

## Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

Peachtree City, Georgia

October 31, 2021 9:45 a.m.

Fritz Wiese, Senior Pastor Miriam Beecher, Pastor  
Luanne Harms, Interim Contemporary Worship Director

Dana Frick, guest, Keyboard and Vocals

Kendra Campbell-Milburn, Vocals

James Callison, Electric Guitar

Dana Bogdanski, Electric Bass

Mark Cutler, Acoustic Guitar

Jack Gordy, guest, drums

**P**= Pastor **G** = All **L** = Leader

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SONG OF PRAISE: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

#### Verse 1

Praise to the Lord, The Almighty,  
the King of creation.

O my soul praise Him,

For He is thy health and salvation.

All ye who hear Now to His temple draw near.

Praise Him in glad adoration.

*Interlude:* Praise Him.

#### Verse 2

Praise to the Lord,

Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,

Shelters thee under His wings,

Yea so gently sustaineth.

Hast thou not seen

How thy desires e'er have been

Granted in what He ordaineth?

#### Chorus

Hallelujah, hallelujah.

Hallelujah, hallelujah.

#### Verse 3

Praise to the Lord,

Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee.

Surely His goodness and mercy

Here daily attend thee.

Ponder anew What the Almighty can do,

If with His love He befriend thee.

#### Verse 4

Praise to the Lord.

O let all that is in me adore Him.

All that hath life and breath

Come now with praises before Him.

Let the Amen sound from His people again.

Gladly fore'er we adore Him.

Let the Amen sound from His people again.

Gladly fore'er we adore Him.

#### Chorus

Hallelujah, hallelujah. Hallelujah, hallelujah.

(REPEAT)

*Ending:* Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

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### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **G** Amen

### FIRST LESSON: Romans 3:19-28

**L** Today's Lesson is from Paul's letter to the Roman Christians, the third chapter

We know that everything in the Law was written for those who are under its power. The Law says these things to stop anyone from making excuses and to let God show that the whole world is guilty. <sup>20</sup>God doesn't accept people simply because they obey the Law. No, indeed! All the Law does is to point out our sin.

<sup>21</sup>Now we see how God does make us acceptable to him. The Law and the Prophets tell how we become acceptable, and it isn't by obeying the Law of Moses. <sup>22</sup>God treats everyone alike. He accepts people only because they have faith in Jesus Christ.

<sup>23</sup>All of us have sinned and fallen short of God's glory. <sup>24</sup>But God treats us much better than we deserve, and because of Christ Jesus, he freely accepts us and sets us free from our sins. <sup>25</sup>

<sup>26</sup>God sent Christ to be our sacrifice. Christ offered his life's blood, so that by faith in him we could come to God. And God did this to show that in the past he was right to be patient and forgive sinners. This also shows that God is right when he accepts people who have faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>What is left for us to brag about? Not a thing! Is it because we obeyed some law? No! It is because of faith. <sup>28</sup>We see that people are acceptable to God because they have faith, and not because they obey the Law.

—Contemporary English Version

📖 Word of God, word of life.

🙏 Thanks be to God.

#### GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

📖 The Gospel according to John, the eighth chapter.

🙏 Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered him,

"We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

📖 The Gospel of the Lord.

🙏 Praise to you, O Christ.

#### SERMON

Pastor Fritz

#### SONG OF THE DAY: Give Me Faith

##### Verse 1

I need You to soften my heart,  
And break me apart.  
I need You to open my eyes,  
To see that You're shaping my life.

##### Pre-Chorus

All I am I surrender.

##### Chorus

Give me faith to trust what You say,  
That You're good and Your love is great.  
I'm broken inside. I give You my life.

##### Verse 2

I need You to soften my heart,  
And break me apart.  
I need You to pierce through the dark,  
And cleanse every part of me.

##### Pre-Chorus

All I am I surrender.

##### Chorus

Give me faith to trust what You say,  
That You're good and Your love is great.  
I'm broken inside. I give You my life.

##### Bridge

I may be weak, But Your Spirit's strong in me.  
My flesh may fail,  
My God You never will.  
(REPEAT)

##### Chorus

Give me faith to trust what You say,  
That You're good and Your love is great.  
I'm broken inside. I give You my life.  
(REPEAT)

##### Bridge

I may be weak, But Your Spirit's strong in me.  
My flesh may fail,  
My God You never will.  
(REPEAT 2 times)

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#### OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

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.**"

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### 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 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 and worship team commune,  
please join them and the whole Church 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

**P** Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you  
turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation.  
Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy,  
bearing witness to the abundance of your love in  
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### BENEDICTION

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

**C** Amen.

### SENDING SONG: A Mighty Fortress

*Verse 1*

Our God is a consuming fire,  
A burning holy flame with glory and freedom.  
Our God is the only righteous judge,  
Ruling over us with kindness and wisdom.

*Pre-Chorus*

And we will keep our eyes on You.  
We will keep our eyes on You.

*Chorus*

A mighty fortress is our God,  
A sacred refuge is Your name.  
Your Kingdom is unshakable,  
And with You forever we will reign.

*Verse 2*

Our God is jealous for His own.

None could comprehend His love and His mercy. ►

Our God is exalted on His throne.  
High above the heavens forever He is worthy.

*Bridge*

We will keep our eyes on You.  
We will keep our eyes on You.

*Interlude*

*Chorus*

A mighty fortress is our God,  
A sacred refuge is Your name.  
Your Kingdom is unshakable,  
And with You forever we will reign.

*Bridge*

We will keep our eyes on You.  
We will keep our eyes on You.  
So we can set our hearts on You.  
Lord, we will set our hearts on You.

*Chorus*

A mighty fortress is our God,  
A sacred refuge is Your name.  
Your Kingdom is unshakable,  
And with You forever we will reign.

(REPEAT)

*Ending*

With You forever we will reign.  
With You forever we will reign.

Our God is a consuming fire,  
A burning holy flame with glory and freedom.

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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.**