

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost October 17th, 2021 9:30 am Worship Service ZOOM 706 565 767, Passcode 767

SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS LUTHERAN CHURCH 4887 Valleydale Road, Birmingham, AL 35242 (205) 995-9673 www.sothl.org



Welcome to Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church "A Place to Call Home"

Our Mission Statement

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church seeks to demonstrate God's grace, to learn and grow in the Christian faith, and to serve with humility.

Our Welcoming Statement

As an inclusive congregation, we welcome all into God's love and grace without regard to:

Ability * Age * Beliefs * Culture * Ethnicity * Gender Identity * Income * Language * Life Circumstances * Marital Status * Race * Sexual Orientation

As God's grace welcomes all, we are united in Christ

Thank you for worshiping with us today. If you need assistance following the order of worship, feel free to ask your neighbor for help. May this time of worship encourage and strengthen you for the week ahead. We hope you'll worship with us again.

Pastor: Carolyn Hayford (803) 606-6683Secretary: Liz Satterfield (205) 995-9673Musician: Ann Jones (205) 902-2444Council President: Larry Smith (205) 988-6449Soloist: Eric Campbell

Serving us today in Worship:

Worship Assistant:Carla CrowderReader:Peggy HuckabaaChildren's Message:Kim BoettnerSoloist:Eric Campbell

Zoomster/AV:Carrie PetersHead Zoom Usher:Peggy HuckabaaMusic:Ann Jones

Please check out our new and improved website: www.sothl.org.

Note that pictures taken at various church events and services are posted on both our website and our Facebook page. If you do not want your picture to appear on our page or on the web site for any reason, please alert the church office at <u>office@sothl.org</u> or 205-995-9673 so that your request can be honored.

We pray that our time together will be an inspiration to all. Our order of worship is Setting Four from the Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW red). Our order of worship is printed in its entirety below. **Congregation** responses are indicated in **bold** print, P: Pastor, **C: Congregation**

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October 17th. 2021

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT FORUM Will be 10 minutes following today's service

COUNCIL MEETING Today at 12:30 PM

MY YOUNG FRIENDS!! Today's Bible story is "James and John" on page 336 in your Spark Story Bible. If you don't have a Spark Story Bible you can read the story in any Bible in Mark 10:35-45. Jesus tells his disciples that in Heaven everyone is equal: how is serving others like serving Jesus?

PRELUDE To Be Your Presence arr: Mark Albrecht

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

C: Amen

A: Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

A: Eternal God our creator,

C: In you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

P: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God + forgives you all your sins.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN ELW 416 At the Name of Jesus: verses 1,3,5

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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





PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

A: Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE FIRST READING: Isaiah 53: 4-12

This reading is from the last of four passages in Isaiah that are often called "servant songs." Christians are probably most familiar with this servant song. In light of Christian faith, the servant's healing ministry and redemptive suffering are understood to be fulfilled in the life and death of Christ.

⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. ⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. ⁶All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

⁷He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. ⁸By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. ⁹They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. ¹¹Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. ¹²Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

- R: The word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM Please read Psalm 91:9-16 responsively.

⁹Because you have made the LORD your refuge, and the Most High your habitation,

¹⁰no evil will befall you, nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.

¹¹For God will give the angels charge over you, to guard you in all your ways.

¹²Upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.

¹³You will tread upon the lion cub and viper; you will trample down the lion and the serpent.

¹⁴I will deliver those who cling to me; I will uphold them, because they know my name.

¹⁵They will call me, and I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.

¹⁶With long life will I satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:1-0

Using imagery from scripture and from Jewish worship practices, Jesus is presented as the great high priest who was obedient to God's saving plan. Through his suffering and death he has become the source of eternal salvation.

¹Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; ³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son,

today I have begotten you";

⁶as he says also in another place,

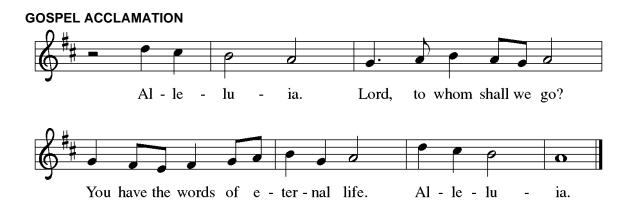
"You are a priest forever,

according to the order of Melchizedek."

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 10:35-45

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

On the way to Jerusalem the disciples ask Jesus to grant them seats of honor. Jesus responds by announcing that he and his followers will "rule" through self-giving service.

³⁵James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" ³⁷And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" ³⁹They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

⁴¹When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴²So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

- P: The gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

THE MESSAGE

THE HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 712 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service: verses 1,2,4



Text: Albert F. Bayiy, 1901–1984 Music: BEACH SPRING, The Sacred Harp, Philadelphia, 1844 Text © Oxford University Press

THE APOSTLES CREED ELW 105

A: Let us confess together our faith using the words of the Apostle's Creed

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

<u>I believe in Jesus Christ,</u> God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

<u>I believe in the Holy Spirit,</u> the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Hear us, O God.

C: Your Mercy is great.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

A: The work and mission of the church continues no matter how we gather, in person, electronically, wherever two or more are gathered together in His name. Lord on this day, we bring our tithes and offerings, giving from the abundance that you have given us.

THE OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray together,

C: Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

P: Send your Spirit of truth, O God; Rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C: Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Please speak whichever version, in whatever language, you prefer.)

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

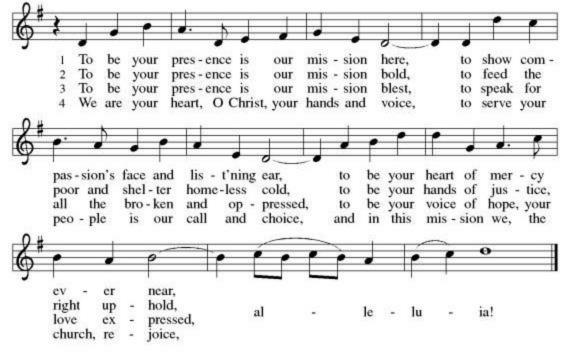
C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

P: People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN ELW 546 To Be Your Presence: verses 1,2,4



Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852-1924

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DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service - Beach Spring setting arr: Anne Krentz

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Next Week's LessonTHE FIRST READING:Jeremiah 31:7-9PSALM:Psalm 126THE SECOND READING:Hebrews 7:23-28THE GOSPEL:Mark 10:46-52

Intercessory Prayer

We are a praying community; believing in the value of prayer. We ask that you keep the congregation, our community, and all those on the prayer list insert in your prayers during the week. Prayer request cards can be found in the Narthex or in the back of the hymnal. Please utilize the Intercessory Prayer insert during your prayers this week.

Worship Servants for October 24:

Worship Assistant: Reader: Children's Message: Soloist:		Carla C	Prine Zoomster/AV: ny McMullin Head Zoom Us Crowder Music: ampbell			Peggy Huckabaa Susan Pritchett Ann Jones			
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Monday	7:00 pr	n	AA – New Hop	e, Alanon					
Tuesday	7:00 pr	n	Zoom Social/C	ovid19 Q&A	Meetin	g ID 706 565 767, Pass code 767			
Wednesday	9:30 ar	n	Wednesday Bible Study		Meeting ID 175 995 4				
Thursday	6:30 pm y		Prayer, Meditation and M Conversation		Meetin	g ID 706 565 767 Pass code 767			
Friday Saturday	6:30 pr	n	AA – New Hop	e					

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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FOOD PANTRY For families in times of need, having food available can make a big difference. There are many ways to help and get involved in making a difference for those who are struggling. Please consider either creating bags using the recipes on the website or create your own recipes and share them with us so we can put it in the rotation. If you would prefer, you can donate money instead to evangelism / outreach either on line (https://secure.myvanco.com/YM4V/home) or by check. Thank you for your generosity.

COVID-19 NOTIFIERS: The COVID Task Force has established the following process to ensure we do not need to modify our current procedures and to help identify a potential cluster early: Anyone who attends a church even (even parking lot ones) or has been in the church building for any reason, and tests positive for COVID within 2 weeks of being here, is asked to contact one of the volunteers on this list below. Your name will be kept completely confidential. Thank you! Jared Brunswick, 205-531-5428, <u>irdbrunswick@yahoo.com</u>; Erica Bjornstad, 443-717-0065, <u>ericaecuador@yahoo.com</u>; Susan Pritchett, 205-602-1282, <u>sspritch@bellsouth.net.</u> COVID-19 Indicators to Guide Phased Re-opening

10/12/2021

Goal (Phase 3 - Indoor)	Source	Phase1	Last week	Current	Data Date	Trend
Decrease/no change in new daily						
cases (14 day ave.)	А		Yes	Yes	12-Oct	~~
Test positivity < 5% (7 day mov. Ave)	В	>10%	12.9%	10.4%	6-Oct	V
Disease Burden < 10 per 100,000	В	>20	33.9	21.7	10-Oct	V
Hospitalizations of confirmed covid	А	>800	1149	935	11-Oct	V

^ASource: Alabama Department of Public Health Covid 19 Dashboard

^BSource: Covidactnow.org

SOTH is currently in Phase 1. Phase 1 is the most restrictive phase. Phase 2 includes limited small group gatherings and outdoor activities

NOTE: When moving to a less restrictive phase, it is recommended to remain in that phase for a period of time before moving to the next less restrictive phase to ensure that the movement is appropriate based on indicators. Also, moving back to a more restrictive phase can occur based changing indicators. Thus, phased re-opening is a dynamic process with the possibility of returning to more restrictive phase for public health reasons.

WORSHIP MUSIC - Wondering about the beautiful music you hear in our worship service? It's Eric Campbell's and Christine Wells' voices. The piano is played by Ann Jones. We appreciate them sharing their gifts to the glory of God.

ZOOM MEETINGS SUNDAY – E - WORSHIP:

Sundays at 9:30 am. Consider signing on early to catch up with friends and family. The room is open at 9:00 am. Click on the link below:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/706565767?pwd=MjJMbEIyM2pNMkkvaHJWNW1YSHU0UT

Or call this number: 1-312-626-6799

Enter Meeting ID 706 565 767, Passcode 767

SUNDAY - SPANISH PRAYER MINISTRY:

Led by Pastor Ed Cortes – 1^{st} Sunday in the Month at 2:30pm

Click this link: https://zoom.us/j/88295986939

Or call this number: 1-646-558-8656 Enter Meeting ID: 882 959 -6939

MONDAY - SOTH COVID TASK FORCE:

Mondays at 7:00PM – Based on circumstance Click this link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/706565767?pwd=MjJMbEIyM2pNMkkvaHJWNW1YSHU0UT 09 Or Call this number: 1-312-626-6799 Enter Meeting ID 706 565 767, Passcode 767 **TUESDAY – NIGHT ZOOM SOCIAL:**

A question and answer session with Erica Bjornstad, pediatrician epidemiologist, regarding current status of COVID-19 which has morphed into a Friendly support group. If you do have any questions about COVID-19 or just want to check in with some friendly folks. Tuesdays at 7:00 pm

Click this link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/706565767?pwd=MjJMbEIyM2pNMkkvaHJWNW1YSHU0UT 09

Or call this number: 1-312-626-6799 Enter meeting ID: 706 565 767, Passcode 767 WEDNESDAY – BIBLE STUDY:

Wednesday at 9:30am

Click this link: https://zoom.us/j/175995438

Or call this number: 1-312-626-6799 Enter Meeting ID: 175 995 438

WEDNESDAY - LYDIA CIRCLE:

All women are welcome to join. Normally first Wednesday of the month at 9:30 am Click this link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/524874986</u>

Or call this number: 1-312-626-6799 Enter meeting ID: 524 874 986

WEDNESDAY PRAYER, MEDITATION & CONVERSATION

We view films and videos and talk about topics of interest. Join Pastor Carolyn and your church friends to talk openly in a safe space. Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 pm Click this link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/706565767?pwd=MjJMbEIyM2pNMkkvaHJWNW1YSHU0UT 09

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COUNCIL OFFICERS

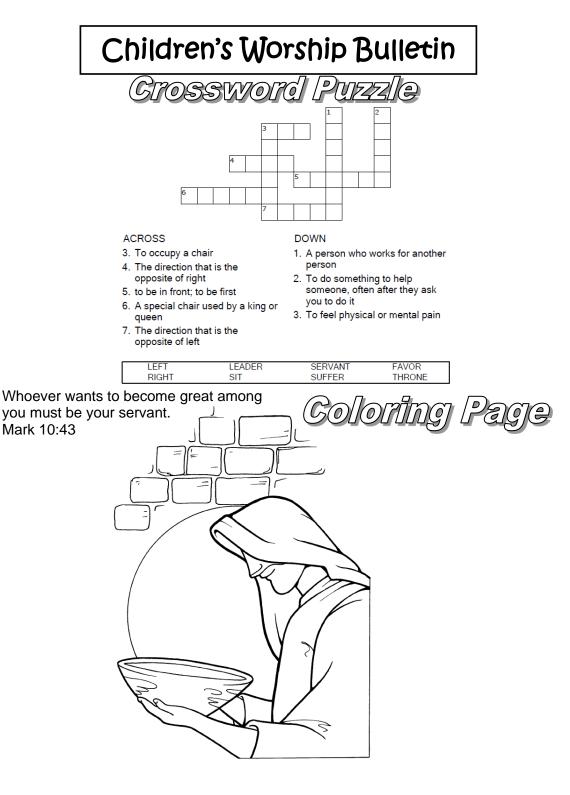
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John Boettner, Worship Rachel Brunswick, Learning Mike Huckabaa, Facilities Susan Pritchett, Fellowship Dennis Steul, Stewardship Jeanne Trammell Outreach/Witness (Temporarily contact Susan Pritchett)





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Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

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