitting us to accept it.

Purge us from every false desire, every base aspiration, everything contrary to your rule.

We thank you for your wisdom and your love, for all the acts of discipline to which we are subject, for sometimes putting us into the furnace to refine our gold and remove our dross.

No trial is so hard to bear as a sense of sin.

If you should give us a choice to live in pleasure and keep our sins, or to have them burnt away with trial, give us sanctified affliction.

Deliver us from every evil habit, every layer of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in us, everything that prevents us from taking delight in you.

Thank you, Holy Father, for making us more like your son Jesus, For it is in his name we pray. Amen.

Adapted from The Valley of Vision: A Collection of Puritan Prayers and Devotions, edited by Arthur Bennett 2193625292

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

¹⁰ Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

¹¹ Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.

¹² Yes, the Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

¹³ Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

*Hymn of Thanksgiving He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought! No. 600

He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heav'nly comfort fraught! Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

REFRAIN:He leadeth me, He leadeth me; by His own hand He leadeth me: His faithful foll'wer I would be, for by His hand He leadeth me.

Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom, by waters calm o'er troubled sea, still 'tis His hand that leadeth me. **REFRAIN**

Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine, nor ever murmur nor repine; content, whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me. **REFRAIN**

And when my task on earth is done, when, by Thy grace, the vict'ry's won, e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me.

REFRAIN

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WCF 11.1

1. Those whom God effectually calleth, he also freely justifieth: not by infusing righteousness into them, but by pardoning their sins, and by accounting and accepting their persons as righteous; not for anything wrought in them, or done by them, but for Christ's sake alone; nor by imputing faith itself, the act of believing, or any other evangelical obedience to them, as their righteousness; but by imputing the obedience and satisfaction of Christ unto them, they receiving and resting on him and his righteousness, by faith; which faith they have not of themselves, it is the gift of God.

Prayer of Intercession

Offering

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Selection by CE

No. 731

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*Hymn of Preparation

Lead On, O King Eternal No. 580

Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come; henceforth in fields of conquest Thy tents shall be our home: through days of preparation Thy grace has made us strong, and now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease, and holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace; for not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums, but deeds of love and mercy, the heav'nly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears; for gladness breaks like morning where-e'er Thy face appears; Thy cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light: the crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might.

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Sermon

1. What Kind of Kingdom?

2. Being Determines Doing

3. The Amiable King

Questions:

- 1. Why were the disciples so obsessed over politics? In what ways do you see this same obsession in our world today? Is it healthy or not?
- 2. What are some reasons that cause you to be someone who's always on the go? How does this help and how does this hinder your spiritual walk?
- 3. Think of some ways that you've seen Jesus amiable nature come through in the Scriptures? Your own life?
- 4. How can you be more amiable in your life? Who is one person this week that you can work to become more amiable towards?

The Lord's Supper

(wine in the wine-colored cups and grape juice in the clear cups)

Sursum Corda Leader: Lift up your hearts! People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Music: Selections from the Hymnal Hymns from Trinity Hymnal used by permission of Great Commission Publications.

*Hymn of Response

Jesus Paid It All

No. 308

I hear the Savior say, "Your strength indeed is small, child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me, your all in all."

REFRAIN: Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe; sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find your power, and yours alone, can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone. **REFRAIN**

For nothing good have I whereby your grace to claim--I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb. **REFRAIN**

And when, before the throne, I stand in him complete, "Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat. REFRAIN

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*Benediction

*Gloria Patri

No. 735 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

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Postlude

Selection by CE

* Congregation: Please stand as able.

Organ/Piano/Guitar Intercessory Prayer

Chris Erickson Andrew Gretzinger

Weekly Calendar

	DATE	<u>TIME</u> <u>EVEN</u>	<u>TI</u>
SUN 10/10	9:20 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship Service – LORDs Suppe	r
TUE 10/12	1:00 PM	Senior Care Group (PS	55)
WED 10/13	6:00 PM	Women's Evening Bible Study (He	ebrews 2)
SUN 10/17	9:20 AM 10:30 AM 11:45 AM	Sunday School Worship Service Pavilion Dedication	

Serving the Lord							
	10/10	10/17	10/24	10/31	11/7		
AM Nursery	Lorrie	Felicia	Kathleen	Yon	Lorrie		
Greeters	Martha	Lash	Alice	Phyllis	Cherie Lee		
		Fam					
Treats	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Serve/Cleanup	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Audio	Grayden Lash	Josh	Jim	Ben	Forrest		
		Alderson	Martin	Armstrong	Carleton		
Elder of the Week	Gretzinger	Lindborg	Hrivnak	Gretzinger	Lindborg		
Deacon of the	Jim	Jason	Jim	Jason	Jim		
Week							
Communion Prep	Hrivnak	N/A	N/A	N/A	Lindborg		

Announcements

- Apple Cider Event: Mark your calendars for this event on Oct 23rd. That means it is time to save milk and juice jugs. Only the ones with screw on lids, please other lids are a spill hazard. Once they are empty, wash and dry them. Then keep the jugs in a safe place and we'll announce when to bring them to church.
- Pavilion: You can see the great work done on the pavilion. We look forward to using it for upcoming events. There will be a brief dedication and celebration after the worship service Oct 17.Families whose last name falls alphabetically between A-K should also bring a soup and those families between L-Z should also bring a salad. Drinks & Bread will be provided.
- Bible Studies: Both Men's & Women's Bible Studies are going through Hebrews. All are welcome!
- Save the Date: Fall Youth Event Oct 29, details on insert. Please sign-up at the welcome desk!
- Luke McAuley Request (Kenya): The plot of land has been purchased and looks very nice. See the picture in the narthex. Lilian is very thankful to the church for making this possible and sends her thanks and greetings.

Prayer for the Church

To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints... Ephesians 6:18b

Member(s) of the Week- Phyllis Sederberg

Missions - Insert

Request(s)

- Pray for the turning of the hearts in our nation back to God.
- ✤ Pray for transition & training of new leadership.
- Pray for our church activities to be edifying and for those involved to be strengthened in spirit.

Pray for our Elders & Deacons

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Pray for Church-Supported Missionaries

Tracy & Joy Dager - Middle East Norlan DeGroot - MINTS - Seminary Extension Joel Irvin - Heart City Church (plant) - Elkhart, IN Satoshi & Cally Kawachi - Europe Luke & Amanda McAuley - Kenya Emad & Michelle Mikhail - Egypt Gaurav & Sara Misra - Central Asia Tom & Catalina Nachtergaele - Belgium Curtis McDaniel - RUF Purdue InterVarsity Christian Fellowship - Valpo U John & Cathy Rug - Chile Hugh & Martine Wessel – France Bhogpur Children's Home - India Covenant College (PCA) - Lookout Mt., GA Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary (Prison) First Contact - Valparaiso, IN Mid-America Reformed Seminary - Dyer, IN Mission to North America (PCA) Mission to the World (PCA) The Old Firehouse Community Center - Gary, IN The Women's Center - Valparaiso, IN