Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church Peachtree City, Georgia

January 10, 2021 9:45 A.M. Fritz Wiese, Senior Pastor Miriam Beecher, Pastor Sandra Bohlken, Director of Contemporary Worship Bill Porter, Assistant Director of Contemporary Worship Dana Bogdanski, Bass Jim Smothers, Drums

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG OF PRAISE: The River

Verse 1

I know a place where we can go To lay the troubles down eating your soul I know a place where mercy flows Take the stains make you whiter than snow

Pre-Chorus

Like a tide it is rising up deep inside A current that moves and makes ya come alive Living water that brings the dead to life Oh oh

Chorus

We're goin' down to the river Down to the river Down to the river to pray Let's get washed by the water Washed by the water And rise up in amazing grace Let's go down down down to the river You will leave changed Let's go down down down to the river Never the same

Verse 2

I've seen it move in my own life Took me from dusty roads into Paradise All of my dirt all of my shame Drowned in the streams that have made me born again

Bridge Let's go down Oo oo oo (REPEAT) Let's go down

Ending Oh down Oo oo oo

Gotta go gotta go gotta go down in amazing grace Let's go down down to the river

Gotta go gotta go gotta go down in amazing grace CCLI Song # 7047433

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

LESSON: Acts 19:1-7

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL: John 3:28-30, Mark 1:9-11

You yourselves are my witnesses that I (John the Baptizer) said, 'I am not the Messiah,[I] but I have been sent ahead of him.' He who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. For this reason my joy has been fulfilled. He must increase, but I must decrease."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; [d] with you I am well pleased."

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Fritz

SONG OF THE DAY: Build My Life

Verse 1

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe We live for You

Verse 2

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name Jesus the only one who could ever save Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe We live for You We live for You

Chorus

Holy there is no one like You There is none beside You Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are And fill me with Your heart And lead me in Your love to those around me

Bridge

I will build my life upon Your love It is a firm foundation

I will put my trust in You alone

And I will not be shaken CCLI Song # 7070345

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OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

P Let us confess our baptismal faith together.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

When the petition concludes "Hear us, O God" please respond, **"your mercy is great."** When the prayers conclude, Please respond, **"Amen."**

INVITATION TO OFFERING:

Link to give: https://coslutheran.org/give/

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- *P* The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- *P* Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father, in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread; forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

SHARING COMMUNION WITH YOUR HOUSEHOLD

As you see the pastors and worship team commune, please join them and the whole Church remotely by communing each other/yourself with these ancient words of promise:

"The body of Christ for you" and "The blood of Christ for you."

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG: Holy Water

Verse 1 God I'm on my knees again God I'm begging please again I need You Oh I need You Walking down these desert roads Water for my thirsty soul I need You Oh I need You

Chorus Your forgiveness Is like sweet sweet honey on my lips Like the sound of a symphony to my ears Like holy water (on my skin)

Verse 2 Dead man walking slave to sin I wanna know about being born again I need You Oh God I need You So take me to the riverside Take me under baptize I need You Oh God I need You oh

Bridge I don't wanna abuse Your grace God I need it ev'ry day It's the only thing that ever really Makes me wanna change

Ending

Yeah it's like holy water on my skin

Oh it's like holy water

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DISMISSAL

L Go in peace. Be the light of Christ. Invite all to join in connecting to Jesus' pathway of joy and life.

C Thanks be to God.