

# Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

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## PRELUDE: WITH MY OWN TWO HANDS

**I can change the world with my own two hands,  
Make it a better place with my own two hands,  
Make it a kinder place with my own two hands;  
With my own, with my own two hands.**

**I can make peace on earth with my own two hands,  
I can clean up the earth with my own two hands,  
I can reach out to you with my own two hands;  
With my own, with my own two hands.  
With my own, with my own two hands.**

**I'm going to make it a brighter place  
with my own two hands,  
I'm going to make it a safer place  
with my own two hands,  
I'm going to help the human race  
with my own two hands, with my own,  
with my own two hands.  
With my own, with my own two hands.**

**I can hold you with my own two hands,  
And I can comfort you with my own two hands,  
But you got to use, use your own two hands.  
Use your own, use your own two hands.**

**With our own, with our own two hands,  
With our own, with our own two hands.**

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## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

## EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF THE LORD

## OPENING SONG: FRIENDS

*Verse 1*

**Packing up the dreams God planted  
In the fertile soil of you;  
Can't believe the hopes He's granted  
Means a chapter in your life is through.**

*Pre-Chorus*

**But we'll keep you close as always.  
It won't even seem you've gone,  
'Cause our hearts in big and small ways  
Will keep the love that keeps us strong.**

*Chorus*

**And friends are friends forever  
If the Lord's the Lord of them,  
And a friend will not say never  
'Cause the welcome will not end.  
Though it's hard to let you go,  
In the Father's hands we know  
That a lifetime's not too long  
To live as friends.**

*Verse 2*

**With the faith and love God's given,  
Springing from the hope we know,  
We will pray the joy you'll live in  
Is the strength that now you show.**

*Pre-Chorus*

**But we'll keep you close as always.  
It won't even seem you've gone,  
'Cause our hearts in big and small ways  
Will keep the love that keeps us strong.**

*Chorus*

**And friends are friends forever  
If the Lord's the Lord of them,  
And a friend will not say never  
'Cause the welcome will not end.  
Though it's hard to let you go,  
In the Father's hands we know  
That a lifetime's not too long  
To live as friends.**

*Ending*

**No, a lifetime's not too long to live as friends.**

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## ↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

℣ Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.      **☩ Amen.**

### FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 58:10 and Mark 6:34-37

—*New Catholic Version and Good News Translation*

℣ Our First Lesson is from Isaiah, the fifty-eighth chapter, and Mark, the sixth chapter.

[The prophet Isaiah wrote:] If you feed those who are hungry and take care of the needs of those who are troubled, then your light will shine in the darkness, and you will be bright like sunshine at noon.

When Jesus got out of the boat, he saw this large crowd, and his heart was filled with pity for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began to teach them many things. <sup>35</sup>When it was getting late, his disciples came to him and said, “It is already very late, and this is a lonely place. <sup>36</sup>Send the people away and let them go to the nearby farms and villages in order to buy themselves something to eat.”

<sup>37</sup>Jesus answered. “You yourselves give them something to eat; *you* feed them.”

℣ Word of God, word of life.

**☩ Thanks be to God.**

### SECOND LESSON: John 21:3-5, 9-10, 15-17

—*New Revised Version Updated*

℣ This lesson is from the Gospel of John, the twenty-first chapter.

Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.” They said to him, “We will go with you.” They went ...that night but caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach, but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Jesus said to them, “Children, you have no fish, have you?” They answered him, “No.” <sup>6</sup>He said to them, “Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.” So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish.

<sup>9</sup>On shore, they saw a charcoal fire, with fish on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish that you have just caught. Come and have breakfast.”

<sup>15</sup>When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said, “Do you love me?”

**☩ YES!**

℣ “Feed my lambs.”

<sup>16</sup>A second time ... “Do you love me?”

**☩ “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.”**

℣ “Tend my sheep.”

<sup>17</sup>He said a third time, “Do you love me?”

**☩ “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.”**

℣ Jesus said to him,

**☩ “Feed my sheep.”**

℣ This is the Word of the Lord.

**☩ Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL: Matthew 25:37-40

—*New Testament for Everyone*

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

**☩ Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus was teaching. He finished the parable like this:]

<sup>37</sup>“Then the righteous will answer him, “Master, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you a drink? <sup>38</sup>When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? <sup>39</sup>When did we see you sick or in prison and come to see you?”

<sup>40</sup>“Then the king will answer them, “I’m telling you the truth: when you did it to one of the least significant of my brothers and sisters here, you did it to me.”

ℙ The Gospel of the Lord.

**☩ Praise to you, O Christ.**

### SERMON

Pastor Miriam

### SONG OF THE DAY: SERVANT SONG

*Verse 1*

**Will you let me be your servant?**

**Let me be as Christ to you?**

**Pray that I might have the grace to**

**Let you be my servant, too.**

*Verse 2*

**We are pilgrims on a journey.**

**We are travelers on the road.**

**We are here to help each other**

**Walk the mile and bear the load.**

*Verse 3*

**I will hold the Christ-light for you.  
In the night time of your fear  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
Speak the peace you long to hear.**

*Verse 4*

**I will weep when you are weeping.  
When you laugh I'll laugh with you.  
I will share your joy and sorrow  
Till we've seen this journey through.**

*Verse 5*

**When we sing to God in heaven  
We shall find such harmony.  
Born of all we've known together  
Of Christ's love and agony.**

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

**☐** Let us confess our baptismal faith together.

**☑** **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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**OFFERING SONG: ALL MY LIVING**

- 1** How can I measure the bounteous treasure,  
the gifts God's entrusted to me,  
To use and enjoy, but to also employ  
that God's will around me is done?  
All my living, let it be for you.  
That's why I'm giving these gifts now to you.
- 2** For the stars, woods, and streams, possibilities  
and dreams, I thank you for my daily bread.  
Now through all of my friendships and words  
that come from my lips,  
I'll act so that others are fed.  
All my living, let it be for you.  
That's why I'm giving these gifts now to you.  
These gifts now to you, these gifts now to you.

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

- ☐** The Lord be with you.
- ☑** **And also with you.**
- ☐** Lift up your hearts.
- ☑** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- ☐** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- ☑** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
- ☐** 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**

- ☐** 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**

*Please approach the altar as directed by an usher.*

*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.*

**COMMUNION SONG: THINGS LEFT UNDONE**

**When your life is over, you're reaching the end  
And the river of Jordan is around the bend,  
Will you be counting all the trophies you've won,  
Or will you look back on things left undone?**

*Chorus*

**When a stranger came knocking did you let him in?  
Was there food on your table  
for a down-and-out friend?  
Did you hide in the shadows?  
Did you walk in the sun?  
Or do you regret the things left undone?  
Somebody you cared for broke your heart.  
You let foolish pride, Lord, keep you apart.  
Why didn't you learn how to forgive someone?  
So many years passed with things left undone.**

*Chorus*

Paul Thorn

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING and BENDICTION**

☞ May God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace.  
And may the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

☛ **Amen.**

**SENDING SONG: IN THE HIGHWAYS AND THE HEDGES**

*Chorus 1*

**In the highways, in the hedges,  
In the highways, in the hedges,  
In the highways, in the hedges,  
I'll be somewhere workin' for my Lord.**

**I'll be somewhere workin',  
I'll be somewhere workin',  
I'll be somewhere workin' for my Lord.**

**I'll be somewhere workin',  
I'll be somewhere workin',  
I'll be somewhere workin' for my Lord.**

**If He calls me, I will answer,  
If He calls me, I will answer,  
If He calls me, I will answer,  
I'll be somewhere workin' for my Lord.**

**I'll be somewhere workin',  
I'll be somewhere workin',  
I'll be somewhere workin' for my Lord.**

**I'll be somewhere workin',  
I'll be somewhere workin',  
I'll be somewhere workin' for my Lord.**

**In the highways, in the hedges,  
In the highways, in the hedges,  
In the highways, in the hedges,  
I'll be somewhere workin' for my Lord.**

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**DISMISSAL**

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