The Church of the Good Shepherd



The 7th Sunday of Easter

June 1, 2025



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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. **Beginning June 22**, the Sunday Nursery will be closed for the summer. The Sunday Nursery will reopen on September 7.

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



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

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Gathering Song

"Many And One"

(see page 10)

(10am Service)

(please stand as you are able)

The Opening Acclamation

(please stand as you are able)

Presider:

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People:

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.

O God,

form the minds and hearts of your faithful people that we might be one.

Make us love what you love and desire what you desire, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(please be seated)

First Reading: Acts 16:16-34

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors

wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

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

The Psalm 97

Reader: Let us recite Psalm 97 responsively by half verse

¹ The LORD is King;

let the earth rejoice; *

let the multitude of the isles be glad.

² Clouds and darkness are round about him, *

righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.

³ A fire goes before him *

and burns up his enemies on every side.

⁴ His lightnings light up the world; *

the earth sees it and is afraid.

- ⁵ The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD, * at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- ⁶ The heavens declare his righteousness, * and all the peoples see his glory.
- ⁷ Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! *

Bow down before him, all you gods.

- ⁸ Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, * because of your judgments, O Lord.
- ⁹ For you are the LORD,

most high over all the earth; *

you are exalted far above all gods.

¹⁰ The LORD loves those who hate evil; *

he preserves the lives of his saints and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

- Light has sprung up for the righteous, * and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.
- ¹² Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, * and give thanks to his holy Name.

Gospel Acclamation:

"Eastertide Gospel Acclamation"

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(please stand as you are able)





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The Holy Gospel: John 17:20-26

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

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

The Gospel Acclamation (10AM Service)

Repeat Gospel Acclamation Refrain once (page 4)

The Message (please be seated)

The Prayers of the People (please stand as you are able)

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 a sign of peace 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;

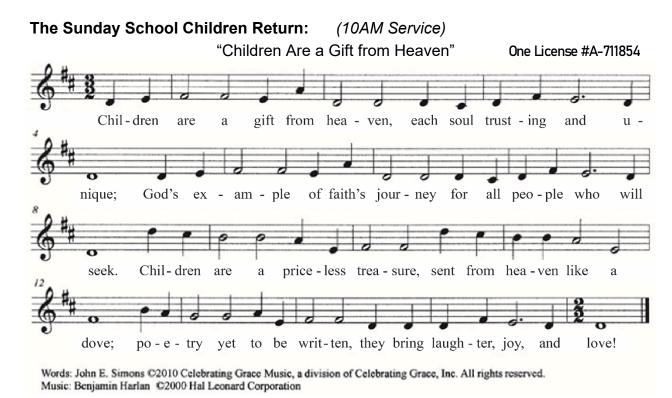
to be understood as to understand;

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 Song: (10AM Service)

"We Are One"

(see page 11)



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:

"To Live With Him Forever"

(see page 12)

(10AM Service)

The Prayer after Communion

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Together let us pray.

Presider and People:

God of unbounded love and compassion, you have united us with Christ and one another; and have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. May this time of worship transform our hearts, as we go forth to proclaim in word and deed your message of love; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Dismissal

People's Response: Thanks be to God.

The Concluding Song:

"Hallelujah Is Our Song"

(see page 9)

(10AM Service)



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Let us draw near to each oth - er, we are one, we are one.

We are all sis-ters and



broth - ers tell - ing sto - ries of our Fa - ther's love.

CHORUS 2



Let us draw near to each oth - er, we are one, we are one.

We are all sis - ters and



broth - ers at the feast of our Fa - ther's love.

CHORUS 3



Let us draw near to each oth - er, we are one, we are one.

We are all sis-ters and



broth - ers liv - ing free in our Fa - ther's love.

CHORUS 4



Let us draw near to each oth - er, we are one, we are one.

We are all sis - ters and



broth - ers warm - ing hands by the fire of His love.

Repeat CHORUS 1 two times



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