

Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

Peachtree City, Georgia

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P= Pastor **C** = All **L** = Leader

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children.**

We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected.

We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome.

Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone.

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.

P Rejoice in this good news: In † Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life.

Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

C **Amen.**

OPENING SONG: SHEPHERD

Verse [Sing 2x]

All our eyes on You, Lord. All our hope in You, Lord.

All our trust in You, Lord. All we want is You, Lord.

Chorus

The Lord is our Shepherd. The Lord is our Helper.

Oh, Jesus, lead us, And show us the way to follow You.

Verse

All our eyes on You, Lord. All our hope in You, Lord.

All our trust in You, Lord. All we want is You, Lord.

Chorus

The Lord is our Shepherd. The Lord is our Helper.

Oh, Jesus, lead us, And show us the way to follow You.

Jesus, lead us and show us the way.

Bridge [Sing 6x]

My life is better, I like it better

When I am following You.

Oh, my life is better, I like it better

When I am following You.

Chorus

The Lord is our Shepherd. The Lord is our Helper.

Oh, Jesus, lead us,

And show us the way to follow You.

Jesus, lead us and show us the way.

Bridge

My life is better, I like it better

When I am following You.

Oh, my life is better, I like it better

When I am following You.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LESSON: Genesis 45:3-11, 15

L This morning's lesson is Genesis, the 45th chapter.

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

⁴Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ►

⁷God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' "

¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

L Word of God, Word of life.

G Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Luke 6:27-38

P The Gospel according to Luke, the 6th chapter.

G Glory to you, O Lord.

P [Jesus said:]²⁷"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you.²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt.³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again.³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

³²"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them.³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same.³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again.³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

³⁷"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven;³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Katie Pasch

SONG OF THE DAY: FORGIVEN

Verse 1

I will sing, for You alone have rescued this life.
Jesus, You have set me free.
You alone took away all sin and disgrace
When You gave Your life to ransom me.

Chorus

I am forgiven at the foot of the cross.
I am accepted by the power of Your love.
My every stain is washed away; I am forgiven.

Verse 2

Here I stand in the light of Your glory and grace,
Where heaven's love and justice meet.
Now I live for the One who has called me by name,
Who is risen and alive in me.

Chorus [Sing 2x]

I am forgiven at the foot of the cross.
I am accepted by the power of Your love.
My every stain is washed away; I am forgiven.

Bridge [Sing 3x]

I'm embraced at the foot of the cross
By the love and the mercies You have lavished on us.
My every stain is washed away, And I am forgiven.

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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.”**

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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; 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

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 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

P God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, ✠ bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG: WE ARE

Verse 1

Ev'ry secret, ev'ry shame,
Ev'ry fear, ev'ry pain Live inside the dark,
But that's not who we are.
We are children of the day.

Pre-Chorus

So wake up, sleeper, lift your head.
We were meant for more than this.
Fight the shadows, conquer death,
Make the most of the time we have left.

Chorus [Sing 2X]

We are the light of the world, We are the city on a hill.
We are the light of the world,
And we gotta, we gotta , we gotta Let the light shine.

Interlude

Let the light shine. Let the light shine, ooh.

Verse 2

We are called to spread the news,
To tell the world the simple truth.
Jesus came to save, there's freedom in His name,
So let His love break through.



Chorus [Sing 2X]

We are the light of the world, We are the city on a hill.
We are the light of the world,
And we gotta, we gotta , we gotta Let the light shine.

Bridge

We are the light, we are the light, we are the light.
So let your light shine brighter.
We are the light, we are the light, we are the light.
Jesus, You are the light, You are the light,
You are the light.
We will lift You high and shine, shine, shine.

Chorus [Sing 2X]

We are the light of the world, We are the city on a hill.
We are the light of the world,
And we gotta, we gotta , we gotta Let the light shine.

Ending

Let the light shine, let the light shine,
Let the light shine, let the light shine.

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DISMISSAL

L Go with Christ into a weary world.

Share the good news.

Invite all to join in connecting to Jesus' pathway
of joy and life.

G Thanks be to God.