

Announcements

- Children and youth are invited to Faith Formation class following the Passing of the Peace. We also have a hugging room at the back of the sanctuary for parents with young children to use as desired.
- Steve and Marsha Martin goodbye cards will be on the patio during this Sunday’s coffee hour in case you have not signed them yet.
- Adult Ed and Spiritual Formation will be offering the fifth class of The Lectio Course.
- Questers women’s bible study will start this Monday, Oct. 12th. The study is titled “United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other.” Books are available on the patio for \$14. Join us at 10:30 a.m. in the Common Room. Contact Marilyn Gross with any questions, (805) 451-5879.
- Diaper Drive: We are collecting diapers in October for LEAP. Last year GPC members donated 1700 diapers.
- Join our hybrid Bible Study on Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m. Contact Pastor Jim if you would like to receive a Zoom link to join virtually.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

(Training will be provided for all tasks)

- Kris Warner (805) 698-4135 is training and setting up a once a month schedule for members willing to count the offertory money on Sundays. Please contact her if you can help GPC out.

GOLETA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 11, 2026

PRELUDE	“Psalm 23”	Emma Lou Diemer
	“The Good Shepherd”	Dom Paul Benoit, OSB
WELCOME		Rev. Jim Pazan
*CALL TO WORSHIP		Elder Janet Votaw

Leader: Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord,
People: for God is good; God’s steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Who can utter the mighty doings of the Lord, or declare all his praise?
People: Happy are those who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times.

Leader: Save us, O Lord our God, and gather us from among the nations,
People: that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise.

Leader: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting.
And let all the people say,
People: Amen. Praise the Lord!

HYMN OF PRAISE #491 “Stand Up and Bless the Lord”
Verse 1
Stand up and bless the Lord, Ye people of God's choice;
Stand up and bless the Lord your God With heart and soul and voice.

Verse 2
Though high above all praise, Above all blessing high,
Who would not fear God's holy name, And laud and magnify?

*please rise in body or spirit

Verse 3

O for the living flame From God's own altar brought,
To touch our lips, our minds inspire, And wing to heaven our thought!

Verse 4

God is our strength and song, Now is salvation ours;
Then be God's love in Christ proclaimed With all our ransomed powers.

Verse 5

Stand up and bless the Lord; The Lord your God adore;
Stand up and bless God's glorious name; Henceforth forevermore.

CALL TO CONFESSION Elder Janet Votaw

With great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive in Christ, even when we were dead through our sin. By grace we have been saved. With that assurance of the gospel, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Almighty God, you call us again and again to seek your kingdom first, to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with you. Still, we make our excuses and justify in our own hearts why we go our own way. Lord, forgive our sin. Turn us from our preoccupation with our own lives and turn us to your ways of grace, mercy, love and service. May we heed your invitation to be part of your kingdom and strive, through the power of your Holy Spirit, to live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Leader: Hear the good news! The night is far gone, the day is near. Let us lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring” Johann Sebastian Bach

*Jesu, joy of man’s desiring,
Holy Wisdom, love most bright,
Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring,
Soar to uncreated light.*

*Word of God, our flesh that fashioned,
With the fire of life impassioned,
Striving still to truth unknown,
Soaring, dying round Thy throne.*

*Through the way, where hope is guiding,
Hark, what peaceful music rings,
Where the flock, in Thee confiding,
Drink of joy from deathless springs.*

*Theirs is beauty’s fairest pleasure;
Theirs is wisdom’s holiest treasure;
Thou dost ever lead Thine own
In the love of joys unknown.*

A MOMENT FOR MISSION Kris Warner

PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with you
People: And also with you

SONG OF PREPARATION “Glory, Glory”

Spirit Pulse Praise Band; Don Davis, Kris Warner, Janet Votaw,

*please rise in body or spirit

Ann Lawler, Alison and Ernie Tamminga

Chorus

Glory, glory, Hallelujah, since I laid my burdens down

Glory, glory, Hallelujah, since I laid my burdens down

Verse 1

Friends don't treat me like they used to, since I laid my burdens down

Friends don't treat me like they used to, since I laid my burdens down

Chorus

Verse 2

I feel better, so much better, since I laid my burdens down

I feel better, so much better, since I laid my burdens down

Chorus

Verse 3

One step closer, on my journey, since I laid my burdens down

One step closer, on my journey, since I laid my burdens down

Chorus

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dear God, your Word itself tells us that you inspire all Scripture, that everyone who belongs to you may be equipped for every good work. As we hear your Word read and proclaimed, inspire us through your Holy Spirit that we may be ready to worship you and serve others with the love and grace of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 23

¹ The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. ² He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; ³ he restores my soul. He leads me in

right paths for his name's sake. ⁴ Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff— they comfort me. ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

MESSAGE

“All of Life”

Rev. Jim Pazan

HYMN OF RESPONSE #543

“Abide with Me”

Verse 1

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;

The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide!

When other helpers fail and comforts flee,

Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Verse 2

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;

Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;

Change and decay in all around I see.

O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

Verse 3

I need Thy presence every passing hour;

What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?

Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?

Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

Verse 4

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless:

Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.

*please rise in body or spirit

I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;

Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;

In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

***DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

Praise God, above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN #171 “The King of Love My Shepherd Is”**

The King of love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never;

I nothing lack if I am His And He is mine forever.

And where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love He sought me,

And on His shoulder gently laid, And home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear Lord, beside me;

Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spreadest a table in my sight; Thy unction grace bestoweth;

And O what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never;

Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever.

Rev. Jim Pazan

“Be Joyful in the Lord, All Ye Lands” Dom Paul Benoit, OSB

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