

## Good Shepherd Community Church Worship Guide –29 March 2020

### Greeting- God's Blessing

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be the glory forever and ever. **Amen.**

Galatians 1:3-5

### Call to Worship

*"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.*

***I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!"***

***Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!***

Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. ***Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured***" (Micah 4:2 Psalm 122:1-2, Hebrews 13:12-13)

Hymn- " I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer "

Verse 1

We greet You sure Redeemer from all strife  
Our only Trust and Saviour of our life  
Who pain did undergo for our poor sake  
We pray You from our hearts all cares to take

Verse 2

You are the King of mercy and of grace  
Reigning omnipotent in every place  
So come O King and our whole being sway  
Shine on us with the light of Your pure day

Verse 3

You are the life in which we do believe  
From You all substance and all strength receive  
Sustain us by Your faith and by Your power  
And give us strength in every trying hour

Verse 4

You have the true and perfect gentleness  
You have no harshness and no bitterness  
O grant to us the grace in You we see  
That we may dwell in perfect unity

Verse 5

Our hope is in no other save in You  
Our faith is built upon Your promise true  
Lord give us peace and make us calm and sure  
That in Your strength we evermore endure

Invocation - Pastor Jeff Gregory

Hymn – We Come, O Christ, to You  
(Stanza 5,3)

We worship you, Lord Christ ,  
our Savior and our King.  
to you our life and strength  
adoringly we bring;  
so fill our hearts that all may view your life in us, and turn to you!

You are the way to God,  
your blood our ransom paid;  
in you we face our judge and maker unafraid. Before the throne absolved we stand  
your love has met your law's demands.

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### **Confessing Our Sins**

Lord Jesus, we come before you in humble confession. Help us to conform our lives to you as the model for holy and righteous living.

***Forgive us for our desire for personal greatness, for our attempts to make gods of ourselves, for our willingness to exalt ourselves at the expense of others, and our resistance to serving one another as you have served us.***

Forgive us for making light of your obedience and sacrifice on the cross by living as undisciplined and indifferent Christian witnesses; forgive us for yielding to fear rather than relying on your strength to take the risks of discipleship.

***Forgive us, dear Jesus, for times we have not looked to you as our Lord, and for allowing the clamoring distractions of the world to become higher priorities than you. Forgive us for yielding more to the pressures of this world than being transformed by your lordship over our lives.***

***Amen.***

[Silence- name before God privately particular sins of which you are aware]

### **Word of Pardon**

God is slow to anger and full of compassion.

He forgives all who humbly repent and trust in his Son as Savior and Lord.

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Cf. Exodus 34:6-7; Romans 8:1

***Thanks be to God!***

### **Response of Praise in Song**

*He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the LORD. Psalm 40:3*

***Let Us Praise and Sing and Wonder***

Let us love and sing and wonder

Let us praise the Savior's name

He has hushed the law's loud thunder

He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame

He has freed us by his blood

He has brought us near to God

Let us love the Lord who bought us

Dying for our rebel race

Called us by his Word and taught us

By the Spirit of his grace

He has freed us by his blood

He presents our souls to God

### Verse 3

Let us sing though fierce temptation

Threatens hard to drag us down

For the Lord our strong salvation

Holds in view the conqueror's crown

He who freed us by his blood

Soon will bring us home to God

### Verse 4

Let us wonder he has suffered

See what God in Christ has done

Debts are paid and mercy offered

Love and justice meet as one

He who freed us by his blood

Has secured our peace with God

### Verse 5

Let us praise and join the chorus

Of the saints enthroned on high  
Here they trusted him before us  
Now their praises fill the sky  
You have freed us by your blood  
You are worthy Lamb of God

Tune- All Saints

### **Reading the Sacred Writings**

*Send Your light and Your truth; let them lead me. Let them bring me to Your holy mountain, to Your dwelling place. Psalm 43:3*

First Testament – Genesis 22:1-14

God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." 2 He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." 3 So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. 4 On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. 5 Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." 6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. 7 And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" 8 Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

9 When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. 10 Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son.

11 But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." 12 He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." 13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. 14 So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

First Testament – 2 Chronicles 3:1-2

Then Solomon began to build the house of the Lord in Jerusalem on Mount Moriah, where the Lord had appeared to David his father, at the place that David had appointed, on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite.

He began to build in the second month of the fourth year of his reign.

Psalm -122

A Song of Ascents. Of David.

I was glad when they said to me,  
“Let us go to the house of the Lord!”

Our feet have been standing  
within your gates, O Jerusalem!

Jerusalem—built as a city  
that is bound firmly together,

to which the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the Lord,  
as was decreed for Israel,  
to give thanks to the name of the Lord.

There thrones for judgment were set,  
the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!  
“May they be secure who love you!

Peace be within your walls  
and security within your towers!”

For my brothers and companions’ sake  
I will say, “Peace be within you!”

For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,  
I will seek your good.

#### New Testament- Luke 13:31-35

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.”

And he said to them, “Go and tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course.

Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.’

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!

Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’ ”

Response

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

## **Let Us Confess Universal Christian Faith**

### **Song- We Believe in One God**

#### Verse 1

We believe in one God the Father  
The maker of the world  
We believe in one Lord the Savior  
Jesus Christ the Son  
God from God and Light from light  
Through whom all things were made

#### Verse 2

He came down from heaven to save us  
And died upon the cross  
Risen on the third day ascended  
To the throne above  
He will come again to judge  
The living and the dead

#### Chorus 1

*This is our God  
This is our hope, our faith, our creed  
It's unshakeable  
This is the truth that we believe*

#### Verse 3

We believe the Spirit who gives life  
Is worshipped as the Lord  
We believe in one Church united  
Sent into the world  
We await our resurrection  
And the world to come  
By Chris Juby

### **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 to the dead.  
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 Christian church\*,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen

### **Praying to Our God**

***Yahweh** is near to everyone who prays to him, to every faithful person who prays to him. He fills the needs of those who fear him. He hears their cries for help and saves them. Psalm 145:18-19*  
Prayer concerns, thanksgivings and petitions

### **Scriptural Thanksgiving Prayer**

We give thanks to you, God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

***In our union with Christ you have blessed us by giving us every spiritual blessing in the heavenly world.***

Even before the world was made, you had already chosen us to be yours through Christ, so that we would be holy and without fault before you.

***We praise you for your glorious grace, for the free gift you gave us in your dear Son.***

When we were dead in our sins, God made us alive in Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having cancelled the written code, with all its regulations, which was against us, he took it away nailing it to the cross.

***Since we have been raised with Christ, let us set our hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.***

Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for joy set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

***We thank you Lord Jesus, not only for the privilege of believing in you, but of suffering for you as well, so that we may be glorified with you.***

As you have taught us, we are bold to say:

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come,  
Your will be done,  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.  
And do not bring us to the time of trial,  
but rescue us from the evil one.  
For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

### **Hymn- Beneath the Cross of Jesus**

Beneath the cross of Jesus  
I fain would take my stand  
The shadow of a mighty rock  
Within a weary land  
A home within the wilderness  
A rest upon the way  
From the burning of the noontide heat  
And the burden of the day

#### Verse 2

There lies beneath its shadow  
But on the farther side  
The darkness of an awful grave  
That gapes both deep and wide  
And there between us stands the cross  
Two arms outstretched to save  
Like a watchman set to guard the way  
From that eternal grave

#### Verse 3

Upon the cross of Jesus  
Mine eyes at times can see  
The very dying form of One  
Who suffered there for me  
And from my smitten heart with tears  
Two wonders I confess  
The wonder of redeeming love  
And my unworthiness



Verse 4

I take O cross thy shadow  
For my abiding place  
I ask no other sunshine than  
The sunshine of His face  
Content to let the world go by  
To know no gain nor loss  
My sinful self my only shame  
My glory all the cross

Verse 5

O safe and happy shelter  
O refuge tried and sweet  
O trusting place where heaven's love  
And heaven's justice meet  
As to the holy patriarch  
That wondrous dream was giv'n  
So seems my Savior's cross to me  
A ladder up to heav'n

### **Sermon Text- Matthew 16:21**

From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.

And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you."

But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

### **Sermon- Destiny at Jerusalem**

Outline

**I. The Messiah's Destiny Was to Die for Sins**

**II. Jesus the Messiah's Destiny Was to Die in Jerusalem**

**III. Jesus Destiny Was Also to Rise from the Dead**

**IV. Our Destiny is Tied to Jesus' Destiny**

### **Response Hymn- There Is a Green Hill**

There is a green hill far away

Outside a city wall  
Where the dear Lord was crucified  
Who died to save us all

Verse 2

We may not know we cannot tell  
What pains He had to bear  
But we believe it was for us  
He hung and suffered there

Verse 3

He died that we might be forgiv'n  
He died to make us good  
That we might go at last to heav'n  
Saved by His precious blood

Verse 4

There was no other good enough  
To pay the price of sin  
He only could unlock the gate  
Of heav'n and let us in

Verse 5

O dearly, dearly has He loved  
And we must love Him too  
And trust in His redeeming blood  
And try His works to do

## Lord's Supper

When the church gathers the Supper is celebrated at this point.

Jesus said: This do in remembrance of me.

The cup of blessing that we bless  
is it not a participation in the blood of Christ?  
The bread that we break is it not a participation in the body of Christ? 1 Corinthians 10:16

Hymn- Through All of Our Days  
THROUGH ALL OUR DAYS WE'LL SING THE PRAISE  
of Christ, the resurrected;  
who, though divine, did not decline  
to be by men afflicted:

pain, pain and suffering-  
he knew its taste, he bore its sting;  
peace, peace has come to earth  
through Christ our King and Savior.

2. His birth obscure, his family poor,  
he owned no crown, no kingdom;  
yet those who grieve in fear, believe  
since he brought light and freedom:  
shame, shame and agony-  
though guiltless he of felony;  
shout, shout his sinless name,  
our Jesus, King and Saviour.

3. At fearful cost his life he lost  
that death might be defeated;  
the man of love, now risen above,  
in majesty is seated:  
low, low was his descent  
to those by sin and sorrow bent;  
life, life to all who trust  
the Lord, our King and Savior.

4. And all who trust will find they must  
obey the will of heaven;  
for grief intense can make some sense  
to those who are forgiven:  
hard, hard the road he trod-  
the Son of man, the Son of God;  
hope, hope in Christ alone,  
our reigning King and Savior!

**Benediction- 2 Corinthians 13:14**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the  
fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

Amen