

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

September 1, 2024 8:15 & 10:45

GATHERING MUSIC

8:15

Come Let Us Eat

arr. Frank Ferko

10:45

Prayer for Forgiveness

Thom McNeil

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

All: Amen.

Pastor: Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.
(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Gracious God,

All: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Pastor: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

All: Amen.

KYRIE

ELW Setting 6

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

WELCOME/LIFE IN COMMUNITY

Guestbooks

Announcements: Call Process Events, Baby Care Kits, Joel: Trip Mtng

Website: shephills.org/EVENTS

Altar Flowers: Given by Ronny and Janice Pinckard, In celebration of our 64th Wedding Anniversary.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

NRSV

Assist: "So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you.

You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you.

You must observe them and perform them, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!'

For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

"But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 15

GOSPEL READING

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

NRSV

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Pastor: Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around [Jesus], they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they

thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash, and there are also many other traditions that they observe: the washing of cups and pots and bronze kettles and beds.)

So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

Then [Jesus] called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile. For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Megan Getman

MESSAGE

Pastor Lauren

MESSAGE SONG

Change My Heart, O God

#801

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each petition...Lord in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

SHARING THE PEACE

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

All: And also with you.

THANK OFFERING

To make a gift online to the mission and ministry of Shepherd of the Hills, use this link: shephills.org/GIVE. By mail, send to 3525 Bee Caves Rd, Austin, TX 78746.

Passing of the plates.

OFFERING RESPONSE

We Are An Offering

#692

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW Setting 3

PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW Setting 3

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 6

COMMUNION MUSIC

8:15

One Bread, One Body

arr. Ron Schmoltze

10:45

The We Adore

arr. Ralph Johnson

Choir

Arise

Thom McNeil

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

Lead Me, Guide Me

#768 vv. 1-3

COMMISSIONING

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

All: Thanks be to God, and WE WILL!

POSTLUDE

8:15

10:45

Great Day

Ashokan Farewell

Thom McNeil

arr. Adolphus Hailstorck

arr. Unger

PRAYERS

We pray for:

- Marie Fortune
- Hunter Clark
- Dana Dertien
- Ann Watt

We pray for family and friends of Shepherd members:

- Drew Officer and Kate Sheeran, friends of Kathleen Macaulay
- Justin Cain, son-in-law of Rex and Sheila Fortune
- Mary Campbell, aunt of Laura Hills
- Amy Pike, friend of Pastor Lauren
- Ben Funk, stepfather of Lynn Spillar
- Audrey Lentz, sister of Donna Auby
- Joyce Carter, cousin of Karen Flint

God, you have given us Scriptures and teachings of our faith community, and you have blessed us with teachers and mentors who help guide us as we grow in faith. Bless our Sunday'sCool teachers, NextGen mentors, and all who work with our young people this program year. Give them patience, wisdom for the hard questions, and a love for our students that encourages them to be who you have made them to be.

O God, you have continued to guide our discernment process as we seek an Associate Pastor to join us in ministry. We pray for your Spirit to guide and give wisdom to all those involved. We pray for clarity when it is time to extend a call.

O God, we give you thanks for our ministry partnership with Mariposa Family Learning Center and our own Butterfly Preschool. We thank you for the gift of learning and growing, and we pray that you bless the students, teachers, and families of Mariposa and Butterfly.

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

WORSHIP TEAM & STAFF

Pastor	Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner
Director of Worship & Arts	Kevin McClure
Assisting Minister	8:15 – Megan Koeneman 10:45 – Alana Oehler
Acolyte	8:15 – 10:45 –
Altar Steward	8:15 – Ken and Elnora McDonald 10:45 –
Bread	Sherry Morgan
Communion Servers	8:15 – Ken and Elnora McDonald, Megan Koeneman 10:45 – Alana and Charlie Oehler, Jane and Leila Tackett, Milt Nielsen
Food For Fellowship Hosts/Tellers	8:15 – 10:45 – Jeri Porter
Prayer Ministry	8:15 – Sandy Wikelius 10:45 – Pat Saul
Program Ministry Coordinator	Joel Timmons
Children's Ministry Coordinator	Megan Getman
Accompanist	Andrei Zimbalist
Admin & Community Life Coordinator	Amanda Forsberg
Executive Director	Bill Dawson
Communications Director	Dabney Gomes
Campus Superintendent	Philip Perry
Digital Media & IT	Dave Wegner
Sound & Video	Pete Forsberg, Jamie Nichols, Devin Schueppert, Vince Yokubaitis, Will Coulson

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