

Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

Peachtree City, Georgia

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

PRELUDE: I SPEAK JESUS

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

- P** Blessed are you, O God, maker and ruler of all things. Your voice thundered over the waters at creation.
- C** **You water the mountains and send springs into the valleys to refresh and satisfy all living things.**
- P** Through the waters of the flood you carried those in the ark to safety.
- C** **Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery to freedom.**
- P** In the wilderness you nourished them with water from the rock,
- C** **and you brought them across the river Jordan to the promised land.**
- P** By the baptism of his death and resurrection, your Son Jesus has carried us to safety and freedom.
- C** **The floods shall not overwhelm us, and the deep shall not swallow us up, for Christ has brought us over to the land of promise.**
- P** He sends us to make disciples, baptizing in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Pour out your Holy Spirit; wash away sin in this cleansing water; clothe the baptized with Christ; and claim your daughters and sons, no longer slave and free, no longer male and female, but one with all the baptized in Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

OPENING SONG: A THOUSAND HALLELUJAHS

Verse 1

**Who else would rocks cry out to worship?
Whose glory taught the stars to shine?
Perhaps creation longs to have the words to sing,
But this joy is mine.**

Chorus

**With a thousand hallelujahs We magnify Your name.
You alone deserve the glory, The honor and the praise.
Lord Jesus, this song is forever Yours,
A thousand hallelujahs And a thousand more.**

Verse 2

**Who else would die for our redemption?
Whose resurrection means I'll rise?
There isn't time enough to sing of all You've done,
But I have eternity to try.** *Chorus*

Bridge (Sing twice → Chorus → Bridge → Chorus)

**Praise to the Lord, To the Lamb, To the King of heaven.
Praise, for He rose. Now He reigns. We will sing forever**

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↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray.
God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

LESSON: Isaiah 58:6-12

- L** The lesson is taken from Acts and from letters of Paul to Christians at Rome, Galatia, and Corinth. Please join me in reading responsively.
- L** Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ
- C** **so that your sins may be forgiven, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.** *Acts 2.38*
- L** Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?
- C** **⁴Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life.** *Romans 6.3-4*

L ²⁶... for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith.

C ²⁷**As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.**

L ²⁸There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3.26-28

C ¹³**For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.**

1 Corinthians 12:13

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

↑ **GOSPEL: Matthew 28:16-20**

P The Gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now (after the resurrection) the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Fritz

SONG OF THE DAY: HYMN OF HEAVEN

Verse 1

**How I long to breathe the air of Heaven,
Where pain is gone and mercy fills the streets;
To look upon the one who bled to save me,
And walk with Him for all eternity.**

Chorus 1

**There will be a day When all will bow before Him.
There will be a day When death will be no more,
Standing face to face With He who died and rose again
Holy, holy is the Lord.**

Verse 2

**And ev'ry prayer we prayed in desperation,
The songs of faith We sang through doubt and fear,
In the end we'll see that it was worth it
When He returns to wipe away our tears.**

Chorus 1

**There will be a day When all will bow before Him.
There will be a day When death will be no more,
Standing face to face With He who died and rose again
Holy, holy is the Lord.**

Verse 3

**And on that day we join the resurrection,
And stand beside the heroes of the faith.
With one voice a thousand generations
Sing worthy is the Lamb who was slain.**

[Repeat this verse.]

Forever He shall reign.

Chorus 2

**So let it be today We shout the hymn of Heaven.
With angels and the Saints We raise a mighty roar,
Glory to our God, Who gave us life beyond the grave.
Holy, holy is the Lord. Holy, holy is the Lord. *[Repeat]*
Holy, holy is the Lord.**

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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 “God of grace,”
please respond, “**hear our prayer.**”

When the prayers conclude, please respond, “**Amen.**”

OFFERING

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**OFFERING SONG: HEAVEN HELP ME****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 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

Please approach the altar, coming down the center aisle. You will be offered a wafer, and you may dip it into the chalice containing wine or white grape juice. Or, you may choose a prepackaged kit.

At home, serve yourself, saying to each other/yourself these ancient words of promise: "The body of Christ for you" and "The blood of Christ for you."

COMMUNION SONG: FORGIVEN**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

P May the God of peace, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG: GLORIOUS DAY*Verse 1*

**I was buried beneath my shame.
 Who could carry that kind of weight?
 It was my tomb 'til I met You.**

Verse 2

**I was breathing, but not alive.
 All my failures I tried to hide.
 It was my tomb 'til I met You.**

Chorus

**You called my name, and I ran out of that grave,
 Out of the darkness into Your glorious day.
 You called my name, and I ran out of that grave,
 Out of the darkness into Your glorious day.**

Verse 3

**Now Your mercy has saved my soul.
 Now Your freedom is all that I know.
 The old made new, Jesus, when I met You.**

Chorus

**You called my name, and I ran out of that grave,
 Out of the darkness into Your glorious day.
 You called my name, and I ran out of that grave,
 Out of the darkness into Your glorious day.**

Bridge

**I needed rescue; my sin was heavy,
 But chains break at the weight of Your glory.
 I needed shelter; I was an orphan.
 Now You call me a citizen of Heaven.
 When I was broken You were my healing.
 Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing.
 I have a future; my eyes are open.**

Chorus

**You called my name and I ran out of that grave,
 Out of the darkness into Your glorious day.
 You called my name and I ran out of that grave,
 Out of the darkness into Your glorious day.**

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DISMISSAL

- P** Go in peace, with God beside you.
Invite everyone to Jesus' pathway of joy and life!
- C** **Thanks be to God.**