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NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 10, 2025

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WORD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING

Genesis 15:1-6

¹ After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ² But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴ But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵ He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶ And he believed the LORD, and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 33:12-22

- ¹² Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD! Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!
- ¹³ The LORD looks down from heaven, and sees all humankind.
- ¹⁴ God sits firmly enthroned and watches all who dwell on the earth.
- ¹⁵ God fashions all their hearts and observes all their deeds.
- A king is not saved by the size of the army, nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.
- ¹⁷ The horse gives vain hope for victory; despite its great strength it cannot save.
- ¹⁸ Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O LORD, upon those who wait for your steadfast love,
- ¹⁹ to deliver their lives from death, and to keep them alive in time of famine.
- ²⁰ Our innermost being waits for you, O LORD, our helper and our shield.
- ²¹ Surely, our heart rejoices in you, for in your holy name we put our trust.
- ²² Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, be upon us, even as we place our hope in you.

SECOND READING

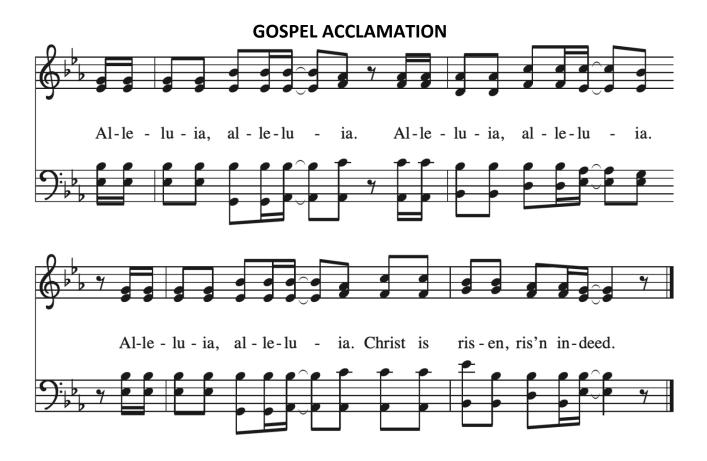
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

- ¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.
- ⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance, and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith, with Sarah's involvement, he received power of procreation, even though he was too old, because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."
- ¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they

desire a better homeland, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL

Luke 12:32-40

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ³² "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

- ³⁵ "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.
- ³⁹ "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE/SERMON Pastor Lynette Chapman

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025

ALTAR FLOWERS GIVEN BY: Nancy Holm & family in loving memory of Tom Holm.

THANK YOU TO OUR SERVERS TODAY:

READER: Marla Todd

COMMUNION: Zechariah Fisher, Samantha Fisher,

John Todd

ACOLYTE: Andrew Todd

CHANCEL CARE: Carol Steinman

USHER: Dan Corkery

LIVE-STREAMING: Darrell Hoemann
NURSERY: Laurie Johnson & Lisa Young
COFFEE/DONUTS: Nancy Holm & Jim Manley
FLOWER DELIVERY: Rick & Cindy Marrs

FOOD DELIVERY: Bob Clark **FOOD PACKING:** Carol Steinman

WELCA BOOK CLUB

Thursday, August 14, 9:30AM
GSLC Choir Room

FAMILY GAME NIGHT & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Friday, August 15, 6-10PM GSLC Fellowship Hall

Bring board games, card games, etc. that you'd like to play. Ice cream and toppings provided. Bring a snack to share if you'd like.

All are welcome – invite your friends & neighbors!

TABLE TALK PUB THEOLOGY

Sunday, August 17, 6-8PM Triptych Brewing, Savoy

NAME TAG SUNDAY

Join us for worship next Sunday, August 17 and get to know your fellow Good Shepherd members!

LWR SCHOOL KITS COLLECTION

Last chance to donate school supplies!

Box in Narthex for donations.

List of needed school supplies in the Scroll.

PLASTIC BOTTLE CAP COLLECTION

We're collecting plastic bottle caps/lids (all sizes)
Bring to church any time before September

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INTERESTED IN SERVING ON SUNDAYS?

We're always accepting new volunteers to help during worship service on Sunday mornings.

Whether it's helping in the nursery, serving communion or delivering the altar flowers to our members who may need a small reminder that God loves them.

Contact Traci in the church office for more info at staff@gslc-cu.org

WEEKLY EVENTS

QUILT GROUP – Tuesdays 12-3PM - Quilt Room MEN'S COFFEE – Wednesdays 9:30AM-Choir Rm.

The God of Abraham Praise



- 5 Though nature's strength decay, and earth and hell withstand, to Canaan's bounds I urge my way at your command.

 The wat'ry deep I pass, with Jesus in my view, and through the howling wilderness my way pursue.
- 6 The goodly land I see, with peace and plenty blest; a land of sacred liberty, and endless rest.

 There milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound, and trees of life forever grow with mercy crowned.
- 7 Before the great Three-One the saints exulting stand and tell the wonders God has done through all their land.
 The list'ning spheres attend and swell the growing fame and sing the songs which never end, the wondrous name.
- 8 The whole triumphant host give thanks to God on high.
 "Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" they ever cry.
 Hail, Abr'ham's God and mine!
 I join the heav'nly lays:
 to you be glory, might divine, and endless praise!

O Master, Let Me Walk with You



Text: Washington Gladden, 1836–1918, alt. Music: MARYTON, H. Percy Smith, 1825–1898

The King of Love My Shepherd Is



- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; thine unction grace bestoweth; and, oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so, through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never.Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877 Music: ST. COLUMBA, Irish tune

For the Troubles and the Sufferings



Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer



Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt. Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932