THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 12, 2024 | 10:30 AM

EPISCOPAL WORSHIP AUTHENTIC COMMUNITY. SIGNIFICAN.

to Good Shepherd Episcopal Church

Being a free person, according to the Bible, is a good thing in and of itself. "It is for freedom, Paul writes to the Galatians, "that Christ has set us free." He also sees in himself a tension between the freedom offered in Christ and his old way of thinking and living. Once he is made free, he has to learn to be free. That's where the commandments come in.

The ten commandment show us what a liberated and flourishing life looks like. Here's how Bible scholar Rolf Jacobson puts it:

God says to us, "For as long as you're here in this condition, love your neighbor."

We respond, "OK, God, we're down with love. But, how do I love my neighbor?"

God says, "OK, let me be a little more explicit here. Make sure everyone gets one day off each week, take care of the elderly, don't kill, don't steal, don't have sex with someone else's spouse, don't hurt your neighbor with your words, don't desire your neighbor's stuff. That's how you love your neighbor."

Being free in Christ means more than being able to exercise self-love however we want. It means being free to exercise not just self-love but God-love and neighbor-love too, and it means being part of a community of love, where we can learn to love and be loved in return.

Every blessing,

Michael +

We are so glad you are here.

WORSHIP SERVICES 8:00 & 10:30 AM Traditional

SPIRITUAL FORMATION 9:15 AM - Sunday School for all ages.

NURSERY AVAILABLE

Our professionally staffed nursery is available from 8-noon on Sundays for children 0 to 3 years old and is located across from the Education Wing.

COFFEE HOUR IN THE PARISH HALL Coffee, lemonade, and snacks are available both before and after worship.

HEARING ASSISTANCE A hearing loop is installed for those with a telecoil. Listening devices are also available in the Narthex.

CONNECT CARD Are you new here or want to get more involved? Fill out a Connect Card and turn into the offering plate or the church office.

RESTROOMS Restrooms are available in the Narthex as well as outside of the Parish Hall.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Make a dedication on our Members page or by signing the Flower Book in the Narthex.

THE REV'D MICHAEL MILLS Rector

THE REV'D TOM HOTCHKISS Vicar

THE REV'D MELODY SHOBE Associate for Children & Families

THE REV'D ERIC LILES THE REV'D STEPHANIE MONCRIEFF THE REV'D CLIF GARDNER Assisting Priests

> CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: M-Th: 9 AM - 4 PM F: 9 AM - Noon 214-351-6468 gsecd.org

Opening Voluntaries

Sonata in C minor, 2nd mov't. "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Word of Welcome

Opening Hymn 518

Barbara Biggers, harp Pescetti arr. McDonald

"Christ is made the sure foundation"



Opening Acclamation & Collect for PurityCelebrantAlleluia Christ is risen.PeopleThe Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.



CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with youCelebrantLet us pray.

The Collect of the Day

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

All sit for the readings.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

Their delight is in the law of the Lord, * and they meditate on his law day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; * everything they do shall prosper.

It is not so with the wicked; * they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, * nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, * but the way of the wicked is doomed.

A Reading from the First Letter of John

1 John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

Psalm 1



The Gospel

John 17:6-19

MinisterThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth." The Gospel of the Lord. Minister

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Father Michael Mills

Celebrant	We believe in one God
People	the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People, Form III

Leader People BCP 387

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That we all may be one.

- People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.
- Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.
- Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; People That our works may find favor in your sight.
- Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; People That they may be delivered from their distress.
- *Leader* Give to the departed eternal rest.
- People Let light perpetual shine upon them.
- *Leader* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
- People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.
- Leader Let us pray for all the mothers among us today; for our own mothers, those living and those who have died; for the mothers who loved us and for those who fell short of loving us fully; for all who hope to be mothers some day and for those whose hope to have children has been frustrated; for all mothers who have lost children; for all who have been as mothers to us. As they have given us life, may we have grace to share that life with others. As they have shown us patience, may we show patience to those around us. As they have given us care and hope and challenge may we, through their own gift of life, inspire a world through that same care and hope and challenge. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**
- Celebrant Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**
- Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The Confession

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.

The Peace

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

BCP 361

Adult Choir

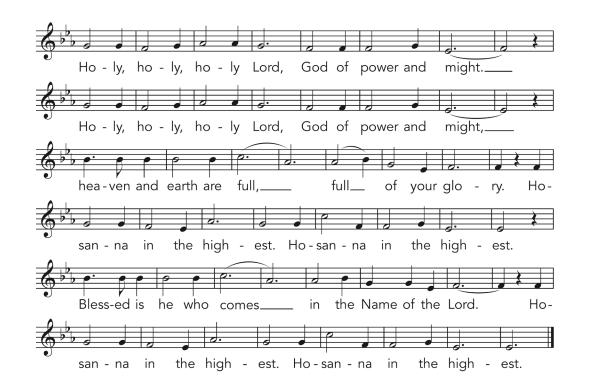
Mack Wilberg

Please stand.	
The Great Th	anksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer A
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth....Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S-130

F. Schubert



All kneel following the Sanctus.

The Memorial Acclamation

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

...All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **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, for ever and ever. Amen.

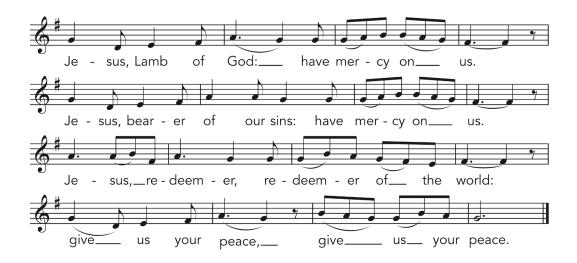
The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant	Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People	Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Agnus Dei S-164

F. Schubert



Music at Communion "Andante" "How Great Thou Art"

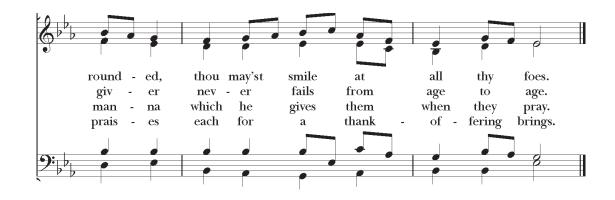
Barbara Biggers, harp J.S. Bach/arr. Grandjany arr. Barnwell

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.





The Dismissal

CelebrantGo in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers are given in memory of Marianna Krystinik by Kris Krystinik.

Today's Sermon

GOOD SHEPHERD NEWS & EVENTS



SPECIAL SUMMER MUSIC SERIES

Begins Sunday, June 2 | 10:30 AM

Each summer, thanks to the generous support of our members, Good Shepherd invites guest musicians and singers to provide music during our 10:30 AM worship service, giving our dedicated choir a rest over the summer. This year's lineup includes several returning guests as well as some new faces and talents. Learn more and see the schedule on our website.

HAPPENING NOW All sign-ups and more details are available at: goodshepherddallas.org/members

Jonah: Beyond the Children's Bible Story | 9:15 AM | Kincaid

The Family Forum will wrap up its exploration of the ever-popular Bible story of Jonah and "the Whale" next Sunday. Join us as we go beyond the children's story to see what it has to say to us today.

What's It All About? | 9:15 AM | Parish Hall

Is it all about love? Christians talk a lot about love—God's love for us, our love for one another—but is that really what it's all about? Did Jesus and John Lennon agree? Is love all you need? From the oldest book of the Bible to the newest self-help offering, human beings have struggled to give a single coherent explanation of the meaning of life. Next week, we finish our study with an examination the life philosophy of the Song of Songs.

Silver & Gold Club | Thursday, May 16 | 10 AM - 1 PM

Good Shepherd member John Gudjohnsen worked for both KXAS & WFAA TV during the "Hey Day" of local television news. The 70's 80's and 90's saw the most dramatic and unique changes in the way news was covered and presented. John was blessed to be in the middle of those changes photographing around the world doing stories with a "Texas Twist". Come along on a "walk down memory lane" with him. RSVP to Misty (office@gsecd.org).

End of Year Youth Party | Sunday, May 19 | 5 - 6:30 PM

It's pool party time and our youth group invites any students finishing up 5th grade to join them for hamburgers, hotdogs, and pool time as we celebrate the end of the school year. Hosted by the Macha family. RSVP to Lauren (lauren.wainwright@gsecd.org).

Thank a Children's Ministry Volunteer!

May 19 is the last day of Sunday School and Children's Chapel for this school year. As is our usual custom, we will take a break for the summer to give our volunteers a well-deserved rest. But don't worry; we will be back in late August for more fun and formation! Please take a moment today to thank our fantastic Godly Play teachers (Susan Mills, Clare Mills, Heidi Dahlander, Jana Chester, Caty Albert, and Kristen Beckman), our wonderful Brick by Brick teachers (Karla Miller, Shirley Lott, Barbara Carleton, Erik Bruno, Jason Hays, Clinton Flume, Waldo Gonzalez, Will Macha, Laurie Weir, and Tricia Morris) and our amazing Children's Chapel volunteers (Ausley Albert, Lauren Wainwright, LeAnne Perrine, Camille Barton, Claire Strange, Rebecca Freudigman, and Jean Casey) for helping our children grow in the knowledge and love of God. If you are interested in assisting with our children's programs next year, please contact Pastor Melody.

PRAYER LIST

One of the greatest privileges we have as Christians is to pray for one another. If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, or if you'd like to give thanks for one of God's blessings, you may make a submission to the prayer list by visiting our website or contacting the church office.

goodshepherddallas.org/prayer-list

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