



Welcome to Worship at Shepherd of the Hills

July 14, 2024

9:00 a.m. – Classic Hymn

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

No. 807 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

- 1 When morning gilds the skies,
My heart, awaking, cries,
 "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
When evening shadows fall,
This rings my curfew call:
 "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
- 2 When mirth for music longs,
This is my song of songs:
 "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
God's holy house of prayer
Hath none that can compare
 With "Jesus Christ be praised!"
- 3 No lovelier antiphon
In all high heav'n is known
 Than "Jesus Christ be praised!"
There to the_ eternal Word
The_ eternal psalm is heard:
 "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
- 4 Ye nations of mankind,
In this your concord find:
 "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
Let all the earth around
Ring joyous with the sound:
 "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
- 5 Sing, suns and stars of space,
Sing, ye that see His face,
 Sing, "Jesus Christ be praised!"
God's whole creation o'er,
Both now and evermore
 Shall Jesus Christ be praised!

INVOCATION

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

ALL: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

P: Hear my prayer, O Lord;

ALL: let my cry come to You.

P: In the day of my trouble I call upon You,

ALL: for You answer me.

P: Hide Your face from my sins,

ALL: and blot out all my iniquities.

P: Create in me a clean heart, O God,

ALL: and renew a right spirit within me.

P: Cast me not away from Your presence,

ALL: and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.

P: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,

ALL: and uphold me with a willing spirit.

(Please be seated)

HYMN No. 431 "Not All the Blood of Beasts"

- 1 Not all the blood of beasts
On Jewish altars slain
Could give the guilty conscience peace
Or wash away the stain.
- 2 But Christ, the heav'nly Lamb,
Takes all our sins away;
A sacrifice of nobler name
And richer blood than they.
- 3 My faith would lay its hand
On that dear head of Thine,
While as a penitent I stand,
And there confess my sin.
- 4 My soul looks back to see
The burden Thou didst bear
When hanging on the cursèd tree;
I know my guilt was there.

- 5 Believing, we rejoice
To see the curse remove;
We bless the Lamb with cheerful voice
And sing His bleeding love.

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

P: People God dearly loves: The Lord our God is a great God known by His justice and righteousness as well as by His mercy and love. The arrogant and proud who deny their sins will never find favor with Him, but the humble and poor in spirit who confess their sins and turn from them will find in Him their salvation. Come, together let us approach the throne of God to confess our sins and seek His forgiveness, confident that for the sake of His Son Jesus Christ, our Savior, he will hear and deliver us.

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

P: Almighty God, forgive us

ALL: For spiritual short-sightedness,
for harboring doubts and for little faith;
for failing to remember and cling to your promises;
for counting too much on ourselves and too little on you,
for setting our hearts and minds so little on heaven
and so much on here and now;
for all the troubles we bring on ourselves and on those around us.
For Jesus' sake, forgive us all our sins. Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

P: Almighty God, our merciful Father, freely forgives those who admit and confess their sins. He creates in us pure hearts and washes away our sins in the blood of His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. For Jesus' sake God has forgiven me and God forgives you. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, I forgive you all of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Believe this good news. Believe it because God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world but to save the world through Him.

ALL: Amen.

(Please stand, as able, for a hymn of praise)

HYMN No. 819 "Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good:

- 1 Sing praise to God, the highest good,
The author of creation,
The God of love who understood
Our need for His salvation.
With healing balm our souls He fills

And ev'ry faithless murmur stills:
To God all praise and glory!

2 What God's almighty pow'r has made,
In mercy He is keeping.
By morning glow or evening shade
His eye is never sleeping.
Within the kingdom of His might
All things are just and good and right:
To God all praise and glory!

3 We sought the Lord in our distress;
O God, in mercy hear us.
Our Savior saw our helplessness
And came with peace to cheer us.
For this we thank and praise the Lord,
Who is by one and all adored:
To God all praise and glory!

4 He never shall forsake His flock,
His chosen generation;
He is their refuge and their rock,
Their peace and their salvation.
As with a mother's tender hand,
He leads His own, His chosen band:
To God all praise and glory!

5 All who confess Christ's holy name,
Give God the praise and glory.
Let all who know His pow'r proclaim
Aloud the wondrous story.
Cast ev'ry idol from its throne,
For God is God, and He alone:
To God all praise and glory!

CHRISTIAN GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: (SPOKEN) And also with you.

P: Let us pray: Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Judges 4

L. The Old Testament Reading is from 4th chapter of Joshua beginning with the 1st verse:

And the people of Israel again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord after Ehud died. And the Lord sold them into the hand of Jabin king of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor. The commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-hagoyim. Then the people of Israel cried out to the Lord for help, for he had 900 chariots of iron and he oppressed the people of Israel cruelly for twenty years.

Now Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel at that time. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the people of Israel came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak the son of Abinoam from Kedesh-naphtali and said to him, "Has not the Lord, the God of Israel, commanded you, 'Go, gather your men at Mount Tabor, taking 10,000 from the people of Naphtali and the people of Zebulun. And I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the river Kishon with his chariots and his troops, and I will give him into your hand'?" Barak said to her, "If you will go with me, I will go, but if you will not go with me, I will not go." And she said, "I will surely go with you. Nevertheless, the road on which you are going will not lead to your glory, for the Lord will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman." Then Deborah arose and went with Barak to Kedesh. And Barak called out Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh. And 10,000 men went up at his heels, and Deborah went up with him.

Now Heber the Kenite had separated from the Kenites, the descendants of Hobab the father-in-law of Moses, and had pitched his tent as far away as the oak in Zaananim, which is near Kedesh.

When Sisera was told that Barak the son of Abinoam had gone up to Mount Tabor, Sisera called out all his chariots, 900 chariots of iron, and all the men who were with him, from Harosheth-hagoyim to the river Kishon. And Deborah said to Barak, "Up! For this is the day in which the Lord has given Sisera into your hand. Does not the Lord go out before you?" So Barak went down from Mount Tabor with 10,000 men following him. And the Lord routed Sisera and all his chariots and all his army before Barak by the edge of the sword. And Sisera got down from his chariot and fled away on foot. And Barak pursued the chariots and the army to Harosheth-hagoyim, and all the army of Sisera fell by the edge of the sword; not a man was left.

But Sisera fled away on foot to the tent of Jael, the wife of Heber the Kenite, for there was peace between Jabin the king of Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite. And Jael came out to meet Sisera and said to him, "Turn aside, my lord; turn aside to me; do not be afraid." So he turned aside to her into the tent, and she covered him with a rug. And he said to her, "Please give me a little water to drink, for I am thirsty." So she opened a skin of milk and gave him a drink and covered him. And he said to her, "Stand at the opening of the tent, and if any man comes and asks you, 'Is anyone here?' say, 'No.'" But Jael the wife of Heber took a tent peg, and took a hammer in her hand. Then she went softly to him and drove the peg into his temple until it went down into the

ground while he was lying fast asleep from weariness. So he died. And behold, as Barak was pursuing Sisera, Jael went out to meet him and said to him, "Come, and I will show you the man whom you are seeking." So he went in to her tent, and there lay Sisera dead, with the tent peg in his temple.

So on that day God subdued Jabin the king of Canaan before the people of Israel. And the hand of the people of Israel pressed harder and harder against Jabin the king of Canaan, until they destroyed Jabin king of Canaan.

L: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

1 Peter 1:1-12

L: The Epistle Reading is from the 1st chapter of 1 Peter beginning with the 1st verse:

Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look.

L: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

L: Please stand for the Holy Gospel.

LSB 190

ALL

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Cantor Verse: So may all your enemies, perish, O Lord! But your friends be like the sun as he rises in his might. (Judges 5:31, the song of Deborah)

ALL

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 10:40-42

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 10th chapter.

ALL: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

“Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person’s reward. And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward.”

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.**

HYMN No. 725 “Blessed Be the God of Israel”

Blessed be the God of Israel who comes to set us free
and raises up new hope for us: a branch from David’s tree.
So have the prophets long declared that with a mighty arm
God would turn back our enemies and all who wish us harm.

With promised mercy will God still the covenant recall,
the oath once sworn to Abraham, from foes to save us all,
that we might worship without fear and offer lives of praise,
in holiness and righteousness to serve God all our days.

My child, as prophet of the Lord you will prepare the way,
to tell God's people they are saved from sin's eternal sway.
Then shall God's mercy from on high shine forth and never cease
to drive away the gloom of death and lead us into peace.

SERMON

MUSICAL OFFERING "Not Unto Us" (Singers: Ann Black, Margie Brien, Judy Friesenhahn, Nancy Gonzales, Noel Mesa, Mindy Weinelt, Violin, Klaus Weinelt, Piano, Pastor Jack Goldberger)

HYMN No. 948 "All Glory Be to God Alone"

- 1 All glory be to God alone,
Forevermore the highest one,
Who did our sinful race befriend
And grace and peace to us extend.
Among us may His gracious will
All hearts with deep thanksgiving fill.
- 2 We praise You, God; Your name we bless
And worship You in humbleness;
From day to day we glorify
The everlasting God on high.
Of Your great glory do we sing,
And to Your throne our thanks we bring.
- 3 Lord God, our King on heaven's throne,
Our Father, the Almighty One.
O Lord, the sole-begotten One,
Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's Son,
True God from all eternity,
O Lamb of God, to You we flee.
- 4 You take the whole world's sin away;
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
You take the whole world's sin away;
O Lord, receive our prayer this day.
From God's right hand Your mercy send,
To all the world Your grace extend.

- 5 You only are the Holy One
And over all are Lord alone.
O Jesus Christ, we glorify
You and the Spirit, Lord Most High;
With Him You evermore shall be
One in the Father's majesty.

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

CLOSING HYMN

No. 583 "God Has Spoken By His Prophets"

- 1 God has spoken by His prophets,
Spoken His unchanging Word;
Each from age to age proclaiming
God, the one, the righteous Lord.
In the world's despair and turmoil,
One firm anchor holds us fast:
God is king, His throne eternal;
God the first, and God the last.

- 2 God has spoken by Christ Jesus,
Christ, the everlasting Son,
Brightness of the Father's glory,
With the Father ever one;
Spoken by the Word Incarnate,
God of God, before time was;
Light of Light, to earth descending,
He reveals our God to us.

- 3 God is speaking by His Spirit,
Speaking to our hearts again,
In the ageless Word declaring
His own message, now as then.
Through the rise and fall of nations
One sure faith yet standing fast;
God abides, His Word unchanging;
God the first, and God the last.

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Organist: Pastor Jack Goldberger**