

*He Lives to
be My Good Shepherd*



SHINING MOUNTAINS LUTHERAN CHURCH
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SERVICE OF THE WORD

Lutherans believe that the gospel is not only the good news that Jesus has saves sinners, but also a power God uses to create and strengthen faith in Jesus.

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OPENING HYMN #436

Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep



1 Je - sus, shep - herd of the sheep, Who your
2 In your prom - ise firm we stand; None can
3 By your blood our souls were bought; By your
4 Fa - ther, draw us to your Son; We with
5 We, in robes of glo - ry dressed, Join th' as -



Fa - ther's flock does keep, Safe we wake and
take us from your hand. Speak— we hear— at
life sal - va - tion wrought; By your light our
joy will fol - low on Till the work of
sem - bly of the blest, Gath - ered to e -



safe we sleep, Guard - ed still by you.
your com - mand, We will fol - low you.
feet are taught, Lord, to fol - low you.
grace is done, There to live with you.
ter - nal rest In the fold with you.

INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

HYMN OF PRAISE #162

He is Arisen! Glorious Word

**C: He is arisen! Glorious Word! Now reconciled is God, my Lord;
The gates of heav'n are open. My Jesus did triumphant die,
And Satan's arrows broken lie, Destroyed hell's fiercest weapon.
Oh, hear What cheer! Christ victorious, Rising glorious, Life is giving.
He was dead, but now is living.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray:

O Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Good Shepherd who laid down your life for the sheep. Lead us now to the still waters of your life-giving Word that we may abide in your Father's house forevermore; for you live and reign with him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING


1 Samuel 17:34-37

³⁴David said to Saul, "Your servant has been taking care of his father's sheep. When a lion or a bear came and took a lamb from the flock, ³⁵I went after it and struck it and rescued the lamb out of its mouth. When the lion reared up against me, I grabbed it by its mane, struck it, and killed it. ³⁶Your servant struck both the lion and the bear. This uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, since he has defied the ranks of the living God." ³⁷David added, "The LORD,

who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine." Saul said to David, "Go then! May the LORD be with you."

PSALM 23

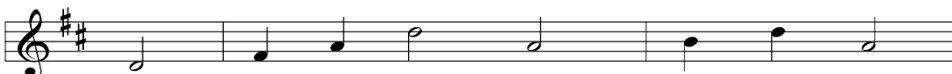
The Lord's My Shepherd



1 The Lord's my Shep - herd; I'll not want.
 2 My soul he doth re - store a - gain
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
 4 My ta - ble thou hast fur - nish - ed
 5 Good - ness and mer - cy, all my life,



He makes me down to lie
 And me to walk doth make
 Yet will I fear no ill;
 In pre - sence of my foes;
 Shall sure - ly fol - low me,




In pas - tures green; he lead - eth me
 With - in the paths of right - eous - ness,
 For thou art with me, and thy rod
 My head thou dost with oil a - noint,
 And in God's house for - ev - er - more



The qui - et wa - ters by.
 E'en for his own name's sake.
 And staff me com - fort still.
 And my cup o - ver - flows.
 My dwell - ing place shall be.



He lead - eth me, he lead - eth me
 With - in the paths of right - eous - ness,
 For thou art with me, and thy rod
 My head thou dost with oil a - noint,
 And in God's house for - ev - er - more



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²⁰Now may the God of peace — who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, in connection with his blood, which established the eternal testament — ²¹may he equip you with every good thing to do his will, as he works in us what is pleasing in his sight through Jesus Christ. To him be glory forever and ever. Amen.

VERSE OF THE DAY

John 10:14

M: Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me. Alleluia.

C: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**These words are written that we may believe
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

GOSPEL

John 10:1-10

“Amen, Amen, I tell you: Anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the door, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. ²The one who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The doorkeeper opens the door for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own sheep, he walks ahead of them. The sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will never follow a stranger, but will run away from him, because they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶Jesus used this illustration in speaking to the people, but they did not understand what he was telling them. ⁷So Jesus said again, “Amen, Amen, I tell you: I am the door for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me were thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the door. Whoever enters through me will be saved. He will come in and go out, and find pasture. ¹⁰“A thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My
 3 Con - fused and fool - ish oft I strayed, But
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With
 5 You spread a ta - ble in my sight, A



good - ness fails me nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 Sav - ior gent - ly leads me; And where the ver - dant
 yet in love he sought me And on his shoul - der
 you, dear Lord, be - side me; Your rod and staff my
 ban - quet here be - stow - ing; Your oil of wel - come,



I am his, And he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feeds me.
 gent - ly laid And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still, Your cross be - fore to guide me.
 my de - light; My cup is o - ver - flow - ing!

6 And so through all the length of days
 Your goodness fails me never.
 Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise
 Within your house forever!

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

Our offerings are an expression of thankfulness for what our Savior has done for us, and a way of supporting the spread of the gospel through the Church's work.

*You can send your offering via mail to
1710 Vaquero Parkway - Bozeman, MT 59718*

*Or you can give electronically by clicking this link
that will take you to our [secure giving site](#).*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Lord Jesus, Good Shepherd, we have heard the sweet sound of your familiar and loving voice in the gospel and have feasted on the green pastures of your Holy Word. Bless your Word in our lives. Use its message to nourish and sustain us as we journey through this life to the next.

C: What joy it is to know that you laid down your life for the sheep – even sheep like us.

M: Gracious Shepherd, we are truly confused and foolish without you. Forgive us for the times we wander from you and stray from the call of your voice. Restore us to your fold, and protect us from the evil one. When Satan comes in the sheep's clothing of false teaching, expose his lies and guide us in your truth.

C: When temporary pleasures beckon us to follow the wide road to hell, use your rod and staff to curb our sinful nature and lead us in the paths of righteousness.

M: Guiding Shepherd, bless your Church with faithful under-shepherds – pastors who proclaim your death and resurrection as they minister to the souls in their care.

C: Give all ministers of the gospel an unwavering devotion to your Word.

M: Tender Shepherd, look with special care on all who suffer from loneliness, disease, accident, or loss. Lift them into your comforting arms, and embrace them with the warmth of your love.

C: Carry them through life's troubling times. Renew hope and joy in their lives.

M: Loving Shepherd, we pray also for your “other sheep.” Let your voice be heard in all the world. Prosper the work of our missionaries at home and abroad. Give us all the zeal and courage to share with our friends and neighbors the good news of sins forgiven. Use our witness to gather the elect into one fold under your care.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Eternal Shepherd, when our days on earth come to an end and we walk through the valley of the shadow of death, lead us safely to our eternal home. There we will enjoy your goodness and mercy forever.

C: There we will enjoy your goodness and mercy forever. Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

C: 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 forever and ever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

(The words of the Preface mark the beginning of the Sacrament section of the service and lift the worshipers’ hearts in praise. The opening sentences are among the oldest in the Christian liturgy.)

M: The Lord be with you.

C: (sung) And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: (sung) We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

N: (sung) It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms and placed all things under his feet for the benefit of the Church. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

C: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glory.

You are my God, and I will exalt you.

I will give you thanks, for you have become my salvation.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glory.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-28; 1 Corinthians 11:24,25

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: (sung) Amen.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

John 1:29

**C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION

(The Lord's Supper is a wonderful gift in which we receive Jesus' own body and blood to forgive our sins and to strengthen us in our faith (Matthew 26:26-28). It is, however, a gift that is given us with certain responsibilities. The sacrament is intended for those who have been instructed and who understand what they are doing (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). It is also a way for us to express our unity of faith (1 Corinthians 10:16-17). Therefore, we ask that only confirmed members of Shining Mountains or other churches of the Wisconsin or Evangelical Lutheran Synod(s) (WELS/ELS) come forward to receive Communion. If you would like to become a communicant member of Shining Mountains, or have any questions about this practice, please speak with the pastor after the service.)

To keep social distancing, we ask that families approach one at a time. Grab your cup with the wafer in it from the table by the baptismal font and then walk to the station on the side you are sitting to grab your individual cup. Pastor will speak the words from 6+ feet away. Eat and drink the elements and then proceed back to your seat by going out into the entryway and coming back up the center aisle. After everyone has received the elements Pastor will pronounce a blessing for everyone.

THANKSGIVING

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN #432

I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

1 I am Je - sus' lit - tle lamb; Ev - er glad at heart I
2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my staff and
3 Who so hap - py as I am, E - ven now the shep-herd's

am, For my shep - herd gent - ly guides me, Knows my
stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me, In - to
lamb? And when my short life is end - ed, By his

needs and well pro - vides me, Loves me ev - 'ry
pleas - ant pas - tures leads me; When I thirst, he
an - gel hosts at - tend - ed, He shall fold me

day the same, E - ven calls me by my name.
bids me go Where the qui - et wa - ters flow.
to his breast, There with - in his arms to rest.

Special Instructions for Worship

- Wash hands / Use hand sanitizer stations often
- Sit with your family and sit at least 6 feet from another family unit
- Please do not sit in pews that have been “roped off” or places that have been “taped off”
- Congregate Outside (if weather allows)
- Fill church from front to back and outside to inside to keep people from having to walk past others
- Please take home your worship folder or throw it away at the end of the service
- Have each person grab bulletin from pile, print off at home or download and use personal device (phone/tablet)
- We highly encourage people to wear masks or bandanas over their face
- Offerings plates will not be passed but you can donate online or place in offering basket on way in/out
- **Take a moment to read the instructions we will use for the sacrament today to keep social distancing. They are written under the distribution section on p. 10.**
- Please dismiss (leave the church) from the back to front so people don’t have to walk past each other.
- Pastor will not shake your hands but will greet you in a place where we can be at least 6 feet away.
- Clorox wipe down all pews and high use surfaces after each service
- Check your email often to see updates, devotions, and other resources.