



***Love One
Another***

The Easter Season

May 10, 2026

9:30am

GATHERING

Gathering Song: "Come, Thou Almighty King"



1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing;
2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful, might - y Lord;
3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be



help us to praise; Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
our prayer at - tend. Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
in this glad hour! Thou who al - might - y art, rule now in
hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign maj - es - ty may we in



to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
word suc - cess, and let thy righ - teous - ness on us de - scend.
ev - 'ry heart, nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Confession and Forgiveness *(Congregational responses printed in bold.)*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the life beyond all death,
the joy beyond all sorrow, our everlasting home.

Amen.

Rejoicing in Christ's victory over sin and death,
let us come before God who calls us to repentance.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of life,

**by the resurrection of your Son you make everything new.
Newness scares us, and we confess to shutting our doors in fear.
We have not listened to voices that challenge us.
We have resisted the Holy Spirit moving us in new directions.
Our hearts are slow to believe your promises.
Forgive us, O God, and renew us to embrace without fear
the new life you have given us in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

People of God:

Christ is alive, and death has lost its power.

Through the waters of baptism

you have been born anew by the living word of God.

Know that your sins are forgiven in + Jesus' name

and that the Spirit of the risen Christ is alive in you both now and forever.

Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of
the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Hymn of Praise: "Now the Feast and Celebration"

Refrain

Congregation:

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy
to the God of life and love and
free-dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -
er - more!

Verse 1

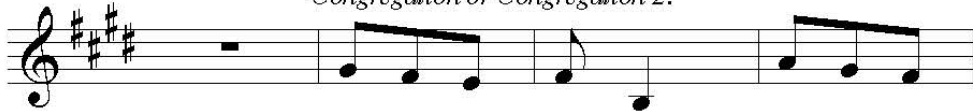
Congregation or Congregation 1:

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
slain, whose blood has freed and u -
nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of
God.

to Refrain

Verse 2

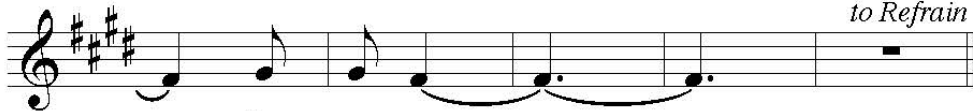
Congregation or Congregation 2:



2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and



might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ



for ev - er.

Verse 3

Congregation:



3. For God has come to dwell with us, to



make us peo - ple of God; to make



all things new.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth.

In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

First Reading

Acts 17:22-31

²² Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. ²³ For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴ The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵ nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶ From one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷ so that they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸ For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we, too, are his offspring.’ ²⁹ “Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰ While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹ because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

1 Peter 3:13-22

³ Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵ but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, ¹⁶ yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God’s will, than to suffer for doing evil. ¹⁸ For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God.

He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight lives, were saved through water. ²¹ And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Alleluia Verse

*Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.
Christ is risen, ris'n indeed.*

Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to John, the 14th Chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵ “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ¹⁸ “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Song: "Holy Spirit"

There's nothing worth more that will ever come close
No thing can compare You're our living hope
Your Presence

I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone
In Your Presence Lord

Chorus

*Holy Spirit You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory God is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your Presence Lord
Your Presence Lord* **REPEAT ALL**

Chorus

Your Presence Lord
Your Presence
Oh God how we love Your Presence Lord
Let us become more aware of Your Presence
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness **REPEAT**

Let us become more aware of Your Presence
Let us experience the glory of Your Goodness
Lord **Chorus**

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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**

As people of the Good Shepherd ...

We are a Christian community rooted in grace, connected through inclusive worship and fellowship.

Together

We embrace and value all people and serve our broader community with compassion.

Prayers of the People

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

MEAL



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Offering Prayer

Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.

You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

Celebration of Holy Communion

Presider: *Congregation:*




The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.

Presider: *Congregation:*



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: *Congregation:*




Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is



right to give God thanks and praise.

It is our duty and delight... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Congregation:



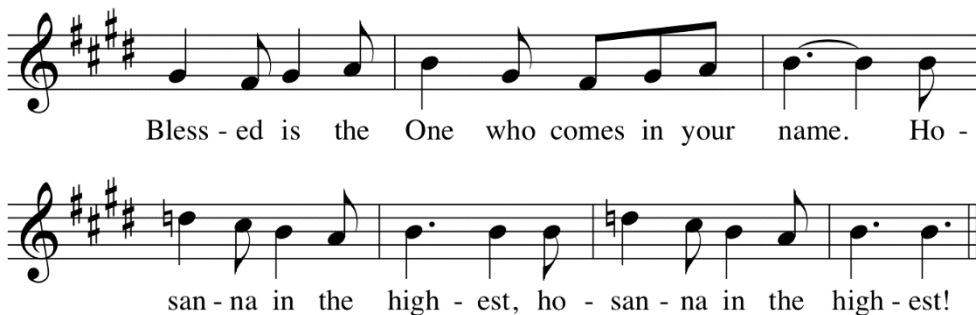
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!



Mighty God, you made the earth, and it trembles in your presence;
 you rescued your people from slavery,
 leading them through deepest waters - from death to life.
 You sent your Son, Jesus, to us, a prophet mighty in word and deed who taught us
 to celebrate your salvation in sincerity and truth.
 Though he was condemned to death and crucified by the religious,
 you raised him from the dead and wiped the tears from our faces.
 Risen indeed, he is with us always, breathing peace over our fears and
 spreading a rich banquet before us - so that in the breaking of bread and
 your Word proclaimed, our eyes might be open and our hearts set on fire with
 love.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.
 Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup
 we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
 as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life:
 Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine.
 Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us. Send us forth,
burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With all your holy ones of all times and places,
with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

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;
and 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.**

Distribution of Holy Communion



1. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;



have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world:



grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Song:

“Holy Spirit”

Chorus

*Holy Spirit come into our lives
Holy Spirit make us truly wise*

Give us a spirit of wisdom
An understanding heart
Give us a spirit of knowledge
And lead us to the truth

Give us a spirit of courage
And judgment that is wise
Give us a spirit of rev'rence
Of wonder and of awe

Spirit of love and compassion
Give hope to all the poor
Spirit of justice and mercy
Come open ev'ry door

Spirit of all consolation
O lift our hearts this day
Spirit of all understanding
O help us know Your way

Spirit of light and of wisdom
O lift us from our sorrow
Spirit of peace and forgiveness
O help us face tomorrow

Spirit of strength and of healing
Bend stubborn heart and will
Spirit of trust and of caring
O melt us warm our chill

SENDING

Post-Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Amen.

Sending Hymn: "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia"

Christ has arisen, alleluia.
Rejoice and praise him, alleluia.
For our redeemer burst from the tomb,
even from death, dispelling its gloom.

Refrain

**Let us sing praise to him with
endless joy.
Death's fearful sting he has come to
destroy.
Our sin forgiving, alleluia!
Jesus is living, alleluia!**

For three long days the grave did its
worst until its strength by God was
dispersed.
He who gives life did death undergo,
and in its conquest his might did show.

Refrain

Prayer after Communion

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new.

**Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies,
and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, Amen.**

Blessing

Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God.

The angel said to them, "Do not fear.
You look for Jesus who is not here.
See for yourselves the tomb is all
bare. Only the graveclothes are lying
there." **Refrain**

"Go spread the news: he's not in the
grave. He has arisen this world to
save. Jesus' redeeming labors are
done. Even the battle with sin is
won." **Refrain**

Christ has arisen to set us free.
Alleluia, to him praises be.
Jesus is living! Let us all sing;
he reigns triumphant, heavenly king.
Refrain

May Mission of the Month
BHBL Summer Lunch Program – Local churches
provide summer lunches to students whose
families lack the resources to provide meals.



Blessing Box Needs (please check expiration dates)

tuna, baked beans, crackers, pasta/sauce, canned fruit, coffee, infant formula, coffee, pancake supplies, microwave meals, shampoo/conditioner.

Save the Dates

May 17th – Welcoming of New Members
& Christopher Strickland's last Sunday at Good Shepherd

May 31st – Confirmation

June 7th – Graduate Sunday & Semi-Annual Meeting

Whimsical Wednesday Luncheon

May 20th at 12pm

Max 410 at Water's Edge, 2 Freemans Bridge Road
Please RSVP to Linda VanSchaick by Monday, May 18th

Graduate Sunday

On Sunday, June 7th, we will honor our High School Graduates.

Please email the church office (gsglenvilleoffice@gmail.com) with current school, future plans as well as ~ 4 photos (baby-growing up-present) by May 25.



Today's altar flowers were donated by:
Ken & Gayle Stankiewicz in celebration of their 47th Wedding Anniversary
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