

**Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church**

Peachtree City, Georgia

**June 9, 2024 9:30 a.m.**

**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

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Larry Peterson, Director of Worship & Music

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

**PRELUDE: GOD IS ON THE THRONE**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

**OPENING SONG: THE TABERNACLE**

**↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**L** All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen.

**READINGS: Genesis 3:8-15;**

**2 Corinthians 4:13--5:1**

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**↑ GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35***see insert*

~ CHILDREN ARE EXCUSED FOR CHILDREN'S CHAPEL ~

**SERMON**

Pastor Fritz Wiese

**↑ SONG OF THE DAY: THE BLESSING**

**↑ 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: GOD IS  
ON THE THRONE**

**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: HONEY IN THE ROCK**

**DISMISSAL**

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH, June 9, 2024 Pentecost 3**

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

*[A brief silence.]*

**READER: You reawaken our hearts to your mercy. We give you thanks for renewers of the church in every age. Enliven the creativity and persistence of all seeking to transform the church into a closer vision of your beloved community.**

**Merciful God, ALL: RECEIVE OUR PRAYER.**

**READER: Our nations and communities are divided, O God. Teach us again to listen with curiosity and mercy, even in disagreement. Grant us the humility to acknowledge our hardness of heart and make us bold in modeling cooperation for the sake of the common good.**

**Merciful God, ALL: RECEIVE OUR PRAYER.**

**READER: Hear the prayers of all who cry out to you from the depths of fear, despair, or hopelessness. With haste, rescue victims of trafficking, exploitation, and abuse, and bless organizations and individuals who work on their behalf.**

**Merciful God, ALL: RECEIVE OUR PRAYER.**

**READER: Grant wisdom and clarity to all who are in seasons of discernment and transition: high school graduates preparing for first jobs or new educational journeys, those who are shifting careers, and those who are navigating changes in their relationships. Accompany them with your peace.**

**Merciful God, ALL: RECEIVE OUR PRAYER.**

**PASTOR: Praise to you for our ancestors in faith who believed, spoke, and lived in you. Give us confidence that as Jesus was raised, so we too will be raised, with all the saints, into your everlasting presence.**

**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 9

## FIRST READING Genesis 3:8-15

☐ The first reading is from Genesis, the 3rd chapter.

<sup>8</sup>[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.<sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, “Where are you?”<sup>10</sup>He said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.”<sup>11</sup>He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?”<sup>12</sup>The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.”<sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent tricked me, and I ate.”<sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent,  
“Because you have done this,  
cursed are you among all animals  
and among all wild creatures;  
upon your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.  
<sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and hers;  
he will strike your head,  
and you will strike his heel.”

☐ The Word of the Lord.

☑ **Thanks be to God**

## SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 4:13--5:1

☐ The second reading is from 2 Corinthians, beginning with the 4th chapter.

<sup>13</sup>Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—“I believed, and so I spoke”—we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

<sup>5:1</sup>For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

☐ The Word of the Lord.

☑ **Thanks be to God**

*Gospel is on the back.*

## GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35

📖 The Holy Gospel according to Mark, beginning in the 3rd chapter.      🗣️ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus went home;] <sup>20</sup> and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

<sup>28</sup>“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”—<sup>30</sup>for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

<sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” <sup>33</sup>And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

📖 The Gospel of the Lord.      🗣️ **Praise to you, O Christ.**