

Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

Peachtree City, Georgia

January 26, 2025 9:45 a.m.

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Fritz Wiese, Senior Pastor

Larry Peterson, Director of Worship & Music

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

PRELUDE: *GOD I LOOK TO YOU*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF THE LORD

OPENING SONG: *BLESS GOD*

↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

L Let us pray.

Blessed Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

READINGS: 1 Peter 2:1-4;
Ephesians 4:11-16, 21-24see insert

↑ **GOSPEL: Luke 4:14-21**see insert

SERMON Pastor Anna Walker

↑ **SONG OF THE DAY: *THE TRUTH***

↑ **OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH:
THE APOSTLES' CREED**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

When the petition concludes "God of grace," please respond, "Hear 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: *REMEMBRANCE*

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING &

P The Spirit of the triune God **BENEDICTION**
✝ bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG: *HOLY FOREVER*

DISMISSAL

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

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

THE LESSONS

Sunday, January 26

FIRST READING: 1 Peter 2:1-4

The first reading is from 1st Peter , the 2nd chapter.

Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

📖 The Word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:11-16, 21-24

The second reading is from Ephesians, the 4th chapter.

Christ himself granted that some are apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers to **equip** the saints for the work of ministry, for **building up** the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to **maturity** to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine by people’s trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming; but speaking the truth in love, we must **grow up** in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, **joined and knit together** by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body’s growth in building itself up in love.

For surely you have heard about Christ and were taught in him, as truth is in Jesus, to put away your former way of life, your old self, corrupt and deluded by its lusts, and to be **renewed** in the spirit of your minds, and to **clothe** yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

📖 The Word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God

GOSPEL: Luke 4:14-21

📖 The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 4th chapter. 🙏 Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴ Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵ He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

¹⁶ When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,

¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

📖 The Gospel of the Lord.

🙏 Praise to you, O Christ.