

Sunday, November 12

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran

GATHERING MUSIC *Wake, Awake!* JS Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP by Rev. Mindi

Assisting Minister: Are you awake? Are you alert?

All: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.

Assisting Minister: Are you watching the signs?

Are you interpreting what is happening today?

All: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.

Assisting Minister: Do you see opportunities for ministry?

Do you see the poor, the homeless, the hungry, the needy?

All: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.

Assisting Minister: Come, let us worship and let us work in the reign of God.

All: Christ has extended the invitation:

Let us work together in the reign of God on earth.

OPENING SONG #526 VV 1, 3, 4

God is Here

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (from Liturgies Alive)

Assisting Minister: If only we had been more aware
how often we meet the Lord in life!
Let us ask him to forgive us.

(silence for reflection)

Assisting Minister: Lord Jesus, you seem absent
when we struggle with suffering,
but you are there with your strength:
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Assisting Minister: Jesus Christ, often we forget you
in the cares of everyday life,
but you are there with us:
Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Assisting Minister: Lord Jesus, we neglect to care for you
in our sick and neglected brothers and sisters,
but you want us to serve you in them:
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Assisting Minister: Forgive us all our sins, Lord,
and make us look for your presence.
Walk with us and lead us
to the feast of everlasting life.

Pastor: In the name of the +Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit, your
sins are forgiven. Rejoice and be glad!

All: Amen.

FONT SONG #807 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WELCOME/LIFE IN COMMUNITY shephills.org

Altar Flowers:

Given by Mary Louise Behrhorst, in honor of Wallace Behrhorst's birthday.

Gather Us In (8:15), Thanksgiving Eve Worship,
Semi-Annual Meeting

SCRIPTURE READING...AMOS 5:18-24 NRSV

Assisting Minister: Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD! Why
do you want the day of the LORD? It is darkness, not light;
as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or
went into the house and rested a hand against the wall,
and was bitten by a snake.

Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light, and gloom
with no brightness in it? I hate, I despise your festivals,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain
offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-
being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take
away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to
the melody of your harps.

But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like
an ever-flowing stream.

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION PG 151

GOSPEL READING...MATTHEW 25:1-13 NRSV

Pastor: [Jesus said] “Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps.

The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’

And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’

Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Pastor Lauren Dow Wegner

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MESSAGE SONG #710 VV 1 & 3 *Let Streams of Living Justice*

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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Passing of the plates

OFFERING MUSIC

Tara Grove

Be Thou My Vision Arr Richard Walters

PRAYER OF THANKS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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.”

COMMUNION MUSIC 10:45 **Choir** ***Wake, Awake!*** JS Bach
#484 ***You Satisfy the Hungry Heart***

POST - COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG #638 *Blessed Assurance*

COMMISSIONING

Assisting Minister: Let us keep awake and keep alert, noticing the presence of Christ around us, and responding in God's love to all in need.

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

POSTLUDE *Toccata in D* Dietrich Buxtehude

PRAYERS

We pray for Rodney Varner and Tamara Allen.

"Be with our youth: Clay Bishop, Isaac Bishop, Sawyer Dertien, Madison Johnson, Clara Macaulay, Alex Nuernberg, Andrew Nuernberg and Louisa Wykrent and adult leaders: Erin Johnson, Heather Wykrent and Joel Timmons at Camp Chrysalis this weekend for the Middle School Retreat. May they grow deeper in faith and closer together in community. Give them time and space to play, laugh, and rest in your creation."

God of Life, we pray for Judy and Bob Moore, the Hjaltman family and the Pastor Casey family on the death of their cousin, Mildred Tonn. Surround all who mourn with the peace and promise of resurrection.

God of Peace, as wars continue on the battlefield, in the halls of our government, in the on-line bullying and lying, equip us with the power of your Spirit to stand for those without power or position, and give us the courage to stand for what You stand for.

Holy God, as war has once again broken out in the Holy Land, we lift to you prayers for peace and resolution to this age-old conflict among your people. Draw near to the victims, and inspire leaders to seek your will and your guidance.

Lord of Life, as we focus our attention this month on renewal and unity as your church, inspire in each and every person a feeling of belonging and participating in a faith community that welcomes all, participates in the mission and ministry you call us to do, and generously supports the sharing of your love in Guatemala, Haiti, the ELCA, and the ministries of Austin City Lutherans—Mariposa and Bread for All. Be with all who lead those ministries and all whose lives are impacted.

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

WORSHIP TEAM

Pastor	Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner
Program Ministry Coordinator	Joel Timmons
Director of Worship/Arts	Kevin McClure
Accompanist	Andrei Zimbalist
Choir	
Vocalist	Tara Grove
Acolyte (8:15) Owen Wegner; (10:45)	
Altar Flowers Given by Mary Louise Behrhorst, in honor of Wallace Behrhorst's birthday.	
Altar Steward (8:15) Sandy Wikelius; (10:45)	
Assisting Minister (8:15) Larry Wikelius; (10:45) Alana Oehler	
AV Bill Dawson, Dave Wegner, Pete Forsberg, Jamie Nichols, Peter Walsh, Jonathan Wolff, Erin Courtney, Devon Schueppert	
Bread Kitt Richter	
Communion Assistant	
(8:15) Larry and Sandy Wikelius, Owen Wegner;	
(10:45) Alana and Charlie Oehler	
Food For Fellowship Debra Wissman	
Hosts/Tellers (8:15) ; (10:45) Virginia Bosman and Anita Knight	
Admin & Community Life Coordinator	Amanda Forsberg
Campus Superintendent	Philip Perry
Digital Ministry & IT	Dave Wegner
Communications Director	Dabney Gomes
Executive Director	Bill Dawson
Finance Controller	Kevin Marlow
Children's Ministry Coordinator	Megan Getman
Spiritual Wellness and Spiritual Director	Rebecca Guengerich

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!

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