

# ***Gentle Shepherd Community Church***

“Where Truth and Love Grow Together”

June 24, 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:** Ross & Gloria Ingram

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

**Gathering Song** #352 Spirit Song

**Call to Worship** Psalm 81 (selections)

**Leader:** Sing for joy to God our strength; shout aloud to the God of Jacob!

**Congregation:** Begin the music, strike the timbrel, play the melodious harp and lyre.

When God went out against Egypt, he established it as a statute for Joseph.

**Leader:** I heard an unknown voice say: “I removed the burden from their shoulders; their hands were set free from the basket. In your distress you called and I rescued you. I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of Egypt. Open wide your mouth and I will fill it.”(NIV®)

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

## **Hymns of Praise**

#618 Go Down, Moses

#408 I Am Thine, O Lord

#349 Seek Ye First

**Scripture Reading:** Galatians 3:23-4:7

Don Kerstens

Before the coming of this faith, we were held in custody under the law, locked up until the faith that was to come would be revealed. So the law was our guardian until Christ came that we might be justified by faith. Now that this faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian. So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the

promise. What I am saying is that as long as an heir is underage, he is no different from a slave, although he owns the whole estate. The heir is subject to guardians and trustees until the time set by his father. So also, when we were underage, we were in slavery under the elemental spiritual forces of the world. But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, “Abba, Father.” So you are no longer a slave, but God’s child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir. (NIV®)

## **A Message for the Children**

Jon Sensinger

## **Pastoral Prayer**

**Message** “Having 'a Faith' is Not Enough”

**Closing Hymn** #357 Knowing You

## **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:** 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](mailto:kellyd@nbnet.nb.ca) or 447-7219) or Carol Scott ([carol.scott51@yahoo.com](mailto: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](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, June 24	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
Wednesday, June 27	10:00 AM	Bible Study at the Church
Friday, June 29	5:30 PM	Potluck at Kohlers'
Sunday, July 1	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service



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