Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church Peachtree City, Georgia

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WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG OF PRAISE: We Are Family

We are family I got all my sisters with me We are family Get up everybody and sing

Everyone can see we're together As we walk on by (And) and we fly just like birds of a feather I won't tell no lie all of the people around us they say Can they be that close Just let me state for the record We're giving love in a family dose

We are family (hey, y'all) I got all my sisters with me We are family Get up everybody and sing (sing it to me) Songwriters: Bernard Edwards, Nile Rodgers As recorded by Sister Sledge; 1978

PRAYER OF THE DAY

LESSON: Proverbs 30:24-28

There are four creatures on earth that are small, but they are very wise and we can learn from them: While ants are hardly a strong species, they work constantly to store up food during the summer; While badgers are animals without many defenses, they are wise enough to make their homes in the rocky cliffs; While locusts live without a ruler, they all know how to move in formation; While a lizard is easy enough to catch in your hand, it is shrewd enough to enter the palaces of kings.

- This is the word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

LESSON: James 3:4-6a

Have you ever seen a massive ship sailing effortlessly across the water? Despite its immense size and the fact that it is propelled by mighty winds, a small rudder directs the ship in any direction the pilot chooses. It's just the same with our tongues! It's a small muscle, capable of marvelous undertakings. And do you know how many forest fires begin with a single ember from a small campfire? The tongue is a blazing fire seeking to ignite an entire world of vices.

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Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSONS:

Mark 4:30-32

What else is the kingdom of God like? What earthly thing can we compare it to? The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed, the tiniest seed you can sow. But after that seed is planted, it grows into the largest plant in the garden, a plant so big that birds can build their nests in the shade of its branches.

Mark 12:42-43

A poor widow came and put in only two small coins worth only a fraction of a cent. Jesus (calling His disciples together): Truly this widow has given a greater gift than any other contribution.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Miriam

SONG OF THE DAY: Can You Feel It

If you look around

The whole world's coming together now, baby Can you feel it, can you feel it, can you feel it Feel it in the air, the wind is taking it everywhere, yeah

Can you feel it, can you feel it, can you feel it

All the colors of the world should be that Lovin' each other wholeheartedly Yes, it's all right

Take my message to your brother and tell him twice

Spread the word and try to teach the man Who's hating his brother, when hate won't do 'Cause we're all the same, yes, the blood inside me is inside you Now tell me

Can you feel it, (tell me can you feel it) can you feel it, can you feel it

(Can you see what's going down? Can you feel it in your bones?)

Can you feel it, can you feel it, can you feel it Yeah, yeah

Every breath you take
Is someone's death in another place
Every healthy smile
Is hunger and strife to another child
But the stars do shine
In promising salvation, is near this time
Can you feel it now
So brothers and sisters, show we know how
Now tell me

Can you feel it, (tell me can you feel it) can you feel it, can you feel it

(Hey, hey, tell me, can you see what's going down? Open up your mind)

Can you feel it, can you feel it, can you feel it

All the children of the world should be Loving each other wholeheartedly Yes, it's all right

Take my message to your brother and tell him twice Tell the news to the marching men

Who are killing their brothers, when death won't do Yes, we're all the same

Yes, the blood inside my veins is inside of you Now tell me

Can you feel it, can you feel it, can you feel it Can you feel it, can you feel it, can you feel it Songwriters: Michael Jackson, Jackie Jackson Arr. Kirk Franklin, Mark Lettieri; 1980

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 "Lord, in your mercy," please respond, "Hear our prayer."
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 worshipers 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: Grace

I needed Your grace more
Than I thought I ever would
You forgave more
Than I thought You ever could
I was, stronger in my head
But truth is
I need Your grace

I needed Your grace more
Than I thought I ever would
You forgave more
Than I thought You ever could
I was, stronger in my head
But truth is
I need Your grace

I need Your grace (Grace)
I need Your grace (Grace)
I need Your grace
'Couldn't make it without Your grace (Grace)
I'd be lost without Your grace (Grace)

(I need Your grace)
Oh, thank God for grace (Grace)
I really need Your grace (Grace)
(I need Your grace)

I need Your grace (Grace, grace, grace) I need Your grace I needed Your grace more than I thought I ever would Songwriter: Jonathan Caleb McReynolds; 2020

DISMISSAL

L Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.Invite everyone to Jesus' pathway of joy and life!C Thanks be to God.