

Calendar for Week of 4/16 /2023

SUNDAY

8:30 / 9:45 - Contemporary [Worship Center]

9:45 - Sunday School

11:00 - Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]

11:00 - Parenting SS Class [Lounge]

4:00 - CR Step Study [Lounge/Choir rm]

Youth Grades 6-12 please see Youth Page
in the Announcements

MONDAY

10-12 - Staff Meeting

6:00 - Private [Sanctuary]

6:00 CR Praise Team Rehearsal [WC]

TUESDAY

7:00 - Learn & Discern [Lounge]

WEDNESDAY

8:30-11:30 - MLLC [rms 200/202]

7:00 - Celebrate Recovery

7:00 - Traditional Choir Rehearsal [Sanctuary]

THURSDAY

5:00 - Contemporary Design Team

5:30 - Traditional Design Team

FRIDAY

5-8 - Forge Girls' Night Out check

Youth Announcements

5:30-7:00 - Private [Sanctuary & Hall]

SATURDAY

9:00 - Contemporary Worship Rehearsal

9:00—1 - Private [Sanctuary/Hall]

SUNDAY

8:30 / 9:45 - Contemporary [Worship Center]

9:45 - Sunday School

11:00 - Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]

11:00 - Parenting SS Class [Lounge]

1-4 - Private Café/Gathering area

4:00 - CR Step Study [Lounge/Choir rm]

Youth Group -

see Youth Page in the Announcements

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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April 16 , 2023
Sunday worship 8:30 / 9:45 p.m.
Contemporary Worship
in the Worship Center

Celebrate Recovery Sunday

Video

Song *Can't You See (What My Savior...)*

Call To Worship Song: *Road To Recovery*

Welcoming/Open in prayer

Worship Songs:

Freedom

Death Was Arrested

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Giving of our Gifts

Reading of 12 Steps.

Message: "*Freedom to Surrender*"

Speaker: Jason Gillhoolley

Reflection Song: *I Speak Jesus*

*An open invitation for folks to sing,
take a flag, come to altar during song*

Closing worship Song: *Crushing Snakes*

Serenity Prayer

Sending Forth: *I Speak Jesus*

Freedom to Surrender

Celebrate Recovery Sunday

Jason Gillhoolley

What does it look like to throw off the weights in life that keep us stuck and keep us moving forward?

Surrender and Freedom- what is the connection between the two?

Often we long for freedom from what weighs us down, but at the same time we resist surrendering our hurts, habits and hang-ups to God? How can we move forward and experience true freedom?

First, recognize that our lives are unmanageable on our own power and we need to turn to God as our source of help.

Second, surrender the very thing we are afraid to let go of, trusting God for healing and forgiveness.

Third, be willing to go deeper, beyond the surface. Allow the Holy Spirit to peel back the layers of hurt, pain and other issues in our lives that have been holding us back. To expose the sins that entangle us.

And finally, stay in the process! Don't become complacent. Keep coming back! And join with others for the support and accountability you need.

Surrender leads to true freedom, found only in Christ!

2 Corinthians 3:17 (NLV)

"For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom."

Psalms 118:5 (NLT)

"In my distress I prayed to the Lord and the Lord answered me and set me free."

Hebrews 12:1

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us."

John 8:36 (NLT)

"So if the Son sets you free, you are truly free."

Galatians 5:1 (NIV)

"It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery."

Isaiah 61:1 (NCV)

"The Lord God has put his Spirit in me, because the Lord has appointed me to tell the good news to the poor. He has sent me to comfort those whose hearts are broken, to tell the captives they are free, and to tell the prisoners they are released."

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