

# Gilbert Lutheran Church

May 7, 2017

Fourth Sunday of Easter



## GILBERT LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

*The people of Gilbert Lutheran Church gathered by God's grace and empowered by the Holy Spirit, invite and welcome all to join us in our journey of faith as disciples of Christ through meaningful worship and education while providing compassionate service for those in our community and world.*

**The People of Gilbert Lutheran Church**  
Ministers

*An attended nursery is available during the service to all guests and members with children. Listening devices are also available. Please don't hesitate to ask an usher!*

\* Those who are able, please stand.

**Congregation responses printed in bold.**

ELW = Evangelical Lutheran Worship (red hymnal)

NTF = Now the Feast and Celebration (service pamphlet  
in rear inside cover of the red hymnal)

## GATHERING

### GATHERING MUSIC

#### WELCOME

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

#### 8:15 Service

*I Surrender All*  
A Cappella Choir

#### 10:45 Service

*Horse and Rider Song*  
*Jesus Loves Me*  
K-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Children

#### DIALOG <sup>1</sup>

Day by day, the Good Shepherd leads us  
**to the deep, deep pools of peace,**  
**to the green, lush lawns of grace.**

Day by day, the Good Shepherd calls us  
**to pour ourselves out in service,**  
**to anoint neighbor and stranger with hope.**

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<sup>1</sup> Adapted from resources written by Thom Shuman at  
<http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca>



<sup>43</sup> Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. <sup>44</sup> All who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup> they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup> Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 23

- 1 **The Lord is my shepherd;  
I shall not want.**
- 2 **He makes me to lie down  
in green pastures;  
He leads me beside the still waters.**
- 3 **He restores my soul;  
He leads me in the paths of righteousness  
for His name's sake.**
- 4 **Yea, though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil;  
for You are with me;  
your rod and your staff,  
they comfort me.**
- 5 **You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
You anoint my head with oil;  
my cup runs over.**
- 6 **Surely goodness and mercy  
shall follow me all the days of my life;  
and I will dwell  
in the house of the Lord forever.**

Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, our good shepherd, you give us new birth in the waters of baptism, you anoint us with oil, and you nourish us at your table with heavenly food. In your goodness and mercy, dispel the shadows of evil and death, and lead us along safe paths, that we may rest securely in you and dwell in the house of the Lord now and forever, for your name's sake.

**Amen.**

\* GOSPEL VERSE

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we  
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal  
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

\* JOHN 10:1-10

The Holy Gospel according to John the tenth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord!**

[Jesus said:] <sup>1</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. <sup>2</sup> The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup> The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup> When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. <sup>5</sup> They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of

strangers.”<sup>6</sup> Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

<sup>7</sup> So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. <sup>8</sup> All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. <sup>9</sup> I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup> The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ!**

SERMON

\* ELW 546

*To Be Your Presence*

\* NICENE CREED

ELW, p. 104

\* PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

\* PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## MEAL

OFFERING

**8:15 Service**

*Loving Shepherd of The Sheep*  
A Cappella Choir

\* OFFERING PRAYER

NTF, p. 11

\* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

NTF, p. 11

\* HOLY

NTF, p. 11

\* WORDS OF INSTITUTION

\* THE LORD'S PRAYER NTF, p. 13

\* LAMB OF GOD NTF, p. 14

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS ELW 465  
*As the Grains of Wheat*

ELW 764  
*Have No Fear, Little Flock*

ELW 502  
*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

\* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**Amen.**

## SENDING

\* BLESSING

May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

\* ELW 537 *On Our Way Rejoicing*

\* DISMISSAL

Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed!**

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace.  
Share the good news.

**Thanks be to God!**

## LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

<b>Acolytes:</b>	Truman Kruckenberg, Taylor Sniezek (8:15) Emma Kruse, Raney Kruse (10:45)
<b>Cantors:</b>	Joel Kruckenberg (8:15) Jerry Holtan (10:45)
<b>Communion Assistants:</b>	CoAnne & Dave Hartmann Cindy & Joel Kruckenberg (8:15) Jill & Mike Kruse (10:45)
<b>Greeters:</b>	CoAnne & Dave Hartmann (8:15) Pam & Weldon Abarr (10:45)
<b>Musicians:</b>	A Cappella Choir and K-3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Children, Sara Harbacheck Dir. Peggy Jobe
<b>Pastor:</b>	K. Christian Johnson
<b>Readers:</b>	Rhonda Nelson (8:15) Barb Lickliger (10:45)
<b>Ushers:</b>	Randy & Staci Sniezek (8:15) Jerry Holtan, Sharon Popp (10:45)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTICES

**WE OFFER PRAYERS** for Thelma Boss, Larry Bremer, Jeannette Buckingham (mother of Jeri Saltzman), Margaret Fossil, Teri Gallahan, Saundra Graybau, Mardell Hooper, Ray Huftalin (uncle of Sharon Popp), Joan Jacobs (mother of Jean Bremer), and Ruby McCullough (sister of David Berryhill).

**CONTINUING PRAYERS** are offered for Ashley Cramer (daughter of Kori Cramer), Kyra Harbacheck, Rachel Henderson (daughter of Dennis & Denise), Carol Lucas, the Basile Family & Jodi White (friends of Sharon Morrival), MarJean Sutter (sister of Izetta Bennett), Lori Valline (daughter of Izetta Bennett), and Betty Upstill.

**THE TLC COORDINATORS** for May are Gene Upstill, May 1-15 and Mary Vannoy, May 16-31

**BOOK CLUB MEETS TONIGHT** 6 p.m., at Paul and Margo Eness' home. Two books have been chosen: *My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry* by Fredrik Backman and *I, From Nothing* by Isabel Tallysha-Soares. The latter is a manuscript and will be available *only* from the church office.

**THE GHS BACCALAUREATE SERVICE** will be held here this Wednesday, beginning at 7:00 p.m. You are welcome to attend and add your blessing for our community's graduates. Because of the service, there will not be a 6:30 p.m. midweek service.

**A CROSS NECKLACE WAS LOST** here on the evening of the Good Friday Mime. Please contact the church office or Sophie Adams if you find it. Thank you!