

Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

Peachtree City, Georgia

June 23, 2024 9:30 a.m.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Fritz Wiese, Senior Pastor Carla Knobler, Int. Assoc. Pastor

Larry Peterson, Director of Worship & Music

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

PRELUDE: *COME TOGETHER*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF THE LORD

OPENING SONG: *GOOD GOOD FATHER*

↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

L O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

READINGS: Job 38:1-11;

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

see insert

↑ GOSPEL: Mark 4:35-41 *see insert*

~ CHILDREN ARE EXCUSED FOR CHILDREN'S CHAPEL ~

SERMON Pastor Fritz Wiese

↑ SONG OF THE DAY: *HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD*

↑ OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

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

OFFERING

<https://coslutheran.org/give/>

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: *COMMUNION*

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & BENEDICTION

- P** The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✚ be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG: *FOREVER*

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

READER: We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

[A brief silence.]

READER: Equip your faithful people to approach this world with a sense of wonder. Make your church a safe place to explore big questions, troubling doubts, and honest laments. Humble our hearts to repent of the ways that communities of faith have inflicted pain or trauma.

Merciful God, ALL: RECEIVE OUR PRAYER.

READER: You spoke creation into order from the chaos of the swirling deep. May your name be praised by rivers and seas, wetlands and waterfalls. Secure clean water for all people and protect water sources from contamination or exploitation.

Merciful God, ALL: RECEIVE OUR PRAYER.

READER: Deliver your people from their distress, O God. We lift before you all who are sick or struggling. Grant consolation and peace to all who live with chronic, terminal, or persistent illness. In times of affliction or hardship, sustain us in faith.

Merciful God, ALL: RECEIVE OUR PRAYER.

READER: Enfold all travelers with your protection. Bless the comings and goings of this assembly as we travel for leisure or for work. Let all journeys be met with hospitality on the way, and let community members return to us with celebration.

Merciful God, ALL: RECEIVE OUR PRAYER.

PASTOR: Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation for all the redeemed of the Lord. Joined together with the great cloud of witnesses, we give thanks for your steadfast love and your wonderful works.

Merciful God, ALL: RECEIVE OUR PRAYER.

PASTOR: Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

ALL: AMEN.

THE LESSONS

Sunday, June 23

FIRST READING Job 38:1-11

📖 The first reading is from Job, the 38th chapter.

¹The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:
²“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?
³Gird up your loins like a man,
I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me, if you have understanding.
⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
Or who stretched the line upon it?
⁶On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone
⁷when the morning stars sang together
and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors
when it burst out from the womb?—
⁹when I made the clouds its garment,
and thick darkness its swaddling band,
¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it,
and set bars and doors,
¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stopped?’”

📖 The Word of the Lord. 🙏 Thanks be to God

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

📖 The second reading is from 2 Corinthians, the 6th chapter.

¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,
“At an acceptable time I have listened to you,
and on a day of salvation I have helped you.”
See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in any-
one’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have
commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities,
⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience,
kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of
righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute.
We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—
we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making
many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.
¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction
in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

📖 The Word of the Lord. 🙏 Thanks be to God

Gospel is on the back.

GOSPEL: Mark 4:35-41

☐ The Holy Gospel according to Mark, beginning in the 4th chapter. ☑ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

☐ The Gospel of the Lord. ☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**