

Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church Peachtree City, Georgia

The Second Sunday after Pentecost ☩ June 6, 2021 ☩ 11:00 A.M.
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☐ = Pastor ☒ = Lector [reader] ☑ = Congregation *ELW* = *Evangelical Lutheran Worship (the red hymnal)*

PRELUDE

Welcome to worship! Today's worship includes the sacrament of communion, so please prepare ahead of time wine/grape juice and bread appropriate to the number in your family. Our liturgy declares we celebrate with "the church on earth and the hosts of heaven." So in these days of required distancing, longing to share the Lord's Supper again soon physically together at one table of the Lord, we acknowledge communion always connects us "remotely" and powerfully with the Church through time and space. This will be another form of that connection. We understand no precedents are being set in these unique times.

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Miriam

GATHERING HYMN: *Crashing Waters at Creation*

ELW Hymn 455

- 1 Crashing waters at creation, ordered by the Spirit's breath,
first to witness day's beginning from the brightness of night's death:**
- 2 Parting water stood and trembled as the captives passed on through,
washing off the chains of bondage—channel to a life made new.**
- 3 Cleansing water once at Jordan closed around the one foretold,
opened to reveal the glory ever new and ever old.**
- 4 Living water, never ending, quench the thirst and flood the soul.
Wellspring, source of life eternal, drench our dryness, make us whole.**

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GREETING

- ☐ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
☑ **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☐ Almighty All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory.
Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil
in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
☑ **Amen.**

LESSON

- ☒ This morning's first lesson is a summary of Bible stories about water,
as used as our thanksgiving prayer in our Lutheran baptismal liturgy.
Let us pray:

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.¹ Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family,² and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.³ At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.⁴ By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.⁵



Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

L Word of God, word of life.

G Thanks be to God.

¹Genesis 1:1-31

²Genesis 8:12-22

³Exodus 14:21-31

⁴Matthew 3:13-17

⁵Romans 6:3, 23; 8:2

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *As the Deer Runs to the River*

ELW Hymn 331

Alternate Tune: PRAISE, MY SOUL

1 As the deer runs to the river, parched and weary from the chase,
we have come from hurt and hurry, thirsting for your healing grace.

Refrain: Jesus, source of living water, may we drink of you and live!

3 “Come and drink,” Isaiah summoned,¹ “all who for God’s mercy plead!
God’s forgiveness, like a fountain, flows to satisfy your need.” *Refrain*

¹Isaiah 55:1

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GOSPEL: John 4:7-15

P The Gospel according to John, the fourth chapter

G Glory to you, O Lord.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, “Give me a drink.”⁸ (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.)⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, “How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink a woman of Samaria?” (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.)¹⁰ Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.”¹¹ The woman said to him, “Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?”¹² Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?”¹³ Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again,¹⁴ but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.”¹⁵ The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Fritz

HYMN OF THE DAY: *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

ELW Hymn 611

1 I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Come unto me and rest;
lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast.”
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting-place, and he has made me glad.

2 I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Behold, I freely give
the living water, thirsty one; stoop down and drink and live.”
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.

3 I heard the voice of Jesus say, “I am this dark world’s light;
look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright.”
I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I’ll walk till trav’ling days are done.

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."
The prayers end with these words, "We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace."
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.**
- P** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

- P** In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.
- Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- C** **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

SHARING COMMUNION WITH YOUR HOUSEHOLD

*As the pastors and worship team commune, please join them and the whole Church in the sanctuary or 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."*

COMMUNION HYMN: *For All the Faithful Women**ELW Hymn 419*

- 1** For all the faithful women who served in days of old,
to you shall thanks be given; to all, their story told.
They served with strength and gladness in tasks your wisdom gave.
To you their lives bore witness, proclaimed your pow’r to save.
- 8** Recall the outcast woman with whom our Lord conversed:
Christ gave her living water to quench her deepest thirst.
Like hers, our hearts are yearning; Christ offers us his word.
Then may our lips be burning to witness to our Lord.

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PASTORAL BLESSING**BENEDICTION**

- ℘** The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever.
- ☩** Amen.

SENDING HYMN: *Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty**ELW Hymn 777*

- 1** “Come to me, all pilgrims thirsty; drink the water I will give.
If you knew what gift I offer, you would come to me and live.”

Refrain: Jesus, ever flowing fountain, give us water from your well.
In the gracious gift you offer there is joy no tongue can tell.

- 2** “Come to me, all trav’lers weary; come that I may give you rest.
Drink the cup of life I offer; at this table be my guest.” *Refrain*
- 3** “Come to me, believers burdened; find refreshment in this place.
Come, receive the gift I offer, turn to me and seek my face.” *Refrain*
- 5** “Come to me, distressed and needy; I would be your trusted friend.
Come and seek the gift I offer, come, your open hands extend.” *Refrain*

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DISMISSAL

- ℘** Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Share Jesus’ gifts of joy and life with all you meet.
- ☩** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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