

Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

Peachtree City, Georgia

February 4, 2024 9:45 a.m.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Fritz Wiese, Senior Pastor Miriam Beecher, Pastor

Larry Peterson, Director of Worship & Music

Luanne Harms, Director of Contemporary Worship

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

PRELUDE: *HEALER*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF THE LORD

OPENING SONG: *WELCOME THE HEALER*

↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

L Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 40:21, 28-31

see insert

SECOND READING: Psalm 147:1-11, 20c

see insert

↑ GOSPEL: Mark 1:21-28

see insert

SERMON Pastor Miriam

↑ SONG OF THE DAY: *RESTORE MY SOUL*

↑ OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

When the petition concludes "God of grace," please respond, "Receive our prayer."

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

OFFERING

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We acknowledge that you may have given Online or through the mail. Thank you.



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.

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 AT CHURCH

or at home with your household

COMMUNION SONG: *SALT AND LIGHT*

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & BENEDICTION

- P** God who names you,
Christ who claims you,
and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you,
✠ bless you and remain with you always.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG: *MAY THE PEOPLES PRAISE YOU*

DISMISSAL

- L** Go in peace. Invite all to join in connecting to Jesus' pathway of joy and life.
- C** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

THE LESSONS

Sunday, February 4

FIRST READING: Isaiah 40:21, 28-31

The first reading is from Isaiah, the 40th chapter.

- I ²¹ Have you not known? Have you not heard?
Has it not been told you from the beginning?
- II ²⁸ The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.
²⁹ He gives power to the faint and strengthens the powerless.
³⁰ Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted,
C ³¹ but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;
they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

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L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

SECOND READING: Psalm 147

The second reading is from Psalm 147. We read it responsively.

- I ¹ Praise the LORD! How good it is to sing praises to our God;
for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.
- C ³ **He heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds.**
- II ⁴ He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.
- C ⁵ **Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.**
- I ⁶ The LORD lifts up the downtrodden; he casts the wicked to the ground.
- C ⁷ **Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre.**
- II ¹⁰ His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;
- C ¹¹ **but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.**
- ALL: ^{20c} **Praise the LORD!**

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The Gospel reading is on the back.

GOSPEL: Mark 1:21-28

- P** The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 1st chapter. **C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**
- P** ²¹ They came *at last* to the village of Capernaum *on the Sea of Galilee*; and on the Sabbath Day, Jesus went straight into a synagogue, *sat down*, and began to teach.
- I** ²² The people *looked at each other*, amazed, because this strange teacher acted as One authorized by God, and what He taught affected them in ways their own scribes and teachers could not.
- II** ²³ Just then a man in the gathering who was overcome by an unclean spirit shouted.
- I** **Unclean Spirit:** ²⁴ What are You doing here, Jesus of Nazareth? Have You come to destroy us? I can see who You are! You're the Holy One of God.
- II** **Jesus (rebuking him):** ²⁵ Be quiet and come out of him NOW!
- P** ²⁶ The man's body began to shake and shudder; and then, howling, the spirit flew out of the man.
²⁷ The people couldn't stop talking about what they had seen.
- C** **Who is this Jesus? What on earth has happened? This new teacher has authority behind his teaching. Even the unclean spirits obey His commands!**
- P** ²⁸ It wasn't long before news of Jesus spread over the countryside of Galilee.
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- P** The Gospel of the Lord. **C** **Praise to you, O Christ.**