



*"Let the peace of Christ rule in
your hearts and be thankful."*

Shepherd of Life Lutheran Church

715 E. Lamar Blvd.
Arlington, TX 76011

Welcome to Shepherd of Life

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We are thrilled that you have chosen to spend the morning with us. As we worship, pray, and sing together, we hope that God's Spirit will fill your heart, and bring you joy and peace.

Sunday Morning Schedule

8:30 Worship Service

10:00 Worship Service and Education Classes for all ages (Children and Adult)

We practice Open Communion. Everyone is welcome at the Lord's table. Gluten-free wafers are available for those who are sensitive to gluten.

Please give us the opportunity to send you a personal thank you by filling out one of the yellow cards found in the pew and placing it in the offering plate.

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"Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord."
Romans 12:11

November 20, 2022

Prelude

Welcome

Leader: “Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.” (Colossians 3) On this 24th Sunday after Pentecost, may the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness (*Congregation stands*)

Leader: Most merciful God,

People: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart: we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Leader: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you and for His sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Entrance Hymn

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

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Apostolic Greeting

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Canticle of Praise

Leader

People



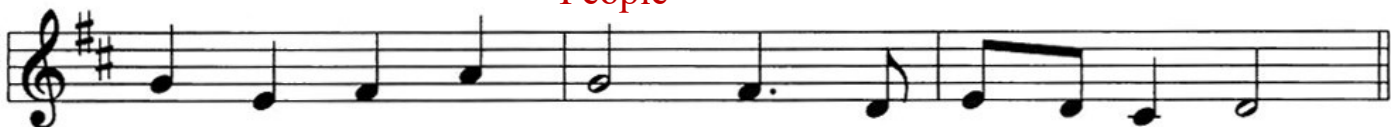
1. You are salt for the earth, O peo-ple: Salt for the
2. You are a light on the hill, O peo-ple: Light for the

Leader



King-dom of God! Share the fla - vor of
Cit - y of God! Shine so ho - ly and

People



life, O peo - ple: Life in the King-dom of God!
bright, O peo - ple: Shine for the King-dom of God!

People



Bring forth the King-dom of mer - cy, bring forth the



King-dom of peace; bring forth the King-dom of jus - tice,



bring forth the Cit - y of God! _____

Prayer of the Day
(Congregation may be seated)

Special Music	“Gratitude”	Bell Choir
Baptismal Hymn	“Baptized in Water”	456

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

[The Lutheran Church believes that the canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the written inspired Word of God. Shepherd of Life follows the lectionary, and the lessons may be found on the back of this worship bulletin.]

First Reading Psalm 95:1-7

Back Cover

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm of Praise

**“And He will raise you up on eagle’s wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of His hand.”**

Second Reading Colossians 3:15-17

Back Cover

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Special Music

(Congregation stands)

**“Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, Alleluia.”**

Gospel Reading Ephesians 1:15-23

Back Cover

Before Reading: **“Glory to you, O Lord.”**

After Reading: **“Praise to you, O Christ.”**

(Congregation may be seated)

Message *Make Me Laugh. Make Me Cry. Make Me Love Jesus More!* Pastor John Foster

Hymn of the Day **“Amazing Grace”**

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Opportunities for Growth and Service

Joys and Concerns

(If you have a prayer concern or prayer of thanksgiving you would like included in the bulletin, please call the church office.)

Prayers of the Church

**“In you O Lord, I have found my peace.
I have found my peace.”**

Apostle's Creed (*Congregation stands*)

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the *holy catholic Church the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

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

People: And also with you.

(As a sign of God's peace, please take a moment to greet those around you.)

THE GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

[By our tithes and offerings we say “Thank You” to God for all of our blessings. Your offerings support Shepherd of Life's ministry here, in our community, and around the world through the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Thank you for prayerfully considering your sacrificial response.]

Offering Prayer

Presider: Merciful Father

People: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - ourselves, our time and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

[The Lutheran church believes that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine, and that through the reception of this sacrament, we receive the forgiveness of sins. You do not have to be a member in order to receive the Lord's Supper at Shepherd of Life. All are welcome! If you prefer to receive grape juice, simply point to the second communion assistant who will also be holding grapes for our children.]

**the true Christian Church at all times*

Pre-Communion Canticle

People



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

Leader



As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,



may we share the pres - ence of your love.

People



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

Consecration of the Elements

The Lord's Prayer

(Congregation may be seated after prayer)

Distribution of the Elements

Communion Hymns

"Blessed Assurance" 638

"I Love to Tell the Story" 661

"What Wondrous Love Is This" 666

Doxology

**"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."**

Benediction

People: Amen.

Closing Hymn

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" 836

Dismissal

Leader: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude



Coffee time is sponsored by the Jorgensen family in
celebration of Grace's 15th birthday



11/20 Grace Jorgensen
Mark Lien

11/23 Molly Chipman
Zachary Mohon
David Umbaugh

11/24 Ann Gaarder
William Walther Jr.

11/25 Chuck Chambers
Tonya Chipman

11/26 Nicholas Plasket



11/25
Norm & Marie Philips

11/26
Gene & Flo Walzer

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS



Minister Assistant

Altar Guild

Greeter

Prayer of the Day

Reader

Ushers

Coffee Clean-up

10:00 AM

Jesse and Jessica McCall, Sharon Sowa

Maggie Lira, Dottie Johnson

Laura Kribs

Laura Letts

John Jager

Ray & Peggy Davidson

Kay Glenn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
 and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
 sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
 All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



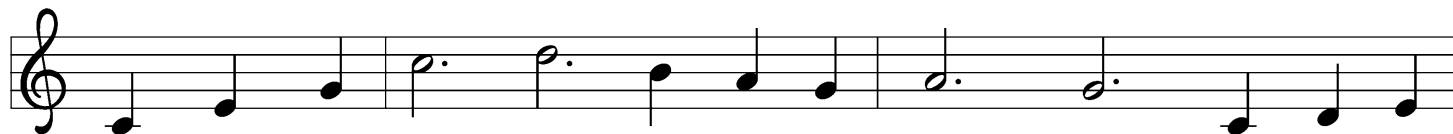
Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
 Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
 Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
 Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 if with his love he be - friend you.
 Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
 Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Part II, Stralsund, 1665
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Baptized in Water



1 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his
 tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

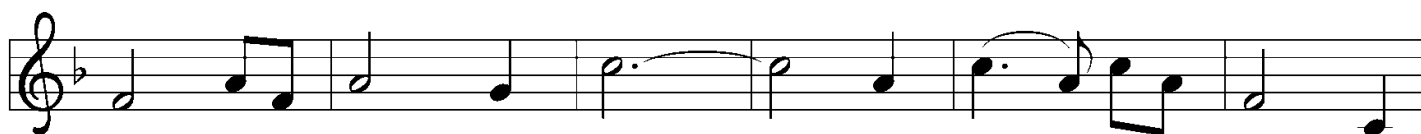
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Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5

Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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Blessed Assurance



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

Refrain



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

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I Love to Tell the Story



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst-ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long-ings as noth - ing else would do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



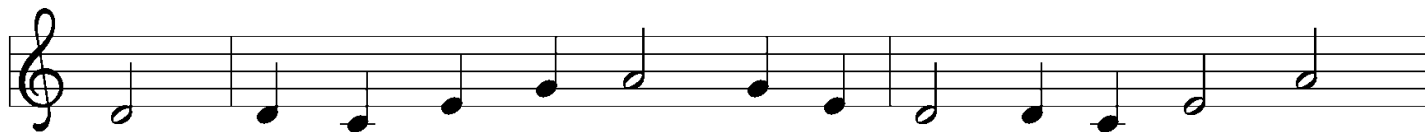
I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo-ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911
Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936
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What Wondrous Love Is This



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 When I was sink - ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, when
3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to
4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this
I was sink - ing down, sink-ing down, when I was sink - ing down
God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,



that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my
be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my
who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
I'll sing God's love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?
soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.
on, I'll sing on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

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Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



- 1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
- 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
- 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean-depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flow-'ry mead-ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant-ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1922

Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.

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Shepherd of Life's Youth and Family Page

Here is the full Rehearsal schedule:

Today at 10:00 am - Rehearsal

Sunday, November 27th at 10:00 am - Rehearsal

Sunday, December 4th at 10:00 am - Rehearsal

Saturday, December 10th, 9:00 - 11:00 am - Dress Rehearsal

Sunday, December 11th at 9:00 am - Final Run-through



We have a sign up sheet to see how you are interested in participating go to <https://bit.ly/xmasprogramsignup2022> or to share your interest.

A pair of hands holding a purple circle. The text "3rd FAMILY SUNDAY" is written in white on the circle. The background is dark.

3rd FAMILY SUNDAY

3rd Family Sunday is TODAY! Featuring make-your-own pizza, Thanksgiving sharing, and "Spot It" League of Champions!



4th - 6th Grade Event
Friday, December 2,
6 - 8:30 PM

Decorating Christmas Cookies for others,
hot cocoa, and games

Future Directions Team
Presentation TODAY after
the 10 AM service



We have asked all the questions and analyzed your answers. Today we hear what we found and begin the journey toward the future of Shepherd of Life. Please don't miss this once in a lifetime opportunity after our 10 am service.

Poinsettias

Poinsettia sign up sheets will be in the narthex through Sunday 12/11. The cost is \$10.00
Sign up soon! Quantities are limited!



ANNUAL MEETING of the congregation

**Please join us after our 10:00
AM service on December 4th
in the Sanctuary for our
Annual Congregational
Meeting.**

**If you ordered
Thanksgiving Desserts,
Do not forget to pick
them up today!**

**Pumpkin Bars are in the
refrigerator.**

Thanks for your support!



Scarf & Hat Donation Deadline Nears

The Loving Hands group is finalizing the Scarf and Hat Food
Pantry Donation for 2022.

Important Dates:

- Thursday, December 1: Soft deadline for submitting scarves and hats.
- Sunday, December 4 at both services: Blessing of the Scarves and Hats
- Wednesday, December 14: Drop dead deadline for donating
- Thursday, December 15: Distribution to food pantry patrons

*Our goal is 250 items. Today, we have more than 175.
Thank you to all of the elves who have contributed
throughout the year.*

Contact kelseyflower@sbcglobal.net for more
information.





Our Progressive Dinner returns this year with a fresh and flexible approach.

- * All adults are invited to attend the event
- * Appetizers and dinner will be held at church and dessert will be at Dave and Marcia Thomas' home.
- * This year you get to select the food item that you would like to provide. Please don't forget to note your selection on the sign up sheet
- * Once you sign up, take an invitation which is located by the sign up. This explains the evening in detail. There will be no follow-up invitation coming through the mail.
- * You are welcome to read an invitation if you don't sign up but please don't take one unless you plan to attend because our supply of invitations is reserved for attendees due to the limited number.
- * Sign up sheets will be available through Sunday, December 4



Caring Ministries

Let us come before Him with Thanksgiving...

For pie and for a church history to inspire us and a future to excite us

For I am the Lord who heals you...

- *For David Umbaugh who is recovering from having a pacemaker installed*
- *For Sherri Averett who is now in a skilled nursing center. Please pray for a smooth transition*
- *For Delores Young who is now 90 years old and dealing with numerous health issues*
- *For Sonia Jager who is battling an intense shingles outbreak*
- *For John Berven who is hospitalized*
- *For Kim Doege who now will be having major back surgery this Wednesday*
- *For Don Blevins who is recovering from shoulder surgery*
- *For the Blevins' son-in-law who is in treatment for prostate cancer*
- *For Lanell Hadley's father, Humberto who is hospitalized following surgery for a broken femur and is not healing and has received multiple blood transfusions*

Your continued prayers are appreciated for...

Val Hicks friend, Cheri; Norm Roberts; Mitzi Cimino; Susan Raven's mother; John & Andrea Wolz' friend, April; Jerri Osborn; Diana Osborn's sister-in-law, Teri; Voise family friend, Bob Silver

The Lord is filled with compassion for...

- *If you have a prayer request please contact Judy Pfretzschnier at judyp16@yahoo.com.*
- *There are prayer shawls in the chapel available for you to take to someone who is in need of comfort.*
- *Our James 5 Ministry can arrange pre-surgery prayers in our chapel for you. Contact Cathy Racette at grammashepherd@sbcglobal.net.*

The Back Page



Gracious God, today we say Thank you. Thank you. Thank you!

- + For the sweetness of pie
- + For the excitement of worshipping together
- + For the joyous music of our bell choir
- + For the gift of holy baptism
- + For the blessings we receive through communion
- + For the lovely songs sung by our choir
- + For your son Jesus
- + And for the never ending gift of your Amazing Grace!

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First Reading – Psalm 95:1-7

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land. Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

Second Reading – Colossians 3:15-17

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Gospel Reading – Ephesians 1:15-23

For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.