

## ***Gentle Shepherd Community Church***

“Where Truth and Love Grow Together”

March 11, 2018 – 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Scott Kohler, Pastor

Rev. Dr. Brad Little, Pastor Emeritus

Christy Boyd, Pianist

**Greeters at Entrance:** Mel Spires

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

**Gathering Song** #43 Majesty

Majesty, worship his majesty; unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.

Majesty, kingdom authority flow from his throne unto his own, his anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus; magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.

Majesty, worship his majesty; Jesus, who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

**Call to Worship** Psalm 95 (selections)

**Leader:** Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

**Congregation:** Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

**Leader:** For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him.

**Congregation:** Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care. (NIV®)

### **Opening Prayer and Lord’s Prayer**

### **Hymns of Praise**

#50 Great is the Lord

#496 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

#595 They’ll Know We Are Christians

### **Scripture Reading:**

Acts 2:36-42

“Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.” When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.” With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. (NIV®)

### **A Message and Prayer for the Children**

### **Pastoral Prayer**

**Message** “What a Fellowship!” Rev. Ross Ingram

**Closing Hymn** # 393 Blest Be the Tie That Binds

### **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**

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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:** During **March/April** we are collecting items to assist the GSW prepare soup packs for the Food Bank. Items required include any of the following: lentils (red or green), barley, brown rice, split peas (green or yellow), dried beans, canned tomatoes or tomato sauce, canned navy or kidney beans, beef or chicken broth, bouillon cubes or packets and/or any small sized pasta such as elbow macaroni or bow ties. These can be left in the foyer any Sunday in March or April.

Any prayer requests can be sent to Don Kerstens at [djkerstens@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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, March 11	9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship Service
Wednesday, March 14	10:00 AM	Bible Study at the Church
Friday, March 16	5:30 PM	Potluck at Sensingers'
Sunday, March 18	9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday School Worship Service



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