



# GOOD SHEPHERD

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

# Welcome to Good Shepherd

Thank you for joining us for worship today. If this is your first time with us, we are especially glad you are here. Please don't hesitate to ask one of our greeters regarding the location of the nursery, restrooms, or just a cup of coffee!

We realize that the flow and order of our worship may be unfamiliar, so there are notes in the margins that will offer some explanations and hopefully help you participate. Our service is designed to be both biblical and Christ centered as we cycle through the wonderful truths of the Gospel each week. We gather not for a lecture, conference, or concert, but for an encounter and covenant renewal with God. Therefore, our service follows the pattern God gave his people thousands of years ago: God speaks and we respond.

We also hope that you will join us after the service. Downstairs in the fellowship hall you will find plenty of refreshments and snacks as well as a warm welcome from our church family. If you have any questions from the sermon you can return to the sanctuary about 15 minutes after the service for our *Ask the Pastor* time. This is a great place to process the wonderful truths of the Gospel that we proclaim.

Lastly, we would love to know that you were here this morning. In the backs of the pews there is an info sheet that you can fill out and put in the offering basket during the service. Don't worry, we won't bombard you with endless emails. We just want an opportunity to say hello. If there is any way that we can pray for you, or if you have questions about the church, you can write those on the back as well.

Wherever you are this morning, our hope is that God would attend to the ministry of His Word, and that you would know the love of your blessed Savior.



## A Word to Parents with Young Children

First, we want you to know that we are delighted to have your children in worship with us this morning. There is nothing better that we can give our children than the opportunity to know and worship their Heavenly Father. Any noises that they may make are not an embarrassing distraction, but a beautiful reminder that they are participating in God's means of grace.

We do understand, however, that it is sometimes helpful to have other means of serving our children and families. Through the back doors of the sanctuary you will find a **cry room** if you have little ones that are getting fussy or who need to nurse. We also have an **overflow room** with a live-stream of the service in the downstairs fellowship hall.

Lastly, we have a **nursery** downstairs for children ages 0-3. Staff in the nursery are background checked and trained.

# Order of Worship

## Preparation

*We invite you to take a few moments this morning to prayerfully prepare to meet with and worship the living God.*

Preparatory Thought.....

“The grace of faith, as long as it is in any degree in exercise, keeps the soul in a childlike, powerless condition. When pride, haughtiness, a standing upon one’s own feet, a following one’s own will can be traced, it is a sign that faith is not in exercise.”

— Alexander Comrie

Prelude.....

Welcome and Announcements.....

## Praise

Call to Worship\* .....*Genesis 12:1-3*

**Leader:** Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

Prayer of Adoration\*.....

Hymn #125\* .....*Let All Things Now Living*

\*please stand if able

*God's people come because he first calls them. We open our services this way as a reminder that it is God himself who is calling us into his presence this morning.*

# Let All Things Now Living

Capo 3: 1 F(D) Gm(Em) C(A) 7

1. Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing  
2. His law he en - forc - es: the stars in their cours - es,

F(D) Bb(G) F(D) C7(A7) F(D)

to God the Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,  
the sun in its or - bit, o - be - dient - ly shine;

Gm(Em) C(A)

who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us,  
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains,

F(D) Bb(G) F(D) C7(A7) F(D)

who guides us and leads to the end of our days.  
the deeps of the o - cean pro - claim him di - vine.

C<sup>7</sup>(A<sup>7</sup>)

His ban - ners are o'er us, his light goes be - fore us,  
 We too should be voic - ing our love and re - joic - ing,

F(D) Dm(Bm) C(A) G<sup>7</sup>(E<sup>7</sup>) C(A)

a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,  
 with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise,

F(D) Gm(Em) C(A)

'til shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished,  
 'til all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing

Γ F(D) B<sup>b</sup>(G) F(D) C<sup>7</sup>(A<sup>7</sup>) F(D) 7

as for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.  
 to God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!

*The Word of God is always sufficient to do the work of God. Therefore, each week we continue the practice of God's people listening to the public reading of scripture.*

*While it is right for us to confess our sins in light of God's holiness, our forgiveness is not merited through this act or the absolution of a priest. Rather, it is Christ who saves and speaks through His Word to assure us that our sin has been pardoned.*

*If you are visiting with us there is no expectation for you to contribute to this morning's offering. For those who are giving we remember that we are called to joyful worship of the God who continues to give us all that we need in Christ.*

## Renewal

Corporate Reading of Scripture.....*John 14:15-17 (p.901)*

Corporate Prayer of Confession.....

Assurance of Pardon.....*Romans 8:33-34*

**Leader:** Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

Offering/Hymn #605.....*All the Way My Savior Leads Me*

Congregational Prayer.....

*Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*  
*Amen.*

# All the Way My Savior Leads Me

1. All the way my Sav-ior leads me; what have I to ask be-side?  
 2. All the way my Sav-ior leads me, cheers each wind-ing path I tread,  
 3. All the way my Sav-ior leads me— O the ful-ness of his love!

Can I doubt his ten-der mer-cy, who through life has been my guide?  
 gives me grace for ev-'ry tri-al, feeds me with the liv-ing bread.  
 Per-fect rest to me is prom-ised in my Fa-ther's house a-bove:

Heav'n-ly peace, di-vin-est com-fort, here by faith in him to dwell;  
 Though my wea-ry steps may fal-ter, and my soul a-thirst may be,  
 when my spir-it, clothed, im-mor-tal, wings its flight to realms of day,

for I know, what-e'er be-fall me, Je-sus do-eth all things well; well.  
 gush-ing from the rock be-fore me, lo, a spring of joy I see; see!  
 this my song through end-less a-ges: Je-sus led me all the way; way!

# My Worth Is Not In What I Own



1. My worth is not in what I own; not in the strength of flesh and  
2. As sum-mer flow'rs we fade and die; fame, youth and beau-ty hur-ry  
3. Two won-ders here that I con-fess: my worth and my un-worth-i-



bone, but in the cost-ly wounds of love at the cross.  
by, but life e-ter-nal calls to us at the cross.  
ness. My val-ue fixed, my ran-som paid at the cross. TO REFRAIN



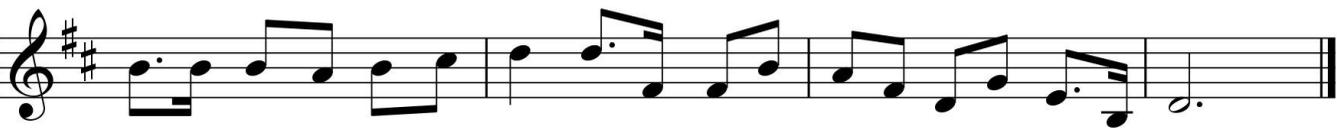
My worth is not in skill or name; in win or lose, in pride or  
I will not boast in wealth or might, of hu-man wis-dom's fleet-ing



shame, but in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.  
light, but I will boast in know-ing Christ at the cross.



I re-joyce in my Re-deem-er, great-est treas-ure, well-spring of my soul!



I will trust in Him, no oth-er; my soul is sat-is-fied in Him a-lone.

*Each week, we preach, verse  
by verse through books of the  
Bible so that we are  
instructed by the full counsel  
of God, rather than whatever  
the preacher deems most  
important.*

*We celebrate the Lord's  
Supper every week trusting  
that our Lord is truly,  
spiritually present  
nourishing His people. If you  
are a member of a local  
church, have been baptized,  
and believe that you are  
saved by grace through faith,  
then we welcome you to  
participate with us.*

## Proclamation

Song\* .....*My Worth Is Not In What I Own*

Prayer for Illumination.....

Sermon.....Rev. Neil Quinn  
*"The Sudden Death of Slow Drift" – Hebrews 2:1–4 (p.1001)*

## Response

Celebration of the Lord's Supper.....

Hymn #465.....*Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord*

Benediction\*.....

# Sermon Outline

"The Sudden Death of Slow Drift"

*Hebrews 2:1-4 (p.1001)*

**Big Idea** —*There is no greater danger than neglecting the message of the greatest salvation, so you must listen with the greatest attention.*

## **Introduction: Listening Can Be Lifesaving**

### **The First Command: Listen!**

#### **The Reasons for Listening**

*1. The greatness of the messenger.*

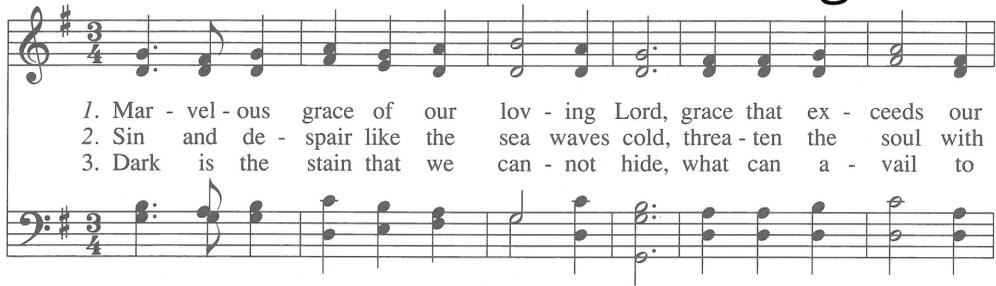
*2. The greatness of the message.*

*3. The greatness of the danger.*

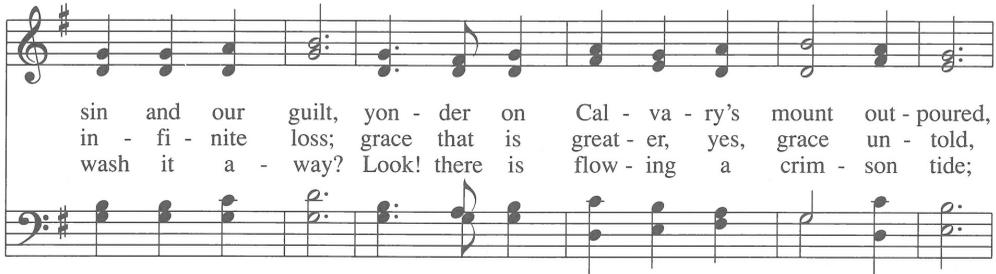
#### **The Danger of Drifting**

#### **Conclusion: Lift Your Anchor**

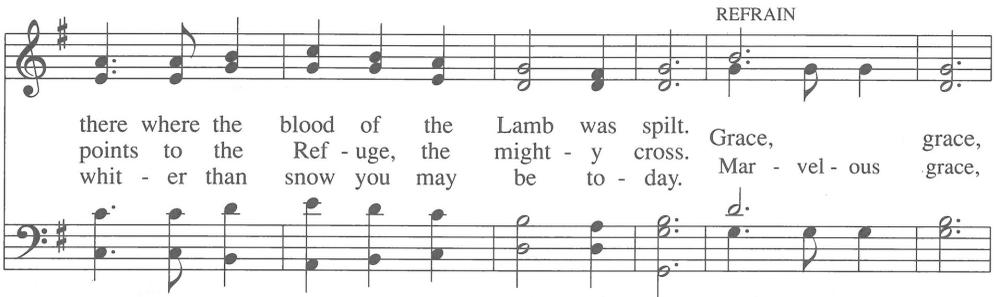
# Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord



1. Mar - vel - ous grace of our lov - ing Lord, grace that ex - ceeds our  
2. Sin and de - spair like the sea waves cold, threa - ten the soul with  
3. Dark is the stain that we can - not hide, what can a - vail to

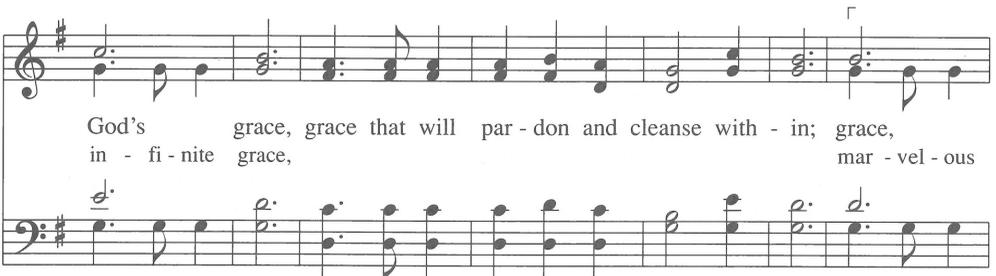


sin and our guilt, yon - der on Cal - va - ry's mount out - poured,  
in - fi - nite loss; grace that is great - er, yes, grace un - told,  
wash it a - way? Look! there is flow - ing a crim - son tide;

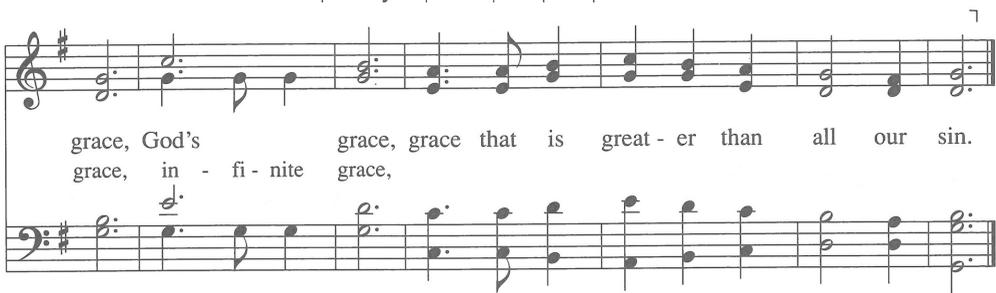


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there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt. Grace, grace,  
points to the Ref - uge, the might - y cross. Mar - vel - ous grace,  
whit - er than snow you may be to - day.



God's grace, grace that will par - don and cleanse with - in; grace,  
in - fi - nite grace, mar - vel - ous



grace, God's grace, grace that is great - er than all our sin.  
grace, in - fi - nite grace,

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## Announcements

- If you would like to join a **fellowship group** this coming year please contact pastor Ryan.
- **Women's Bible Study** will begin on 9/8 and will be studying the book of Exodus this year. The bible study will meet on alternating Thursday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the church Fellowship Hall. Any questions can be directed to leandraquinn@gmail.com.
- 9/9-10: Redeemer Church, Detroit, is hosting **The Gathered and Scattered Conference** on the mission of the church. Rev. Kevin DeYoung will be the keynote speaker. You can get more information and register here: <https://redeemerdetroit.com/gathered-and-scattered/>
- 9/17: There will be a **men's golf outing** at Grand Prairies Golf Course with a **church-wide cookout** to follow. Please RSVP to Manuel Martinez at macnolos@gmail.com.

## Financials

- Total Giving through July (\$141,888)
- Total Expenses through July (\$142,436)
- Welcome Home Contributions (\$31,970)

## Get Involved

- Join us after the service for our **Ask the Pastor** time where you can follow up on the sermon or ask other Bible and faith questions you may have.
- **Senior and Junior High** students are invited to attend our weekly catechism class after service in the upstairs classrooms.
- **Young Adults** meet every Wednesday for fellowship and a sermon discussion.
- **Men's Bible Study** groups meet weekly in the morning and evening time slots.
- **The choir** meets for practice every Tuesday at 7:00pm.