



## **NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**


*Jesus Models a Compassionate Shepherd's Heart*

**July 18 & 21, 2024**

## WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN!

Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our service we gather before God to offer him our praise and thanks. We also gather for strength that God's perfect and powerful word gives us to live as his people. You can join us any time, but before you leave please stick around for a few minutes after worship to meet and greet one another. If you are new to the area or looking for a church home, please accept the invitation to meet our pastors. You can greet them after the service or set up an appointment at your convenience. They are happy to make a personal visit.

## INFORMATION

- **Weekly News & Notes** are available in member mailboxes and on the counter in the narthex. Calendar information can be found on our website: [trinitykiel.com/calendar](http://trinitykiel.com/calendar).
- **Restrooms with Changing tables** are located on the west side of the narthex just through the double doors.
- **Large-print bulletins** are available. Speak to an usher.
- **T-Coil Hearing Assistance Devices** are available. Speak to an usher. 
- **Parents** may take small children into the cry room on the east side of the narthex for a more relaxed setting and still follow the service.
- **Prayers:** Inside the front cover of our hymnals are a listing of prayers to use before, during and after worship.
- **In the event of an emergency:** There are three different locations to exit our church sanctuary. In addition to the doors in the rear of the church, the door by the organ leads into the school hallway. The room to the right of the altar also leads directly outside. If any emergency were to occur, please follow the lead of the pastor, councilman on duty and ushers.
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## **Series Theme: MEANINGFUL MINISTRY**

“Ministry” is one of those churchy words that is often used, yet perhaps not fully understood. Ministry comes from the Latin word for “service.” Ministry involves serving others with love, compassion, and empathy. Helping someone with physical needs is sometimes called “compassion ministry.” Helping someone with their spiritual needs, sharing the good news of Christ, is generally called “gospel ministry.” We misunderstand ministry if we think of it as something only ministers do. While pastors are called to perform gospel ministry on behalf of others, ultimately every believer is called by God to reflect Christ-like love and share the message of salvation as God provides those opportunities.

Christ-like love and share the message of salvation as God provides those opportunities. In this worship series we will see our efforts to meet the needs of those God brings into our sphere of influence as meaningful ministry. In our service to them, those people see God’s love and God sees our faith.

Our worship follows this pattern.

- ***Ninth Sunday after Pentecost - Jesus Models a Compassionate Shepherd’s Heart***
- Tenth Sunday after Pentecost - God Meets Our Needs to Meet Others’ Needs
- Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost - Fear Not, for the Lord Is with You

### **As We Gather...**

In the ancient Middle East, a shepherd needed certain skills to do his job well: knowledge of edible grasses, ability to trim hooves, capacity to fend off predators, competency to birth lambs. However, the greatest qualification of a shepherd is much simpler. A good shepherd needed to care for his sheep. Without that, none of those other skills would be fully utilized.

In Scripture meaningful ministry is often pictured as a compassionate shepherd caring for his sheep: Jesus’ care for us; a spiritual leader’s care for his “flock.” Certainly, gospel ministry requires specific skills: ability to actively listen to people, aptitude for applying the gospel to someone’s situation, etc. But ultimately, meaningful ministry requires a compassionate heart—a profound caring for others. An individual might know God’s Word backwards and forwards. But if they lack compassion, they will not fully perform meaningful ministry. Today, we ask the Spirit to see how Jesus models a compassionate shepherd’s heart so that we might be filled with that same compassion.

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M: In the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: **If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: **Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

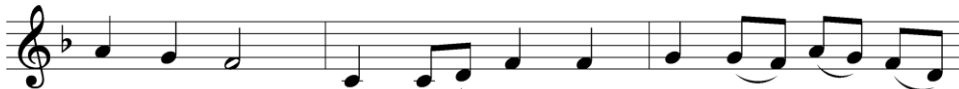
C: **Amen.**

# GLORIA

Tune: HOLY MANNA



1 Glo - ry be to God in heav - en, peace to those he  
2 On - ly Son of God the Fa - ther, Lamb who takes our



loves so well. On the earth let all his peo - ple  
sin a - way, now with him in tri - umph seat - ed—



speak his grace, his won - ders tell: Lord, we praise you for your  
for your mer - cy, Lord, we pray: Je - sus Christ, most high and



glo - ry, might - y Fa - ther, heav - en's King; hear our joy - ful  
ho - ly, Sav - ior, you are God a - lone in the glo - ry



ad - o - ra - tion and ac - cept the thanks we bring.  
of the Fa - ther with the Spir - it, Three in One!

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**M:** Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness, and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **FIRST LESSON**

### **Jeremiah 23:1-6**

*The LORD chastises spiritual shepherds for not bestowing care and compassion on their flock and promises to raise up good shepherds who would tend God's people.*

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! declares the Lord. <sup>2</sup> Therefore, this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds who shepherd my people. You have scattered my flock. You have driven them away. You have not taken care of them, but I will certainly take care of you, because of the evil things you have done, declares the Lord. <sup>3</sup> I will gather what is left of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their pastures. They will be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup> I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them. They will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing, declares the Lord. <sup>5</sup> Listen, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, who will reign wisely as king and establish justice and righteousness on earth. <sup>6</sup> In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will dwell securely. This is his name by which he will be called: The Lord Our Righteousness.

**M:** The Word of the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**



1 My shep - herd will sup - ply my need, Je -  
 2 When I walk through the shades of death, his  
 3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at -



ho - vah is his name; in pas - tures fresh he  
 pres - ence is my stay; one word of his sup -  
 tend me all my days; oh, may his house be



makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream.  
 port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.  
 my a - bode and all my work be praise.



He brings my wan - d'ring spir - it back when  
 His hand, in sight of all my foes, will  
 There would I find a set - tled rest while



I for - sake his ways and leads me, for his  
 still my ta - ble spread; my cup with bless - ings  
 oth - ers go and come, no more a stran - ger



mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.  
 o - ver - flows; his oil a - noints my head.  
 or a guest but like a child at home.

## SECOND LESSON

## Hebrews 13:7-8,17-21

*In the first reading, the Lord promised to raise up faithful shepherds. That promise is kept when the Lord provides spiritual leaders who point us to the great Shepherd.*

Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Carefully consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup> Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. . . . <sup>17</sup> Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls as men who will give an account. Obey them, so that they may do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no benefit to you. <sup>18</sup> Pray for us, because we are sure that we have a good conscience, and because in everything we want to conduct ourselves in an honorable way. <sup>19</sup> I urge you to do this even more, so that I may be restored to you quickly. <sup>20</sup> Now may the God of peace—who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, in connection with his blood, which established the eternal testament— <sup>21</sup> may he equip you with every good thing to do his will, as he works in us what is pleasing in his sight through Jesus Christ. To him be glory forever and ever. Amen.

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*The Pastor sings the refrain and verse. The congregation joins to sing the final refrain.*

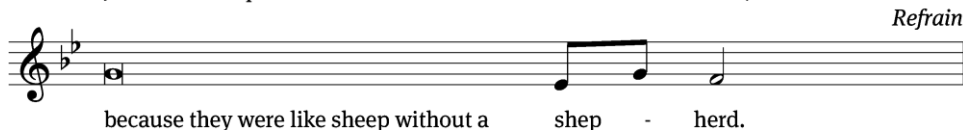
M:



*Refrain*



*Tone*



C:

*Refrain*



## GOSPEL LESSON

**Mark 6:30-34**

*Jesus is filled with compassion for those who go through life like sheep without a shepherd.*

The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a secluded place and rest a while." For there were so many people coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat. <sup>32</sup>They went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>But many people saw them leave and knew where they were going. They ran there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. <sup>34</sup>When Jesus stepped out of the boat, he saw a large crowd. His heart went out to them because they were like sheep without a shepherd. He began to teach them many things.

M: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

SERMON

**Mark 6:30-34**  
*Pastor Isaiah Horn*

**Weary Souls Run to the Good Shepherd**

- 1. Souls Grow Weary**
- 2. The Good Shepherd Grants Rest**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**THE GATHERING OF OUR OFFERING**

**— A NOTE TO OUR GUESTS AND VISITORS —**

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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

**C: Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.**

M: Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

**C: Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.**

M: Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

**C: Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.**

M: Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

**C: Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.**

M: Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

**C: Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.**

M: Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

**C: Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.**

M: Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

M: We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

**C: Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.**

M: Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

**C: Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

**M:**     The Lord bless you and keep you.  
          The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
          The Lord look on you with favor ☩ and give you peace.

**C:**     **Amen.**

## **CLOSING HYMN**

**Shepherd of Tender Youth | 756**

*Thank you for worshiping with us today.*