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# Blessings & Beginnings

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Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church  
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**GATHERING MUSIC**      *Toccata in C*    Johannes Pachelbel

**CALL TO WORSHIP... PSALM 133** Video

**WELCOME/LIFE IN COMMUNITY** [shephills.org](https://shephills.org)

**Altar Flowers:** Given by George and Kissiah Carlson,  
“in celebration of our 58th wedding anniversary.”  
Giving, Movie Matinee and Blessing Calendar

**BLESSING OF COLLEGE STUDENTS**

**OPENING HYMN**    *10,000 Reasons*

**MISSION MOMENT** Boundary Waters Thank You

**NOW THE FEAST AND CELEBRATION**

**INVOCATION**

**KYRIE**

**NOW THE FEAST**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

## **GOSPEL VERSE**

### **HOLY GOSPEL...MATTHEW 14:13-21** NRSV

Assisting Minister: Now when Jesus heard about the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew from the crowds in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick.

When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat."

They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me."

Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds.

And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Assisting Minister: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL VERSE**

## **MESSAGE** Pastor Tom Grevlos

### **MESSAGE HYMN #674** *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

#### **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** video

#### **THANK OFFERING**

- To make a gift online to the mission and ministry of Shepherd of the Hills, use this link: [shephills.org/give](https://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



#### **GENEROSITY IMPACT** Charis Ministry in Haiti (video)

#### **OFFERING SONG** *As the Grains of Wheat*

#### **PRAYER OF THANKS**

#### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

## **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **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.”*

### **LAMB OF GOD**

### **COMMUNION MUSIC** Josh Norem

**SPECIAL BLESSING** Josh Norem and Pastor Lauren Dow Wegner

**SENDING SONG #545**      *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

## **COMMISSIONING**

Assisting Minister: We go out in joy, fed with the grace of God and  
united as Christ's body, to love and serve the Lord!

**All: Thanks be to God. And, we will!**

**POSTLUDE**                      *Prelude in G JS Bach*

## **PRAYERS**

**We pray** for Rodney Varner, Nancy Etzler and Jan Burnight.

**We pray** for family and friends of Shepherd members:

Krista Bowers, niece of Herb and Kathy Palmer.

Stirling Johnson, granddaughter of Sylvia & Curtis Johnson.

Carol Carlos, mother of Sandy Wikelius.

Charles Wikelius, brother of Larry Wikelius.

Mike Young and Pauline Krc, friends of Terrie Thomas.

**We give thanks** for the witness of the saints who have gone before us in faith and now rest in eternal life, especially Kim Jackson, daughter of Dee and Robert Jackson. We pray for Dee and family, as they grieve this loss. Give comfort and peace to those who mourn, and a sure trust in the promise of resurrection life.

**Merciful and Loving God**, as war and violence rage 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**

<b>Pastors</b>	Pr. Tom Grevlos, Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner
<b>Director of Worship/Arts</b>	Kevin McClure
<b>Piano and Vocalist</b>	Josh Norem
<b>Flute</b>	(10:45) Kristina Bishop
<b>Acolyte</b>	
<b>Altar Flowers:</b>	Given by George and Kissiah Carlson, "In celebration of our 58th wedding anniversary."
<b>Altar Steward</b>	(8:15) Kathy and Mark Gerhardt; (10:45) Dawn Buffington, Diane Peterson
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	(8:15) Tim Stein; (10:45) Herb Palmer
<b>AV</b>	Bill Dawson, Dave Wegner, Pete Forsberg, Jamie Nichols, Peter Walsh, Jonathan Wolff, Erin Courtney, Devon Schueppert
<b>Bread</b>	Kitt Richter
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	(8:15) Ken and Elnora McDonald, Tim Stein; (10:45) Herb Palmer, Dawn Buffington, Diane Peterson
<b>Food For Fellowship</b>	Joan and Bob Vorkoper
<b>Hosts</b>	(8:15) Terrie Thomas; (10:45) the Oehler family
<b>Tellers</b>	(10:45) Janice and Ronny Pinckard
<b>Admin Ministry Coordinator</b>	Amanda Forsberg
<b>Campus Operations</b>	Dave Wegner
<b>Communications Director</b>	Dabney Gomes
<b>Program Ministry Coordinator</b>	Joel Timmons
<b>Executive Director</b>	Bill Dawson
<b>Finance Controller</b>	Kevin Marlow
<b>Children's Ministry Coordinator (Interim)</b>	Megan Getman
<b>Spiritual Wellness and Spiritual Director</b>	Rebecca Guengerich

***HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!***

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