

May 2nd, 2021
GSPV Series: May 2021
Theme: Stay with Me
10:30am

Pre-Service: Waymaker (Leeland) <https://youtu.be/29IxnsqOkmQ>
<https://youtu.be/yNAAVPxjxbY>

(Georgie) Good morning – and welcome to Good Shepherd...especially if you are visiting with us today. I'mhelping with worship leading. Pr Reid will be sharing the message today. **Housekeeping: conveniences, mobile phones, exit via cafe**

We're up to the 5th Sunday of Easter. Our May worship series as we approach Pentecost is STAY. In one of his I AM statements, Jesus says: "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit..." Today's theme: STAY with me!

In baptism, we were joined to Jesus, adopted into God's family, and given new life by the Holy Spirit. I invite you to stand as you are able as we reaffirm our baptism.

Reaffirming our Baptism *(Georgie)*

Brothers and sisters in Christ: Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

Yes, I do.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in God the Son?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty,
from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Song: He Lives (Church Of The City) <https://youtu.be/vJL8IYGCD40>

Song: No Longer Slaves (Bethel) <https://youtu.be/f8TkUMJtK5k>
(Please be seated)

Call to Confession (Reid)

Friends in Christ, let us draw near to God our Father with a truthful heart to confess our sins, and ask him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to forgive us.

Prayer of Confession

Dear Heavenly Father,

While your perfect love always wants what's best for us, we have not loved you perfectly. Instead of living to please you, we have given in to our selfish desires.

We confess that we have sinned against you in our thoughts, words, and actions. We also confess we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

(Time for silent reflection and confession)

In the name of Jesus Christ, please forgive me. By your Holy Spirit, help me to delight in your Word, follow Jesus as my Lord, and bring glory to You. Amen.

Declaring God's forgiveness

God, who hears the cries of his people, who tends to those who are hurting because of sin, brings the greatest gift of all to us. In the powerful name of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, and by his authority I declare: Your sins are forgiven – in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

I invite you to stand as you are able for our next song

Song: Cornerstone (Hillsong) <https://youtu.be/QvLxZEU02uI>
(Please be seated)

Bible Reading: (Georgie)

John 15:1-8 The vine and the branches

Message: STAY with me (Reid)

Song: To the Table (Zach Williams) <https://youtu.be/DX67rHyTdmM>
(Please be seated)

General Prayers (Georgie)

The Lord's Prayer (Georgie)

Announce Retiring Offering (Georgie)

Through our freewill offerings, we honour God and join his mission of making Jesus known in our community. Many of you do this electronically. Otherwise, you are invited to place your offerings in the bowls on the way out today. If you've filled out a Connect Card today, this can also be placed in the offering bowls.

Song: Alive in Us (Hillsong) https://youtu.be/tveX6u_5val

Blessing (Georgie)

May the LORD bless us and keep us in his care.

May the LORD smile on us and pour his grace into our lives.

May the Lord look on us with favour and give us his peace. Amen

Announcements: (Reid)

Celebrations: "O" B'days: none we know of this week

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1. Intergenerational Worship Night, led by young adults. Saturday 15th May here at GSPV. Arrive from 7pm for a 7:30pm start. To meet ChildSafe requirements, we ask those under 18 attend to attend with a parent or guardian.

2. LCA Video Project. As part of a project for the LCA, David Modra will be doing some video recordings here at GSPV on **May 16th**, during the **10:30am service and afterwards.**

David and his helpers are hoping to record

- people walking into church (this will be staged AFTER the 10:30am service.)
- People during the service
- People after service in small set up groups or pairs just chatting

You are free to choose whether or not you want to be involved.

If you do not wish to be on camera, we'll have a designated section of the church that will not be filmed. Alternatively, you could attend the 8:45 am service that day. Members seated in other areas of the church who are happy being in wider shots will have the option to decline any close up shots if they choose.

No sound will be recorded. 'Release forms' will be supplied on the day for individuals to sign for any close up shots. All footage recorded at Good Shepherd will be reviewed and can be vetoed if required.

3. Good Shepherd Church and School AGM - Sunday May 23rd following the 10:30am service. Reports will hopefully be available on May 9th.

4. Discovery Course for people interested in membership here at Good Shepherd. Three Thursday evenings in June: 3rd, 10th, 17th. Please register your interest via Connect Card or the Church Office.

If you're visiting today, you might like to pick up a *Welcome Pack* from the café on your way out.

Please feel free to share stories over a cuppa from the *Revive Café*, and exit the building through the café area into the courtyard.

Can you please separate rows of chairs for chapel this week?