

June 25, 2023

“You Are My Witnesses”

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

GATHERING MUSIC

In Christ There Is No East Or West **Arr. Gilbert Martin**

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 86

Assisting Minister: God is great and does wondrous things!

All: Let us worship our God in spirit and truth.

OPENING SONG #650 ***In Christ There Is No East or West***

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS by Linda Hutchinson, adapted

Assisting Minister: Creating God,

As we have acknowledged the diversity in this amazing world,
created in atoms and molecules but with an underlying spirit of
mystery, we must also admit that, at times, we have forgotten
the wonders of that diversity.

**All: We have longed for things to be familiar and comfortable.
We have not loved your people as you love them. We have
not served your people as you call us to serve.**

Assisting Minister: We know that we individually, both intentionally and unintentionally, have rejected and shunned those who are not like us.

**All: For this we are truly sorry, and we ask your mercy and wisdom to guide us, as we learn and strive for ways to be more inclusive and celebrate all in this wondrous world.
Amen.**

Pastor: God is good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and called forth to live in the love and life of the Spirit.

All: Amen!

SONG OF RESPONSE Setting 8, ELW *Kyrie Eleison*

(You are invited to the Baptismal font to touch the waters of God's presence of love and grace.)

WELCOME/LIFE IN COMMUNITY shephills.org

Altar Flowers: In honor of Mary Louise Behrhorst 96th Birthday.

Above and Beyond update, Conversation Café, July Day Camp, Tea for Tots

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Shepherd's to Jay and Cilla Temple are Jennifer and Richard Arndt.

Welcome New Members!

Jay and Cilla Temple have moved 15 times, and have now landed in Austin! They met and married while attending the University of Nebraska. Both hold degrees from various universities, Jay in Criminal Justice, Public Administration, and Accounting, and Cilla in Art History, and Public History and Historic Preservation. They've both held a multitude of interesting jobs-ask them about it! Outside of work, Jay enjoys gardening and Cilla spends her retirement reading, drawing, and lounging in the pool.

They have two grown children, Annie and Tony, and a very special dog, HoneyB, who rules the house.



SCRIPTURE READING... PSALM 86:1-11 NRSV

Incline your ear, O Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.
Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who
trusts in you. You are my God;

be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long. Gladden
the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love
to all who call on you. Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer; listen to my cry
of supplication.

In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me. There is
none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like
yours.

All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you,
O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do
wondrous things; you alone are God.

Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth; give me an
undivided heart to revere your name.

Assisting Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL...MATTHEW 10:24-39 NRSV

[Jesus said,] A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the
master;

it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like
the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul,
how much more will they malign those of his household!

“So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be
uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known.

What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops.

Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted.

So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. "Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me;

and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE 2X ***Be Bold***

MESSAGE Pastor Lauren Dow Wegner

MESSAGE SONG #641 vv 1, 2, 5 ***All Are Welcome***

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THANK OFFERING

- To make a gift online to the mission and ministry of Shepherd of the Hills, use this link: shephills.org/give.
- Scan the QR Code with your camera phone to give now.
- By mail, send to 3525 Bee Caves Rd, Austin, TX 78746



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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;
lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.

COMMUNION INVITATION

As we celebrate this sacrament, all are invited to receive the
Risen presence of Jesus.

*God is really present—in bread and wine—forgiving sins and
promising new life.*

Bread/wafer— “The body of Christ given for you”;

Wine— “The blood of Christ shed for you.”

8:15 **COMMUNION MUSIC** ***DRAWN TO THE LIGHT***

10:45 **COMMUNION MUSIC** Tara Grove and Josh Norem, soloists
HERE, O MY LORD, I SEE YOU FACE TO FACE **RUSSELL SCHULZ**

POST - COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG #875 2X *Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord*

COMMISSIONING

Assisting Minister: We have sung, we have prayed,
we have worshiped together.

All: Refreshed and renewed we go back out into the world.

Assisting Minister: We go out as people who are strengthened by our
relationship with God, others, and the world.

**All: Ready to love and to serve.
Ready to carry God's love to the world.**

Assisting Minister: Let us go with God, as the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God. And we will!

POSTLUDE *Gigue Fugue* Dietrich Buxtehude

PRAYERS

We pray for Rodney Varner, Alexander Rosas, Tom Felger
and Sheila Hilts.

We pray for family and friends of Shepherd members:

Krista Bowers, niece of Herb and Kathy Palmer.

John Heine, friend of Richard Lowke.

Emily Oehler, granddaughter of Alana and Charlie Oehler.

Tim Jordan, brother -in-law of Alana and Charlie Oehler.

Stirling Johnson, granddaughter of Sylvia & Curtis Johnson.

We give thanks for the birth of Gemma Louise Grevlos, daughter of
Tommy and Emily Grevlos, granddaughter of Pr. Tom and Jeanne
Grevlos. Surround Gemma with love and grace.

We pray for our Guatemala Mission Team: Megan DeVaney, Karen Flint, Dabney Gomes, Megan Koeneman, Lynn Spillar, Stephanie Timmons and Joel Timmons. May they make a joyful noise in witness to your love. Keep them safe and open them to the your Spirit at work.

Merciful and Loving God, as war and violence rages in Ukraine and other parts of the world, we pray that leaders of the world will practice peace-making, bringing together people of every tribe and race under the umbrella of your amazing grace.

We pray for our global ministry partners: Rev. Karen Castillo in Guatemala; Iglesia Luterana Augustina Virgen del Rosario, Aurora 8 de Octubre, Guatemala. We pray for Malcolm and Joy Henderson and the ministry of CHARIS in Haiti.

We pray for our local ministries: Mariposa Family Learning Center, Bread For All and Upbring Ministries.

We pray for our faith community, that we may be a church without walls and live out loud...faithfully!

**Prayers for family and friends are listed for 2 weeks,
unless we are notified otherwise.*

WORSHIP TEAM

Pastors Pr. Tom Grevlos, Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner
Director of Worship/Arts Kevin McClure
Altar Flowers Given by Wallace and Mary Louise Behrhorst,
"In celebration of Mary Louise Behrhorst 96th Birthday."
Altar Steward (8:15) Elnora and Ken McDonald;
(10:45) Jennifer and Richard Arndt
Assisting Minister (8:15) Tim Stein; (10:45) Jennifer Arndt
AV Bill Dawson, Dave Wegner, Pete Forsberg, Jamie Nichols,
Peter Walsh, Jonathan Wolff, Erin Courtney, Devon Schueppert
Bread Kitt Richter
Communion Assistant (8:15) Tim Stein, Elnora and Ken McDonald;
(10:45) Jennifer and Richard Arndt
Food For Fellowship Alison Cannon
Hosts (8:15) ; (10:45)
Tellers (10:45)
Admin Ministry Coordinator Amanda Forsberg
Campus Operations Dave Wegner
Communications Director Dabney Gomes
Program Ministry Coordinator Joel Timmons
Executive Director Bill Dawson
Finance Controller Kevin Marlow
Children's Ministry Coordinator (Interim) Megan Getman
Spiritual Wellness and Spiritual Director Rebecca Guengerich

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!

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