



# GOOD SHEPHERD

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

---

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

APRIL 23, 2023

# 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 special work of our ministry is to lay open Christ, to hold up the tapestry and unfold the mysteries of Christ. Let us labour therefore to be always speaking somewhat about Christ, or tending that way. When we speak of the law, let it drive us to Christ; when of moral duties, let them teach us to walk worthy of Christ.” - Stuart Townend

Prelude.....

Welcome and Announcements.....

## Praise

Call to Worship\*.....1 Chronicles 16:23-27

*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.*

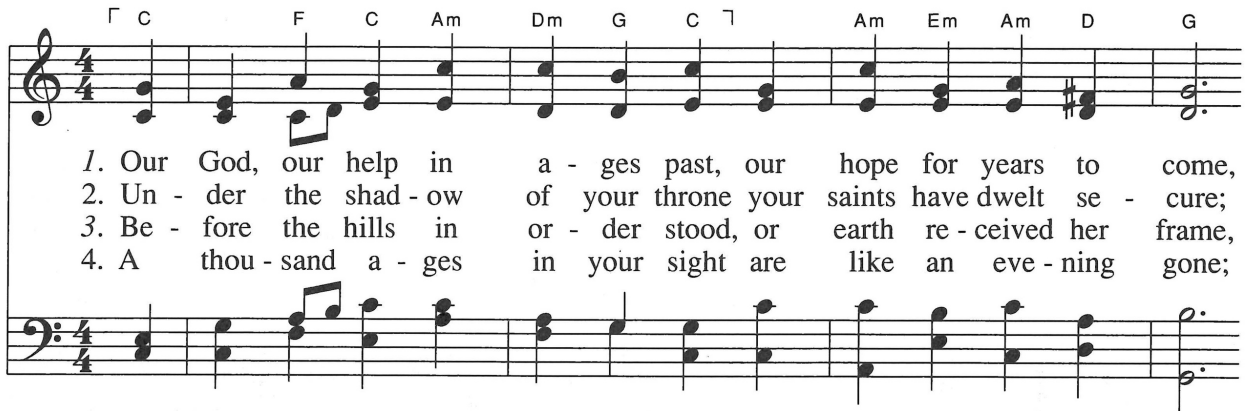
**Leader:** Sing to the Lord, all the earth! Tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the Lord made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and joy are in his place.

Prayer of Adoration\*.....

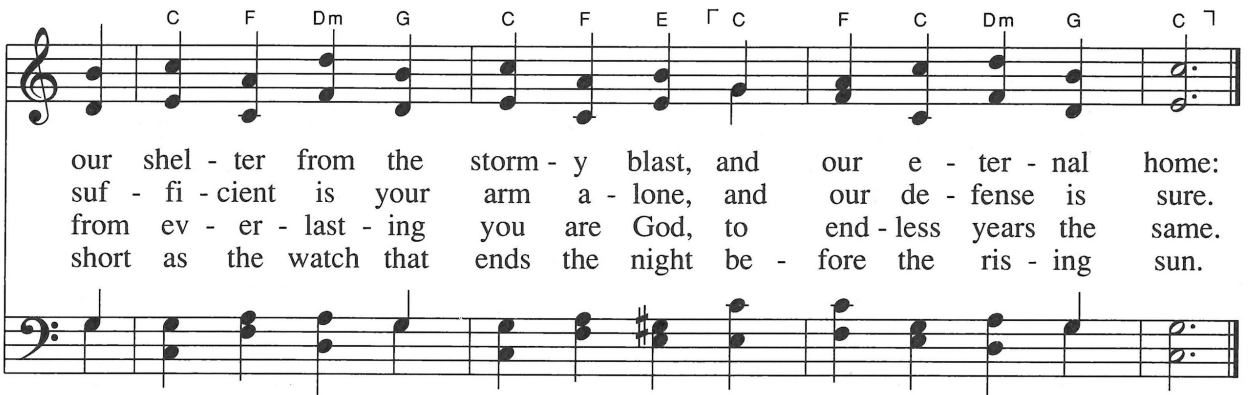
Hymn #30\*.....*Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

\*please stand if able

# Our God, Our Help in Ages Past



1. Our God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,  
2. Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;  
3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,  
4. A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone;



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:  
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.  
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.  
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5. The busy tribes of flesh and blood,  
with all their lives and cares,  
are carried downward by your flood,  
and lost in foll'wing years.
6. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
bears all its sons away;  
they fly forgotten, as a dream  
dies at the op'ning day.
7. Our God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come:  
O be our guard while troubles last,  
and our eternal home.

## Renewal

*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.*

Corporate Reading of Scripture.....Romans 6:20-23 (p. 943)

Corporate Prayer of Confession.....

Assurance of Pardon.....1 Peter 2:24-25

**Leader:** He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Offering/Psalm 34.....*Through All the Changing Seasons of Life*

Congregational Prayer.....

# Through All the Changing Seasons of Life

1. Through all the chang - ing scenes of life, in  
2. His sav - ing mer - cies I will sing, till  
3. Oh, mag - ni - fy the Lord with me; let  
4. The an - gel of the Lord sur - rounds the

trou - ble and in joy, the prais - es of my  
all that are dis - tressed shall hear the won - ders  
us ex - alt His name; when in dis - tress I  
dwell - ings of the just; His arm is strong to

God shall still my heart and tongue em - ploy.  
God has done, and lay their griefs to rest.  
called to Him, He to my res - cue came.  
save the ones who in His ref - uge trust.

5. Oh, taste and see the Lord is good!—  
oh let His goodness prove  
how blest are they who seek the Lord,  
whose refuge is His love.

6. Oh fear the Lord, all you, His saints,  
and nothing shall you fear;  
His service shall be your delight:  
your needs shall be His care.

*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\* ..... *He Will Hold Me Fast*

Prayer for Illumination.....

Sermon.....Rev. Neil Quinn

"Other-Worldly Joy"  
*Hebrews 10:32-39 (p. 1007)*

## Response

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

Hymn #274\* ..... *Thine Be the Glory*

Benediction\* .....

Postlude.....

\*\*To allow full participation for all members, the Lord's Supper is served with gluten free bread.

# He Will Hold Me Fast

1. When I fear my faith will fail,  
2. Those He saves are His de - light, Christ will hold me fast;  
3. For my life He bled and died,

when the tempt - er would pre - vail,  
pre - cious in his ho - ly sight, He will hold me fast.  
Just - ice has been sat - is - fied;

I could nev - er keep my hold through life's fear - ful path;  
He'll not let my soul be lost; His prom - is - es shall last;  
Raised with Him to end - less life, He will hold me fast

*Refrain*  
for my love is oft - en cold; He must hold me fast.  
bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast. He will hold me  
'till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last!

fast, He will hold me fast; for my Sa - vior loves me so, He will hold me fast.



# Sermon Outline

“Other-Worldly Joy”

*Hebrews 10:32-39 (p. 1007)*

Big Idea—*Faithful endurance in this world requires a joy that is not of this world.*

## **Introduction: You Need Endurance**

## **The Enemy of Endurance**

## **The Key to Endurance**

## **The Essence of Other-Worldly Joy**

1. Other-worldly joy looks to and prizes a heavenly treasure.
2. Other-worldly joy understands the good and gain of worldly loss.

## **Conclusion: Losing the World is Worth It**

# Sermon Notes

# Thine Be the Glory

1. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con - qu'ring Son; end - less is the  
 2. Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly he  
 3. No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with -

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won; an - gels in bright rai - ment  
 greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom; let the church with glad - ness,  
 out thee: aid us in our strife; make us more than con - qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes,  
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for her Lord now liv - eth,  
 thro' thy death - less love: bring us safe thro' Jor - dan

REFRAIN  
 where thy bod - y lay.  
 death hath lost its sting. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con - qu'ring Son;  
 to thy home a - bove.

end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won.

# Contact Us

**Senior Pastor:** Neil Quinn  
Neil@gskalamazoo.org

**Associate Pastor:** Ryan Potter  
Ryan@gskalamazoo.org

**Admin Assistant:** Courtney Webb  
Admin@gskalamazoo.org

~

**Nursery:** Stephanie Webb

**Fellowship Hour:** Laura  
Van Hofwegen

**Custodial Needs:** Barbara Barrett

**Women's Ministry:** Leandra Quinn

**Men's Ministry:** Ryan Potter

**Campus Outreach:** Chase Smith

**Choir:** Luann LaRoy

~

**Elders:**  
Greg Vanden Heuvel  
Nathan Van Hofwegen  
Steve DeVries

**Deacons:**  
Jacob Webb  
Rex Webb  
Sean O'Brien

Deacons@gskalamazoo.org

## Announcements

- A special service of **Scripture and Song** is scheduled during the evening service on Sunday, **May 7**. Please plan to join us for the first of what is planned to be an annual evening of praise and thanksgiving.
- Please join us for **Ladies Swap Night** on **May 15** at **7pm** in the fellowship hall. Contact Lynn Kloosterman or Juhae Lee with any questions.

## Financials

- Total Giving through March 2023 (\$70,659)
- Total Expenses through March 2023 (\$75,535)
- Welcome Home Contributions (\$43,997)

## 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.
- **Sunday School** classes run after the morning service from 11:45am until 12:30pm
- **Fellowship groups** meet every other week. Please contact Pastor Ryan if interested.
- **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.
- **Women's Bible Study** meets on alternating Thursday evenings from 7-8:30 pm in the church Fellowship Hall.
- **The choir** practices every Tuesday at 7pm.