

May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021  
GSPV Series: May 2021  
Theme: Stay with Me  
8:45am

**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'm .....helping with worship leading. Pr Reid will be sharing the message today. *Housekeeping: conveniences, mobile phones, exit via cafe*

We're up to the 5<sup>th</sup> 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 (Pr Reid)

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

### General Prayers (Georgie)

#### The Lord's Prayer (Georgie)

#### The Call to Praise (invite to stand) (Reid)

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right and good, Lord God, holy Father, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he overcame death by his resurrection and opened up for us the way to eternal life with you. And so, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we adore and praise your glorious name:

**Hymn:** Holy God, We Praise Your Name (TIS 127, verses 1 & 2) *Please transpose down 2 semi-tones*  
*(Please be seated)*

## Jesus' Words of Institution (Reid)

### Announcement for Distribution

Approach, serving points, how receive elements, empty cups into tray, return via side aisles.

We will first commune our servers, then the worship hosts will direct you.

### Distribution and Dismissal

### Announce Retiring Offering (Reid)

**Hymn: Sent out by God's blessing (LH 844)** Please transpose down 3-4 semi-tones

### Blessing (Reid)

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

May the LORD smile on you and pour his grace into your lives.

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

### Announcements: (Reid)

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

**Anniv's:** none we know of this week

**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 16<sup>th</sup>, during the 10:30am service and afterwards.** You are free to choose whether or not you want to be involved.

**3. Good Shepherd Church and School AGM** – Sunday May 23<sup>rd</sup> following the 10:30am service. Reports will hopefully be available on May 9<sup>th</sup>.

**4. Discovery Course** for people interested in membership here at Good Shepherd. Three Thursday evenings in **June: 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>.** 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.