

We Offer our Thanksgiving

Lord, you have shown your goodness to us in your incarnation and by coming to earth and humbling yourself. You died a sinner's death, though without sin, to redeem us to be your own special people and you are coming back for us! You have given us this meal to commemorate your sacrifice and to strengthen our faith and nourish our souls and remind us of when we will eat this meal with you face to face. We thank you for this gift to us.

Praise the Lord, O my soul;
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.
Praise the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits—
who forgives all your sins
and heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit
and crowns you with love and compassion.
Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,
to receive power and wealth
and wisdom and strength
and honor and glory and praise!

The Distribution

The Body of Christ, given for you. Take and Eat.
Do this, in remembrance of Him

Communion Song: You Are Coming O My Savior 515P

The cup of the New Covenant, sealed by Christ's blood,
which was shed that the sins of many might be forgiven.
Drink from it, all of you.

Closing Prayer of Thanks

Closing Hymn-516P When the Lord in Glory Comes

Benediction

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. Amen.
Romans 15:13

Good Shepherd Community Church
September 27, 2009 Christ's Return

We Gather before Our God

The Mighty One, God, the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to the place where it sets. ...
"Gather to me my consecrated ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice." And the heavens proclaim his righteousness, for God himself is judge.

Call to Worship

*Shout with joy to God, all the earth!
Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious!
Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies cringe before you. All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise to you, they sing praise to your name." Psalm 66:1-4*
May the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, our Rock and our Redeemer. Psalm 19:12f

We Come before His Presence with Song

Hymn of Gathering – Come, Let Us Praise the Lord (Ps.95)
Invocation
Hymn Chorus- I Stand in Awe
Hymn of Praise-32 How Great Thou Art 190P

We Bow in Confession before His Majesty

*Who can discern his errors? Forgive my hidden faults.
Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me.
Then will I be blameless, innocent of great transgression.* Ps. 19:12f
Lord Jesus, I have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek you in my daily life. My sins and shortcomings present me with a list of accusations, but I thank you that they will not stand against me, for all have been laid on Christ. Deliver me from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in me, everything that prevents me taking delight in you. Amen.

Psalm 103:11-12 says, "For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us." **Praise and thanks be to God!**

We Rejoice in Hope of His Appearing

Let us sing before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity. Ps 98:9

H184 Lift Up Your Heads, Pilgrims A-weary

H183 Christ Is Coming, Let Creation

We Hear the Word of God Read

Psalm 19:7- 14 Chorus- The Law of the Lord

Old Testament- Joshua 4:1-24

New Testament- Romans 3: 9-30

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

We Sing Hymns of Faith

Hymn – 629P These Are the Facts

Hymn - 287P At the Name of Jesus Every Knee

Prayer

We Petition Our King

Urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people. 1 Timothy 2:1

Prayers of Supplication and Petition with Thanksgivings

We Present Offerings

Give to the LORD the glory due His name; Bring an offering and come into His court. Ps 96:8

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn of Offering- For the Life That You Have Given

The Proclamation of the Word

Scripture Text- Matthew 24:36 - 51

"Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come."

Sermon- "Keep Watch and Be Ready" by Pastor Jeff Gregory

Hymn of Response – 510P Jesus, Alpha and Omega

The Service of the Lord's Table

The Invitation

O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him. (Psalm 34:8)

To those whose trust in Christ alone to save them from their sins, who have been clothed with the righteousness of Christ, who are seeking to live life that pleases God, welcome to the feast!

The Institution

Matthew 26:26-29

Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died!

Christ is risen!

Christ will come again!

Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out,
Hallelujah!

For the Lord our God

the Almighty reigns.

Let us rejoice and exult

and give him the glory,

for the marriage of the Lamb has come,

and his Bride has made herself ready;

it was granted her to clothe herself

with fine linen, bright and pure—

for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

And the angel said to me, Write this: **Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he said to me, These are the true words of God.**