Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of South Hills

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As we gather together for worship, we remember...

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you" - Isaiah 60:1-2

Jesus invites his followers to participate in **The Lord's Supper**. He gives His very body and blood in, with and under the bread and wine (Matthew 26:26-28). Paul encourages us to **examine** our hearts and our relationships as we prepare to share in this meal together (I Corinthians 11:27-29). **Children** who have not yet been instructed in communion can cross their arms over their chest to receive a blessing (Mark 10:13-16). For those unable to drink wine, the center ring holds cups intinctured with wine. If you have any questions, feel free to talk to Pastor.

~PRESERVICE MUSIC Grace

Michael Knott

~WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand.

~INVOCATION

~THE CALL TO WORSHIP

- P Father, we come to you in worship and thanksgiving. You are greater than we can understand;
- C open our eyes that we may see the wonderful truths you have shown to us in Jesus.
- P You are more loving than our hearts can respond to;
- C help us to give ourselves to you in worship so that we learn what you want us to be.
- P You are wiser than we can know;
- C still our minds as we worship you so that we can understand the things you speak to us through your Word.
- P Loving God, in Jesus you chose to come to the world in humility. You chose the path the world saw as foolish. You used what the world considered weak.
- C We worship and adore you. Amen.

~OPENING SONG

Rescue Story

Verse 1, Chorus, Verse 2, Chorus, Bridge, Bridge, Chorus Verse 1 There I was empty handed Crying out from the pit of my despair There you were in the shadows Holding out Your hand You met me there And now where would I be without You Where would I be Jesus

- Chorus You were the voice in the desert Calling me out in the dead of night Fighting my battles for me You are my rescue story Lifted me up from the ashes You carried my soul from death to life Bringing me from glory to glory You are my rescue story You are You are You are my rescue story You are You are Verse 2 You were writing the pages Before I had a name Before I needed grace oh Singing songs of redemption 'Cause every time I ran away You were louder than my shame And now where would I be without You
- Bridge You never gave up on me You never gave up on me You are my testimony oh *(repeat); Chorus*

Where would I be Jesus: Chorus

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~OUR PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All Merciful God, you made us in your image, with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconsistent, our obedience incomplete. Day by day, we fail to grow into your likeness. In your tender love, forgive us through Jesus. Restore us, renew us, recreate a new heart within us. Amen.

~THE ABSOLUTION

~PRAYER OF THE DAY

All God, my Father, as Jesus states to Paul in his time of need, please remind me as well that Your grace is sufficient for me. Whether in wealth or poverty, hunger or feasting, I will, like the apostle, boast in my weaknesses. For it is my weaknesses, Lord, that make Your grace evident even more so in my life. In my life You have upheld me by Your grace. Thank you You, O my Father for your ever present grace. Praying in the name of Jesus Christ, I praise You forever. Amen.

*Please be seated.

~SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 36:5-10

- A Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.
- C Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O Lord.
- A How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.
- C They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.
- A For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.
- C Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your righteousness to the upright of heart!

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— ⁶ even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— ⁷ so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸ who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Please stand.

John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³ When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

⁶ Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. ⁹ When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹ This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

*Please be seated.

~CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

~Нүмл		Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee *Please stand for Verse 3.	LSB 573
~Message		"A Present Grace" – 1 Corinthians 1:3-9	
		Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone) Verse 1, Verse 2, Chorus, Verse 3 Chorus, Verse 4	
Verse 1	Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me I once was lost but now I'm found Was blind but now I see		
Verse 2	And grace my	did that grace appear	

- Chorus My chains are gone I've been set free My God my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace
- Verse 3 The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures
- Verse 4 The earth shall soon dissolve like snow The sun forbear to shine But God who called me here below Will be forever mine Will be forever mine You are forever mine

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*Please stand.

~APOSTLE'S CREED

~OFFERING

*The usher will bring the offering box forward to be placed on the altar.

~OFFERTORY PRAYER

~PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

~LORD'S PRAYER

++ THE LORD'S SUPPER ++

~PREFACE

~WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*Please be seated.

~DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*The usher will direct you down the center aisle. Please take the communion elements back to your pew for everyone to commune together. The cup may be disposed into the trash upon exiting the sanctuary.

~DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

The Lord is My Light and My SalvationH. SchroederKatelyn Marcovecchio, Soloist

*Please stand.

~BENEDICTION

P May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace. Now you have every spiritual gift you need as you eagerly wait for the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will keep you strong to the end so that you will be free from blame on the day when our Lord Jesus Christ returns.

~CLOSING HYMN

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

LSB 575

- My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness; No merit of my own I claim But wholly lean on Jesus' name. Refrain
- Refrain On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.
- When darkness veils His lovely face,
 I rest on His unchanging grace;
 In ev'ry high and stormy gale
 My anchor holds within the veil. Refrain
- His oath, His covenant and blood
 Support me in the raging flood;
 When ev'ry earthly prop gives way,
 He then is all my hope and stay. Refrain
- When He shall come with trumpet sound,
 Oh, may I then in Him be found,
 Clothed in His righteousness alone,
 Redeemed to stand before His throne! Refrain

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