



# GOOD SHEPHERD

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

OCTOBER 8, 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.....

“Satan always hates Christian fellowship; it is his policy to keep Christians apart. Anything which can divide saints from one another he delights in. He attaches far more importance to godly intercourse than we do. Since union is strength, he does his best to promote separation.” - Charles Spurgeon

Prelude.....

Welcome and Announcements.....

## Praise

*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.*

Call to Worship\*.....Psalm 84:1-4

**Leader:** How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God. Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!

Prayer of Adoration\* .....

Hymn #100\*.....*Holy, Holy, Holy!*

# Holy, Holy, Holy!

♩ D Bm A D G D 7

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

A D Bm A E7 A

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,  
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

D Bm A D G D

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

♩ Bm D G D G A7 D 7

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.  
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

# 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.*

Corporate Reading of Scripture.....Mark 1:35-46 (p. 837)

Corporate Prayer of Confession.....

*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.*

Assurance of Pardon.....Colossians 2:13-15

**Leader:** And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

*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.*

Offering/Song.....*The Power of the Cross*

Congregational Prayer.....

# The Power of the Cross



1. Oh to see the dawn of the dark - est day. Christ on the road to  
 2. Oh to see the pain writ - ten on Your face, bear - ing the awe - some  
 3. Now the day - light flees, now the ground be - neath quakes as its Mak - er  
 4. Oh to see my name writ - ten in the wounds, for through Your suf - f'ring



Cal - va - ry. Tried by sin - ful men, torn and beat - en then  
 weight of\_\_ sin. Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought, ev - 'ry e - vil deed  
 bows His head. Cur - tain torn in two, dead are raised to life.  
 I am free. Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live



nailed to a cross of\_\_\_\_ wood. This the pow'r of the  
 crown - ing Your blood - stained brow. This the pow'r of the  
 "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry\_\_\_\_ cry. This the pow'r of the  
 won through Your self - less\_\_\_\_ love! This the pow'r of the



cross. Christ be - came sin for us. Took the blame, bore the  
 cross. Christ be - came sin for us. Took the blame, bore the  
 cross. Christ be - came sin for us. Took the blame, bore the  
 cross Son of God slain for us. What a love, what a



wrath. We stand for - giv - en at\_\_\_\_ the cross.  
 wrath. We stand for - giv - en at\_\_\_\_ the cross.  
 wrath. We stand for - giv - en at\_\_\_\_ the cross.  
 cost. We stand for - giv - en at\_\_\_\_ the cross.

# Great is Thy Faithfulness

1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no  
 2. Sum - mer and win - ter and spring-time and har - vest, sun, moon, and  
 3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear

shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -  
 stars in their cours - es a - bove, join with all na - ture in  
 pres - ence to cheer and to guide, strength for to - day and bright

pas - sions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
 man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
 hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

**REFRAIN**  
 Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by

morn - ing new mer - cies I see: all I have need - ed thy hand hath pro -

vid - ed — Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

*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

Hymn #32\* ..... *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

Prayer for Illumination.....

Sermon.....Rev. Ryan Potter  
"Gospel Reconciliation"  
*Philippians 4:1-3 (p. 982)*

## Response

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

Hymn #19\* ..... *Thee We Adore, Eternal Lord!*

Benediction\* .....

Postlude.....

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



# Sermon Outline

“Gospel Reconciliation”

*Philippians 4:1-3 (p. 982)*

Big Idea— *Church unity is an essential consequence of believing the gospel message. The gospel is also sufficient to overcome conflicts and bring about that unity.*

## **Introduction: Why Unity Matters**

## **Four Ways to Approach Conflict**

Lead with Love

Let Others in

Don't Lose the Mission

Agree in the Lord

# Sermon Notes

# Thee We Adore, Eternal Lord

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Gm F C F

1. Thee we a - dore, e - ter - nal Lord! We praise thy name with  
 2. To thee a - loud all an - gels cry, the heav'ns and all the  
 3. A - pos - tles join the glo - rious throng, and proph - ets swell th'im -  
 4. From day to day, O Lord, do we ex - alt and high - ly

C G7 C F C7 F D7

one ac - cord. Thy saints, who here thy good - ness see, through all the  
 pow'rs on high: thee, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly King, Lord God of  
 mor - tal song; thy mar - tyrs' no - ble ar - my raise e - ter - nal  
 hon - or thee! Thy name we wor - ship and a - dore, world with - out

Gm C7 F C F Gm F C F

world do wor - ship thee, through all the world do wor - ship thee.  
 Hosts, they ev - er sing, Lord God of Hosts, they ev - er sing.  
 an - thems to thy praise, e - ter - nal an - thems to thy praise.  
 end, for - ev - er - more, world with - out end, for - ev - er - more.

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## Announcements

- Please join us **this evening** at 5:30 for another student night. After the service we will have pizza and fellowship in the fellowship hall.
- The fall women's retreat will take place on **Oct 27-28 at Maranatha Bible Conference**. Registration is open online through ChurchTrac, and **closes 10/9**. Contact Leandra Quinn with questions.
- There will be a **free musical event** that will explore the person and work of Christ through hymns of the faith, accompanied by instrumentalists and singers from area churches on **11/4 at 6:30PM** at Grace Harbor Church in Kalamazoo.

## Financials

- Total Giving through Aug 2023 (\$206,453)
- Total Expenses through Aug 2023 (\$199,343)
- Welcome Home Fund (\$40,130)

## 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.
- **Fellowship groups** meet regularly. Contact Pastor Ryan if you are interested in joining a group.
- **Seniors** meet on the first Friday of each month at 10am at various locations. Contact Larry Warner if interested.
- **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 and on alternating Friday mornings from 9-11 in the church Fellowship Hall.
- **The choir** meets every Tuesday evening at 7pm.