

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

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17th Sunday after Pentecost

September 20, 2026 • 8:30 AM

Pre-service Music “Wherever He Leads”

Welcome & Announcements

*Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

*OPENING INVOCATION

*Gathering Song “Love Lifted Me” PD

*Confession & Forgiveness

A: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C: Amen.**

A: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

A: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Time of silence for reflection

A: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

*Prayer of the Day

Dismissal for Children’s Church *Children from ages 4 to 8 are invited to go to the children’s church program for an age-appropriate bible lesson. They will return after the sermon.*

READING – JOHN 8:1-11

But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him, and he sat down and taught them. The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and placing her in the midst they said to him, “Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. Now in the Law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?” This they said to test him, that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, “Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her.” And once more he bent down and wrote on the ground. But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. Jesus stood up and said to her, “Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?” She said, “No one, Lord.” And Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more.”

Sermon by Pastor Mike

*Sermon Song “He Touched Me” CCLI #13072

***Apostles' Creed**

A: *"Let us celebrate our common faith, using the words of the Apostles' Creed."*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***The Prayers:** A: *The prayer response is: "Lord in your mercy", "hear our prayer."*

Offering & Reflection Music by the Gospel Group "Praise to the Father" PD

Offering Prayer

P: Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us: ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Words of Institution**

***Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SHARING THE MEAL

Our Lord Jesus is the host of this communion meal. We welcome all baptized Christians to join us.

- All those who believe Jesus is Lord are welcome.
- Children who haven't received communion instruction are more than welcome to come forward for a blessing.
- If you need non-alcoholic or Gluten Free, just ask your server.
- And the ushers will direct you forward.

Songs During Communion

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee" PD

"Alleluia" CCLI #16811

***Communion Blessing and Benediction**

***Sending Song "We Are Marching" PD**

***Dismissal** – A: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

Post service Song "Bind Us Together" CCLI #1228

Offerings can be placed in the basket in the narthex on your way out.

You can also Give Online, we our website at www.shepherd-hills.com/give

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Join us after worship for coffee and conversation

Our Mission:

"We are called to Love God, Grow in the Holy Spirit, and Serve Others."

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