

# ***Gentle Shepherd Community Church***

“Where Truth and Love Grow Together”

July 15, 2018 – 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Scott Kohler, Pastor

Rev. Dr. Brad Little, Pastor Emeritus

Christy Boyd, Pianist

**Greeters at Entrance:** Mel Spires

**Greeters in Foyer:** Paula & Helen Dunnett

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

**Gathering Song** # 148 Come, Thou Almighty King

**Call to Worship** Psalm 145:1-5

**Leader:** I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever.

Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.

**Congregation:** Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

**Leader:** One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts.

**Congregation:** They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty—and I will meditate on your wonderful works. (NIV®)

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

## **Hymns of Praise**

In Christ Alone

#407 I Know Whom I Have Believed

#587 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

**Scripture Reading:** Galatians 5:2-12

Ivan Ford

Mark my words! I, Paul, tell you that if you let yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no value to you at all. Again I declare to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obligated to obey the whole law. You who are trying to be justified by the law have been alienated from Christ; you have fallen away from grace. For through the Spirit we eagerly await by faith the righteousness for which we hope. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith

expressing itself through love. You were running a good race. Who cut in on you to keep you from obeying the truth? That kind of persuasion does not come from the one who calls you. “A little yeast works through the whole batch of dough.” I am confident in the Lord that you will take no other view. The one who is throwing you into confusion, whoever that may be, will have to pay the penalty. Brothers and sisters, if I am still preaching circumcision, why am I still being persecuted? In that case the offense of the cross has been abolished. As for those agitators, I wish they would go the whole way and emasculate themselves! (NIV®)

## **A Message for the Children**

## **Pastoral Prayer**

**Message** “Who Cut in On You?”

**Closing Hymn** #408 I Am Thine, O Lord

## **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.

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, July 15	10:30 AM	Worship Service
Sunday, July 22	10:30 AM	Worship Service



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