

Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

Peachtree City, Georgia

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Mark Cutler, Guitar Dana Bogdanski, Bass

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

PRELUDE: FORGIVEN

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF THE LORD

OPENING SONG: HOLY FOREVER

Verse 1

A thousand generations falling down in worship

To sing the song of ages to the Lamb

And all who've gone before us

And all who will believe

Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb

Pre-Chorus

(Jesus) Your name is the highest

Your name is the greatest

Your name stands above them all

All thrones and dominions

All powers and positions

Your name stands above them all

Chorus 1

And the angels cry Holy

All creation cries Holy

You are lifted high Holy

Holy forever

Verse 2

If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed

Sing the song forever to the Lamb

If you walk in freedom and if you bear His name Sing

the song forever to the Lamb

We'll sing the song forever and amen

Tag

You will always be Holy

Holy forever

Chorus 2

And the angels cry Holy

All creation cries Holy

You are lifted high Holy

Holy forever



Hear Your people sing Holy

To the King of Kings Holy

You will always be Holy

Holy forever

Pre-Chorus (2x)

(Jesus) Your name is the highest

Your name is the greatest

Your name stands above them all

All thrones and dominions

All powers and positions

Your name stands above them all

Chorus 2

And the angels cry Holy

All creation cries Holy

You are lifted high Holy

Holy forever

Hear Your people sing Holy

To the King of Kings Holy

You will always be Holy

Holy forever

Tag

You will always be Holy

Holy forever

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⬆ PRAYER OF THE DAY

L Let us pray.

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

READING: Romans 12:9-21

L The New Testament reading is from Romans, the 12th chapter.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor.

¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.



¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are.

¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord."

²⁰No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

📖 Word of God, Word of Life.

👉 Thanks be to God.

⬆️ GOSPEL: Matthew 16:21-28

📖 The Gospel according to Matthew, the 16th chapter.

👉 Glory to you, O Lord.

From that time on, [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.

²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

²⁷"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

📖 The Gospel of the Lord.

👉 Praise to you, O Christ.

~ CHILDREN ARE EXCUSED FOR CHILDREN'S CHAPEL ~

⬆️ SONG OF THE DAY: I SPEAK JESUS

Verse 1

**I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence
I speak Jesus**

Verse 2

**I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
'Til ev'ry dark addiction starts to break
Declaring there is hope and there is freedom
I speak Jesus**

Chorus

**('Cause) Your Name is power
Your Name is healing
Your Name is life**

**Break ev'ry stronghold
Shine through the shadows
Burn like a fire**

Verse 3

**I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over fear and all anxiety
To ev'ry soul held captive by depression
I speak Jesus**

Chorus (2x)

**('Cause) Your Name is power
Your Name is healing
Your Name is life**

**Break ev'ry stronghold
Shine through the shadows
Burn like a fire**

Bridge (2x)

**Shout Jesus from the mountains
Jesus in the streets
Jesus in the darkness over ev'ry enemy
Jesus for my fam'ly
I speak the holy Name Jesus**

Chorus (2x)

**('Cause) Your Name is power
Your Name is healing
Your Name is life**

**Break ev'ry stronghold
Shine through the shadows
Burn like a fire**



Verse 1

**I just want to speak the Name of Jesus
Over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence
I speak Jesus**

Bridge (3x)

**Shout Jesus from the mountains
Jesus in the streets
Jesus in the darkness over ev'ry enemy
Jesus for my fam'ly
I speak the holy Name Jesus**

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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 "Merciful God,"
please respond, "**receive our prayer.**"

When the prayers conclude, please respond, "**Amen.**"

OFFERING

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**OFFERING SONG: FORGIVEN****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.**

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 AT CHURCH

or at home with your household

*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.
(including Gluten-free versions)*

COMMUNION SONG: THE MORE I SEEK YOU**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING and BENDICTION**

☐ The God of glory,
✠ Jesus Christ, name above all names,
and the Spirit who lives in you,
bless you now and forever.

☑ **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: GOD I LOOK TO YOU*Verse (2x)*

**God I look to You
I won't be overwhelmed
Give me vision to see things like You do**

**God I look to You
You're where my help comes from
Give me wisdom You know just what to do**

Chorus

**I will love You Lord my strength
I will love You Lord my shield
I will love You Lord my rock
Forever all my days I will love You God**



Verse

God I look to You

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Chorus (2x)

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DISMISSAL

- L** Go in peace. Serve in love.
Invite all to join in connecting
to Jesus' pathway of joy and life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE