



United Methodist
Church of the Good Shepherd
Contemporary Worship

Life Sustaining Water



Calendar for Week of 9/27/20

SUNDAY

- 8:30 - **Drive In Worship [Parking Lot]**
- 9:45 - Contemporary in Worship Center
- 9:30 - Sunday School via Zoom
- 11:00 - Traditional Worship in Sanctuary
- 6-8 - Youth Night (Pavilion & Fire Pits)

MONDAY

- 4:00 - Prayer Ministry [Pavilion/Lounge]

TUESDAY

- 6:30 - Book group [Hall]

WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 am - Prayer & Sacrament [Pavilion/inside]
- 2:00—Sm Group [Pavilion]
- 7:00 pm—Men's Celebrate Recovery

THURSDAY October 1st

- 5:00 - Contemporary Worship Design Team
- 5:30 - Traditional Worship Design Team
- 6:30—Women's Sm Group [pavilion]
- 6:30-8:30 - Young Adult Group
- 7:00 - Women's Celebrate Recovery [Lounge/Hall]
- 7:00 pm—The Landing [Forge Room]

FRIDAY

- 4:00—Private [Sanctuary]

SATURDAY

- 7:00—Men's small grp [pavilion/lounge]
- 9:00 - Contemporary Worship Rehearsal
- 6:00 - Drive In Worship [Parking Lot]**

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WE EXPRESS APPRECIATION this morning to everyone who helped with this service.

Welcome to Contemporary Worship. We are so glad you are here this morning!

Mission Statement for the Church of the Good Shepherd

We are committed to:

- Connecting persons to Jesus Christ
- Connecting with broken and hurting people
- Challenging persons to grow and celebrate their relationship with Jesus Christ
- Equipping persons and partnering with them to serve in God-powered ministry



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Connecting with God in
Worship and Community

September 27, 2020
Sunday worship 9:45 p.m.
in the Worship Center

Life Sustaining Water

Welcome
Announcements

Opening Music: *Hunger and Thirst*
by: David Moffitt / Sue C. Smith

Call to Worship

Song Celebration

As the Deer

Bones

God Will Make a Way... Band Instrumental

Message: “*Life Sustaining Water*”

Scripture: *Exodus 17:1-7 / Psalm 63: 1-8*

Speaker: Pastor Alan Smith

Prayer

Prayer Response:

Who Can Satisfy... Band Instrumental

Closing Song: *Fill Me Up*

by: Don Poythress

Sending Forth

Closing Music

Life Sustaining Water

Pastor Alan Smith

Steams and Springs in the Desert

The challenge of the need to satisfy a deep spiritual thirst. Symptoms of dehydration (Physically? Spiritually?) – weakness, disorientation, impaired thought processing, confusion, inability to speak clearly (dry mouth)

Hunger and thirst are natural expected realities on the journey, not mere gnawing invasions of discomfort or distractions.

Factors that exacerbated our needs – bitterness, regrets, fears, the reality of an unpredictable journey.

Massah (testing) and Meribah (quarrelling).

The dehydration of a journey through a spiritual wilderness

Marah and Elim: Exodus 15: 22-27

The spiritual life, the journey of faith, needs continuous a life sustaining supply.

Bitterness in leaving Egypt became an infection in the community of faith.

Psalm 42

Psalm 63:1-5

Symptoms of Spiritual Dryness:

1. I am irritable and easily put out.
2. I am impatient with those close to me .
3. I am deceitful in that I often think and feel differently than I act and reveal

4. Most of my discipleship has been crudely ambitious.
5. I am more concerned with what the people think of me, than what they think about my Lord
6. I have a growing list of missed opportunities to witness and serve.
7. I am envious of others and their walk rather than open to encourage, pray for and with them
8. I am driven in pain to conclude that others have not felt drawn to the Christian life because of me.
9. I find slight envies in my heart at the greater success of others in faith or ministry

God still provides water from “the rock”.

There came a promise of a fresh wind that would fill a community of faith

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