# **Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church**

Peachtree City, Georgia

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PRELUDE: Jesus, Lover of My Soul; I Love You, Lord; All You Need Is Love

# **WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING SONG: BE LOVED** 

Verse 1

Have you ever let yourself be loved By the one who made you? Have you ever told your soul to believe That His heart is on your side? You could even try to run away, But there's nothing you can do.

#### Chorus 1

So just be loved, Be loved, He loves you. Just be loved, Be loved, He loves you.

#### Verse 2

Have you ever let yourself be held By the one who holds this world? Have you ever told your soul to rejoice That His arms are open wide? You could even try to run away. But He'd come running after you.

# Chorus 2

So just be held, Be held, He holds you. Just be held, Be held, He holds you.

# Bridge

We didn't earn it, He just chose to give it, And it's in our resting that we rise up singing. Rejoice, again I say rejoice. Rejoice, again I say rejoice.

#### Chorus 3

You are loved, Be loved, He loves you He loves you now.
You are loved, Be loved, He loves you.
He loves you.
You are loved, Be loved, He loves you.
He loves you.

# Just be loved, Be loved. He loves you. He loves you, He loves you.

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#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Living God, in Christ you make all things new.

Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

# LESSON: from Psalm 1 and Jeremiah 17:7-8

- L This morning's lesson is based on Psalm 1 and Jeremiah 17:7-8.
- This is what the Lord says:
  "Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him.
- <sup>1</sup>Great blessings belong to those who don't listen to evil advice, who don't live like sinners, and who don't join those who make fun of God. <sup>2</sup>Instead, they love the Lord's teachings and think about them day and night.
- They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit.
- <sup>4</sup>But the wicked are not like that. They are like chaff that the wind blows away.
  <sup>6</sup>The Lord shows his people how to live, but the wicked have lost their way.
- L Word of God, Word of life.
- Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL: Luke 6:17-26**

P The Gospel according to Luke, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

P Then [Jesus] came down with them and stood on a level place. And a large number of his disciples had gathered along with a vast multitude from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon. They came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases, 18and those who suffered from unclean spirits were cured. 19The whole crowd was trying to touch him, because power was coming out from him and healing them all.

<sup>20</sup>Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God belongs to you.

<sup>21</sup>Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. <sup>22</sup>Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you and insult you and reject you as evil on account of the Son of Man! <sup>23</sup>Rejoice in that day, and jump for joy, because your reward is great in heaven. For their ancestors did the same things to the prophets.

<sup>24</sup>But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your comfort already.

<sup>25</sup>Woe to you who are well satisfied with food now, for you will be hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now, for you will mourn and weep.

<sup>26</sup>Woe to you when all people speak well of you, teeth."

# **SERMON**

**Pastor Miriam** 

# SONG OF THE DAY: YOUR LOVE NEVER FAILS

Verse 1

Nothing can separate Even if I ran away. Your love never fails. I know I still make mistakes, but You have new mercies for me ev'ryday. Your love never fails.

#### Chorus

You stay the same through the ages.
Your love never changes.
There may be pain in the night,
But joy comes in the morning.
And when the oceans rage,
I don't have to be afraid,
Because I know that You love me.
Your love never fails.

#### Verse 2

The wind is strong and the water's deep,
But I'm not alone here in these open seas.
Your love never fails.
The chasm is far too wide.
I never thought I'd reach the other side.
Your love never fails.

#### Chorus

You stay the same through the ages.
Your love never changes.
There may be pain in the night
But joy comes in the morning.
And when the oceans rage,
I don't have to be afraid.
Because I know that You love me.
Your love never fails.

#### Bridge (Sing 3 times)

You make all things Work together for my good. You make all things Work together for my good.

#### Chorus

You stay the same through the ages. Your love never changes. There may be pain in the night, But joy comes in the morning. And when the oceans rage, I don't have to be afraid, Because I know that You love me. Your love never fails.

Your love never fails.

# Bridge (Sing with the group)

You make all things Work together for my good. You make all things Work together for my good.

# Chorus

You stay the same through the ages.
Your love never changes.
There may be pain in the night
But joy comes in the morning.
And when the oceans rage,
I don't have to be afraid.
Because I know that You love me.
Your love never fails.

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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 "God of grace," please respond, "hear our prayer."
When the prayers conclude, please respond, "Amen."

# **INVITATION TO OFFERING: sKIDdles Video**

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# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **@** We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- (a) 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; By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. 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

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 We thank you, wondrous God, for Jesus, God with us, in these gifts of bread and wine.

As we have shared this feast of love, strengthen us to share your love with all the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

#### **BENEDICTION**

- Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news. Invite all to join in connecting to Jesus' pathway of joy and life.
- C Amen.

#### SENDING SONG: RECKLESS LOVE

#### Verse 1

Before I spoke a word You were singing over me. You have been so so good to me. Before I took a breath You breathed Your life in me. You have been so so kind to me.

#### Chorus

(And) O the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless Love of God.

O it chases me down fights 'til I'm found, Leaves the ninety-nine. I couldn't earn it, I don't deserve it, Still You give Yourself away. O the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless Love of God. Yeah.

# Verse 2

When I was Your foe still Your love fought for me. You have been so so good to me. When I felt no worth You paid it all for me. You have been so so kind to me.

#### Chorus

(And) O the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless Love of God.

O it chases me down fights 'til I'm found, Leaves the ninety-nine. I couldn't earn it, I don't deserve it, Still You give Yourself away. O the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless Love of God. Yeah.

# Bridge (Sing 4 times)

There's no shadow You won't light up,
Mountain You won't climb up Coming after me.
There's no wall You won't kick down
Lie You won't tear down, Coming after me.

#### Chorus

(And) O the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless Love of God.

O it chases me down fights 'til I'm found, Leaves the ninety-nine. I couldn't earn it, I don't deserve it, Still You give Yourself away. O the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless Love of God. Yeah.

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# **DISMISSAL**

■ Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news. Invite all to join in connecting to Jesus' pathway of joy and life.

Thanks be to God.