

Gentle Shepherd Community Church

“Where Truth and Love Grow Together”

July 1, 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 in Foyer: Barry & Martha Andrews

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song Hear the Call of the Kingdom

Call to Worship Psalm 24:7-10

Leader: Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Congregation: Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

Leader: Lift up your heads, you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Congregation: Who is he, this King of glory? The Lord Almighty— he is the King of glory. (NIV®)

Opening Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Hymns of Praise

#358 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

#373 Change My Heart, O God

Scripture Reading:

Galatians 4:8-20

Carol Scott

Formerly, when you did not know God, you were slaves to those who by nature are not gods. But now that you know God—or rather are known by God—how is it that you are turning back to those weak and miserable forces? Do you wish to be enslaved by them all over again? You are observing special days and months and seasons and years! I fear for you, that somehow I have wasted my efforts on you. I plead with you, brothers and sisters, become like me, for I became like you. You did me no wrong. As you know, it was because of an illness that I first preached the gospel to you, and even though my illness was a trial to you, you did not treat me with contempt or scorn. Instead, you welcomed me

as if I were an angel of God, as if I were Christ Jesus himself. Where, then, is your blessing of me now? I can testify that, if you could have done so, you would have torn out your eyes and given them to me. Have I now become your enemy by telling you the truth? Those people are zealous to win you over, but for no good. What they want is to alienate you from us, so that you may have zeal for them. It is fine to be zealous, provided the purpose is good, and to be so always, not just when I am with you. My dear children, for whom I am again in the pains of childbirth until Christ is formed in you, how I wish I could be with you now and change my tone, because I am perplexed about you! (NIV®)

A Message for the Children

Pastoral Prayer

Message “My Dear Children”

Communion Hymn # 505 All the Way My Savior Leads Me

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

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: Although school is out for the summer, our **Food Bank Challenge** for the summer months (**July, August and September**) is to prepare for the return to class in September by collecting school supplies and healthy snack/lunch items. Some suggestions for school supplies include pens, pencils, coloured pencils, glue sticks, two-inch binders, pocket folders, wide-lined paper, backpacks, and insulated lunch bags. Suggested lunch items are juice boxes, individual snacks, fruit cups, puddings, and nut-free granola bars. If you can help, please leave your donations in the box in the foyer of the church on Sunday morning.

GSCC T-Shirts: If you missed out on purchasing a Gentle Shepherd T-Shirt last year, it's not too late! If there is sufficient interest, a second order will be placed. T-shirts are available in both adult and children's sizes. Please contact Paula Dunnett (kellyd@nbnet.nb.ca or 447-7219) or Carol Scott (carol.scott51@yahoo.com or 472-2416) if you are interested in purchasing.

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, July 1	10:30 AM	Worship Service
Wednesday, July 4	10:00 AM	Bible Study at the Church
Thursday, July 5	6:30 PM	Book Club at Kohlers'
Friday, July 6	5:30 PM	Potluck at Kohlers'
Sunday, July 8	10:30 AM	Worship Service



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