

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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August 16, 2026

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, Year A

8:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II



“When an alien resides with you in your land, you shall not oppress the alien.
The alien who resides with you shall be to you as the native-born among you;
you shall love the alien as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt:

I am the LORD your God.” (Leviticus 19:33-34)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Time prior to the start of the liturgy is a time for quiet meditation and prayer.

Entrance Hymn (10:30)	Hymnal 660
Opening Acclamation	BCP 355
The Collect for Purity	BCP 355
Gloria in excelsis (8:30)	BCP 356
Gloria in excelsis (10:30)	S-277

The S-section is located in the front of the Hymnal 1982.

The Salutation & The Collect of the Day BCP 357
Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Lesson *Isaiah 56:1,6-8*
Thus says the Lord:
Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my deliverance be revealed.
And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord,
to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord,
and to be his servants,
all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,
and hold fast my covenant--
these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;

for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.
Thus says the Lord God,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,
I will gather others to them
besides those already gathered.

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

Psalm 67 *Deus misereatur*

The psalm is read responsively by half-verse.

1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
2 Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.
3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.
5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
6 The earth has brought forth her increase; *
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
7 May God give us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

The Second Lesson *Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32*

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient

The Blessing

People: Amen.

Hymn (10:30)

Hymnal 427

Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Organ Voluntary (10:30)

Thanks to Jennifer Coleman for providing the music for our 10:30 service today.

Lectors

August 16

8:30 Nancy & Dale Cich

10:30 L1: Joe Spina

L2: Pat Lalonde

PotP: Joe Spina

August 23

8:30 Nancy & David Van Baak

10:30 L1: Bev Barry

L2: Elaine Richau

PotP: Bev Barry

Calendar

08/16 The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

8:30AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Spoken)

10:30AM Holy Eucharist Rite II with music

08/18 Wednesday

10AM-2PM Food Pantry

6:30PM Worship Service with music

08/23 The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Spoken)

10:30AM Holy Eucharist Rite II with music

Upcoming Events

09/06 Sunday

3PM to 4PM Pete’s Pet Food Pantry

Church Contact Update

Beginning 7/1/26, non-emergency messages can be sent to the office at officegoodshep@gmail.com or to Elaine Richau at wegmom54@aol.com or left on the answering machine in the office at 716-833-1151. For pastoral emergency calls (only), phone Elaine Richau at 716-982-2890.

Non-emergency property messages should be left on the answering machine in the office, or sent to Dale Cich at dtcich@gmail.com. Property emergency calls (only) should be routed to Dale Cich at 716-353-0474.

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Please consider remembering Good Shepherd in your will. It is a wonderful way to continue your support of your parish into the future for generations.

Good Shepherd Staff

The Reverend Frieda Van Baalen Webb, *Supply Priest*
Jessica Thorington, *Administrative Assistant*

Vestry

Dale Cich & Elaine Richau, Wardens;
Pat Lalonde, Treasurer; Nancy Cich, Clerk;
Class of 2026: Charlene Gottfried, Susan Woods
Class of 2027: Marji Torrell, Linda Leighbody
Class of 2028: Bev Barry, Kathy Toth

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