

NINETEENTH SUNDAY

AFTER PENTECOST

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

September 29, 2024 8:15 & 10:45

GATHERING MUSIC

8:15	Prelude in G	J. S. Bach
10:45	A Little Flower	C. Gurlitt
	A Short Story	D. Kabalevsky
	<i>Jonathan Davies, piano</i>	

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.

We come to the font and remember our baptisms.

FONT SONG

We Are Called

#720

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

WELCOME/LIFE IN COMMUNITY

Guestbooks

Announcements: Pr. Ryan Call, Pr. Brad Visit, Pet Blessing

Website: shephills.org/EVENTS

Altar Flowers:

SCRIPTURE READING

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

NRSV

Assist: The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, “If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.” Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased.

So Moses said to the Lord, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,’ to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.”

So the Lord said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp.

And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord’s people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!”

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 19:7-14

GOSPEL READING

Mark 9:38-50

NRSV

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Pastor: John said to [Jesus], “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

“For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Pastor Lauren Wegner

MESSAGE

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MESSAGE SONG

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life #719 vv. 1, 3, 4, 6

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

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Passing of the plates.

OFFERING MUSIC

8:15

A Short Story
Jonathan Davies, piano

D. Kabalevsky

OFFERING SONG

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

A Little Flower
Jonathan Davies, piano
God Be In My Head
Choir

C. Gurlitt

J. Rutter

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

O Sing to the Lord

#822 v. 1, 2, 5

COMMISSIONING

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

All: Thanks be to God, and WE WILL!

POSTLUDE

Toccata in 7

John Rutter

WORSHIP TEAM & STAFF

Pastor	Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner
Director of Worship & Arts	Kevin McClure
Assisting Minister	8:15 – Jennifer Arndt 10:45 – Carole Morgan
Acolyte	8:15 – 10:45 –
Altar Steward	8:15 – Elnora & Ken McDonald 10:45 – Carole Morgan
Bread	Sherry Morgan
Communion Servers	8:15 – Elnora & Ken McDonald, Kathy Gerhardt 10:45 – Carole Morgan, Herb & Kathy Palmer
Food For Fellowship Hosts/Tellers	Sara Dawson, Jackie Grotian-Chedsey 8:15 – Terrie Thomas, Rick Burnight 10:45 – Christine Stern-Calvo
Prayer Ministry	8:15 – 10:45 – Alana Oehler
Program Ministry Coordinator	Joel Timmons
Children's Ministry Coordinator	Megan Getman
Accompanist	Andrei Zimbalist
Admin & Community Life Coordinator	Amanda Forsberg
Executive Director	Bill Dawson
Finance Officer	Hilary Russell
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, Bjorn Martinsson

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PRAYERS

We pray for:

- Marie Fortune
- Hunter Clark
- Ann Watt
- John Fenton

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
- Joyce Carter, cousin of Karen Flint
- Joe Carlos, father of Sandy Wikelius
- Glenda Rumble, cousin of Terrie Thomas
- Emma Katherine Phillips, sister of Hilary Russell
- Linda Maidment Meyers, daughter of Helen and David Maidment
- Paula Diaz, friend of Bob Cannon
- Steph and Gina Geller and family, friends of Dee Jackson

God, we give you thanks for all the saints who have gone before us in faith and now rest in eternal life, especially Audrey Lentz, sister of Donna Auby and Janice McBride Frizzell, aunt of Sheila Fortune. We commend Audrey and Janice to your everlasting love as we trust in the promise of resurrection in Christ.

God, we give you thanks for the culmination of our call process as we have called Pr. Ryan Dockery to serve alongside us as Associate Pastor. We pray for Pr. Ryan, Bre, Emmett, and Nolan as they say goodbye to their current church and prepare to move to Austin. Bless our ministry together!

O God, we give you thanks for our mission partners, Austin City Lutherans. We pray for continued solidarity in seeking to care for and improve the lives of your people--be it through providing food, shelter and comfort, or education. Strengthen ACL in its mission, and inspire us in our partnership together.

**To add a prayer request, email sheep@shephills.org. Prayers for family and friends are listed for 2 weeks, unless we are notified otherwise.*