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THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

welcome!

We are a community of believers seeking and sharing life in Christ through ancient-future faith. We consider it a great privilege to worship the Lord with you today. In fact, your presence today is a gift from God. Please let us know if we can do anything to help you feel at home.

CHILDCARE

Childcare is available for children age 2 and under in the nursery, located in the classroom on the right upon entering the lobby.

Children age 3 through 5th grade will be dismissed to Children's Chapel at the beginning of worship service and will return prior to Communion.

WE'D LOVE TO MEET YOU

Please tell us more about yourself and how we can pray for you by filling out a Connect Card.

Just click on this code with your smartphone camera to fill it out online



RESOURCES

Download the [2019 Book of Common Prayer](https://bcp2019.anglicanchurch.net/index.php/downloads/) and the [Daily Office](https://bcp2019.anglicanchurch.net/index.php/downloads/) from the ACNA website <https://bcp2019.anglicanchurch.net/index.php/downloads/>.

Install the YouVersion Bible app from the App Store.
We use the NRSV version during our Worship Service.



Install the Daily Office app from the App Store.



For more information about Good Shepherd and to hear any of our past sermons, please visit our website:

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WELCOME

THE DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN (3 YEAR-OLDS THROUGH 5TH GRADE)

Please stand.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Surely the Lord is coming soon,

People: Amen. Come Lord Jesus!

THE PROCESSION

“O Come O Come Emmanuel”

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<p>VERSE 1 O come O come Emmanuel And ransom captive Israel That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear</p>	<p>CHORUS Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel Shall come to thee O Israel</p>
<p>VERSE 2 O come Thou Dayspring come and cheer Our spirits by Thine advent here Disperse the gloomy clouds of night And death's dark shadows put to flight</p>	<p>VERSE 3 O come Thou Wisdom from on high And order all things far and nigh To us the path of knowledge show And cause us in her ways to go</p>
<p>VERSE 4 O come Desire of nations bind All peoples in one heart and mind Bid envy strife and quarrels cease Fill the whole world with heaven's peace</p>	

“Greater Things”

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VERSE 1 My life is built on Your faithfulness My hope is held in Your promises I take each step with Your confidence 'Cause I am Yours I am Yours	CHORUS You never fail You never will I'll trust Your name for greater things You will come through You always do I'll trust Your name For greater things
VERSE 2 You cleared a way in the wilderness You brought me back from brokenness You took my shame and You buried it What You've done I won't forget	BRIDGE I will not fear For You are with me I'll see this fight From the victory And no pow'r of hell Can stand against me 'Cause I've seen this fight From the victory

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, you bring to light things hidden in darkness, and know the shadows of our hearts: Cleanse and renew us by your Spirit, that we may walk in the light and glorify your name, through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.

Please be seated.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

PSALM

Liturgist: *A reading from Psalm 85.*

- ¹ LORD, you were favourable to your land; *
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
- ² You forgave the iniquity of your people; *
you pardoned all their sin.
- ³ You withdrew all your wrath; *
you turned from your hot anger.

- 4 Restore us again, O God of our salvation, *
and put away your indignation towards us.
- 5 Will you be angry with us for ever? *
Will you prolong your anger to all generations?
- 6 Will you not revive us again, *
so that your people may rejoice in you?
- 7 Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, *
and grant us your salvation.
- 8 Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, *
for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him
in their hearts.
- 9 Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; *
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.
- 11 Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, *
and righteousness will look down from the sky.
- 12 The LORD will give what is good, *
and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness will go before him, *
and will make a path for his steps.

THE LESSON

Liturgist: *A reading from 2 Peter 3:8-18.*

Liturgist: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL PROCESSION

Please stand and sing.

“Psalm 103”

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<p>VERSE 1 Bless the Lord O my soul And all that's within me praise Him Bless the Lord O my soul And forget not all He's done He forgives all your iniquities And He heals all your infirmities He redeems your life from the pit And crowns you with mercy</p>	<p>CHORUS As far as the east is from the west So far have You taken our sins from us And as high as the heavens are over the earth So great is Your steadfast love toward us</p>
<p>VERSE 2 Bless the Lord O my soul And all that's within me praise Him Bless the Lord O my soul And forget not who He is As father shows compassion To his beloved children So the Lord shows compassion to us To those who fear Him</p>	

THE GOSPEL READING

The Gospel reading today is from Mark 1:1-8.

Celebrant: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

HOMILY

Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For our Presiding Bishop and our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation;

The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life;

The People may add their own thanksgivings either silently or aloud

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Blessed Lord, who caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and the comfort of your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: All who truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and seek to live in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking in his holy ways: draw near with faith and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

Celebrant: Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Timothy 1:15

Please stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant: May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great glory to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

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VERSE 1 Holy holy holy Lord God of pow'r and might Heaven and earth are filled With Your glory	CHORUS Hosanna hosanna in the highest Hosanna hosanna in the highest
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THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Celebrant: All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

THE 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.

THE FRACTION

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

We invite you to take advantage of several opportunities:

All baptized Christians of any age are welcomed and encouraged to receive communion. Gluten-free wafers are available; grape juice is available from our acolyte. Please dispose of your empty cup in the bowl on the offering table as you return to your seat.

COMMUNION HYMN

“Plead For Me”

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<p>VERSE 1 When I am weak I lift up my eyes To see my Savior plead for me When fear closes in and doubt sows a seed I know my Savior pleads for me</p>	<p>CHORUS Of Your love there is no doubt Of Your mercies I am sure Jesus knows my need and for me intercedes All my hope is Christ</p>
<p>VERSE 2 When sin rises up I fall to my knees To see my Savior plead for me Storms may rage on, but this is my peace: I know my Savior pleads for me</p>	<p>BRIDGE Show Your power as we pray in Your name Show Your power as we pray in Your name Show Your power</p>

“More Than Anything”

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VERSE 1 What can compare to the love of Jesus Who can repair every broken thing No other One can break this darkness No other name no other name	CHORUS 1 I need You more than anything
BRIDGE Through the calm and the storm in the chaos Though the mountains will crumble You will not Never failing Your promise eternal	CHORUS 2 I need You more than anything oh I need You more than anything oh I need You more than anything Jesus I need You more than anything

THE DOXOLOGY

Please stand and sing.

“Doxology”

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INTRO Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heav'nly hosts Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost. Amen
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THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and ever-living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: Christ the Son of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path: and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you, always. **Amen.**

THE HYMN IN RECESSION

“Be Thou My Vision”

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<p>VERSE 1 Be Thou my vision O Lord of my heart Naught be all else to me save that Thou art Thou my best thought by day or by night Waking or sleeping thy presence my light</p>	<p>VERSE 2 Be Thou my wisdom be Thou my true Word I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord Thou my great Father I Thy true son Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one</p>
<p>VERSE 3 Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise Thou mine inheritance now and always Thou and Thou only be first in my heart High King of heaven my treasure Thou art</p>	<p>VERSE 4 High King of Heaven Thy victory won May I reach heaven's joy O bright heaven's sun Heart of my own heart whatever befall Still be my vision O ruler of all</p>

SENDING FORTH

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

MISSION TEAMS

ANGEL WINGS: Prepares meals to those who are going through trying times such as an illness, a move, new baby, etc. Leader: Carrie Setterberg (carrie.setterberg@gmail.com)

COMMUNITY PREGNANCY CENTER OF LAKE NORMAN: Seeks to serve Jesus Christ through ministering to those touched by possible crisis pregnancy. Team leader: Andi Wheeler (andiseth@bellsouth.net)

DAVIDSON COLLEGE: Walks alongside Davidson College students through a variety of means, including outreach, Bible Studies, social gatherings, and pairing students with an "Adoptive" Good Shepherd Family. *Actively seeking new leader.*

FLOURISH KENYA: Flourish Kenya is ending the teen pregnancy epidemic in rural Kenya in this generation by improving sexual and reproductive health literacy, providing secondary school sponsorships, and protecting teens in crisis because every youth deserves to flourish. Leader: Tia McNelly (tiamcnelly@gmail.com)

GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS: Forms long-standing partnerships with foreign missionaries and churches in other countries to pray for, support, and join in via short-term trips, God's global Kingdom Work and heart for the lost. Leader: Lori Nielsen (patandlori@gmail.com)

LAND OF A THOUSAND HILLS: Help farmers in Rwanda, Thailand, and Haiti make a living wage by buying coffee. Order at <https://landofathousandhills.com/collections/coffee>. Leader: Randy Barnes (rdbarnes4@gmail.com)

REFUGEES, IMMIGRANTS, AND THE DISPLACED (RID): Helps rid the barriers facing refugees, immigrants, and the displaced. *Actively seeking new leader.*

MISSION TEAM SPOTLIGHT

REFUGEES, IMMIGRANTS, AND THE DISPLACED (RID):

Our R.I.D Team is driven by a vision of helping to get rid of the barriers that these people groups in our midst face. We do this primarily by partnering with Refugee Support Services in Charlotte, along with the Ada Jenkins Center more locally in Davidson, both of which serve these people groups in need. To learn more about this mission team email Staff@goodshepherdanglican.org.

MINISTRY TEAMS

Our desire is to see everyone at Good Shepherd participate in one of our Sunday morning ministry teams. Please contact the respective leader to learn how you can serve in this important capacity.

ACOLYTES: Bears the processional cross, assisting at the Communion table, and serving juice to the congregation. Leader: MJ Moran (mj@goodshepherdanglican.org)

ALTAR: Cares for the altar, vestments, vessels, and altar linens. Leader: MJ Moran (mj@goodshepherdanglican.org)

AUDIO: Facilitates worship by providing audio support. Leader: Seth Wheeler (seth@residentialstructurespc.com)

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL: Provides the foundational knowledge of scripture for preschool and elementary age attendees. Leader: Jen Ford (jennifer@goodshepherdanglican.org)

COUNTING: Handles the collection and offerings of the Church in accordance with sound accounting practices. Leader: MJ Moran (mj@goodshepherdanglican.org)

FLOWER GUILD: Provides fresh flowers to adorn the altar each week. Coordinates the memorial giving of flowers in honor of special occasions and loved ones. Leader: Mandie Odom (mandie@goodshepherdanglican.org)

GREETERS: Welcomes everyone as they arrive for worship service. Leader: Leader: Ray Fulton (ray.fulton@gmail.com)

HOSPITALITY: Offers refreshments prior to worship service. Leader: Andi Wheeler (andiseth@bellsouth.net)

INTERCESSORY TEAM: Offers prayer ministry during and after worship service to anyone who requests prayer. *Actively seeking new leader.*

LITURGIST: Facilitates worship by reading scripture, leading prayers, and serving wine. Leader: MJ Moran (mj@goodshepherdanglican.org)

MUSIC: Leads the congregation in praise and worship through song. Leader: Seth Honea (sethhonea79@gmail.com)

NURSERY: Cares for children age 2 and under during worship service. Leader: Jen Ford (jennifer@goodshepherdanglican.org)

USHERS: Welcomes and assists those who come to worship, and provides a smooth operation within the service. Leader: Ray Fulton (ray.fulton@gmail.com)

VIDEO: Facilitates worship by providing video support for online participants. Leader: Patrick Nielsen (patrick.a.nielsen@gmail.com)

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MEN'S AND WOMEN'S MINISTRIES:

Check out the Good Shepherd website for the latest Men's and Women's ministry events.

FINANCIAL UPDATE OCTOBER 2023: To inform your giving and your prayers, the vestry invites you to make note of the following financial update. "Praise God from Whom all blessings flow."

OPERATING BUDGET	INCOME		EXPENSES	
	OCTOBER	YTD	OCTOBER	YTD
PLAN	\$44,250	\$177,010	\$51,216	\$204,866
ACTUAL	\$41,944	\$173,802	\$41,807	\$172,522
VARIANCE	-\$2,306	-\$3,208	\$9,410	\$32,344