

# THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

## *Gathering Around the Word*

### **Prelude and Chiming of the Hour**

Becky Carlisle

### **Welcome and Announcements**

Visitors, we are glad you are worshiping with us today and appreciate your filling out the visitor's card found in the pew rack. Please place it in the offering plate. Prayer request cards are in the pew racks if you wish to use them and bring them to the Communion Table during the Passing the Peace.

**Introit** We Are Gathered Together (Hamilton)

Choir

### **\*Call to Worship**

One: Christ is alive!

**All: We will rejoice and give thanks!**

One: God's grace is always at work!

**All: We will let love overflow!**

One: The Spirit is speaking yet again!

**All: We will join our voices in proclaiming the good news!**

**\*Opening Hymn #411** Arise, Your Light Is Come!

### **\*Call to Confession**

### **\*Prayer of Confession**

*Silence*

One: God of promises made,

**All: Too often we have been quick to corrupt your good creation. We have failed to be blessings for others. We have not trusted in your promises. Our thoughts, words, and deed have been selfish. Re-create us in your image, and heal us of our sin. Amen.**

### **\*Assurance of Grace**

### **\*Gloria Patri #579**

### **\*Passing of the Peace**

One: As a forgiven and reconciled people, let us share with one another signs of peace. The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

## *Hearing the Word*

### **Prayer of Illumination**

### **Gospel Reading**

Matthew 5:11-12 (p. 786; LP p. 4 NT)

### **New Testament Reading**

Romans 8:28-30 (p. 929; LP p. 138 NT)

One: For the Word of God in scripture,  
For the Word of God among us,  
For the Word of God within us,

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Time with the Children**

Pastor Bill

*(Children ages 5-13 may now go downstairs for Junior Church.)*

**Anthem** "Festival Piece on Sine Nomine" (ARR: Elrich)

Choir

### **Scripture Reading**

Genesis 39:1-23 (pp. 31-32; LP pp. 33-34)

### **Sermon**

*Promises, Promises*

Rev. Davis

## *Responding to the Word*

**\*Hymn #379** My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

**\*Affirmation of Faith** *from the United Church in Canada, 1980*

One: We are not alone, we live in God's world.

**All: We believe in God:**

**who has created and is creating,**

**who has come in Jesus,**

**the Word made flesh,**

**to reconcile and make new,**

**who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the Church:**

**to celebrate God's presence,**

**to love and serve others,**

**to seek justice and resist evil,**

**to proclaim Jesus,**

**crucified and risen,**

**our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,**

**God is with us.**

**We are not alone. Thanks be to God.**



**CALENDAR**

<b>TODAY</b>	Christian Ed Work Group Shepherds' Hall Rental Youth Group	11:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>Office Closed</b>	
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Church Women United (FH) Lectionary Bible Study – Pastor's Office	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Library Reserved (12-Step Group) Choir Rehearsal	6:30 – 8:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Fellowship Hall – Cub Scouts	6:30 p.m.
<b>SATURDAY</b>	Shepherds' Hall Rental	12:30 – 6:30 p.m.
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	Children's Sunday School Classes Adult Sunday School Classes Shepherds' Hall Rental Fellowship Hall Rental Youth Group (SH)	8:45 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Blessing of the Animals Service – Sun., Oct. 5 – 4:00 p.m.
- CROP Walk – Sat., Oct. 11 – Beginning & ending at Shepherds' Hall
- Barn Party at Becky Carlisle's – Sun., Oct. 12 – 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- Kirkin' o' the Tartan Service & Lunch – Sun., Oct. 26 – 10:00 a.m.

**Bill can be reached on the church office phone at 303-452-5478 or on his church cell phone at 720-626-6428. His e-mail is [bill@thegoodshepherd.org](mailto:bill@thegoodshepherd.org).**

**Please make sure to "like" us on Facebook!**

**THE WEEKLY NEWS**  
*September 21, 2014*



***WELCOME** friends, new and old! May God's presence bring warmth, enlightenment and joy as we worship together. We invite you to join us downstairs following worship for coffee/ punch and fellowship time.*

*A nursery is available downstairs for children ages birth to 5 years.*

*The flowers this morning are in celebration of **Colby and Mason Hestermann's 7<sup>th</sup> birthdays.***

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**OUR NEW WEB SITE IS UP AND RUNNING AND IT IS AWESOME!** Go check it out at: [thegoodshepherd.org](http://thegoodshepherd.org).

**THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE OF THE SHEPHERD'S CROOK** is available on your e-mail and on the web site. Copies are in the Narthex for those of you who do not have e-mail or web access.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAMETAG** located on the boards on either side of the Narthex.

**A BIG, BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH THE MISSION BARBECUE!!**

- Mission Working Group (Food, Auction, Ticket Sales, Posters, Set Up, Publicity, Cashier)
- Musicians, Sara and Teddie, and David who assisted with the sound system
- Youth Group who kept the children occupied
- Christian Ed folks who brought desserts
- All the church members and friends who came to enjoy the event
- Maggie and Gloria, who made the potato salads and coleslaw
- The servers in the kitchen and the fantastic clean-up crew!
- Those who brought items for the auctions and the door prizes
- Bob Swanson, the auctioneer

\$1,360.50 was raised for Mission (Zimbabwe Mission Partnership and Highlands Camp).

**CROP HUNGER WALK, SATURDAY OCTOBER 11** What is CROP? CROP is the hunger fighting effort organized by Church World Service in 1946, following WWII. CROP works to eradicate the root causes of hunger and homelessness while remaining responsive to emergency

situations, such as famine, flood and other natural disasters. Adams County will celebrate their 22nd year in supporting the CROP Hunger Walk and would like you to join us. Funds raised in a CROP Walk assist people in need around the world. For example, \$18 can provide emergency food supplies for a family of 5 for a week. \$40 can enable a woman to attend literacy class for a year and change her life forever. This year, for the first time, Good Shepherd's food bank will receive a portion of the money raised by the West Adams County Walk! Please see Bill or Linda Keck to volunteer to walk OR to support a walker. They will have envelopes available for walkers beginning today. This is a wonderful family activity; dogs on leashes are also welcome! Free breakfast following the Walk!



**ANNUAL PEACEMAKING OFFERING** The Peacemaking offering will be received on Sunday, Oct. 5, World Communion Sunday. Good Shepherd has a long tradition of strong support for the Peacemaking offering. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this long tradition. Peacemaking seems to be in short supply in our fractured world. Let us, as Presbyterians, be a part of the solution. Thank you!!

**ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE FOOD BANK FOR SEPTEMBER:** Personal hygiene items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, lotion, shampoo, etc. Please place items in the bench in the Narthex or bring to the Food Bank. Thank you! During August, the Food Bank gave out 212 orders to 156 households serving 551 people, including 223 children.

**PRESBYTERY OF DENVER** According to the calendar, autumn officially arrives this week. As the seasons change, so does the church. Temperatures are cooler, as is society's reception to the church. In Colorado mountainsides are turning golden, and congregations are becoming grayer. While we know how to plan for seasonal changes, we are uncertain about how to prepare for changes in our churches. Help is on the way! The Presbytery of Denver's annual Leadership Retreat at Highlands Camp on November 14 and 15 features Dr. Rodger Nishioka in an exploration of "The Ancient Future Church," examining the ways the first century church can help guide the work of the twenty-first century church. Besides learning new information, there will also be time for discussing ideas, singing praises to God, and enjoying food and fellowship. There's more information at the presbytery website: [www.denverpresbytery.org](http://www.denverpresbytery.org).

**HAVE YOU WONDERED HOW YOU COULD DONATE TO GOOD SHEPHERD WHEN YOU BUY GROCERIES?** Safeway, King Soopers, and Albertsons have "rewards" programs which can benefit Good Shepherd, without costing you anything. Good Shepherd buys reloadable grocery gifts cards from Safeway (Community by Giving, \$10.00 per card) and King Soopers (Neighborhood Reward Program, \$25.00 per card). These cards are loaded with either the \$10 or \$25 that you pay and that money is available for you to use. At the grocery store you may add any amount you wish to your card by cash, check or debit/credit card as a reload before you check out. Albertsons' Community Partners cards are free. Each grocery store tracks the numbers on the

back of the cards sold/assigned to Good Shepherd. Safeway and King Soopers send monthly statements showing the amount of the reloads for the month. When the reloads reach \$5,000, the grocery stores send Good Shepherd a rebate check in the amount of 5.00% of the reloads. Albertsons sends Good Shepherd quarterly checks for a percentage of the total amount of groceries purchased. Good Shepherd received \$270 from King Soopers in February, \$277.75 in July, and as of 08/09/2014 has an additional \$2,125 toward another \$5,000.00 reloads goal. We should reach our Safeway goal in September and will receive a rebate. In August Good Shepherd received a quarterly rebate check in the amount of \$43.59 from Albertsons. That's how you can give to Good Shepherd by buying groceries and without spending an extra dime.

**BOY SCOUT PACK #372 AND GSPC MEMBERS TRISTAN CAUDILL AND JACKSON GABBARD** will be selling popcorn in the Narthex on Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. Scouts who raise \$660 dollars each will earn a summer Scout camp experience. Proceeds also support the Pack awards and educational experiences. Not to worry, if you don't eat popcorn donations are welcome or you can purchase popcorn for the Troop. Thank you for your support! --Tristan & Jackson

**KIRKIN' O' THE TARTAN** service will be on October 26 with a Shepherd's Pie luncheon following. Next week, there will be a tear off sign-up sheet in the bulletin for volunteers to make shepherd's pies, bring salads and desserts. Any questions---call Judy Ezzell at 303-428-2146.

**Flock Notes**

**Birthdays September 24 to October 5**

Sept. 24	Shelby Brizzolara-Dove	Sept. 26	Rodger Sillars
	Trenity Tanner	Sept. 29	Nancy Miller
Sept. 26	Charlene Dawursk	Oct. 5	Mark Dove

**Here's What's Happening**----Please keep in your thoughts and prayers---- **Birda Siani**, recovering from surgery for a broken hip and in rehab at Elms Haven Care Center, Room 1108 (120<sup>th</sup> & Colorado). She wants to thank everyone for their cards and prayers.----**Harriette Cronn**, Cathy's mother, recently hospitalized with serious health issues----**Becky McConnell**, with health issues----**Sara Tyburczy's** step-father, **Larry Schweitzer**, in hospice care; also pray for her dad and her step-mother's family with health issues--**Jerry Noland**, with health concerns---All those fighting cancer: **Tom McConnell**, **Luann Anderson**, **Betty Casady**, **Donna Cadwallader**----**Blane, Ava & Tiffany**, coping with a very difficult custody situation---Each week we include a request for prayers for one of our church's mission projects: This week please pray for the volunteers and clients of our **Food Bank**---Let us know what's happening....drop off your news in the Church Office or call/e-mail it to us.

**GINGERSNAP:** Faith is an investment that never loses interest.