

**Good Shepherd Church**  
**Worship Guide**  
**January 8, 2023**  
**Behold the Lamb of God!**

**God's Greeting**

*Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God the Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen!*

**Call to Worship:**

O come, let us worship the Lord  
and consider what wondrous things God has done:

**He manifested in the flesh,  
justified in the Spirit,  
seen by angels,  
preached among the Gentiles,  
believed on in the world,  
taken up in glory.**

**O come, let us worship the Lord,  
for God has done wondrous things!**

**Hymn of Praise- To the Name of Our Salvation**

To the name of our salvation  
praise and honor let us pay,  
which for many a generation  
hid in God's foreknowledge lay,  
but with holy exultation  
we may sing aloud today.

2. Jesus is the name we treasure,  
name beyond what words can tell;  
name of gladness, name of pleasure,  
ear and heart delighting well;  
name of sweetness passing measure,  
saving us from sin and hell:

3. Name that calls for adoration,  
name that speaks of victory;  
name for grateful meditation  
in the vale of misery;

Lord of all, your grace imploring  
so to write it in us here

name for loving veneration  
by the citizens on high:

4. Name that still, whoever preaches,  
speaks like music to the ear;  
who in prayer this name beseeches  
finds the strongest comfort near;  
who its perfect wisdom reaches  
heavenly joy possesses here.

5. Name of majesty, exceeding  
every other power or name;  
name of health, for sinners needing  
rescue in a world of shame;  
name in which the church is pleading,  
sight to blind, and feet to lame.

6. Jesus, we in love adoring,  
your most holy name revere  
that hereafter, heavenward soaring,  
we may sing with angels there.

**Invocation**      **Pastor Jeff Gregory**

**Hymn-“ O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High”**

O love, how deep, how broad, how high,  
it fills the heart with ecstasy,  
that God, the Son of God, should take  
our mortal form for mortal's sake!

He sent no angel to our race  
of higher or of lower place,  
but wore the robe of human frame  
himself, and to this lost world came.

For us baptized, for us he bore  
his holy fast and hungered sore,  
for us temptation sharp he knew;  
for us the tempter overthrew.

For us he prayed; for us he taught;  
for us his daily works he wrought;  
by words and signs and actions thus  
still seeking not himself, but us.

For us to wicked men betrayed,  
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,  
he bore the shameful cross and death,  
for us at length gave up his breath.

For us he rose from death again;  
for us he went on high to reign;  
for us he sent his Spirit here,  
to guide, to strengthen and to cheer.

To him whose boundless love has won  
salvation for us through his Son,  
to God the Father, glory be both  
now and through eternity.

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**Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon**

**Call to Confession:**

God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself. Therefore, we come, in the Reconciler's name, to claim spiritual healing within and among us.

When Jesus was born of the virgin Mary, he became like us in all things but sin.

May we who have been reborn in him be free from our sinful ways. Let us confess our sin to God.

[Silence]

**Minister: Let us confess together our sin.**

*Congregation: Our Father in Heaven, we confess that we are born sinners and that we continue to sin against You, our God and Savior. Our only hope is to come to You in Jesus's name, and we do so now. Hear us for Christ's sake. Forgive us our many sins; our harsh words; our wicked thoughts; our false dealings. Teach us kindness, purity, and integrity. Our Father, lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen*

Silent confession

**Assurance of Pardon:** (inspired by Micah 7:18-20)

To those who turn from sin and seek Jesus Christ there is no god like our God, for He promises to pardon sin and forgive transgression. He treads our sins underfoot and hurls all our iniquities into the

depths of the sea. He is faithful, loving and true to His promises. Take heart, in Jesus Christ, through faith in him alone, your sins are forgiven. Amen.

## Hymn- "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

Songs of thankfulness and praise  
Jesus, Lord, to you we raise,  
once revealed, when heaven's star  
brought the wise men from afar;  
branch of royal David's stem  
in your birth at Bethlehem:  
*Word before the world began,  
God revealed to us in man.*

2. God revealed at Jordan's stream,  
Prophet, Priest and King supreme;  
once revealed in power divine  
changing water into wine;  
Cana's holy wedding-guest  
keeping to the last the best:  
*Word before the world began,  
God revealed to us in man.*

3. God revealed in valiant fight  
conquering the devil's might;  
sins forgiven, sickness healed,  
life restored and love revealed:

Text-Carl Daw

once revealed in gracious will  
ever bringing good from ill:  
*Word before the world began,  
God revealed to us in man.*

4. Sun and moon shall darkened be,  
stars shall fall, the heavens flee;  
Christ will then like lightning shine,  
all will see the glorious sign;  
all will then the trumpet hear,  
all will see the Judge appear:  
*Word before the world began,  
God revealed to us in man.*

5. Grant us grace to see you, Lord,  
mirrored in your holy word;  
may we follow and endure;  
make us pure, as you are pure;  
then, transformed, your glory see  
when you come in majesty:  
*Word before the world began,  
God revealed to us in man.*

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## Reading the Holy Scriptures

### Proclamation

*Your word is a lamp unto my feet; a light upon my path!*

First Testament- **Isaiah 42:1-9**

**Psalm 29:1-11 Responsively**

New Testament- **Acts 10:34-48**

New Testament – **1 Peter 3:18-22**

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

## Praise and Instruction through Song-

*Sing to the LORD! Praise his name! Announce every day how he delivers! Tell the nations about his splendor! Tell all the nations about his amazing deeds! Ps.96:2-3*

## **On Jordan's River Bank Today**

On Jordan's river bank today  
see John the Baptist stand;  
a voice, to start without delay  
the work that God has planned.

2 'Repent!' he calls, 'Come, be baptized!  
Turn round, be clean, be free!  
A greater prophet, called the Christ,  
will quickly follow me.'

3 They gather, some from every town,  
to wash away their sin;  
they hear, believe, and soon step down  
prepared for plunging in.

4 But look who now is walking near?  
Is this the promised one  
the Lamb of God among us here,  
the Servant, and the Son?

5 He speaks no lie, no sin he knows,  
no law has he transgressed;  
his vibrant goodness overflows:  
on him God's love shall rest.

## **We Bless the Name of Christ the Lord**

We bless the name of Christ the Lord,  
We bless Him for His holy Word,  
Who loved to do His Father's will,  
And all His righteousness fulfill.

2 We follow him with pure delight  
To sanctify His sacred rite;  
And thus our faith with water seal,  
To prove obedience that we feel.

3 Baptized in God--the Father, Son,  
And Holy Spirit---Three-in-One,

6 With us he strangely takes his place,  
for guilt, but not his own;  
and soon for us he sets his face  
to walk, to hang, alone.

7 The Judge will be put down with scorn,  
the Savior face the flood;  
cursed is the King, and crowned with thorn,  
baptized afresh, in blood.

8 From restless crowds to hideous cross,  
Lord Christ, for us you came,  
brought low, poured out, and risen for us:  
all glory to your name!

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With conscience free, we rest in God,  
In love and peace, through Jesus' blood.

4 By grace we "Abba, Father" cry;  
By grace the Comforter comes nigh;  
And for Thy grace our love shall be  
Forever, only, Lord, for Thee.

Text- Samuel Coffman  
LM Tune- Retreat

## **Prayers & Praises of the People**

*My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations. Isa. 56:7*

Thanks, Request and Supplications

Prayers of the People

## **Collect for Epiphany Season**

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and gospel ordinances, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Praying and Give Offerings**

*"On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Mt. 2:11*

Dedication of Offerings

## **Hymn- All for Jesus**

*All for Jesus, all for Jesus!*

*This our song shall ever be:*

*you our only hope, our Saviour,*

*yours the love that sets us free! [#836P 1 Stanza]*

## **Ministry of the Word**

Scripture: Matthew 3:11-17

*<sup>16</sup> And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."*

## **Sermon – "Jesus Baptism and Ours " by Wayne Conrad**

### **Response Hymn – "See Christ Who on the River's Shore"**

See Christ who on the river's shore

with John the Baptist stood,

his secret in the name he bore:

the holy Lamb of God.

See all his body washed and wet

baptized in Jordan's flow,

as here his shame and glory meet,

his pain and triumph show.

2 See, Christ submits himself to John,  
the Lord bows to his slave!  
See where he stoops, the sinless one,  
to share a sinner's grave!  
See him arising from the stream  
where all the past now dies;  
from yet a colder tomb he came  
and now calls us to rise.

3 See Christ to whom the Father speaks  
as his beloved Son;  
Messiah's chosen task he takes,  
the servant's work begun.  
See him on whom the Spirit fell  
descending like a dove,  
in whom we find a springing well  
of peace and joy and love.

4 See Christ through forty hungry days  
with sand and stones for bed;  
in lonely trials and desert ways  
with him may we be led.  
See him, the anointed Lamb who died  
to whom all praise we bring;  
see Christ baptized, Christ crucified,  
and Christ our reigning King!

**Christopher Idle**

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## **Ministry of the Holy Supper**

-led by Pastor Jeff

### **Words of Invitation**

Congregation of Jesus Christ:

You who trust in Christ alone for your salvation;

The Lord has prepared His table for you, and you are now invited to come and eat at the table  
of the Lord.

People: ***We come with gladness. Thanks be to God!***

## **Institution**

Hear the words of the institution of the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ: "For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, 'This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."

With thanksgiving, let us offer God our grateful praise.

## **Declaration of Thanksgiving**

Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is good for us to give thanks and praise.**

With joy we praise you, gracious God, for you created heaven and earth, made us in your image, and kept covenant with us—even when we fell into sin. We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by his life, death, and resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. While we were disobedient, he fulfilled all obedience. We thank you for the continued presence of the Holy Spirit with us made possible by the redeeming work of Jesus Christ.

## **Acclamation of Praise**

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.***

We were once His enemies

But now we are at peace with God

We were once in the domain of evil

But now we have been placed in His kingdom of love.

## **Thanksgiving For The Meal**

*We give thanks to God the Father that our Savior, Jesus Christ, before he suffered, gave us this feast of remembrance and communion until he comes again. This is the feast of victory for You, our God. We join the Christian church on earth and in heaven to rejoice in this victory.*

## **The Braking of the Bread and the Pouring of the Cup**

***The gifts of God for the people of God!***

Christ's body was broken for us, his beloved ones, that we might be delivered from our darkness and brought into his marvelous light.

***Praise God that the Lord Jesus Christ is the Light of the world!***

And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? (1 Cor. 10:16)

***Indeed, it is!***

The body of Christ, given for you. ***Thanks be to God!***

**Communion Hymn- "Behold the Lamb**

Behold the lamb who bears our sins away,  
slain for us: and we remember  
the promise made that all who come in faith  
find forgiveness at the cross.  
So we share in this Bread of life,  
and we drink of his sacrifice,  
as a sign of our bonds of peace  
around the table of the King.

2 The body of our Savior, Jesus Christ,  
torn for you: eat and remember  
the wounds that heal, the death that brings  
us life,  
paid the price to make us one.  
So we share in this Bread of life,  
and we drink of his sacrifice,  
as a sign of our bonds of love  
around the table of the King.

**Bread**

Take and eat and feed upon him in faith with thanksgiving.

**Cup**

Christ's blood was shed to wash away all our sins and bring us into his everlasting fellowship.

***Praise God for the cleansing power of Jesus' blood!***

Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a communion in the blood of Christ?

***Indeed, it is!***

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

***Thanks be to God!***

Take and drink of eternal life in Christ through your faith in him.

3 The blood that cleanses every stain of  
sin,

shed for you: drink and remember  
he drained death's cup that all may enter in

to receive the life of God.  
So we share in this Bread of life,  
and we drink of his sacrifice,  
as a sign of our bonds of grace  
around the table of the King.  
4 And so with thankfulness and faith we  
rise  
to respond: and to remember  
our call to follow in the steps of Christ

as his body here on earth.  
As we share in his suffering,  
we proclaim: Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast of heaven  
around the table of the King.  
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### **Post Meal Thanksgiving**

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### **Collect First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of our Lord**

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all of us who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant into which we have entered by your grace through faith, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior. Amen.

### **Hymn – "Of the Father's Love Begotten**

Of the Father's love begotten  
ere the worlds began to be,  
he is Alpha and Omega,  
he the source, the ending he,  
of the things that are, that have been,  
and that future years shall see  
evermore and evermore.

2 Oh, that birth forever blessed  
when the virgin, full of grace,  
by the Holy Ghost conceiving,  
bore the Savior of our race,  
and the babe, the world's Redeemer,  
first revealed his sacred face  
evermore and evermore.

3 This is he whom seers and sages  
sang of old with one accord,  
whom the voices of the prophets  
promised in their faithful word.  
Now he shines, the long-expected;  
let creation praise its Lord  
evermore and evermore.

4 Let the heights of heav'n adore him,  
angel hosts his praises sing,  
pow'rs, dominions bow before him  
and extol our God and King.  
Let no tongue on earth be silent,  
ev'ry voice in concert ring  
evermore and evermore.

5 Christ, to thee, with God the Father,  
and, O Holy Ghost, to thee  
hymn and chant and high thanksgiving  
and unending praises be,  
honor, glory, and dominion  
and eternal victory  
evermore and evermore.

**Benediction** – 2 Cor 13:14

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

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