The Church of the Good Shepherd



The 17th Sunday after Pentecost
October 5, 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. *The Sunday Nursery will not be open on October 12 & 26.*

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						
October	⁻ 5, 2025	October 12, 2025				
8AM	10AM	8AM	10AM			
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The Gathering Song (10am Service)

"All Creatures Of Our God And King" (please stand as you are able)

(see page 11)

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

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.

Creating God, in wisdom you brought forth all that is. You make holy the matter and energy of the universe that it may delight you and give you praise. We thank you for gathering all Creation into your heart. With the power of your resurrection love, may all creation be renewed, and may we more closely align our lifestyles with your plan of sustainability. We make this prayer through the One in whom all things have their being, Jesus Christ, your Wisdom and your Word. *Amen*.

(please be seated)

First Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus.

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I

have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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

Psalm 37:1-10

Reader: Let us recite Psalm 37 responsively by half verse

- Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; * do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- ² For they shall soon wither like the grass, * and like the green grass fade away.
- ³ Put your trust in the LORD and do good; * dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- ⁴ Take delight in the LORD, *

and he shall give you your heart's desire.

- ⁵ Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in him, * and he will bring it to pass.
- ⁶ He will make your righteousness as clear as the light * and your just dealing as the noonday.
- ⁷ Be still before the LORD *

and wait patiently for him.

- ⁸ Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, * the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- ⁹ Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; *

do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

¹⁰ For evildoers shall be cut off, *

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but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess the land.



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The Holy Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, `Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your servant who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the servant for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are simply servants; we have done only what we ought to have done!"

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)

Creation Care Litany

Leader: In the beginning God made the heavens and the earth

All: We thank you, creator God

Leader: God made humankind to shepherd and care for all creation

All: We thank you, creator God

Leader: You gave us food in due season

All: We thank you, creator God

Leader: You gave us water for refreshment and life

All: We thank you, creator God

Leader: You gave us each other for joy and service

All: We thank you, creator God

Leader: For your extravagant generosity

All: We thank you, creator God

Leader: Nurturing God, give us the wisdom to see your love in all things

All: Compassionate God, hear our prayer

Leader: Give us the grace to accept the diversity of all creation

All: Compassionate God, hear our prayer

Leader: Give us the humility to realize that we are not your only creation

All: Compassionate God, hear our prayer

Leader: Give us the courage to speak for that which cannot speak

All: Compassionate God, hear our prayer

Leader: To defend that which speaks only to you

All: Compassionate God, hear our prayer

Leader: Good Shepherd, give us compassion that we may we tend to all your flock

All: In your great love for us, hear us, most merciful God

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;

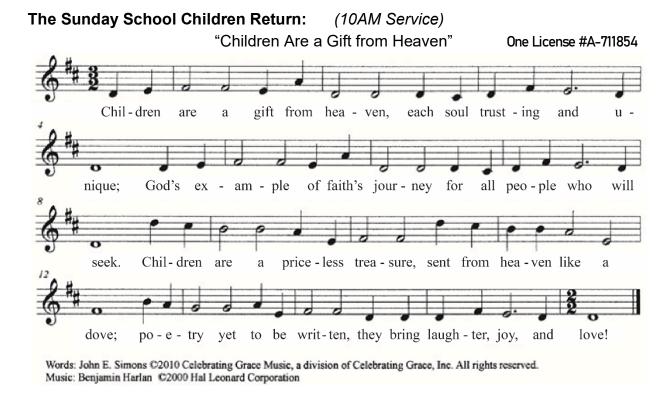
where there is sadness, joy.

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 Anthem: "God Of Wonders" One License #A-711854 (10AM Service) Steve Hindalong and Marc Byrd



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.

Discord 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 Anthem: "I Will Have Faith In You" CCLI License #20734687 (10AM Service)

Sarah Hart and Sam Mizell

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.

"One World" The Concluding Song: (see page 9-10)

(10AM Service)





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- 1. All crea-tures of our God and King, Lift up your voic es,
- 2. Great rush ing winds who are so strong, You clouds a bove that
- <u>3.</u> Swift flow ing wa ter, pure and clear, Make mu sic for your
- 4. Dear moth er earth, who day by day Un folds your bless-ings



- 1. let us sing: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Bright burn-ing sun with
- 2. sail a long, O _ praise him! Al le lu ia! Fair ris ing morn, with
- 3. Lord to hear, Al-le lu ia! Al-le lu ia! Fire so in tense and
- 4. on our way, O __ praise him! Al-le-lu-ia! All flow'rs and fruits that



- 1. gold en beams, Soft sil ver moon that gent ly gleams, O praise him!
- 2. praise re joice, Stars night ly shin ing, find a voice, O praise him!
- 3. fierce ly bright, Who gives to us both warmth and light, O praise him!
- 4. in you grow, Let them his glo ry al so show: O praise him!



Text: LM with additions; St. Francis of Assisi, 1182–1226; Laudato sia Dio mio Signore; tr. by William H. Draper, 1855–1933, alt. Music: Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Cologne, 1623.



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