

STEWARDING GOD'S MYSTERIES CLUES WITH DETECTIVE SHIPMAN



Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church
Peachtree City, Georgia
November 3, 2024
8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

Fritz Wiese, Senior Pastor Carla Knobler, Interim Associate Pastor
Larry Peterson, Director of Worship and Music

P = Pastor **L** = Lector [reader] **C** 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 (8:30) *Peal con brio, Karen Thompson*
(11:00) *Peal con brio, Karen Thompson*
For All the Saints, Jason Krug

Peace Ringers
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WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

↑ EXCHANGING THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

We share a sign of God's peace.

↑ GATHERING HYMN *For All the Saints*

ELW Hymn 422, sts. 1-3, 6

1 **For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

2 **Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

3 **Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

6 **But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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↑ GREETING

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

↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

TESTIMONY OF PRAISE

FIRST READING Malachi 3:8-12 *see insert*

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 4:1-2 *see insert*

- ↑ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?* *ELW SI42a*
Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

- ↑ GOSPEL** Mark 12:28-34 *see insert*

SERMON *Detective Shipman & Associates*

- ↑ HYMN OF THE DAY** *Let Streams of Living Justice* *ELW Hymn 710*

- 1** Let streams of living justice flow down upon the earth;
 give freedom's light to captives, let all the poor have worth.
 The hungry's hands are pleading, the workers claim their rights,
 the mourners long for laughter, the blinded seek for sight.
 Make liberty a beacon, strike down the iron pow'r;
 abolish ancient vengeance: proclaim your people's hour.
- 2** For healing of the nations, for peace that will not end,
 for love that makes us lovers, God grant us grace to mend.
 Weave our varied gifts together; knit our lives as they are spun;
 on your loom of time enroll us till our thread of life is run.
 O great weaver of our fabric, bind church and world in one;
 dye our texture with your radiance, light our colors with your sun.
- 3** Your city's built to music; we are the stones you seek;
 your harmony is language; we are the words you speak.
 Our faith we find in service, our hope in others' dreams,
 our love in hand of neighbor; our homeland brightly gleams.
 Inscribe our hearts with justice; your way—the path untried;
 your truth—the heart of stranger; your life—the Crucified.

Text: William Whitla, b. 1934

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↑ OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

- P** Let us profess our baptismal faith together.
- C** **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.” The prayers are ended with these words, “We offer our prayers to you, ... through Jesus Christ our Savior. .” Please respond, “Amen.”

GENEROSITY TESTIMONY AND UPDATE

INVITATION TO OFFERING

We acknowledge that you may have already offered your gifts electronically or by mail. Thank you.

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MUSICAL OFFERING (8:30) *For All the Saints, Jason Krug*
(11:00) *The Morning Trumpet, Daniel Kallman*
Sanctuary Choir & COS Brass Quintet

Peace Ringers

↑ 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.**
P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
C **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,** *ELW S144b*
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

↑ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

↑ THE LORD’S PRAYER

- C** **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 *Lamb of God*

ELW S146

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

MUSICAL OFFERING (11:00) *Let All Things Now Living, Cathy Moglebust*

Joyful Noise Ringers

COMMUNION HYMN *I Come with Joy*

ELW Hymn 482

- 1 **I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved, and free,**
the life of Jesus to recall in love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
- 2 **I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,**
the new community of love in Christ's communion bread, in Christ's communion bread.
- 3 **As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.**
The love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends,
and strangers now are friends.
- 4 **The Spirit of the risen Christ, unseen, but ever near,**
is in such friendship better known, alive among us here, alive among us here.

Hymn continues on next page.

**5 Together met, together bound by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.**

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↑ PASTORAL BLESSING and BENEDICTION

ℙ May God; enthroned, risen and poured out,
✚ bless you now and forever.

☩ Amen.

↑ SENDING HYMN *Shall We Gather at the River*

ELW Hymn 423

1 Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod,
with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain

**Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.**

2 On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray,
we will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. *Refrain*

3 Ere we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down;
grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. *Refrain*

4 Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease;
soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. *Refrain*

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↑ SENDING

ℙ Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.
Invite all to join in connecting to Jesus' pathway of joy and life.

☩ Thanks be to God.

↑ POSTLUDE

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Altar Guild: Pat Oliver

Lector: (8:30) Bill Grabill; (11:00) Karl Dietmeyer

Tech crew: (8:30) Davida Kilgore, Dakota Atkins

(11:00) Carol Jensen-Linton, Linda Volckmann, Joni Seipert,

Ushers: (8:30) Tor Brunso, Buddy Troy

(11:00) Mike & Pat Oliver

Altar flowers given by Pamela Gould in memory her mother, Yoko Ingebrigtsen.

COS Brass Quintet:

Trumpet: Morgan Hebert, Ethan Hoellrich

French Horn: Madeline Therriaault

Trombone: Mayson Groover

Tuba: Xavier Lee

THE LESSONS

Sunday, November 3

FIRST READING Malachi 3:8-12

℣ The first reading is from Malachi, the 3rd chapter.

⁸Will anyone rob God? Yet you are robbing me! But you say, “How are we robbing you?” In your tithes and offerings! ⁹You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me—the whole nation of you! ¹⁰Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing. ¹¹I will rebuke the locust for you, so that it will not destroy the produce of your soil, and your vine in the field shall not be barren, says the Lord of hosts. ¹²Then all nations will count you happy, for you will be a land of delight, says the Lord of hosts.

℣ The Word of the Lord. ☩ Thanks be to God

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 4:1-2

℣ The Second Lesson is from 1 Corinthians 4.1-2 and I invite you to repeat after me:

Leader:
Think of us in this way:
as servants of Christ
and stewards of God’s mysteries.

²Moreover,
it is required of stewards
that they be found trustworthy.

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GOSPEL Mark 12:28-34

☩ The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 12th chapter. ☩ Glory to you, O Lord.

Congregation speaks verses in bold type.

²⁸One of the scribes came near and heard [Jesus and the Sadducees] disputing with one another, and seeing that [Jesus] answered them well, he asked him, “Which commandment is the first of all?” ²⁹Jesus answered,

“The first is, ‘Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; ³⁰you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ ³¹The second is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.”

³²Then the scribe said to him, “You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that ‘he is one, and besides him there is no other’; ³³and ‘to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,’ and ‘to love one’s neighbor as oneself,’—this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.” ³⁴When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” After that no one dared to ask him any question.

☩ The Gospel of the Lord. ☩ Praise to you, O Christ.

