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THE LAST SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY
TRANSFIGURATION

welcome!

Good morning and welcome to Good Shepherd Anglican. We are delighted you have joined us today!

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CHILDREN

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

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

PASTORAL CARE & PRAYER

The church is open during the week on Tuesday and Friday from 10am to 2pm. All are welcome to come in if you desire a quiet place for prayer and meditation or to meet with one of our clergy for counsel. If these times are not convenient for your schedule, you may also make an appointment to meet with one of our clergy by calling the church office or contacting them directly via the Good Shepherd website.

Prayer cards are available in the Sanctuary or the Prayer Room and on our website. You may place your prayer card in the offering basket or in the secure box located in the Prayer Room. All prayer requests will be attended to confidentially by our intercessory prayer team. It is our privilege to support you with prayer and we encourage you to connect with us in this way especially.

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PRELUDE SONG OF PRAISE

“This is the Hour”

<p>VERSE 1 This is the hour Time to ask the heart, who do you love? Time to hold allegiance for the One To bow our lives, And kiss the Son</p>	<p>VERSE 2 This is the age To welcome all the prodigals home For the Father's heart is still merciful And He is watching, And He's ready to run</p>
<p>VERSE 3 This is the day Trim your lamp and spend all that you have On the oil that keeps your flame lit Until the day, until the day that He comes</p>	<p>VERSE 4 Everybody make a run for the Father Calling all you sons and you daughters He is waiting for us, He is waiting for us To see His heart in the Son that He gave us To receive the life that only He gives us He is waiting for us</p>

WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns,

People: Let us rejoice and be glad and give Him the glory!

Celebrant: Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

People: And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OVER CHILDREN AND DISMISSAL (3 YEAR-OLDS THROUGH 5TH GRADE)

OPENING SONG OF PRAISE

“10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)”

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VERSE 1 The sun comes up it's a new day dawning It's time to sing Your song again Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me Let me be singing when the evening comes	CHORUS Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul Worship His holy name Sing like never before O my soul I'll worship Your holy name
VERSE 2 You're rich in love and You're slow to anger Your name is great and Your heart is kind For all Your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find	ENDING I'll worship Your holy name I'll worship Your holy name I'll worship Your holy name

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Reader: *A reading from Genesis 4:3-10.*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Reader: *A reading from Psalm 27:1-6.*

- 1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? *
The Lord is the stronghold of my life of whom shall I be afraid?
- 2 When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh *
my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.
- 3 Though an army encamp against me my heart shall not fear; *
though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.
- 4 One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: *
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life
To gaze upon the beauty of the Lord *
and to inquire in his temple.
- 5 For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; *
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.
- 6 And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, *
and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

THE SECOND LESSON

Reader: *A reading from Hebrews 11:1-6.*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL PROCESSION

Please stand and sing.

“Let Us Adore”

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CHORUS Let us adore Him Let us adore Him Jesus Christ is the Lord Come and behold Him Bow down before Him Jesus Christ is the Lord	BRIDGE Hallelujah Hallelujah You are worthy of all praise
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THE GOSPEL READING

The Gospel reading today is from Luke 18:9-14.

Deacon: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Let us begin our prayers in silence before the Lord, reflecting on what we've heard.

Silence.

Leader: I invite you to add your prayers silently or aloud after each petition. Let us pray to the Lord for all those suffering from war; injustice, and oppression; for the weak, vulnerable, and scared; and for all living in darkness, enslaved by the lusts of this world and by the evil powers of the devil.

(Let us pause in Prayer)

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

People: Lord, hear our prayers.

Leader: Let us pray to the Lord for the leaders of nations; for those in authority, and for all in public service; we remember in particular the leaders of our community, state, and nation; and we pray for those who risk their lives for our peace and safe-keeping: Our military, police, fire-workers; medical and first response teams.

(Let us pause in Prayer)

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

People: Lord, hear our prayers.

Leader: Let us pray to the Lord for the church; for all who call on Your name; for pastors, leaders, missionaries, and their families; for those persecuted for their faith in Jesus; for those who have drifted away and fallen prey to apathy and compromise; and let us pray for our church family at Good Shepherd; for our bishops, vestry, staff, and leaders. Let us pray for the Lord's protection and blessing to remain upon us all.

(Let us pause in Prayer)

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

People: Lord, hear our prayers.

Leader: Let us pray to the Lord for the burdens each of us carry on our hearts. We pray for those we love; for those who are battling sickness; for those hurting, suffering, and wounded in soul; and for those who are lost and don't know You as their Lord and Savior.

(Let us pause in Prayer)

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

People: Lord, hear our prayers.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN *(from the Anglican prayers of Kenya)*

Celebrant: Let us now come before the Lord and make confession of our sins, lifting our hearts to Him in humility and repentance.

Almighty God, creator of all, You marvelously made us in Your image; but we have corrupted ourselves and damaged Your likeness by rejecting your love and hurting our neighbors. We have done wrong and neglected to do right. We are sincerely sorry and heartily repent of our sins. Cleanse us and forgive us by the sacrifice of Your Son; remake us and lead us by Your Spirit, the Comforter. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: 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.

Please stand.

THE 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 Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead.

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.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

Celebrant: "For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast." *Ephesians 2:8-9*

THE PEACE

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

People: And also with you.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(from the Eucharistic Prayer B, Book of Common Prayer, 1979).*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with you.

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, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever 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

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and

daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. AMEN.

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: Alleluia, Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

Please be seated while awaiting your turn to come to the table of the Lord.

COMMUNION HYMN

“How Great Thou Art”

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<p>VERSE 1 O Lord my God When I in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made I see the stars I hear the rolling thunder Thy pow'r thru'out The universe displayed.</p>	<p>CHORUS Then sings my soul My Savior God to Thee How great Thou art How great Thou art</p>
<p>VERSE 2 When thru the woods And forest glades I wander And hear the birds Sing sweetly in the trees When I look down From lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook And feel the gentle breeze</p>	<p>VERSE 3 And when I think That God His Son not sparing Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in That on the cross My burden gladly bearing He bled and died To take away my sin</p>
<p>VERSE 4 When Christ shall come With shout of acclamation And take me home What joy shall fill my heart Then I shall bow In humble adoration And there proclaim My God how great Thou art</p>	

“God With Us”

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VERSE 1 Oh You've come to bring peace to be Love To be nearer to us You've come to bring life to be Light To shine brighter in us Oh Emmanuel God with us	CHORUS Our Deliverer You are Savior In Your presence we find our strength Over ev'rything our Redemption God with us You are God with us
VERSE 2 Oh You've come to be Hope to this world For Your honor and name And You've come to take sin to bear shame And to conquer the grave Oh Emmanuel God with us	BRIDGE You are here You are holy We are standing in Your glory (Lord)
ENDING Oh God with us You are God with us	

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. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: All our problems,

People: We send to the cross of Christ.

Celebrant: All our difficulties,

People: We send to the cross of Christ.

Celebrant: All the devil's works,

People: We send to the cross of Christ.

Celebrant: All our hopes,

People: We set on the risen Christ.

THE HYMN IN RECESSION

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

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<p>VERSE 1 Great is Thy faithfulness O God my Father There is no shadow Of turning with Thee Thou changest not Thy compassions they fail not As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be</p>	<p>CHORUS Great is Thy faithfulness Great is Thy faithfulness Morning by morning New mercies I see All I have needed Thy hand hath provided Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto me</p>
<p>VERSE 2 Summer and winter And springtime and harvest Sun moon and stars In their courses above Join with all nature In manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness Mercy and love</p>	<p>VERSE 3 Pardon for sin And a peace that endureth Thy own dear presence To cheer and to guide Strength for today And bright hope for tomorrow Blessings all mine With ten thousand beside</p>

SENDING FORTH

Deacon: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

MISSION TEAMS

ANGEL WINGS: Prepares meals to those who are going through trying times such as an illness, a move, new baby, etc. Contact: Brianna Copeland (blcopeland5@gmail.com)

COMMUNITY PREGNANCY CENTER OF LAKE NORMAN: Seeks to serve Jesus Christ through ministering to those touched by possible crisis pregnancy. Contact: 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 Contact: 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. Contact: 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>. Contact: Randy Barnes (rdbarnes4@gmail.com)

REFUGEES, IMMIGRANTS, AND THE DISPLACED (RID): Helps rid the barriers facing refugees, immigrants, and the displaced. Contact: Carol Rose (cjspencer56@gmail.com).

MISSION TEAM SPOTLIGHT

COMMUNITY PREGNANCY CENTER OF LAKE NORMAN:

The Community Pregnancy Center of Lake Norman is a non-profit, inter-denominational ministry that seeks to serve Jesus Christ through ministering to those touched by possible crisis pregnancy, including the woman and her unborn child, by providing emotional and material support, as well as the personal knowledge of the grace and love of the Living Lord. They provide peer counseling, education, and support services using staff, trained volunteers and lay counselors, with the assistance of individuals and churches within the community.

MINISTRY TEAMS

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

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

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

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

COUNTING: Handles the collection and offerings of the Church in accordance with sound accounting practices. Contact: 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. Contact: Mandie Odom (mandie@goodshepherdanglican.org)

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

INTERCESSORY TEAM: Offers prayer ministry during and after worship service to anyone who requests prayer. Contact: Stacy Comer (comersc112108@gmail.com) or Immanuel Comer (immanuelcomer@gmail.com).

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

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

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

MINISTRY ACOLYTES: TEAM SPOTLIGHT

We are seeking people of all ages to join the Acolyte team. Acolyte team members assist the clergy during Worship Service by carrying the cross during processions, assist in preparing the table, and serving grape juice during communion. Training will be available.

Please contact MJ Moran (mj@goodshepherdanglican.org) if you are interested.

LIFE GROUPS

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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.

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Rt. Rev. Terrell Glenn NC Area Bishop	Gina Roes Deacon, Pastoral Care
	Jen Snow Deacon, Pastoral Care

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Jen Ford Children’s Ministry Director	Charlton Allen
MJ Moran Admin Assistant, Vestry Clerk	Randy Barnes
	Nathanael Erk
	Anne Stych

FINANCIAL UPDATE DECEMBER 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	
	DECEMBER	YTD	DECEMBER	YTD
Plan	\$68,190	\$293,750	\$51,216	\$307,298
Actual	\$56,289	\$266,805	\$45,236	\$265,875
Variance	-\$11,361	-\$26,946	\$5,981	\$41,423
Michael Reynolds Treasurer				

