Welcome Visitors and Members!

We’re glad you are with us today. Toys are available in the back for those under age 5. A staffed nursery is also available. An usher can help you find them.

Please sign in on the YES! Sheet and pass it to the center aisle. Prayer Requests on the back will be read during worship. An usher will pick it up during the Hymn of the Day.

Embracing the diversity of God’s creation and celebrating our oneness in Christ.

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ELW=red book hymnal   Congregation responses are bold

Take the Good Shepherd Epistle home to use throughout the week and return the bulletin in the basket for use next week. Good Shepherd is dedicated to giving people the option of inclusive language. These options are indicated in parentheses ().
Please join us for Wednesday Worship at 7:30pm during Lent.

Gathering

Prelude

Announcements

Call to Worship

Confession and Forgiveness

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Greeting

From the one who was, who is, and who is to come:
Grace and peace be with you all.
And also be with you.

Kyrie

Children come forward for a message at the beginning of the song.
Sing verses 1 and 2 before the Children’s Message and verse 3 as they return to their seats.
Let us pray … Amen.
First Reading

Wilderness Poem

Gospel Acclamation

Hear and Obey

Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to...

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.
Hymn of the Day  

_During the hymn, Yes! Sheets are collected._

- **March 1**  
  Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song  
  _ELW 808_

- **March 8**  
  As Your Spirit in the Desert  
  _Bulletin Insert_

- **March 15**  
  Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty  
  _ELW 777_

- **March 22**  
  Open Our Eyes  
  _Bulletin Insert_

- **March 29**  
  I am the Bread of Life (v1, 4-5)  
  _ELW 485_

Sermon

_Silence is kept for reflection._

- March 1: The Rev. Kerstin Hedlund
- March 8, 15, 22, 29: The Rev. Kathy Nolte

Prayers of Intercession  

_Sung Response_

![Music Staff]

_Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, O Lord._

Passing of the Peace

_The peace of Christ be with you always._

_and also with you._

Meal

Offering  

_Gifts are gathered as the table is prepared. A musical offering is shared._
Offertory

Take My Life

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love; take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice and let me sing, praises to my God I bring;

Take my lips and let them be filled with praises from thee.
Offering Prayer

Thank you, God of the Wilderness,
For glimpses of eternity
in the daily experiences of life.
We are grateful for the encounters
that lift the horizons of our vision,
Teaching us anew what is valuable
and what can be cast along the wayside.
Bless now the gifts we return to you
in gratitude for your presence in our lives. Amen.

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.

Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give praise and thanks to you,
Almighty and Merciful God
through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

You comforted your people
with the promise of a Redeemer,
through whom you will make all things new.
And so with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the host of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
Sanctus

REFRAIN

The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices.

Open the gates before him, lift up your voices.

Verses

Lent 1 Who is the King of glory, what shall we call him?
Lent 2 In all of Galilee in city or village;
Lent 3 Sing then of David's son, our Savior and brother;
Lent 4 He gave his life for us, the pledge of salvation;
Lent 5 He conquered sin and death; he truly has risen,

1 He is Immanuel, the promise of ages.
2 He goes among his people curing their illness.
3 In all of Galilee was never another.
4 He took upon himself the sins of the nation.
5 And he will share with us his heavenly vision.

Eucharistic Prayer

Holy God, our living Water,
together with rivers and seas, wells and springs
we bless and magnify you.
Gracious and merciful Guide
You led your people through the wilderness,
   and showed them a path through smoke,
giving a new blueprint for life.

We praise you for Christ, who when we walked our own paths,
joined us in our wilderness,
   pouring out his life for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
   our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
   Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
   and gave it for all to drink, saying:
   This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
   shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
   his life, death, and resurrection,
we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

Pour out your Spirit on this holy food
   and on all the baptized gathered for this feast:
   wash away our sin,
   that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.

Through Jesus all glory and honor is yours,
   Eternal God, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.
   Amen.
Lord’s Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray according to our language or custom:

(Abba Imma/Our Father/Our Parent) in heaven,
   hallowed be your name,
   your kingdom come,
   your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
   as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
   and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
   and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

God’s love is poured out in Christ for you.
Open yourselves to receive it.

Communion

Please come forward as the ushers direct. You will be given a wafer. You may eat the wafer and drink;
or intinct (dip) in the large cup and eat. The silver cup has wine; the pottery cup has grape juice.
Pastor has gluten free wafers if you need, just ask. Those who only wish a blessing may come forward
with their arms crossed in front of them.
Lamb of God

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

We thank you, living God, for the body and blood of Jesus Christ, which sustains us in the wilderness and the garden alike. As Christ has loved us in this feast, so send us to love Christ in our neighbors. In Jesus’ name we pray.

Amen.
May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus, who walks with us in all of the wilderness places.  Amen.

Sending Hymn

- **March 1**: Lead Me, Guide Me (ELW 768)
- **March 8**: God of Abraham Praise (v1-3) (ELW 831)
- **March 15**: Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness (ELW 843)
- **March 22**: Awake, O Sleeper, Rise (ELW 452)
- **March 29**: What Wondrous Love is This (ELW 666)

Dismissal

Go in peace. Christ is with you. Thanks be to God.

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