



Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church – ELCA

Encouraging faith and proclaiming God's love by Gathering, Growing and Giving

7th Sunday after Epiphany

Communion Worship

February 20, 2022

This worship is being livestreamed. Your presence in the sanctuary signifies your agreeing to be on our live broadcast.

There is great joy in gathering with one another to lift up praise and thanksgiving to God. Measures have been put in place to provide a safe environment for us to gather in church to worship, and we ask that you do your part in this endeavor, as well.

NOTE: *Bold text indicates worshippers' response, and *' means please stand as able*

PRELUDE

Michelle Young

WELCOME & MINISTRY MESSAGES

GATHERING

* Green #165 GATHERING HYMN *Holy, Holy, Holy* vs. 1-2 pg. 5

* CONFESSIO Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name. **Amen.** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence is kept for reflection.* Most merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned against you and against those you created and love. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done, and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us. Amen.**

* FORGIVENESS Rejoice in this good news: In ☩ Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God. **Amen.**

* As we gather for worship today, I greet you in the name of our God who is always being revealed to us – in a manger, in a river, at a wedding. We gather now in the expectation that God will once again show up in food, in water, in bread and wine, in community. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

* PRAYER OF THE DAY Let us pray. O Lord Jesus, **make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Jesus, grant us the wisdom and courage to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

GROWING

Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 (*Please respond with **text in bold print***)

¹Do not be provoked by evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

²**For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.**

³Put your trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.

⁴**Take delight in the LORD, who shall give you your heart's desire.**

⁵Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD, and see what God will do.

⁶**The LORD will make your vindication as clear as the light and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.**

⁷Be still before the LORD and wait patiently. Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

⁸**Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.**

⁹For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who hope in the LORD shall possess the land.

¹⁰**In a little while the wicked shall be no more; even if you search out their place, they will not be there.**

¹¹But the lowly shall possess the land; they will delight in abundance of peace.

³⁹**But the deliverance of the righteous comes from you, O LORD; you are their stronghold in time of trouble.**

⁴⁰You, O LORD, will help them and rescue them; you will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because in you they seek refuge.

Jesus continues to address a crowd of his disciples. He invites his followers to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders. Living in harmony with God's intent brings the reward of overflowing blessing.

The Gospel according to Luke, the 6th chapter. **All: Glory to you O Lord**

[Jesus said:] ²⁷But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,

²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt.

³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

³²If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. ³⁷Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

³⁹ He also told them a parable: "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰ A disciple is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully qualified will be like the teacher. ⁴¹ Why do you see the speck in your neighbor's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? ⁴² Or how can you say to your neighbor, 'Friend, let me take out the speck in your eye,' when you yourself do not see the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbor's eye.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

GIVING

*THE APOSTLES' CREED (*professed together*)

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

*Or, He descended to the dead.

NOTE: Thank you for your support of God's ministry at Shepherd of the Hill! The offering plate is at the entrance of the sanctuary. You can also mail in offerings (Mailing address: 207 University St., Elk Mound, WI 54739) – OR - go to the GIVE tab on our website (www.sothem.org) to make a one time or reoccurring donation.

* OFFERING PRAYER Blessed are you, O **God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world. Amen.**

* PRAYERS (*P: God of grace* **ALL: Hear our prayer.**)

* GREAT THANKSGIVING The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

* WORDS OF INSTITUTION

* 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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen**

* INVITATION TO COMMUNION Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.
HOLY COMMUNION (*Ushers will begin in the back of the sanctuary, directing you to the front of the sanctuary. Children not receiving communion may be brought forward for a blessing. Please let the ushers know if you would like communion brought to you or a family member.*)

* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on your abundance. Strengthened with the richness of your grace, we are sent out to bring your good news and to proclaim your favor to all, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

* ANNOUNCEMENTS/BLESSING God, who leads you in pathways of living right with God, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, ✠ bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever. **Amen.**

*Green #503 CLOSING HYMN "O Jesus You Have Promised" verses 1-2, & 4 page 6
DISMISSAL Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**
POSTLUDE Michelle Young

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH AND BEYOND OUR DOORS

Today: 8:45am – Sunday School
10:00 am – Worship with Communion
Monday 7:00 pm - AA meeting
Tuesday: 4-6 pm - Food Pantry
7:00pm - Grief Share Zoom (4th session)
Wednesday 10am - Sarah Circle Bible Study
3:20-4:30pm - 7th-8th Grade Confirmation Class
Friday: 10am-Noon - Food Pantry
Next Sunday: 8:45am - Sunday School
10:00 am - Worship
11:00 am - Fellowship (Rital Lee-Host)
Monday: 6:30 pm - Church Council Meeting
7:00 pm - AA meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GETTING CLOSE TO THE SEASON OF LENT. Keep these dates and events in mind:
Wed. 3/2/22 Ash Wednesday 6pm Soup/7pm Worship
The rest of Lent Midweek Wednesdays 6pm Soup
3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6 7pm Holden Evening Prayer Service

ALSO REMINDER:

Sign up to serve at the COMMUNITY TABLE in Eau Claire, Sunday April 3rd

Fri. 4/8 4pm-7pm LaVerne Ausman's visitation at Olson Funeral Home, Menomonie
Sat., 4/9 1pm LaVerne Ausman's visitation at church
2pm LaVerne Ausman's funeral at church

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Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

1 Lord of glo - ry, you have bought us with your
 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you glad - ly,
 3 Won - drous hon - or you have giv - en to our
 4 Yes, the sor - row and the suf - f'rings which
 5 Lord of glo - ry, you have bought us with your

life - blood as the price, nev - er grudg - ing
 free - ly, of your own. With the sun - shine
 hum - blest char - i - ty in your own mys -
 ev - 'ry hand we view chan - nels are for
 life - blood as the price, nev - er grudg - ing

for the lost ones that tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice;
 of your good - ness melt our thank - less hearts of stone
 te - rious sen - tence, "You have done it all to me."
 gifts and of f'rings due by sol - emn right to you;
 for the lost ones that tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice.

and with that have free - ly giv - en bless - ings
 till our cold and self - ish na - tures, warmed by
 Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, that you
 right of which we may not rob you, debt we
 Give us faith to trust you bold - ly, hope, to

count - less as length the sand to the un - thank - ful
 you, at length be - lieve that more hap - py
 deign for alms to sue, say - ing by your
 may not choose but pay, lest that face of
 stay our souls on you: but, oh, best of

and the e - vil with your own un - spar - ing hand.
 and more bless - ed 'tis to give than to re - ceive.
 poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you"?
 love and pit - y turn from us an - oth - er day.
 all your grac - es, with your love our love re - new.

Text: Eliza S. Alderson, 1818–1889, alt.
 Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

O Jesus, I Have Promised

Sing Verses 1-2, 4
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1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;
2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.
3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still
4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you

re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.
I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt - ing sounds I hear.
a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.
that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.

I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,
My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;
Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;

nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.
but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.
now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.
oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

Text: John E. Bode, 1816–1874, alt.
Music: MUNICH, *Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch*, Meiningen, 1693

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