

## The Order of Worship

### Welcome, Announcements, Prayer Requests and Praise Reports

#### Confession and Forgiveness

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

L: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Silence for reflection and personal confession.)

L: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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 hearts; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

#### Greeting

L: The peace of the Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

(A time for sharing God's peace with each other.)

Gathering Music (See board for song #s.)

Prayer of the Day (See bulletin insert.)

Preparing for the Word with Music (See board for song #.)

Bible Readings for the Day (See bulletin insert.)

#### Sermon

The Creed (Printed on yellow sheet in worship folder.)

#### Prayers of the Church

Offering - (See board for song #.)

(Information about our "Monthly Mission Giving Opportunities" is found on the green sheet on the table in the back of the church.)

#### Offering Prayer

L: Merciful Father,

**C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

#### The Lord's Prayer

**C: 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.**

Communion (See board for communion distribution song #s.)

#### Benediction

Sending Song (See board for song #.)

**Christ the Shepherd Lutheran Church** was formed in September 2010. We are traditional, orthodox Lutherans in our beliefs. Our worship service includes a blend of traditional and contemporary liturgy and music. We offer Sunday School for adults, teens and children as well as confirmation instruction.

**Communion:** This congregation invites all of its members (including youth who have been prepared) to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Participation in Holy Communion is also open to members of other congregations who sincerely confess that Jesus Christ is their Lord and that He is present in the Sacrament. Please receive the wafer and dip it in the wine (offered in the chalice) or the grape juice (offered in the glass goblet).



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## **Christ the Shepherd Lutheran Church**

Christ Centered + Biblically Based + Mission Focused



“I am the good shepherd. I know my sheep and my sheep know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep.” John 10:14-15

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