

**Welcome to Worship at Shepherd of the Hills
Sunday, November 27, 2022
9:00 a.m. – Classic Hymn Service**

**LIGHT IN A DARK WORLD
TRUTH vs. DECEIT**

WELCOME

PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN No. 537 “Beautiful Savior”

- 1 Beautiful Savior,
 King of creation,
 Son of God and Son of Man!
 Truly I'd love Thee,
 Truly I'd serve Thee,
 Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.**

- 2 Fair are the meadows,
 Fair are the woodlands,
 Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
 Jesus is fairer,
 Jesus is purer,
 He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.**

- 3 Fair is the sunshine,
 Fair is the moonlight,
 Bright the sparkling stars on high;
 Jesus shines brighter,
 Jesus shines purer
 Than all the angels in the sky.**

- 4 Beautiful Savior,
 Lord of the nations,
 Son of God and Son of Man!
 Glory and honor,
 Praise, adoration
 Now and forevermore be Thine!**

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

P: I cry to You, O Lord;

ALL: in the morning my prayer comes before You.

P: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,

ALL: and uphold me with a willing spirit.

P: My mouth is filled with Your praise,

ALL: and with Your glory all the day.

P: Every day I will bless You

ALL: and praise Your name forever and ever.

P: By awesome deeds You answer us with righteousness,

ALL: O God of our salvation, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

P: Bless the Lord, O my soul;

ALL: and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

P: He redeems your life from the pit

ALL: and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

P: Hear my prayer, O Lord;

ALL: let my cry come to You.

HYMN No. 606 "I Lay My Sins on Jesus"

1 I lay my sins on Jesus,
The spotless Lamb of God;
He bears them all and frees us
From the accursèd load.
I bring my guilt to Jesus
To wash my crimson stains
Clean in His blood most precious
Till not a spot remains.

2 I lay my wants on Jesus;
All fullness dwells in Him;
He heals all my diseases;
My soul He does redeem.
I lay my griefs on Jesus,
My burdens and my cares;
He from them all releases;
He all my sorrows shares.

3 I rest my soul on Jesus,
This weary soul of mine;

**His right hand me embraces;
I on His breast recline.
I love the name of Jesus,
Immanuel, Christ, the Lord;
Like fragrance on the breezes
His name abroad is poured.**

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

P: When we repent of our sins and cry out to God for mercy, God hears us and forgives us. God calls us to put our hope in Him, for in Him there is unfailing love, and with Him is full redemption: the forgiveness of all our sins, new life, and eternal salvation. Confident of this, let us come before God now to confess our sins and be assured of His forgiveness.

THE PRAYER TO CONFESSION ROMANS 7:14-25

P: O God,

ALL: Have mercy on me, a sinner. I do not understand my own actions. I don't do the good I want to do, and I do the very things I hate. Because You have made me Your very own, I know what is right and good, and I want to please You and serve You. Because sin still dwells in me, I do whatever I want to do no matter what You say. I confess that what Your Word says about me is true: I am by nature sinful and unclean. And I believe that what Your Word says about Jesus is also true: Through Him You have rescued me and set me free from sin and death. For Jesus' sake, forgive me all my sins and, out of Your great love for all people, help me to overcome in my struggle with sin. Grant me to live in You, for You, and with You forever. Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

P: This is God's good news for us: there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus who died for us, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God and who intercedes for us. In Him all our sins are forgiven! Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, and by the command of Christ, I forgive you all of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

(Please stand for a hymn of praise)

HYMN No. 349 “Hark the Glad Sound”

- 1 Hark the glad sound! The Savior comes,
The Savior promised long;
Let ev’ry heart prepare a throne
And ev’ry voice a song.**

- 2 He comes the pris’ners to release,
In Satan’s bondage held.
The gates of brass before Him burst,
The iron fetters yield.**

- 3 He comes the broken heart to bind,
The bleeding soul to cure,
And with the treasures of His grace
To enrich the humble poor.**

- 4 Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,
Thy welcome shall proclaim,
And heav’n’s eternal arches ring
With Thy belovèd name.**

CHRISTIAN GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **(SPOKEN) And also with you.**

P: Let us pray: Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening darkness of our sins and saved by the light of Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 42:5-7

L: The Old Testament Reading is from the 42nd chapter of Isaiah beginning with the 5th verse:

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it: “I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the

nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness."

L: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

1 John 1:5-10

L: The Epistle Reading is from the 1st chapter of 1 John, beginning with the 5th verse:

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

L: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

L: Please rise for the Holy Gospel.

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ALL: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

HOLY GOSPEL

John 9:1-7

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 9th chapter.

ALL: Glory to You, O Lord.

As Jesus passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." Having said these things, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**And 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 sits at the right hand of God
the Father Almighty.
From thence 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.**

SERMON HYMN No. 849 "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

- 1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness
 With a liberating light;
 Praise the One who frees the pris'ners,
 Turning blindness into sight.
 Praise the One who preached the Gospel,
 Healing ev'ry dread disease,
 Calming storms, and feeding thousands
 With the very Bread of peace.**

- 2 Praise the One who blessed the children
 With a strong, yet gentle, word;
 Praise the One who drove out demons
 With the piercing, two-edged sword.
 Praise the One who brings cool water
 To the desert's burning sand;
 From this Well comes living water,
 Quenching thirst in ev'ry land.**

- 3 Let us praise the Word Incarnate,
 Christ, who suffered in our place.**

**Jesus died and rose victorious
That we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
Seeing what our God has done;
Let us praise the true Redeemer,
Praise the One who makes us one.**

SERMON

HYMN No. 351 St. 1, 2, 5 "Creator of the Stars of Night"

- 1 Creator of the stars of night,
Thy people's everlasting Light:
O Christ, Redeemer, save us all
And hear Thy servants when they call.**

- 2 Thou, grieving that the ancient curse
Should doom to death a universe,
Hast found the healing, full of grace,
To cure and save our ruined race.**

- 5 O Thou, whose coming is with dread
To judge the living and the dead,
Preserve us from the ancient foe
While still we dwell on earth below.**

- 6 To God the Father and the Son
And Holy Spirit, Three in One,
Praise, honor, might, and glory be
From age to age eternally. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BENEDICTION

HYMN

No. 332 St. 1-2, 6-8 "Savior of the Nations, Come"

- 1** Savior of the nations, come,
Virgin's Son, make here Your home!
Marvel now, O heav'n and earth,
That the Lord chose such a birth.
- 2** Not by human flesh and blood,
By the Spirit of our God,
Was the Word of God made flesh—
Woman's offspring, pure and fresh.
- 6** For You are the Father's Son
Who in flesh the vict'ry won.
By Your mighty pow'r make whole
All our ills of flesh and soul.
- 7** From the manger newborn light
Shines in glory through the night.
Darkness there no more resides;
In this light faith now abides.
- 8** Glory to the Father sing,
Glory to the Son, our king,
Glory to the Spirit be
Now and through eternity.

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