



# Shepherd of the Hills

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## THE GIFT OF LAMENT

Psalm 22:1-15

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

### **\*WORSHIP IN SONG**

*Hosanna (Praise is Rising)*

*No One Like Jesus*

### **PRAYER OF YEARNING**

### **\*MUSICAL RESPONSE**

*No One Like Jesus (Chorus)*

### **OFFERTORY**

*Seek Ye First*

Medley of cannons by Karen Lafferty and Pachelbel

Arr. by Douglas E. Wagner

### **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*Doxology*

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## SERMON

Rev. Matt Syrdal

### "The Gift of Lament " Psalm 22:1-15

*"Our culture doesn't know what to do with grief, and so it also doesn't know how to fully praise. Real beauty is the living evidence of our gratitude for what we have been given, and grief is the way we pay our debts to what we've lost."*

-Martin Prechtel, *The Smell of Rain on Dust: Grief and Praise*

*Jesus wept,  
And in his weeping,  
He joined himself forever  
To those who mourn.  
He stands now throughout all time,  
This Jesus weeping,  
With his arms about the weeping ones:  
"Blessed are those who mourn,  
For they shall be comforted."  
He stands with the mourners,  
For his name is God-with-us.  
Jesus wept.  
...In the godforsaken, obscene quicksand of life,  
There is a deafening alleluia  
Rising from the souls  
Of those who weep,  
And of those who weep with those who weep.  
If you watch, you will see  
The hand of God  
Putting the stars back in their skies  
One by one.*

— Ann Weems

## PRAYER

### \*WORSHIP IN SONG

*My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep from Singing?)*

#821 Glory to God

### \*BENEDICTION

\*Please stand in body or spirit

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## TODAY

- ◆ **NURSERY CARE** is provided today.
- ◆ **KIDS' CONNECTION/SUNDAY SCHOOL** meets today.
- ◆ **BIBLE STUDY TODAY** in the Library at 11:00am. Join us for a deeper exploration of the Psalms as we also discover the songs, prayers, laments, and ascents that they contain.
- ◆ **INQUIRER'S LUNCHEON** Today at 11:00am in Charter Hall. Come learn more about what it means to be a Presbyterian and how to become a member of Shepherd of the Hills.

## UPCOMING

- ◆ **GRIEF GROUP** Tuesday October 15 at 3:30pm in the Library.
- ◆ **CHOIR AND BELL REHEARSAL** Wednesday October 16 at 6:15pm for Bells and 7:15pm for Choir. New members are welcome anytime.
- ◆ **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** Sunday October 20 after worship. The Session has called a special meeting after worship for the purpose of electing new elders.
- ◆ **CAREGIVERS SUPPORT** Thursday October 24 at either 10:30am or 7:00pm. Both are on Zoom.
- ◆ **SCOT SUNDAY** October 27. Remember to wear your plaid.
- ◆ **TRUNK OR TREAT** October 31 from 5-7pm in the Parking lot. Please bring your candy donations and sign up in the Narthex.


Flowers this morning are provided by Susan Trimm in honor of her father, Bill Blatter's birthday.





# PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

OUT OF CHAOS, **HOPE**

<b>GIVE</b> SHARE YOUR FINANCIAL BLESSINGS TO HELP DISASTER SURVIVORS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.	 <b>HURRICANE HELENE</b> Responding to Hurricane Helene <a href="#">LEARN MORE</a>
<b>ACT</b> GET INVOLVED WITH DISASTER RECOVERY MINISTRY.	Hurricane Helene
<b>PRAY</b> OUR BEST RESPONSE IS PRAYER. SEEK GOD'S PRESENCE ON BEHALF OF DISASTER SURVIVORS.	Tropical Storm Ernesto
	Hurricane Beryl
	Volunteer Opportunities
	Israel/Palestine

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is the emergency and refugee program of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. The core budget, including staff and administrative costs, is funded through the One Great Hour of Sharing, and its program work is additionally funded through designated gifts.

Shepherd of the Hills supports the Presbyterian Mission Agency and PDA through our Mission Action Team to bring the restoration and healing of Christ to affected areas in our nation and throughout the world whenever war or disaster strikes. You can pray with us for the communities affected by hurricanes Milton and Helene and support the recovery efforts financially by making a donation directly to our "Emergency Action Funds" on the Realm. All of the financial gifts you make will be sent to PDA.

Text "PDA" to 41444 to donate to their General Relief account



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# UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024**

*"Knowing God"*

Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c

Heather Cameron, preaching

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2024**

*"A Priesthood of Believers"*

Hebrews 7:23-28

Matt Syrdal, preaching

## OFFICE HOURS

**Monday-Thursday, 9am to 1pm**

Pastor Matt Syrdal is off on Thursday

Pastor Heather Cameron is off on Friday

Holly Meiklejohn is in the office M, T, Th 10am-3pm

Arwen Pond is in the office M, T, Th 8:30am to 12:30pm,

W 8:30 to 1pm and F 8:30am to 12pm

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## WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

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