

Gentle Shepherd Community Church

“Where Truth and Love Grow Together”

January 28, 2018 – 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Scott Kohler, Pastor

Rev. Dr. Brad Little, Pastor Emeritus

Christy Boyd, Pianist

Greeters at Entrance: Mel Spires & David Crawford

Greeters at Entrance: Debbie, Jenna, & Danika Dunnett

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song #146 Glorify Thy Name

Call to Worship Psalm 18:1-3, 46, 49

Leader: I love you, Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer;

Congregation: my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Leader: I called to the Lord, who is worthy of praise, and I have been saved from my enemies.

Congregation: The Lord lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God my Savior!

Leader: Therefore I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; I will sing the praises of your name. (NIV®)

Opening Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Hymns of Praise

#366 And Can it Be

Mighty to Save

#496 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Scripture Reading: Colossians 2:6-15 Fred MacMullin

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ. For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human

hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead. When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. (NIV®)

A Message for the Children

Pastoral Prayer

Message “Daniel, Darius, and the Living God” (Daniel 6)

Closing Hymn # 100 All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name

Benediction

Choral Blessing: Go Now in Peace

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.

God will go with you each hour of ev’ry day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.

Know he will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there, watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Postlude

We welcome you to Worship at Gentle Shepherd Community Church this morning. We’re glad you came! Please plan to join us following the service for some refreshments and fellowship downstairs. If you are a visitor today, please sign our Guest Book in the foyer as you leave as a lasting reminder of your visit. We hope you feel as welcome as you are as part of the Gentle Shepherd family.

**Please note: Instead of collecting our offerings during the worship service, there is now an offering box at the back of the church. Our church family is invited to share in giving in this way.

Weekly Announcements

Missions and Outreach Team Challenge: Our challenge for January/February is to supply the ingredients for a pasta meal, including the pasta, tomato sauce, canned mushrooms, and maybe even the spices or the Parmesan cheese. If you would like to donate, you can leave your food in the box in the foyer of the church on any Sunday in January or February.

Dates to Remember:

- (1) Annual Meeting – February 11 (following the Worship Service)
- (2) Annual Pancake Supper – Tuesday, February 13, 6:00 PM
- (3) Games Night – Early February (more information to follow)

Any prayer requests can be sent to Don Kerstens at djkerstens@gmail.com. If anyone would like their name included in the Prayer Chain, Please contact Don.

Do you have announcements for the bulletin? Please send submissions to Connie Crawford at conniecrawford259@gmail.com by Tuesday morning.

NO SCENTS MAKES SENSE: A number of people in our church family have allergic reactions to scents. Please be sensitive to those needs when preparing to attend worship.

Weekly Activities

Sunday, January 28	9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship Service
Wednesday, January 31	10:00 AM	Bible Study at the Church
Friday, February 2	5:30 PM	Potluck at Sensingers'
Sunday, February 4	9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship Service



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