

**VBS Sunday**  
9:30 am and Livestream



**FAITH . DISCIPLESHIP . COMMUNITY**  
**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

The Rev. Drew McCaffery, Pastor

At The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, we embrace the uniqueness of every individual and respect their dignity and worth, for all are created in the image of God. We strive to welcome everyone in the fullness of who they are.

Let us call together for reconciliation, and live out God's vision of love for people of every sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, socio-economic status, age, physical or mental ability, political persuasion, race, ethnicity, and personal history. Let us walk together to strive for racial equity, as Jesus calls us to do.

All people are welcome here to worship, build community, and grow together as Jesus' disciples at this place.



# ✦ GATHERING ✦

## Prelude

### *\*A Special Note About Today's Offering\**

*"I can share my gifts" is one of our lift lessons at Snowball Mountain VBS.  
We invite you to share your gifts by:*

*Sunday: Thank you for your donations of gently used or new winter coats, gloves, hats. These items will be brought to the trunk near the altar during the offering time in the service and will benefit our friends at Church Creek Elementary School (Belcamp) through their family resource room.*

*Monday-Friday: Our campers are invited to bring non-perishable food items to stock the Little Free Pantry (located in the Emmorton Rd Parking Lot). Each day at closing assembly, we will see how close we are to our 300 item goal!*

*Offering plate, for financial gifts, is located in the back of the Sanctuary.*

## Call to Worship

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

**P** *In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

**C** **Amen.**

**P** *We gather today to worship the God of Joseph. Joseph was given the great gift of interpreting dreams. Joseph's story shows us that God has equipped us with unique abilities that can be used for God's people when we remember...*

**C** **I can share my gifts!**

**P** *We worship the God of Esther who placed her as queen for such a time that she could save her people from an evil plot. Esther looked to God for courage when she faced a big challenge and showed us...*

**C** **I can be brave!**

**P** *We worship the God of a poor widow who gave everything that she had as an act of praise. Jesus acknowledged her gift and instructed us to be like her as she showed us how...*

**C** **I can give my all!**

**P** *We worship the God who sent Jesus to Earth to be our perfect example. When Jesus was worried about his challenge ahead, he connected with God and showed us that no matter what we're feeling...*

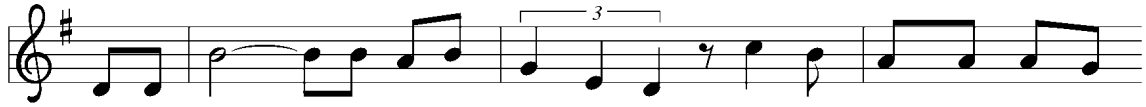
**C** **I can pray!**

**P** *We worship the God of Peter and John who met a man who could not walk. They healed him. The man's celebration spread hope. Now, we know that whatever challenge we're facing...*

**C** **I can hope!**

**Song**

*We are Marching in the Light of God*



*Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -*  
We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the



*nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',*  
light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,



*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
we are march - ing in the light of God.



*Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) oo*  
We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) oo



*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
we are march - ing in the light of God.



*Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) oo*  
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*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*  
we are march - ing in the light of God.

## Additional Verses

We are hoping in the light of God...

We are praying in the light of God...

We are sharing in the light of God...

## Prayer of Day

- A** *Let us pray. O God,*  
**C** **you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

*Please be seated.*

## ✦ THE WORD ✦

### Bible Story

Philippians 4:10-14, 19-20

- P** *A reading from Philippians. <sup>10</sup>I rejoice in the Lord greatly that now at last you have revived your concern for me; indeed, you were concerned for me but had no opportunity to show it. <sup>11</sup>Not that I am referring to being in need, for I have learned to be content with whatever I have. <sup>12</sup>I know what it is to have little, and I know what it is to have plenty. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being well-fed and of going hungry, of having plenty and of being in need. <sup>13</sup>I can do all things through him who strengthens me. <sup>14</sup>In any case, it was kind of you to share my distress. <sup>19</sup>And my God will fully satisfy every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. <sup>20</sup>To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.*

- P** *The word of the Lord.*  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### Skit Time & Message

Connie Charitonuk, Storytime Leader

*Please stand as you are able.*

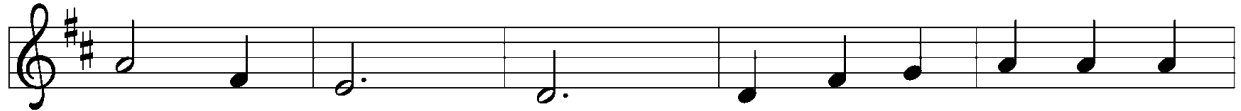
**Song**

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

No. 815



1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to  
2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to  
3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to



fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give  
look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous-ness,  
be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with



light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.  
shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

*Refrain*



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the



day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the



cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

## Prayers

**A** *Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.*

*A brief silence.*

*After each portion of the prayers:*

**A** *You are always with us.*

**C** **God is always here.**

*The prayers conclude:*

**P** *God, you are always with us. We give you thanks for the ways you continue to love us, in the name of your Son, Jesus, we pray.*

**C** **Amen.**

**P** *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

**C** **And also with you.**

*After sharing the peace, please be seated.*

## Offering

*At this time, you are invited to bring donations of winter clothing to the altar and place in the trunk.*

*For those who would like to make a financial gift to the ministries of LCGS, they may be placed in the offering plate located in the back of the Sanctuary.*

Please stand as you are able.

*Refrain / Estribillo*



Va - mos to - dos al ban - que - te, a la  
Let us go now to the ban - quet, to the



me - sa de la crea - ción; ca - da cual con su ta - bu -  
feast of the u - ni - verse. The ta - ble's set and a place is



re - te tie - ne un pues - to y u - na mi - sión.  
wait - ing; come, ev - 'ry - one, with your gifts to share.



1 Hoy me le - van - to muy tem - pra - no; ya me es -  
1 I will rise in the ear - ly morn - ing; the com -



pe - ra la co - mu - ni - dad; voy su - bien - do a - le - gre la  
mu - ni - ty's wait - ing for me. With a spring in my step I'm



*Refrain / Estribillo*

cues - ta, voy en bus - ca de tu a - mis - tad.  
walk - ing with my friends and my fam - i - ly.

## ✦ THE EUCHARIST ✦

**P** *The Lord be with you.*

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** *Lift up your hearts.*

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*  
**C** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**P** *In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

*Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

**P** *Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:*  
**C** **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, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**P** *The Gifts of God for the People of God.*  
**C** **Thanks be to God!**

*Please be seated.*

*All are welcome at the Lord's Table! Whether you are a member of this church or a visitor, the Communion celebrated here is "open" to all who trust that our Lord Jesus Christ—his true Body and his true Blood—is present for All of God's People.*

*(Note: should you prefer, we also offer gluten free wafers and white grape juice.)*

During the distribution, the following is sung:

**Communion Song**

*Shine, Jesus Shine*

No. 671

*Refrain*



Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry;



blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.



Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;



send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!



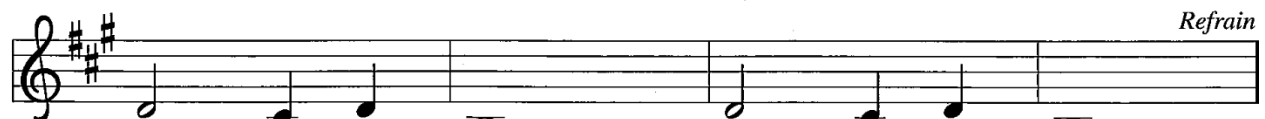
1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the  
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -



dark-ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,  
play your like - ness, ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,



set us free by the truth you now bring us.  
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.



Shine on me, shine on me;  
Shine on me, shine on me;

*Refrain*

*After all have communed, please stand, as you are able.*

**P** *The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.*

**C** **Amen.**

✦ **SENDING** ✦

**P** *Go forth knowing that with the strength God provides, you can share your gifts, be brave, give your all, pray, and hope. In the name of the Father, ✠ Son and Holy Spirit.*

**C** **Amen.**

**Song**

*Snowball Mountain Day*

It's cold outside but it's warm in  
our hearts and all  
Our friends are here. The party's  
getting started  
We clap our hands and we, we  
sing and shout (ah, wooooo!)  
Jesus you're the reason for a

We clap our hands and we, we  
sing and shout (ah, wooooo!)  
Jesus, you're the reason for a  
*Repeat Chorus*

**Chorus**

Snowball mountain day  
It's gonna be a snowball mountain  
day  
Everybody dance and celebrate  
It's gonna be a snowball mountain  
day  
We look around at all that you  
have done for us  
You changed our minds and you  
change our hearts and

**Bridge**

Everybody do the snowball slide  
now take it from the left back to  
the right  
Wiggle just a little from side to  
side everybody do the snowball  
slide

Everybody do the snowball slide.  
Take it from the left back to the  
right  
Wiggle just a little from side to  
side everybody do the snowball  
slide  
We clap our hands and we

We sing and shout (ah, wooooo!)  
Jesus you're the reason for a

*Repeat Chorus*

*Repeat Bridge*

**A** *Go in peace to love & serve the Lord.*

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*The fun continues in Celebration Hall, through the double doors and  
across the breezeway.*

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