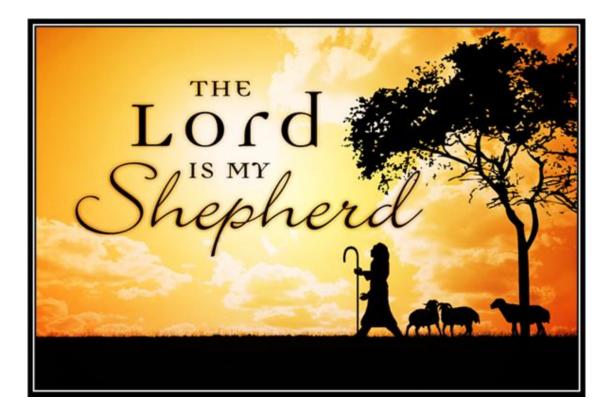
The Church of the Good Shepherd



The 4th Sunday after the Epiphany February 2, 2025



The flowers in the church have been donated: In Thanksgiving for my grandchildren & the baptism of Liam Winters (Great Grandson)

by Rebecca Ryder

We Welcome Our Guests

The Good Shepherd faith community welcomes those who are visitors. Your presence and participation in our worship service is a blessing to us all. All are welcome, whoever you are, just as you are!

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Good Shepherd's Sunday School

Sunday School is held during the first half of our 10am Sunday Service, on the first and third Sunday of the month. All Sunday School volunteers have undergone CORI background checks and received training, including the Safe Church training required by the Episcopal Church for all those who work with children.

Good Shepherd's Sunday Nursery

Children of all ages are always welcome at our Sunday Services. Good Shepherd operates a nursery on Sunday from 9:50 –11:10am for infants and children through kindergarten (age 5-6) for those who wish to use it. The nursery is staffed by two adults who have completed Safe Church Training and a CORI background check.

For more information about our Good Shepherd Community please go to our website at <u>www.goodshepherdwareham.org</u> or scan the QR Code here.



Again, thank you for blessing us with your presence and participation this morning!

ASSISTING MINISTERS				
FEBRUARY 2, 2025		FEBRUARY 9, 2025		
8AM	10AM	8AM	10AM	
NO SERVICE ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY	READERS: JANEMANDELL SHERYLFACCHETTI HOSPITALITY: JUDY GOVON & RICHE BALANCA EUCHARISTIC: SHERYLFACCHETTI	READERS: CHLOK MCCULLOUGH HOSPITALITY: MKEALFONSO EUCHARISTIC: JOELLA CRUZ	READERS: SG PRESTON SCOOTER HOLCOMEE HOSPITALITY: GNGER BARRET & BILL WILBURN EUCHARISTIC: RICHELLIS	
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The Gathering Song

(10am Service)

"The House That Love Is Building" (please stand as you are able)

(see page 9)

The Opening Acclamation

Presider: Blessed are you, holy and living One.People: You come to your people and set them free.

The Service Introduction

The Confession

Deacon:

Remembering that we are loved and that we sometimes fall short in following Jesus' commandment to love one another, let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People:

Most merciful God, we confess of the ways we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. For the times we have not loved you with our whole heart; and have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. Have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. *Amen.*

Absolution

Presider: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Opening Prayer

Presider: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you. Presider: Together, let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, help us to follow your way of love, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. *Amen*.

(please be seated)

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-10

The word of the LORD came to me saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the LORD said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Reader: The Word of the Lord *People:* **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm 71:1-6

Reader: Let us recite Psalm 71 responsively by half verse

¹ In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; * **let me never be ashamed.**

² In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; * incline your ear to me and save me.

³ Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; *

you are my crag and my stronghold.

⁴ Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, *

from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

⁵ For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, *

my confidence since I was young.

⁶ I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; * my praise shall be always of you.



The Holy Gospel: Luke 4:14-30

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel Acclamation (10AM Service)

Repeat Gospel Acclamation Refrain once (page 3)

The Message (please be seated)

The Prayers of the People

Leader: God in your love for us. *People*: **Hear our prayer.**

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you. *People:* And also with you.

Let us take a moment to turn and share the sign of peace <u>verbally</u> with those around us. We will then pray together the Prayer of St. Francis.

The Prayer of St. Francis

Presider and People: Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

The Announcements (please be seated)

Our Sunday Offerings:

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 The Offertory Anthem:
 "If The Lord Builds A House"
 Hope Darst & Jon Reddick

 (10AM Service)
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THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

(please stand as you are able)

The Great Thanksgiving

- Presider: The Lord be with you.
- People: And also with you.
- Presider: Lift up your hearts.
- People: We lift them to the Lord.
- Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Presider continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

The Words of Praise

Presider and People:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Presider continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

The Memorial Acclamation

Presider & People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Presider continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider and People: 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: We who break this bread, share in the Body of Christ. *People:* We who are many are one body in Christ.

Communion

All are invited to receive communion, no exceptions. Please come to the front of the church as directed by the hospitality minister. To receive the communion bread, please extend your hands, one on top of the other, with your palms up. To receive from the communion cup you may dip the communion wafer into the wine in the cup or take the cup into your hands and drink from it. The response to receiving communion is "Amen". If you need to have communion brought to you, please inform the hospitality minister. Gluten free wafers are available. If you would like a gluten free wafer, please inform the priest when you come up for communion.

(please be seated after receiving communion)

Communion Song: (10AM Service)	"We Are The Body of Christ"	(see page 10)
The Prayer after Communion <i>Presider:</i> Together let us pray. <i>Presider and People:</i>	(please stand as you are able	ə)
God of unbounded love and o you have united us with Chris and have made us one with all your people in heaver May this time of worship trans as we go forth to proclaim in your message of love; through Christ our Lord. Ame	st and one another; n and on earth. sform our hearts, word and deed	
The Blessing		
Dismissal People's Response: Thanks	be to God.	
The Concluding Song: (10AM Service)	"Hold On To Love"	(see page 8)

"Hold On To Love"



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Verse:

We lift up our voices as one We carry the banner of peace We hold ourselves accountable We are the body of Christ

Verse:

We reach out to those in darkness We see through the clouds of dismay We cry for the lost and lonely We are the body of Christ

Refrain:

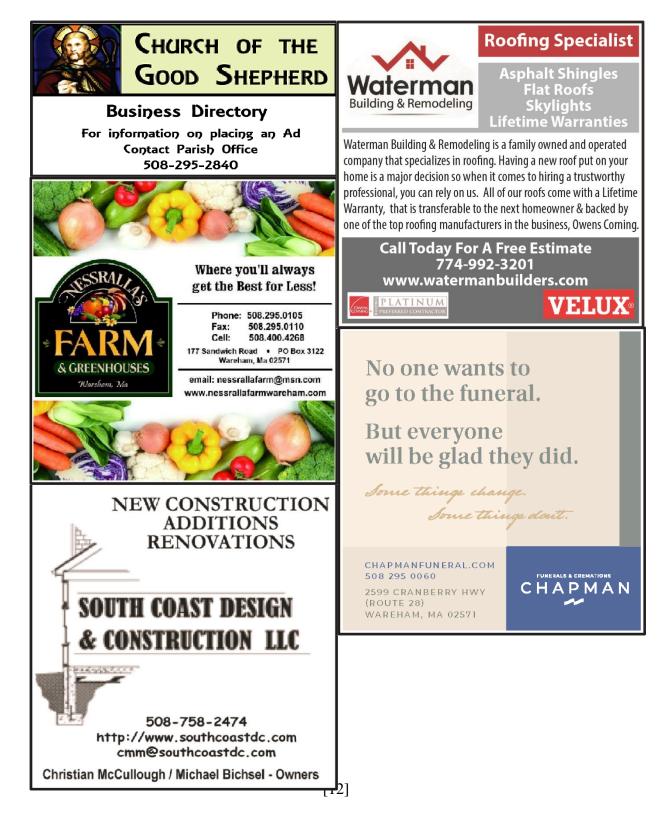
In community our hands are building In community we share the weight In community our eyes see less fortunate Together we're the body of Christ

Verse:

We love as there's no tomorrow We care for the one's left behind We pray for a heart that surrenders We are the body of Christ

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