

ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

June 2, 2024

8:15 & 10:45

GATHERING MUSIC

Cantad al Señor

Andrei Zimbalist, piano

BLESSING INTRO

Baptismal Font for ILAG

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Pastor: God who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word, God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ.

We are united with all of the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world. In this way, we are united with our siblings in Aurora Ocho de Octubre. Together, united in one Lord.

All: Together, united in one baptism.

Pastor: The same Christ, who is present in the waters of our font, is present in theirs. Just as we have blessed them, cared for them, and prayed for them, they too have blessed us, taught us, prayed for us, and cared for us. Their waters are ours,

All: And ours are theirs.

Pastor: Together, united in one Lord.

All: Together, united in one baptism.

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, we give you thanks for this font and we ask that you bless its waters. May they flow with your grace and mercy.

For the lives baptized in its waters, may they be wrapped in your eternal salvation. For the hands that dip and splash in it, may it remind them of who and whose they are. For those who created the

font, we thank you for their creativity and skill. And for those who will deliver it, grant them safe passage as they embark on their journey.

Bless this font, O God. May it be used to honor and praise you through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

FONT SONG

Oh, Sing to the Lord ELW #822 vv. 1, 2 & 4

v. 1: Solo in Spanish; vv. 1, 2 & 4: All

WELCOME/LIFE IN COMMUNITY

Guestbooks

Announcements: Parable Picnics, Caroline Cullinane, ACL Rent Assistance

Altar Flowers: Given in celebration of John and Melissa Robertson's 15th wedding anniversary.

Website: shephills.org/EVENTS

ANNIVERSARY LITANY

Pastor: God has blessed us with 47 years of mission and ministry as Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church. We are a remembering people, and it is good that we remember that God has chosen us, baptized us, and brought us together as the Church of Christ in this place.

As remembering people, we look back at all the saving acts of God: the Creation, the Flood, the Covenant, the Exodus, the Incarnation, the Crucifixion, the Resurrection, the Church.

We are a remembering people, but we are also a people of this day, brought together by God to be a holy fellowship of believers: the Body of Christ, sharing, caring, working in the world, and living in the hope of the world to come.

Our eyes look back with thanksgiving. Our eyes look forward in hope. Therefore, with thanksgiving for the past and hope for the future, let us dedicate ourselves and our lives to the mission which God gives us as the Church of Jesus Christ in this place.

Let us pray,

All: Almighty God, we give you thanks for the work you have done in this place. We give you thanks for your love and faithfulness. When we called on your name, you made your presence known to us. When we prayed, you heard us. When we received your Word and your Sacraments, you were in our midst.

You have accepted our humble sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving. You have listened to our confessions and forgiven our sins. You have sent your Holy Spirit to heal and comfort our hurts, our sorrows, and our losses.

Assist: Continue to empower us with your Spirit, O Lord, that we might proclaim your Gospel to all people. Help us to witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ in all that we do and say.

All: We dedicate our lives to your service.

Assist: Show us how we might give care and support to the needy, love and mercy to the broken and forlorn. Show us new ways of loving one another and those around us.

All: We dedicate our lives to your service.

Pastor: O Lord, draw our hearts to you, guide our minds, fill our imaginations. Use us, the congregation of Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, to the glory of your holy name and the healing of your people; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen!

RECOGNITION OF CHARTER & EARLY MEMBERS

Photo

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

NRSV

Assist: For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us.

We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW Setting 4

GOSPEL READING

Mark 2:23-3:6

NRSV

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Pastor: One sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food?

He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent.

He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out

and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Megan Getman

MESSAGE

Pastor Lauren Dow Wegner

MESSAGE SONG

Beautiful Savior

ELW #838 vv. 1-4

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each petition...Lord in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

THANK OFFERING

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GENEROSITY IMPACT

Celebrating 20 Years with ILAG (Video)

Passing of the plates.

OFFERING MUSIC

10:45

When the Roll is Called Up Yonder

arr. Patti Drenan

Choir; Jennifer Arndt, director

Bring plates forward.

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW Setting 4

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION INVITATION

Pastor: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

Hear these words: "The body of Christ given for you" and "The blood of Christ shed for you." Prayer Station: As you leave the communion table, a prayer minister is available to offer prayers of thanksgiving or healing prayers for the burdens and ills you carry.

LAMB OF GOD

ELW Setting 4

COMMUNION MUSIC

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| 8:15 | You Satisfy the Hungry Heart <i>Kristina, Lila, and Isaac Bishop</i> | arr. David Cherwien |
| 10:45 | Thank the Lord for this New Day <i>Choir</i> | Philip Lawson |
| 10:45 | Ring the Bells of Heaven <i>Bell Ensemble</i> | Linda Lamb |

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

ELW #538

COMMISSIONING

Assist: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God, and WE WILL!

POSTLUDE

Toccatina in E Minor

J. Pachelbel

PRAYERS

We pray for:

- Donna Herschleb
- Betty Lueders
- Marie Fortune

We pray for family and friends of Shepherd members:

- LaWayne Guengerich, father-in-law of Rebecca Guengerich
- Buddy Kopplin, uncle of Amy Bishop
- Glenda Rumble, cousin of Terrie Thomas
- Drew Officer and Kate Sheeran, friends of Kathleen Macaulay

O God, we give you thanks for all the saints who have gone before us in faith, and now rest in your eternal life, especially:

- Roger Noer, brother-in-law of Pastor Tom Grevlos
- Milton Volney, uncle of Debra Wissman

We pray for your comfort and peace to surround all who grieve, as we trust together in the resurrection promise. We commend Roger and Milton to your never-ending love.

O God, you speak and the face of the earth is renewed. Revive your creation, that habitats and every kind of living thing might flourish. Protect endangered species and help us to care for all your creatures.

O God, give your blessing and peace to the nations. Shelter all who risk life and livelihood to protect others from violence, conflict, and injustice. We pray especially for war-torn regions of the world, for the Holy Land, for all places where peace seems far away.

God who sends us out to serve, we pray for Megan DeVaney serving in Guatemala, and Arlene Morris serving in Angola this summer. You have sent Megan and Arlene from this congregation to serve your people. Sustain them and bless them in their ministry.

O God, we give you thanks for the addition of Caroline Cullinane to our staff this summer as Youth Ministry Intern. Bless Caroline's work among our young people – build relationships, grow faith, and develop even deeper community among our youth. Thank you for the many gifts that Caroline brings and uses to share your love.

O God, we give thanks for our ministry partnerships and the ways you call us to do your work in the world. Today we especially celebrate our 20 years of connection, friendship, and Gospel-work with Iglesia Luterana Augustin de Guatemala. We pray for your continued blessings upon this ministry – for the people of Guatemala, for the people of our sister congregation in Ocho de Octubre, for Pastor Karen Castillo, Diego Gil, Valeria Gil, and all the leaders of ILAG's ministries, for the Milagro Center, for all who are served by these ministries. Send your Holy Spirit upon the work of ILAG and upon our work together!

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

WORSHIP TEAM & STAFF

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| Pastor | Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner |
| Preaching | Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner |
| Director of Worship/Arts | Kevin McClure |
| Altar Steward | 8:15 - 10:45 – Linda Roesle |
| Assisting Minister | 8:15 - Megan Koeneman 10:45 - Karen Stern |
| Sound & Video | Dave Wegner, Pete Forsberg, Bill Dawson, Jamie Nichols, Peter Walsh, Jonathan Wolff, Erin Courtney, Devin Schueppert and Vince Yokubaitis |
| Bread | |
| Communion Servers | 8:15 - 10:45 - |
| Food For Fellowship | |
| Hosts/Tellers | 8:15 - Terrie Thomas 10:45 - Jeri Porter; Pam Peterson |
| Prayer Ministry | 8:15 - 10:45 - |
| Accompanist | Andrei Zimbalist |
| Admin & Community Life Coordinator | Amanda Forsberg |
| Campus Superintendent | Philip Perry |
| Children's Ministry Coordinator | Megan Getman |
| Communications Director | Dabney Gomes |
| Digital Media & IT | Dave Wegner |
| Executive Director | Bill Dawson |
| Program Ministry Coordinator | Joel Timmons |

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