

# The Church of the Good Shepherd



The First Sunday in Lent

February 22, 2026



## 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, usually 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 [www.goodshepherdwareham.org](http://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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February 22, 2026		March 1, 2026	
8AM	10AM	8AM	10AM
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## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

### **The Gathering Song** *(10am Service)*

**“Turn Our Hearts Around”**  
*(please stand as you are able)*

*(see page 9)*

### **The Opening Acclamation**

*Presider:* Blessed be God who forgives all our sins.

*People:* **God’s mercy endures forever.**

### **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.

**Lord God, our strength,  
the struggle between good  
and evil rages within and around us,  
and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises.  
Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall,  
raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ,  
our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*(please be seated)*

## **First Reading: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7**

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 32

*Reader:* Let us recite Psalm 32 responsively by half verse

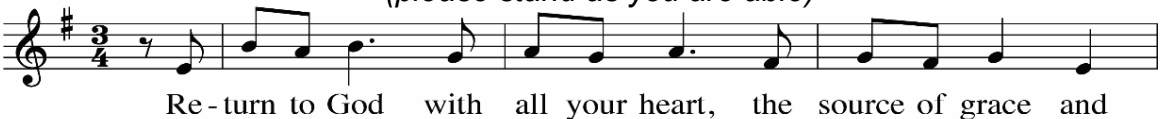
- <sup>1</sup> Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \*  
**and whose sin is put away!**
- <sup>2</sup> Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, \*  
**and in whose spirit there is no guile!**
- <sup>3</sup> While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \*  
**because of my groaning all day long.**
- <sup>4</sup> For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \*  
**my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**
- <sup>5</sup> Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*  
**and did not conceal my guilt.**
- <sup>6</sup> I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." \*  
**Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**
- <sup>7</sup> Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*  
**when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**
- <sup>8</sup> You are my hiding-place;  
you preserve me from trouble; \*  
**you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**
- <sup>9</sup> "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; \*  
**I will guide you with my eye.**
- <sup>10</sup> Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; \*  
**who must be fitted with bit and bridle,  
or else they will not stay near you."**
- <sup>11</sup> Great are the tribulations of the wicked; \*  
**but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**
- <sup>12</sup> Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; \*  
**shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**

### The Gospel Acclamation:

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Refrain

*(please stand as you are able)*



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## **The Holy Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11**

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

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,'  
and 'On their hands they will bear you up,  
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,  
and serve only him.'"

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

*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.**

*(please be seated)*

## **The Announcements**

### **Our Sunday Offerings:**

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### **The Offertory Anthem:**

*(10AM Service)*

**"Holy Is The Name"**

Sarah Hart, Jesse Manibusan and Steve Angrisano

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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)*

**"Not By Bread Alone"**

*(see page 10)*

### **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:**  
*(10AM Service)*

**"To The Ends Of The Earth"**

*(see page 8)*

# "To The Ends Of The Earth"

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1. Oh, the beau - ty of the hands that reach For the
2. Oh, the mer - cy of the Sav - ior's way, Who be -
3. Oh, how sweet the fruit of the seeds we've sown When the



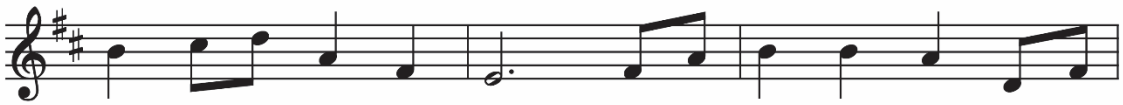
1. suf - fer - ing on the bro - ken streets, O - ver o - ceans
2. neath the weight of our sins for - gave; And who by his
3. hard - est ground yields the great - est hope. We will work the



1. wide to the hun - gry ones, With the hope of Christ in the
2. suf - f'ring re - mind - ed us We must do all things for the
3. fields till the har - vest comes, Know - ing he'll pro - vide till the



1. name of love. In the poor and weak, in the dark - est grief, Is the
2. sake of love. Could we hide our face from this sav - ing grace Or
3. work is done. We will glad - ly go where the riv - ers flow, Where the



1. fire of his heart that burns; It is him we see when we
2. turn from the truth we've heard? Oh, how blest our lives when we
3. lights of the cit - ies burn; With the heart of God, we will



1. serve the least
  2. take his light
  3. car - ry Love
- } To the ends of the earth.

REFRAIN



Turn our hearts a-round.

Turn our hearts a - round.



Flood our souls com-plete - ly,

wash us in your love.



Turn our hearts a-round.

Turn our hearts a - round.



Hold us in your mer-cy,

change us with your love.

VERSES 1-3



1. We cry out \_\_\_\_\_ for you to heal and to set us free.

2. We have wan - dered \_\_\_\_\_ and lost our way in life's wil - der - ness.

3. We have hun - gered \_\_\_\_\_ for man - y things that are not from you.



1.-3. Bring us back.

Turn our hearts a - round.

VERSES 4-6



4. We are temp - ted \_\_\_\_\_ and we are fooled by sin's beau - ti - ful dis-guise.

5. We have stum - bled \_\_\_\_\_ a-long the path when we walk a - lone. \_\_\_\_\_

6. You have prom - ised \_\_\_\_\_ and yet we doubt your \_\_\_\_\_ faith - ful word. \_\_\_\_\_



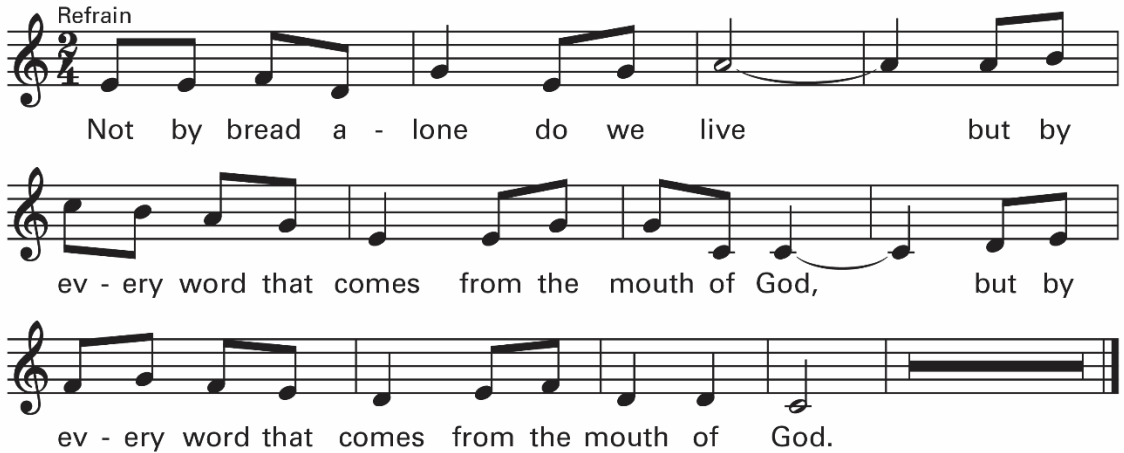
4.-6. Bring us back.

Turn our hearts a - round.

# "Not By Bread Alone"

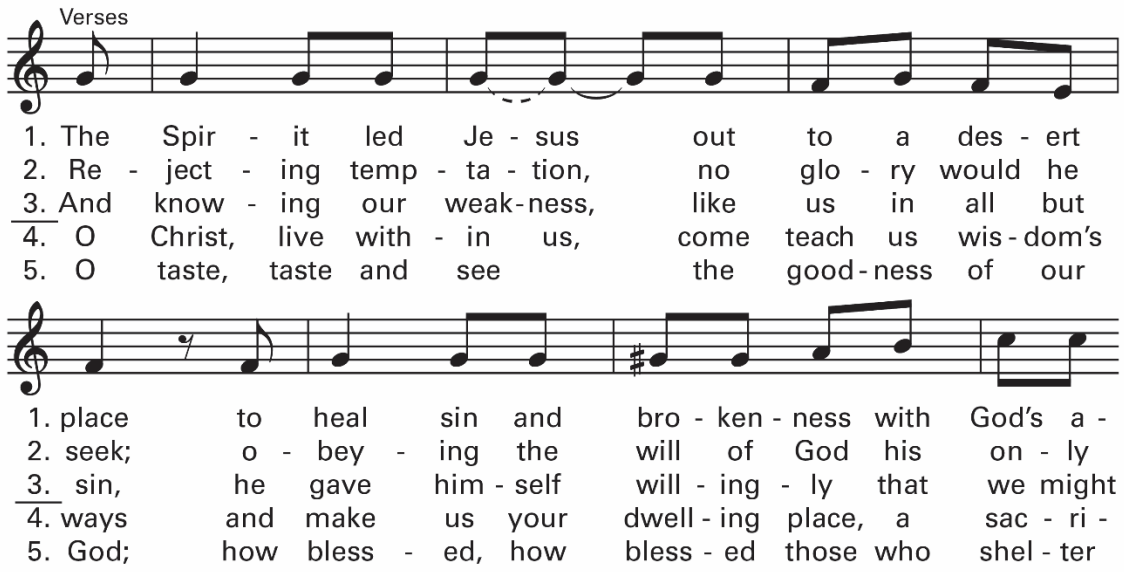
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Refrain



Not by bread a - lone do we live but by  
 ev - ery word that comes from the mouth of God, but by  
 ev - ery word that comes from the mouth of God.

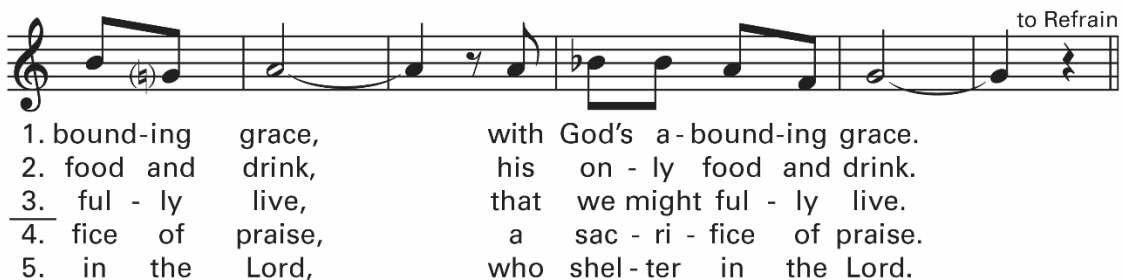
Verses



1. The Spir - it led Je - sus out to a des - ert  
 2. Re - ject - ing temp - ta - tion, no glo - ry would he  
 3. And know - ing our weak - ness, like us in all but  
 4. O Christ, live with - in us, come teach us wis - dom's  
 5. O taste, taste and see the good - ness of our

1. place to heal sin and bro - ken - ness with God's a -  
 2. seek; o - bey - ing the will of God his on - ly  
 3. sin, he gave him - self will - ing - ly that we might  
 4. ways and make us your dwell - ing place, a sac - ri -  
 5. God; how bless - ed, how bless - ed those who shel - ter

to Refrain



1. bound - ing grace, with God's a - bound - ing grace.  
 2. food and drink, his on - ly food and drink.  
 3. ful - ly live, that we might ful - ly live.  
 4. fice of praise, a sac - ri - fice of praise.  
 5. in the Lord, who shel - ter in the Lord.

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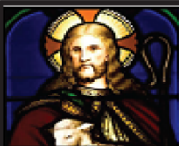
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