GOOD SHEPHERD

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, P.C.A.

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"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep."

IOHN 10:11



2301 2nd Loop Road, Florence, SC 29501 www.gsflo.org • 843-407-4079 **Welcome to Good Shepherd!** Thank you for joining us today. If this is your first time with us, we're glad you are here and we hope that you will come back again. Usually it takes more than one Sunday to get a sense of what God is doing at GS and the benefits that we receive from our worship and fellowship each week.

Our desire is to join God on mission by producing mature followers of Jesus Christ for His glory and our joy. We are a multi-generational congregation worshipping according to Scripture in a contemporary style, gathering as one body on Sunday mornings and in small groups throughout Florence during the week, and introducing more people to the life-giving community of the local church.

As you exit the sanctuary, the restrooms are on the right, and to the left past the coffee and water is our Information Center. There you can find a variety of theological and counseling-related booklets that are free for you to take, either for yourself or someone else.

If you have not already done so, please take a moment to scan the QR below and fill out our Connect Card. We would love to know that you were here and how we might pray for or serve you. You can also join our mailing list to receive the Worship Guide each week and stay up-to-date on what is happening at Good Shepherd.

Children are welcome and encouraged to stay in the worship service, but if your little one has trouble settling, we have a couple options for you. Childcare is available for children ages 4 and under. You may check-in your child downstairs, where you will be given a sticker with a number corresponding to the number your child receives. There is a screen to the right of the stage that will display your child's number if those serving in childcare need you to attend to your child. Just ring the doorbell and show the childcare worker your sticker and they will let you in.

Also, you can take advantage of our Worship Training Room located downstairs. It has a live feed of the service along with a play area. In addition, a private area for nursing mothers is available in the back of the Worship Training Room.

Maybe you've wondered, "What is the P.C.A.? The Presbyterian Church in America is an evangelical denomination of churches formed in 1973 with the goal of proclaiming the gospel of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ and adhering to the system of biblical doctrine proclaimed during the Protestant Reformation. You can learn more about the P.C.A. at *pcanet.org*.

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CONNECT CARD

Please scan the QR code with the camera app on your phone to complete.



Call to Worship Psalm 147:7-11

Rev. Stacey Severance *Throughout Scripture,*

Throughout Scripture, we see examples of God calling His people to publicly worship Him together. It is God who calls us to worship Him on the Lord's Day (Rev. 1:10), the day of Jesus' resurrection, the first day of the week. Along with God's call to worship, we "invoke" or appeal to

God to minister to us in

worship.

Prayer of Invocation

Song of Praise

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Frederick Henry Hedge, Martin Luther

A mighty fortress is our God / a bulwark never failing! Our helper He amid the flood / of mortal ills prevailing! For still our ancient foe does seek to work us woe! His craft and power are great, / and armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal!

Did we in our own strength confide / our striving would be losing! Were not the right Man on our side / the Man of God's own choosing! You ask who that may be? / Christ Jesus it is He! Lord Sabaoth His name, / From age to age the same, And He must win the battle!

And though this world with devils filled / should threaten to undo us! We will not fear for God has willed / His truth to triumph through us! The prince of darkness grim, / we tremble not for him! His rage we can endure, / for lo his doom is sure, One little word shall fell him!

That word above all earthly powers / no thanks to them abideth!
The Spirit and the gifts are ours / through Him who with us sideth!
Let goods and kindred go! / This mortal life also!
The body they may kill, / God's truth abideth still! His kingdom is forever!
CCLI Song #42964

Confessing Our Sins Together Romans 7:21–24

I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of God's Pardoning Grace Colossians 1:13–14

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

In 1 John 1:9 we learn that confession (acknowledging our sin) and repentance (turning from our sin) go hand in hand. Also, God assures us that those who have saving faith in Jesus Christ are forgiven of all sins - past, present, and future. (Hebrews 10:14)

Tim Bell - Vocals, Guitar Alanna Scott - Vocals Josie Severance - Piano Mark Rooze - Cello Hayden Bell - Drums "Catechize" means to teach in a question and answer format. A "catechism" is a list of questions and answers that summarizes the truth of the Bible. The Heidelberg Catechism was created in 1563 in present-day Germany to help believers understand the truth of the Christian faith.

Proclaiming What We Believe Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1

What is your only comfort in life and in death?

That I, with body and soul, both in life and in death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who with His precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins and redeemed me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me, that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; yes, that all things must work together for my salvation. Wherefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

Song of Adoration

Come Ye Souls By Sin Afflicted (Look To Jesus)

Joseph Swain, Kevin Twit

Come ye souls by sin afflicted, bowed with fruitless sorrow down By the broken law convicted, through the cross behold the crown Look to Jesus, look to Jesus Mercy flows through Him alone

Take His easy yoke and wear it, love will make your obedience sweet Christ will give you strength to bear it, while His grace shall guide your feet Safe to glory, safe to glory, safe to glory Where His ransomed captives meet

Blessed are the eyes that see Him, blessed the ears that hear His voice Blessed are the souls that trust Him, and in Him alone rejoice His commandments, His commandments Then become their happy choice

Sweet as home to pilgrims weary, light to newly opened eyes Like full springs in deserts dreary, is the rest the cross supplies All who taste it, all who taste it Shall to rest immortal rise

Look to Jesus, look to Jesus, look to Jesus Mercy flows through Him alone CCLI Song #7079450

1 Timothy 4:13 states, "...devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching."

The Reading of the Scriptures Job 14

Mr. Tim Bell, Ruling Elder

- [1] "Man who is born of a woman is few of days and full of trouble.
- [2] He comes out like a flower and withers; he flees like a shadow and continues not.
- [3] And do you open your eyes on such a one and bring me into judgment with you?
- [4] Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? There is not one.

- [5] Since his days are determined, and the number of his months is with you, and you have appointed his limits that he cannot pass,
- [6] look away from him and leave him alone, that he may enjoy, like a hired hand, his day.
- [7] "For there is hope for a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that its shoots will not cease.
- [8] Though its root grow old in the earth, and its stump die in the soil,
- [9] yet at the scent of water it will bud and put out branches like a young plant.
- [10] But a man dies and is laid low; man breathes his last, and where is he?
- [11] As waters fail from a lake and a river wastes away and dries up,
- [12] so a man lies down and rises not again; till the heavens are no more he will not awake or be roused out of his sleep.
- [13] Oh that you would hide me in Sheol, that you would conceal me until your wrath be past, that you would appoint me a set time, and remember me!
- [14] If a man dies, shall he live again?

 All the days of my service I would wait, till my renewal should come.
- [15] You would call, and I would answer you; you would long for the work of your hands.
- [16] For then you would number my steps; you would not keep watch over my sin;
- [17] my transgression would be sealed up in a bag, and you would cover over my iniquity.
- [18] "But the mountain falls and crumbles away, and the rock is removed from its place;
- [19] the waters wear away the stones; the torrents wash away the soil of the earth; so you destroy the hope of man.
- [20] You prevail forever against him, and he passes; you change his countenance, and send him away.
- [21] His sons come to honor, and he does not know it; they are brought low, and he perceives it not.
- [22] He feels only the pain of his own body, and he mourns only for himself."

Pastoral Prayer

In accordance with 1 Timothy 2:1, prayer is an integral part of our worship service. Please join in by silently agreeing.

The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Preaching of the Scriptures Jonah 1:11–16

Rev. Stacey Severance

[11] Then they said to him, "What shall we do to you, that the sea may quiet down for us?" For the sea grew more and more tempestuous. [12] He said to them, "Pick me up and hurl me into the sea; then the sea will quiet down for you, for I know it is because of me that this great tempest has come upon you." [13] Nevertheless, the men rowed hard to get back to dry land, but they could not, for the sea grew more and more tempestuous against them. [14] Therefore they called out to the LORD, "O LORD, let us not perish for this man's life, and lay not on us innocent blood, for you, O LORD, have done as it pleased you." [15] So they picked up Jonah and hurled him into the sea, and the sea ceased from its raging. [16] Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and they offered a sacrifice to the LORD and made vows.

Same Need, Same Solution Jonah 1:13-16

1. Surrender yourself, with all your delusions and idols. (vv.13-14)

2. Revere Yahweh, who alone can save you. (vv.15-16)

Song of Response

10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman

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!

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*

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! **chorus**

And on that day when my strength is failing The end draws near and my time has come Still my soul will sing Your praise unending Ten thousand years and then forevermore! **charus**

Worship Your holy name Worship Your holy name Lord I'll worship Your holy name CCLI Song #6016351

Benediction

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise Him, all creatures here below! Praise Him above, ye heavenly host! Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

Philippians 4:23

"Renediction" comes from two Latin words and means a "aood word" or blessing. A man ordained to administer the Word and sacraments raises his hands at the end of public worship to pronounce a blessina from God to His people. Those present will often extend open palms in a posture of reception. We see these benedictions throughout the Bible.

GS WEEKLY

Wed, Sept 17 *GS Youth Bible Study and Games, 6:00-7:30pm in the Cabin.* Bring your own dinner. Welcome new 6th graders!

Sun, Sept 21 Prayer Gathering and Bible Study in the Sanctuary, 9:15-10:10am. Kids and Youth Sunday Morning Bible Studies, 9:15-10:15am. Worship Service, 10:30am.

Sun, Sept 21 & Life Groups. Our bi-weekly small groups gather for food, fellowship, and prayer.

Sept 22 Details for this year's groups are on the table in the lobby. Sign up for a group today and join us! Childcare is available at the church during the groups. You can speak to Lia Severance (Children's Ministry Director) for more details about the childcare.

Sun, Nov 9 Church-wide Cookout, 5:00-7:00pm. GS will provide hotdogs. Bring a side or dessert to share if you are able and a camping chair to hang out in the shade. Kids can enjoy the playground and Gaga ball. Volleyball and kickball for everyone!

LIFE GROUPS HAVE BEGUN

GS Life Groups were started to accelerate opportunities to build relationships beyond the Sunday morning worship service and to multiply our efforts in prayer together. During these times, our concern for one another is deepened, an environment is provided for our friendships to grow, we have fun in fellowship together, and we find a place to share about our lives and ask for prayer.

DOWNLOAD THE GOOD SHEPHERD APP

Listen to sermons, view the church calendar, give tithes and offerings, and view the Worship Guide. To download for iPhone or Android, go to the Apple App store or Google Play store and search "Good Shepherd PCA."

GUIDANCE FOR WORSHIP AT HOME

Worshipping God throughout the week is a necessary part of knowing Him and bringing Him glory. How should we approach worship, whether individually, as married couples, or as a family?

While there are many good resources to help with this (some of which we have in our Information Center in the lobby), a good place to start is this simple approach: Read, Pray, and Sing. You can use this Worship Guide during the week to read and meditate on short passages of Scripture and briefly consider their meaning. Then pray, considering what you just read and discussed. Then close your time with a verse of a song. You don't need music; just pick one verse of a worship song or use the Doxology (printed on page 7 in the Worship Guide).

Worship is a gift and a grace of God that we must make the most of as families, couples, and individuals. Try this and see how God blesses it!

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

There are many ways to participate in this act of worship. You can place an offering in the box at the back of the sanctuary before or after worship, visit our website, use the QR code to the right, use our app, or visit *gsflo.churchcenter.com/giving*.

