

Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church Peachtree City, Georgia

The Second Sunday after Pentecost ☩ June 14, 2020 ☩ 10:00 A.M.

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☐ = Pastor ☒ = Lector [reader] ☑ = Congregation ELW=Evangelical Lutheran Worship (hymnal, if you have one at home)

PRELUDES

Welcome to worship! Today's worship includes the sacrament of communion, so please prepare ahead of time wine/grape juice and bread appropriate to the number in your family. Our liturgy declares we celebrate with "the church on earth and the hosts of heaven." So in these days of required distancing, longing to share the Lord's Supper again soon physically together at one table of the Lord, we acknowledge communion always connects us "remotely" and powerfully with the Church through time and space. This will be another form of that connection. We understand no precedents are being set in these unique times.

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Fritz

HYMN OF PRAISE: *Bleed the Same*

Chorus 1: **We all bleed the same. We're more beautiful when we come together.
We all bleed the same, so tell me why, tell me why we're divided.**

- 1 Woke up today, another headline, another innocent life is taken in the name of hatred.
So hard to take, and if we think that it's all good, then we're mistaken, 'cause my heart is breakin'.
Are you left, are you right, pointing fingers, taking sides? When are we gonna realize?**

Chorus 2: **If we're gonna fight, let's fight for each other. If we're gonna shout, let love be the cry.
We all bleed the same, so tell me why, tell me why we're divided.**

- 2 Tell me who are we to judge someone by the kind of clothes they're wearin' or the color of their skin?
Are you black, are you white? Aren't we all the same inside? Father, open our eyes to see.**

Bridge: **Only love can drive out all the darkness. What are we fightin' for, yeah?
We were made to carry one another. We were made for more.**

Chorus 3: **If we're gonna fight, let's fight for each other. If we're gonna shout, let love be the cry.
We all bleed the same, so tell me why, tell me why we're divided.**

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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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☐ God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. ☑ **Amen.**

LESSON: Romans 5:1-8

- ☒ Today's Lesson is from Paul's letter to the Roman Christians. ▶

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. 2

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

L The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Give me oil in my lamp. Keep me burning. Give me oil in my lamp, I pray.

Give me oil in my lamp. Keep me burning, burning, burning. Keep me burning ‘til the break of day.

Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to the King of Kings!

Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to the King!

Alleluia! We praise God the Father! Alleluia! Praise Jesus, the Son!

Alleluia! We praise the Holy Spirit! Through the Trinity, we all are one.

Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna! Thank you, God—we’re all your family.

Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna! Help us live in love and harmony.

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 9:35-10:8

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

^{10:1}Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ²These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ ⁸Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Fritz

SONG OF THE DAY: *Build My Life*

1 **Worthy of ev’ry song we could ever sing, Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring,
Worthy of ev’ry breath we could ever breathe, We live for you.**

2 **Jesus, the name above ev’ry other name. Jesus, the only one who could ever save.
Worthy of ev’ry breath we could ever breathe, We live for you, We live for you.**

Chorus: **Holy, there is no one like you; there is none beside you.**

**Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who you are, and fill me with your heart,
And lead me in your love to those around me**

Bridge: **I will build my life upon your love. It is a firm foundation.**

I will put my trust in you alone, and I will not be shaken.

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OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

- P** Let us confess 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 "Hear us, O God" please respond, "your mercy is great."
The prayers are ended with these words, "Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord." Please respond, "Amen."*

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, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name.

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 WITH YOUR HOUSEHOLD

As you watch the pastors and worship team commune, please join them and the whole Church remotely by communing each other/yourself with these ancient words of promise: "The body of Christ for you" and "The blood of Christ for you."

HYMN DURING COMMUNION: *Set Me Ablaze*

- 1** Set me ablaze, set me ablaze, 'Til it's all that I know.
Set me ablaze, set me ablaze, So (and) I'll never grow cold. (REPEAT)

Chorus: **Breathe, come and breathe on the coals of my heart. Let your fire start.**
Breathe, come and breathe on the coals of my heart. Keep me burning. ►

**Breathe, come and breathe on the coals of my heart. Let your fire start.
Breathe, come and breathe on the coals of my heart (oh).**

- 2 Set me ablaze, set me ablaze with a single obsession.
Set me ablaze, set me ablaze with an endless passion. (REPEAT)**

**Bridge: Wild fire, burn brighter deep inside my heart.
Consume me. rage through me. I want all you are. (REPEAT)**

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PASTORAL BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- ☞ God of the welcome table, in this meal we have feasted on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us. Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share your neighborly love with all, through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

- ☞ Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God, the creator, † Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love.**

- ☞ Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: *I Will Follow*

- 1 All your ways are good, all your ways are sure. I will trust in you alone.
Higher than my sight, high above my life. I will trust in you alone.**

**Chorus: Where you go I'll go. Where you stay I'll stay. When you move I'll move. I will follow you.
Whom you love I'll love. How you serve I'll serve. If this life I lose. I will follow (you).**

Interlude: Yeah, I will follow you. Yeah.

- 2 Light into the world, light into my life, I will live for you alone.
You're the One I seek, knowing I will find all I need in you alone, in you alone.**

**Bridge: In you there's life everlasting. In you there's freedom for my soul.
In you there's joy unending joy, and I will follow**

Ending: Yeah, I will follow you, yeah. I will follow you, yeah. I will follow you, yeah.

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DISMISSAL

- ☞ Christ is risen, just as he said. He is with us always.
Invite all to join in connecting to Jesus' pathway of joy and life.**

- ☞ Thanks be to God.**

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