

# Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church Peachtree City, Georgia

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## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SONG OF PRAISE: *Broken Vessels*

#### Verse 1

All these pieces  
Broken and scattered  
In mercy gathered  
Mended and whole  
Empty handed  
But not forsaken  
I've been set free  
I've been set free

#### Pre-Chorus

Amazing grace  
How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
Oh I once was lost  
But now I am found  
Was blind but now I see

#### Chorus

Oh I can see You now  
Oh I can see the love in Your eyes  
Laying Yourself down  
Raising up the broken to life

#### Verse 2

You take our failure  
You take our weakness  
You set Your treasure  
In jars of clay  
So take this heart Lord  
I'll be Your vessel  
The world to see Your life in me

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

### LESSON: 1 John 3:16-24

This is how we've come to understand and experience love: Christ sacrificed his life for us. This is why we ought to live sacrificially for our fellow believers, and not just be out for ourselves. If you see some brother or sister in need and have the means to do something about it but turn a cold shoulder and do nothing, what happens to God's love? It disappears. And you made it disappear. My dear children, let's not just talk about love; let's practice real love. This is the only way we'll know we're living truly, living in God's reality. It's also the way to shut down debilitating self-criticism, even when there is something to it. For God is greater than our worried hearts and knows more about us than we do ourselves.

And friends, once that's taken care of and we're no longer accusing or condemning ourselves, we're bold and free before God! We're able to stretch our hands out and receive what we asked for because we're doing what he said, doing what pleases him. Again, this is God's command: to believe in his personally named Son, Jesus Christ. He told us to love each other, in line with the original command. As we keep his commands, we live deeply and surely in him, and he lives in us. And this is how we experience his deep and abiding presence in us: by the Spirit he gave us.

*L Word of God, word of life.*

**C Thanks be to God.**

### LESSON: Revelation 3:1-6

And to the angel of the church in Sardis write: These are the words of him who has the seven spirits of God and the seven stars: I know your works; you have a name of being alive, but you are dead. Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is on the point of death, for I have not found your works perfect in the sight of my God. Remember then what you received and heard; obey it, and repent. If you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come to you. Yet you have still a few persons in Sardis who have not

soiled their clothes; they will walk with me, dressed in white, for they are worthy. If you conquer, you will be clothed like them in white robes, and I will not blot your name out of the book of life; I will confess your name before my Father and before his angels. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

*P The Word of the Lord.*

**C Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

Pastor Mardy Ringer

### SONG OF THE DAY: *Your Grace Finds Me*

#### Verse 1

It's there in the newborn cry  
There in the light of ev'ry sunrise  
There in the shadows of this life  
Your great grace  
It's there on the mountain top  
There in the ev'ryday and the mundane  
There in the sorrow and the dancing  
Your great grace  
O such grace

#### Chorus 1

From the creation to the cross  
There from the cross into eternity  
Your grace finds me  
Yes Your grace finds me

#### Verse 2

It's there on a wedding day  
There in the weeping by the graveside  
There in the very breath we breathe  
Your great grace  
The same for the rich and poor  
The same for the saint and for the sinner  
Enough for this whole wide world  
Your great grace  
O such grace

#### Chorus 2

From the creation to the cross  
There from the cross into eternity  
Your grace finds me  
Yes Your grace finds me

There in the darkest night of the soul  
There in the sweetest songs of victory

Your grace finds me  
Yes Your grace finds me

#### Bridge

Your great grace O such grace  
Your great grace O such grace  
The same for the rich and poor  
The same for the saint and for the sinner  
Enough for this whole wide world  
Your great grace O such grace  
Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh

#### Chorus 3

So I'm breathing in Your grace  
And breathing out Your praise  
I'm breathing in Your grace  
Forever I'll be breathing in Your grace  
And breathing out Your praise  
I'm breathing in Your grace  
Forever I'll be breathing in Your grace  
And breathing out Your praise  
I'm breathing in Your grace  
Forever I'll be breathing in Your grace  
And breathing out Your praise  
I'm breathing in Your grace  
Forever God forever God

#### Ending

It's the same for the saint and the sinner  
It's enough for this whole wide world  
Yes Your grace finds me  
Yes Your grace finds me

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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

*As you see the pastors, worship team, and in person worshippers 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: *Bleed the Same*

Chorus 1

We all bleed the same

We're more beautiful when we come together

We all bleed the same

So tell me why tell me why we're divided

Verse 1

Woke up today

Another headline another innocent life is taken

In the name of hatred

So hard to take

And if we think that it's all good

Then we're mistaken

'Cause my heart is breakin'

Are you left are you right

Pointing fingers taking sides

When are we gonna realize

Chorus 2

If we're gonna fight let's fight for each other

If we're gonna shout let love be the cry

We all bleed the same

So tell me why tell me why we're divided

Verse 2

Tell me who are we

To judge someone

By the kind of clothes they're wearin'

Or the color of their skin

Are you black are you white

Aren't we all the same inside

Father open our eyes to see

Bridge

Only love can drive out all the darkness

What are we fightin' for yeah

We were made to carry one another

We were made for more

Chorus 3

If we're gonna fight let's fight for each other

If we're gonna shout let love be the cry  
We all bleed the same  
Let's stand united let's stand united

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## **DISMISSAL**

*L Alleluia! Christ is risen.*

**C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*L Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!*

**C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**