

The Church of the Good Shepherd



The 11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 9, 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. ***The Sunday School is closed for the season.***

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 season.***

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 9, 2026		August 16, 2026	
8AM	10AM	8AM	10AM
READERS: JANET DRUM HOSPITALITY MINISTER: KAREN CLARK EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: JOELLA CRUZ	READERS: GRETCHEN SILVA JO-ANN FINN HOSPITALITY MINISTERS: JUDY GOVONI & RICHE BALANCA EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: ELAINE GRAYBILL NURSERY MINISTERS: NO NURSERY COFFEE HOUR HOST(S): BECKY HANSEN & DAN ANNA SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NO SUNDAY SCHOOL	READERS: KAREN CLARK HOSPITALITY MINISTER: RICH SOUZA EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: NATECIA ALFONSO	READERS: CECILY KOST SHERYL FACCHETTI HOSPITALITY MINISTERS: DAN ANNA & BECKY HANSEN EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: DALE WINTERS NURSERY MINISTERS: NO NURSERY COFFEE HOUR HOST(S): THE GOOD AND GREEN TEAM SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NO SUNDAY SCHOOL



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Gathering Song *(10am Service)*

"Lord Of All Hopefulness"
(please stand as you are able)

(see page 10)

The Opening Acclamation

Presider: Blessed be the one, holy and living God.

People: **Glory to God forever and ever. Amen.**

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.

**God our defender,
storms rage around and within us
and cause us to be afraid.
Rescue your people from despair,
deliver your sons and daughters from fear,
and preserve us in the faith of your Son,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. *Amen.***

(please be seated)

First Reading: Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 85:8-13

Reader: Let us recite Psalm 85 responsively by half verse

- ⁸ I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, *
**for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.**
- ⁹ Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- ¹⁰ Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- ¹¹ Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- ¹² The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.
- ¹³ Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

Gospel Acclamation:

“Alleluia”

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(10AM Service only)

(please stand as you are able)



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The Holy Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

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

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

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!”

And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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. 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)

“Jesus”

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Chris Tomlin



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:
(10AM Service)

"Stand By Me"

(see page 11)

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.**

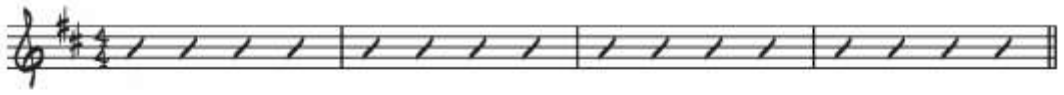
The Concluding Song:
(10AM Service)

"All The People Said Amen"

(see page 8-9)

"All The People Said Amen"

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VERSE 1



1. YOU ARE NOT A-LONE IF YOU ARE LONE-LY. WHEN YOU FEEL A-FRAID, YOU'RE NOT THE ON-LY.



WE ARE ALL THE SAME, IN NEED OF MER-CY, TO BE FOR-GIV-EN AND BE FREE. It's

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ALL YOU GOT TO LEAN ON, BUT THANK GOD, IT'S ALL YOU NEED. AND ALL THE PEO-PLE SAID A -



MEN. WHOA AND ALL THE PEO-PLE SAID A - MEN. GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HIS LOVE

VERSE 2



NEV-ER ENDS. AND ALL THE PEO-PLE SAID A - MEN. 2. IF YOU'RE RICH OR POOR,



WELL, IT DON'T MAT - TER. WEAK OR STRONG, YOU KNOW LOVE IS WHAT WE'RE AF - TER.



WE'RE ALL BRO-KEN, BUT WE'RE ALL IN THIS TO-GETH-ER. GOD KNOWS WE STUM-BLE AND FALL,



AND HE SO LOVED THE WORLD, HE SENT HIS SON TO SAVE US ALL.

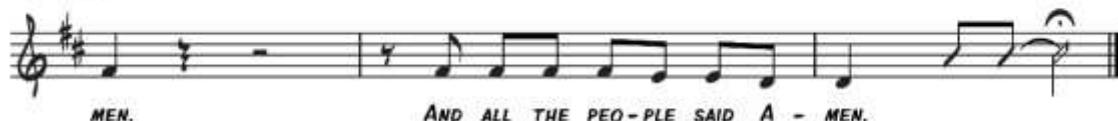
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"Lord Of All Hopefulness"

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1. Lord of all hope-ful-ness, Lord of all joy, Whose
 2. Lord of all ea-ger-ness, Lord of all faith, Whose
 3. Lord of all kind-li-ness, Lord of all grace, Your
 4. Lord of all gen-tle-ness, Lord of all calm, Whose



1. trust, ev-er child-like, no cares can de-destroy, Be
 2. strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe, Be
 3. hands swift to wel-come, your arms to em-brace, Be
 4. voice is con-tent-ment, whose pres-ence is balm, Be



1. there at our wak-ing, and give us, we pray, Your
 2. there at our la-bors, and give us, we pray, Your
 3. there at our hom-ing, and give us, we pray, Your
 4. there at our sleep-ing, and give us, we pray, Your



1. bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
 2. strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
 3. love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
 4. peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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"Stand By Me"

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Verses



1. When the storms of life are rag-ing, Lord, stand by
2. In the midst of per - se - cu-tion, Lord, stand by



1. me. When the cur - rent pulls me un - der, Lord,
2. me. When my en - e - mies sur-round me, Lord,



1. stand by me. When the ris - ing wa - ters
2. stand by me. When the ty - rant wields his



1. toss me like a ship up - on the sea, You who
2. ter - ror and the ar - mies wage their might, When the



1. rule the wind and wa - ter, Lord, stand by me.
2. dark - ness o - ver-whelms me, Lord, stand by me.

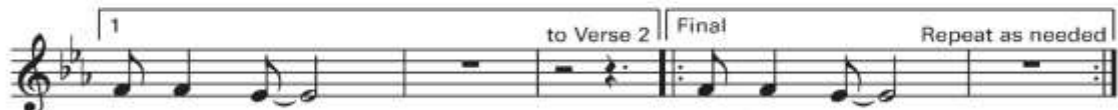
Refrain



Stand by me, stand by me. Lift me up from the rest - less sea.



When I am lost, when love can't be found, when no one cares, Lord,



stand by me.

stand by me.

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