

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church
Peachtree City, Georgia
October 6, 2024
8:30 A.M.

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☐ = Pastor ☒ = Lector [reader] ☑ = Congregation *ELW=Evangelical Lutheran Worship (red hymnal)*
↑ Please stand as you are able.

Welcome to worship! Today's worship includes the sacrament of communion. Communion is offered by intinction. You may receive a wafer and dip it in the chalice with wine or white grape juice. Or you may take a pre-packaged kit with grape juice and a gluten-free wafer from the center communion server. Please tell an usher if you need communion brought to you where you sit.

*The prelude is the beginning of the worship service and is a time to prepare our hearts and minds for worship.
Please be respectful of the worshippers around you who are using this time for that purpose.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

↑ EXCHANGING THE PEACE

☐ The peace of the Lord be with you always

☑ **And also with you.**

We share a sign of God's peace.

↑ GATHERING HYMN *All Are Welcome*

ELW Hymn 641

**1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

**2 Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

**3 Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

Hymn continues on next page.

4 Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

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↑ GREETING

☞ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
☞ And also with you.

↑ HYMN OF PRAISE *Glory to God*

ELW S213b

Refrain

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.

1. Lord, God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain*
2. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. *Refrain*
3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen. *Refrain*

↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

☞ Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that
is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your
Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
☞ Amen.

FIRST READING *Genesis 2:18-24*

see insert

SECOND READING *Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12*

see insert

↑ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?*

ELW S216a

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

↑ GOSPEL *Mark 10:2-16*

see insert

SERMON

Pastor Carla

↑ HYMN OF THE DAY *Our Father, by Whose Name*

ELW Hymn 640

- 1 Our Father, by whose name all parenthood is known,
in love divine you claim each fam'ly as your own.
Bless mothers, fathers, guarding well,
with constant love as sentinel, the homes in which your people dwell.

Hymn continues on next page

2 **O Christ, yourself a child within an earthly home,
with heart still undefiled to full adulthood come:
our children bless in ev'ry place
that they may all behold your face and, knowing you, may grow in grace.**

3 **O Holy Spirit, bind our hearts in unity
and teach us how to find the love from self set free;
in all our hearts such love increase
that ev'ry home, by this release, may be the dwelling place of peace.**

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↑ OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

Ⓟ Let us profess 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 "God of grace," please respond, "Hear our prayer." The prayers are ended with these words, "Into your hands, ... both now and forever." Please respond, "Amen."

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MUSICAL OFFERING

↑ 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, ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:	
Ⓢ Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.	<i>ELW Hymn 193</i>

↑ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

↑ THE LORD'S PRAYER

Ⓢ **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*You will be offered a wafer, which you may dip in either the chalice of wine or the white grape juice.
You may also choose a pre-packaged cup with grape juice and a gluten-free wafer.*

COMMUNION HYMN *Be Known to Us, Lord Jesus**ACS setting 12***Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.****Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.****Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.****Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.****COMMUNION HYMN** *Children of the Heavenly Father**ELW Hymn 781***1 Children of the heav'nly Father safely in his bosom gather;
nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given.****2 God his own doth tend and nourish, in his holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things he spares them, in his mighty arms he bears them.****3 Neither life nor death shall ever from the Lord his children sever;
unto them his grace he showeth, and their sorrows all he knoweth.****4 Though he giveth or he taketh, God his children ne'er forsaketh;
his the loving purpose solely to preserve them pure and holy.**

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↑ PASTORAL BLESSING and BENEDICTION**ℙ** God all mighty, God most merciful
✚ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.**☩** Amen.**↑ SENDING HYMN** *Bind Us Together**WOV Hymn 748***Refrain-Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord; bind us together in love.****1 There is only on God. There is only one King.
There is only one body; that is why we can sing:****2 You are the fam'ly of God. You are the promise divine.
You are God's chosen desire, you are the glorious new wine.**

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↑ SENDING**ℙ** Go in peace. Follow Jesus.
And invite all to join in connecting to His pathway of joy and life.**☩** Thanks be to God.**↑ POSTLUDE**

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THE LESSONS

Sunday, October 6

FIRST READING Genesis 2:18-24

📖 The first reading is from Genesis, the 2nd chapter.

¹⁸The LORD God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.” ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said,

“This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
this one shall be called Woman,
for out of Man this one was taken.”

²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

📖 The Word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

📖 The second reading is from Hebrews, the 1st & 2nd chapters.

¹Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God’s glory and the exact imprint of God’s very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

^{2:5}Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere,

“What are human beings that you are mindful of them,
or mortals, that you care for them?

⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels;

you have crowned them with glory and honor,

⁸subjecting all things under their feet.”

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, ⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying,

“I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters,
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

📖 The Word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God

Gospel on the back.

GOSPEL Mark 10:2-16

☐ The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 10th chapter. ☑ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” ⁴They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” ⁵But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ⁷‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

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