

# SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS

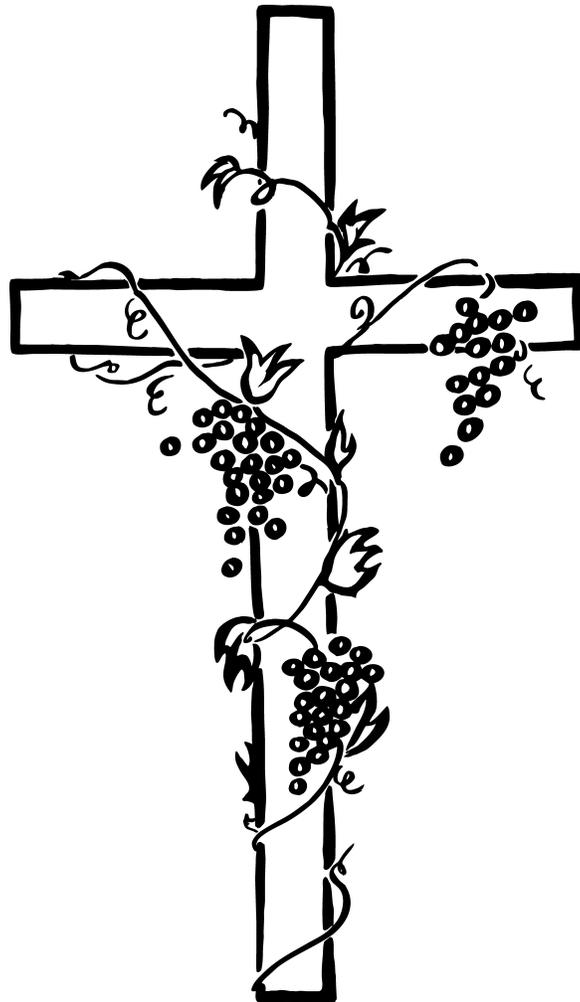
4th SUNDAY OF EASTER | May 2, 2021 | 10:00 am

Parking Lot Worship

*"...to Reach, Ignite, & Empower people for Jesus."*

John 15:1-8

This Sunday's image of how the risen Christ shares his life with us is the image of the vine. Christ the vine and we the branches are alive in each other, in the mystery of mutual abiding described in the gospel. Baptism makes us a part of Christ's living and life-giving self and makes us alive with Christ's life. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his table. We are sent out to bear fruit for the life of the world.



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## Words of Welcome & Announcements

## Meditative Moment

## Passing of the Peace

## Gathering Song

**How Deep The Father's Love For Us** (Stuart Townsend)

*How deep the Father's love for us  
How vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure*

*How great the pain of searing loss  
The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory*

*Behold the man upon a cross  
My sin upon His shoulders  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers*

*It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished*

*I will not boast in anything  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
His death and resurrection*

*Why should I gain from His reward  
I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom*

## Opening Prayer

## Children's Message

**Pastor Brice Bloxham**

## Gospel Reading

**John 15:1-8**

15 "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. 2 He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. 3 You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. 4 Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. 5 I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. 6 Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. 7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

**Song of the Day**

**Reckless Love** (Cory Asbury)

*Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me  
You have been so, so good to me  
Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me  
You have been so, so kind to me*

*(Chorus) Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God  
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine  
I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it, still, You give Yourself away  
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God, yeah*

*When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me  
You have been so, so good to me  
When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me  
You have been so, so kind to me (Chorus)*

*(Chorus) Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God  
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine  
I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it, still, You give Yourself away  
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God, yeah*

*There's no shadow You won't light up  
Mountain You won't climb up  
Coming after me  
There's no wall You won't kick down  
Lie You won't tear down  
Coming after me x 2 (Chorus)*

*(Chorus) Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God  
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine  
I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it, still, You give Yourself away  
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**Apostles' Creed**

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.

**Prayers of the People**

**Offering**

**Words of Welcome to the Table**

## **The 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, the power, and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen

## **Communion Blessing & Prayer**

### **Benediction**

### **Sending Song**

### **Chain Breaker** (Zach Williams)

*If you've been walking the same old road for miles and miles  
If you've been hearing the same old voice tell the same old lies  
If you're trying to fill the same old holes inside  
There's a better life, there's a better life*

*(Chorus)*

*If you've got pain, He's a pain taker  
If you feel lost, He's a way maker  
If you need freedom or saving, He's a prison-shaking Savior  
If you got chains, He's a chain breaker*

*We've all searched for the light of day in the dead of night  
We've all found ourselves worn out from the same old fight  
We've all run to things we know just ain't right  
When there's a better life, there's a better life*

*(Chorus)*

*If you've got pain, He's a pain taker  
If you feel lost, He's a way maker  
If you need freedom or saving, He's a prison-shaking Savior  
If you got chains, He's a chain breaker*

*If you believe it, if you receive it  
If you can feel it, somebody testify  
If you believe it, if you receive it  
If you can feel it, somebody testify, testify  
If you believe it, if you receive it  
If you can feel it, somebody testify x 2*

*(Chorus)*

*If you've got pain, He's a pain taker  
If you feel lost, He's a way maker  
If you need freedom or saving, He's a prison-shaking Savior  
If you got chains, He's a chain breaker*

### **Dismissal**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Coffee & Donuts** | We will be offering donuts only outside by Door A between services. Please bring your own beverages.

**Wednesday Bible Study** | the afternoon Bible Study at 1pm will be in-person in the Narthex. Enter through door A (the main doors) and please wear a mask. The evening Bible Study at 6:30pm will remain on Zoom.

**Shepherd Book Study** | Our Spring Book Study will be on "One Coin Found" by Rev. Emmy Kegler. We will be gathering on both Wednesdays at 2:30pm and Thursdays at 6:30pm (via Zoom) every other week. The next meeting will be May 5th & 6th. Both weekdays will have the same questions and focus so choose the time that works best for you.

**Parking for the Indoor Service** | When parking for the 8am Indoor Service, please park near Door C (the Childcare parking lot) or by the fence near door G. Please leave the main parking lot open for those coming to the Parking Lot Service. Please enter the building through doors A and C.

**Shepherd's Spring Season of Service 2021** | It is that time of year again! We are excited for our Spring Season of Service. It will run through May 23<sup>rd</sup>. We are inviting individuals, families, and self-organized groups to safely do acts of service throughout this month and share on social media or send in pictures to [staff@shepherdshoreview.org](mailto:staff@shepherdshoreview.org). Today we will have information on many possible ways you can engage. Let's fill our month with loving and serving our neighbor!

**May Collection Drive: Ralph Reeder Paper Product Drive:** we will be collecting paper products (paper towel, toilet paper, diapers, wipes, feminine supplies, ...). Once again you can drop off your donations at church (door G) M-F 9am—4pm (office hours).

<b>GIVING</b>	<b><u>YTD Actual</u></b>	<b><u>YTD Budget</u></b>
Operating Contributions	194,063	214,550
Programs & Missions	107,783	96,622
Total Giving	<b><u>301,846</u></b>	<b><u>311,172</u></b>
<b>SPENDING</b>		
Operating & Mortgage	193,435	221,097
Programs & Missions	69,931	82,587
Total Spending	<b><u>263,366</u></b>	<b><u>303,684</u></b>
<b>Net Surplus / (Usage)</b>	<b><u>38,480</u></b>	<b><u>7,488</u></b>

We are so grateful for the generosity of our Shepherd community! At the end of March, the deficit in our YTD member giving decreased from 13% behind at the end of February to 9% behind at the end of March. While this is a great move in the right direction, if member giving remains 9% behind budget, we will end the year \$83,638 behind our annual budgeted giving projection. We look forward to your continued commitment to help us to live out our mission of "reaching, igniting and empowering people for Jesus."

# IN-SANCTUARY WORSHIP GUIDELINES

## What to Bring

- A mask for each member of the household (we will have some available if you forget yours)
- The bulletin -either print out at home or have ready on your mobile device.

## When You Arrive

- Enter through Door A (the main doors)
- We will be distributing our prepacked single-service Communion cups outside.
- Please take all of your items with you (coats, bulletins)
- Wear Your Mask (properly fit over your nose and mouth)
- Sanitize your hands at the sanitizing station
- Maintain social distance (markings are on the floor/pews)
- Be seated by the usher with your immediate household
- Greet others with a wave rather than a handshake or a hug

## Keeping Safe During the Service

- There will be no nursery but there is an in-sanctuary "Kid's PRAYground". Families are encouraged to bring quiet toys (no busy-bags will be available) with them and remain together as a family during the service.
- Wear a mask (Everyone over the age of two)
- Maintain social distancing
- There will be no communal singing or responsive/out loud readings
- Restrooms are available, please observe social distancing
- Water fountains have been disabled
- The sanctuary and all utilized spaces will be disinfected before and after services
- Special ionizers on the HVAC (heating, ventilation, air conditioning unit) to promote healthy air quality
- The floors in the building will be marked to provide guidance
- To limit items being touched, all Bibles, hymnals, forms, and pencils have been removed from the pews

## When You Depart

- Offertory may be left in the basket at the doors or done online on our website
- Take all of your items with you including communion supplies
- Go spread the news of Jesus Christ

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### **The Gathering 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.**

All are welcome to The Gathering outside door A on the front lawn for fellowship. We will provide the donuts, please bring your own mug filled with your beverage of choice. Please join us!

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### **SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY: 10 am Parking Lot Service**

#### **8 am Indoor Service**

#### **Ushers:**

Russ & Peggy Weaver

#### **Attendants:**

Chriss Latterell

Lisa Vannelli

Steve Klietz

Lynn Sheff

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### **How Can You Support Shepherd Financially?**

**Online Giving [sohsv.org](http://sohsv.org)**

**Stocks**

**Offertory Envelopes**

**Endowment Fund**

**Text to Give: 651.412.7495**



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