

## ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY - APRIL 26, 2015

"I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me - just as the Father knows me and I know the Father - and I lay down my life for the sheep."

John 10:14 - 15 ~ NIV

*Out of respect for God's House and in courtesy to others, please silence all cell phones and pagers.*

Musical Prelude	Don Gibson
Worship Leaders	Carissa Mebane & Carol Reed
Opening Prayer	Ephphatha Malden
Songs of Praise (standing)	O Taste and See I Give Myself Away
Announcements	Loretta English
Intercessory Prayer	Associate Pastor Jesse Bellamy
Church Life	Holy Communion
Special Music	Shepherd's Adult Choir <i>Faithful to the End / We Are United</i>
Scripture	John 10:11-18
Scripture Reader	Zelma Hodge
Message	:"Tell Me Again, Why Are We Christians?"
Sermon Speaker	Pastor Willard High
Read in Unison	Shepherd's Mission Statement
The Giving of Our Offering	Offertory Team
Offertory Prayer	
Songs of Praise ( <i>standing</i> )	You Are Good
Benediction	



## Wedding Anniversaries

Alfred & Ephphatha Malden - 9 years - April 30th

### **TODAY'S SERMON**

Today's sermon given by Pastor Willard High is entitled, "Tell Me Again, Why Are We Christians?"

### **NEXT SUNDAY'S SERMON**

Next Sunday's sermon will be given by Pastor Willard High is entitled; "Strength to Abide." The key scripture is John 15:9-17.

### **FUTURE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

- Mother's Day – May 10<sup>th</sup> (In Honor of Mothers)
- Pentecost Sunday – May 24<sup>th</sup> (Celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit)
- Graduate Recognition – June 14<sup>th</sup> (Celebrates all graduates)
- Father's Day – June 21<sup>st</sup> (In honor of Fathers)

### **HOLY COMMUNION TODAY**

As is our custom today we will share in Holy Communion. Communion means many things including especially fellowship with God through brotherhood and worship of Jesus Christ.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Sunday School will hold the last Christian Education Classes for the season next Sunday May 3rd, 2015. ~ Christian Education Teachers

### **GOOD GRADES INCENTIVE**

There will be a brief meeting for parents and children after services today to review the good grades incentive. Please meet up front in the sanctuary. ~ Jane Hill

### **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY**

We will hold a Congregational Meeting today at 12:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Our discussion will include plans for further development of the Church Facility, an update on Church Finances and other items related to the ongoing life of Shepherd's Community Church.

## MOTHER-DAUGHTER PRAYER BRUNCH

The Mother Daughter Prayer Brunch will be held on Saturday May 2, 2015 from 10:00 to 1:00 PM.  
~ Prayer Partners

## ACCESS TO THE GRACE COMMUNION INTERNATIONAL WEBSITE

You may be missing out on the benefits of access to our denominational website. Here you can find bible studies, discover what is happening in GCI churches around the world, locate churches in the US, view educational videos, and access all of our publications. If you are unfamiliar with the site, here's how to access it: Enter [www.gci.org](http://www.gci.org) and experiment with the headings there according to your interest. To find the GCI Weekly Update, which I have forwarded in the past, click on Publications and GCI Weekly Update. Get past editions by clicking on Archives and the date you want. ~ Pastor High

## MONTHLY CHURCH CALENDARS

We plan to include in future bulletins the Monthly Church Calendar. This insert is meant to provide you with knowledge of scheduled events and other important dates during the month. Keep it in your purse, briefcase, place it on your refrigerator or wherever you you're your reminders. We also will post the calendar on our website [www.scchurch.us](http://www.scchurch.us)

## SNACK DONATION SCHEDULE

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday (A-F); 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday (G-L); 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday (M-R); 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday (S-Z);** please help lessen the burden on a few by contributing as you are able. Deserts (homemade or otherwise) and drinks are always welcome.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFERINGS

We will update you on giving during future town hall meetings.

## YOUR CHURCH ELDERS ARE HERE TO SERVE YOU...

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### Bulletin Items

Andrea Saunders [alsize12@yahoo.com](mailto:alsize12@yahoo.com) (The deadline for submitting bulletin items is Monday)

## Announcement Bulletin

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## The Shepherd's Community Church

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*Our mission statement -*

*"We strive to be a spiritually sound, friendly and nurturing fellowship;  
using our gifts to serve our neighbor, proclaim the gospel  
and promote reconciliation."*

**Sunday April 26, 2015**

**10:30AM**