The Church of the Good Shepherd



The 11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 24, 2025

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!

At The Church of the Good Shepherd, we do not pass a collection plate during our Services. Please place your pledge payments or donations, in support of the ministries of the church, in the offering boxes located at the entrances of the Church. You may do this either before or after the Service. Thank you for your financial support, which allows the message of God's love and acceptance to shine forth through the ministries and services of our Good Shepherd community.

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. **Sunday School is closed for the summer. It will reopen on September 7.**

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. *The Sunday Nursery is closed for the summer. It 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!

ASSISTING MINISTERS			
August 24, 2025		August 31, 2025	
8AM	10AM	8AM	10AM
READERS: CHUCKMOULLOUGH HOSPITALITY MINISTER: MKEALFOSNO EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: JOELLA CRUZ	READERS: RICHELIS JEANNMAN HOSPITALITY MINISTERS: DANANNA & EECKY HANSEN EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: MALRICE PARKONEN NURSERY MINISTERS: NO NURSERY COFFEE HOUR HOST(S): JEANE & JOE WALLACE	READERS: JANET DRUM HOSPITALITY MINISTER: KARENCLARK EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: NATECIA ALFONSO	READERS: JANBARTON JUDY GOVON HOSPITALITY MINISTERS: CHUCK & DONNATOLLEY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: BLAINE GRAYBILL NURSERY MINISTERS: NO NURSERY COFFEE HOUR HOST(S): VIM, CARMELINA & THERESA



The Gathering Song

"All Are Welcome"

(see page 9)

(10am Service)

(please stand as you are able)

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.

O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. *Amen*.

(please be seated)

First Reading: Isaiah 58:9b-14

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,

then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong;

and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;

you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;

if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable;

if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;

then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;

I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

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

Psalm 103:1-8

Reader: Let us recite Psalm 103 responsively by half verse

- ¹ Bless the LORD, O my soul, * and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.
- ² Bless the LORD, O my soul, * and forget not all his benefits.
- ³ He forgives all your sins * and heals all your infirmities;
- ⁴ He redeems your life from the grave * and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;
- ⁵ He satisfies you with good things, * and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.
- ⁶ The LORD executes righteousness * and judgment for all who are oppressed.
- ⁷ He made his ways known to Moses * and his works to the children of Israel.
- 8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, * slow to anger and of great kindness.

Gospel Acclamation:

"Alleluia"

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The Holy Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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 (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. If you do not wish to shake hands, simply fold your hands in front of you and say, "Peace be with you." 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)

"10,000 Reasons"

(see page 10)



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:

We remember his death.

We proclaim his resurrection.

We await his coming in glory.

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:

"Love, Burn Bright"

(see page 11)

(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: "Make Us, O God, A Church That Shares" (see page 8)

(10AM Service)



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