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THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

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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Office Hours Tuesday and Friday 10 am – 2 pm

Thursday at 1 pm there will be intercessory prayer in the Sanctuary. Anyone is welcome to join.

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WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

People: And all that is within me, bless His holy name!

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures forever.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Almighty God, You bring to light things hidden in darkness, and know the shadow 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.

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

OPENING SONG OF PRAISE

“Come Thou Fount”

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<p>VERSE 1 Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing Tune my heart to sing Thy grace Streams of mercy never ceasing Call for songs of loudest praise Teach me some melodious sonnet Sung by flaming tongues above Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it Mount of Thy redeeming love</p>	<p>VERSE 2 Here I raise mine Ebenezer Hither by Thy help I'm come And I hope by Thy good pleasure Safely to arrive at home Jesus sought me when a stranger Wand'ring from the fold of God He to rescue me from danger Interposed His precious blood</p>
<p>VERSE 3 O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee Prone to wander Lord I feel it Prone to leave the God I love Here's my heart Lord take and seal it Seal it for Thy courts above</p>	

“Lord I Need You”

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VERSE 1 Lord I come I confess Bowling here I find my rest And without You I fall apart You're the one that guides my heart	CHORUS 1 Lord I need You oh I need You Ev'ry hour I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You
VERSE 2 Where sin runs deep Your grace is more Where grace is found is where You are And where You are Lord I am free Holiness is Christ in me Where You are Lord I am free Holiness is Christ in me	BRIDGE So teach my song to rise to You When temptation comes my way And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You Jesus You're my hope and stay And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You Jesus You're my hope and stay
CHORUS 2 Lord I need You oh I need You Ev'ry hour I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You	

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Reader: *A reading from Isaiah 14:12-19.*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND LESSON

Reader: *A reading from 1 Peter 1:17-25.*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL PROCESSION

Please stand and sing.

“Before The Throne Of God Above”

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VERSE 1	VERSE 2
Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea A great High Priest whose name is Love Who ever lives and pleads for me My name is graven on His hands My name is written on His heart I know that while in heav'n He stands No tongue can bid me thence depart No tongue can bid me thence depart	When Satan tempts me to despair And tells me of the guilt within Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end of all my sin Because the sinless Savior died My sinful soul is counted free For God the Just is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me To look on Him and pardon me

THE GOSPEL READING

The Gospel reading today is from John 3:1-8.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon: And Lord we pray that Your Word would always be on our minds, upon our lips, and deep within our hearts.

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

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

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.

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: "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (*John 13:34-35*)

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 Anglican Church of Australia. Adapted from one of the earliest eucharistic prayers in church history as Christians gathered around our Lord's table.)*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also 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.

Celebrant: We give You thanks and praise, Almighty God, through Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Redeemer. He is Your living Word, through whom You have created all things. You sent Him from heaven to take our flesh: born of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, He was revealed as Your Son. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to You, the God and Father of all. In fulfilment of Your will He stretched out His hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in You; and so He won for You a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up His life on the cross, that He might break the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By His resurrection He brings us into the light of Your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices 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: Holy and gracious God, accept our sacrifice of praise, through Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who on the night He was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave You thanks, saying to His disciples, 'Take, and eat: this is My body which will be given for you.' In the same way He took the cup, saying, 'This is My blood which will be shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of Me.' In remembrance of His death and resurrection, with this bread and this cup, we give You thanks that You have counted us worthy to stand in Your presence and serve You.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, upon the celebration of Your Church, and upon these gifts: Gather into one all of us who share in these holy mysteries, filling us with Your Spirit and confirming us in the truth, that together we may praise You and give You glory through Jesus Your servant.

All glory and honor are Yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in Your holy Church, 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: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

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

“Hungry”

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VERSE 1 Hungry I come to You For I know You satisfy I am empty but I know Your love Does not run dry	PRE-CHORUS And so I wait for You So I wait for You
CHORUS I'm falling on my knees Offering all of me Jesus You're all this heart is living for	VERSE 2 Broken I run to you For Your arms are open wide I am weary but I know you touch Restores my life

“Jesus Messiah”

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VERSE 1 He became sin who knew no sin That we might become His righteousness He humbled Himself and carried the cross Love so amazing love so amazing	CHORUS Jesus Messiah Name above all names Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel The Rescue for sinners The Ransom from heaven Jesus Messiah Lord of all
VERSE 2 His body the bread His blood the wine Broken and poured out all for love The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn Love so amazing love so amazing	BRIDGE All our hope is in You All our hope is in You All the glory to You, God The light of the world

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 *(The Kenyan 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

“Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me”

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<p>VERSE 1 What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer There is no more for heaven now to give He is my joy my righteousness and freedom My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace To this I hold my hope is only Jesus For my life is wholly bound to his Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine Yet not I but through Christ in me</p>	<p>VERSE 2 The night is dark but I am not forsaken For by my side the Saviour he will stay I labour on in weakness and rejoicing For in my need his power is displayed To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me Through the deepest valley he will lead Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome Yet not I but through Christ in me</p>
<p>VERSE 3 No fate I dread I know I am forgiven The future sure the price it has been paid For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon And he was raised to overthrow the grave To this I hold my sin has been defeated Jesus now and ever is my plea Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free Yet not I but through Christ in me</p>	<p>VERSE 4 With every breath I long to follow Jesus For he has said that he will bring me home And day by day I know he will renew me Until I stand with joy before the throne To this I hold my hope is only Jesus All the glory evermore to him When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat Yet not I but through Christ in me</p>
<p>ENDING When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat Yet not I but through Christ in me Yet not I but through Christ in me</p>	

SENDING FORTH

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

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. 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

Immanuel & Stacy Comer	1st & 3rd Sundays 3:00 pm, Huntersville	immanuelstacy@beacomer.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.

CHURCH OVERSIGHT	CLERGY
Most Rev. Foley Beach Archbishop	Rt. Rev. Thaddeus Barnum Interim Team Leader
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Rt. Rev. Terrell Glenn NC Area Bishop	Gina Roes Deacon, Pastoral Care
	Jen Snow Deacon, Pastoral Care

STAFF	VESTRY
Mandie Odom Director of Operations	Matt Creswell Senior Warden
Seth Honea Director of Music	Tia McNelly Junior Warden
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				

