Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church Peachtree City, Georgia

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WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG OF PRAISE: *The Table*

Verse 1 I will feast at the table of the Lord I will feast at the table of the Lord I won't hunger anymore at His table

Chorus

Come all you weary come and find His yoke is easy His burden is light He is able He will restore At the table of the Lord

Verse 2

There is peace at the table of the Lord There is peace at the table of the Lord I won't worry anymore at His table

Verse 3

There is healing at the table of the Lord There is healing at the table of the Lord Oh and I won't suffer anymore at His table

Verse 4

I'm invited to the table of the Lord I'm invited to the table of the Lord He says come just as you are to His table

Bridge

I know He has a place for me Oh what joy will fill my heart With the saints around the mercy seat of God

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

L Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

LESSON: Isaiah 55:1-5

Today's Lesson is from the first book of Isaiah, L the fifty-fifth chapter

Tey there! All who are thirsty, come to the **L** water!

Are you penniless? Come anyway—buy and eat! Come, buy your drinks, buy wine and milk. Buy without money-everything's free! Why do you spend your money on junk food, your hard-earned cash on cotton candy? Listen to me, listen well: Eat only the best, fill yourself with only the finest.

Pay attention, come close now, listen carefully to my life-giving, life-nourishing words.

I'm making a lasting covenant commitment with you, the same that I made with David: sure, solid,

enduring love.

—The Message

- *L* The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 14:13-21

N ow when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a descrit there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me."

¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Fritz

SONG OF THE DAY: We Are Hungry

Verse 1

Lord I want more of You Living Water rain down on me Lord I need more of You Living Breath of Life come fill me up

Chorus

We are hungry we are hungry We are hungry for more of You We are thirsty O Jesus We are thirsty for more of You

Verse 2

Lord I want more of You Holy Spirit rain down on me Lord I need more of You Living Breath of Life come fill me up

Bridge We lift our holy hands up We want to touch You We lift our voices higher And higher and higher to You

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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 "Lord, in your mercy" please respond, "hear our prayer." The prayers are ended with these words, "In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord." Please respond, "Amen."

INVITATION TO OFFERING:

Link to give: https://coslutheran.org/give/

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.

Ρ

- **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.
 - 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 see 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."

PASTORAL BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P 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.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P 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.

C Amen.

CLOSING SONG: Desert Song

Verse 1 This is my prayer in the desert When all that's within me feels dry This is my prayer in my hunger and need My God is the God who provides

Verse 2

This is my prayer in the fire In weakness or trial or pain There is a faith proved of more worth than gold So refine me Lord through the flame

Chorus I will bring praise I will bring praise No weapon formed against me shall remain I will rejoice I will declare God is my victory and He is here Verse 3

This is my prayer in the battle When triumph is still on its way I am a conqueror and co-heir with Christ So firm on His promise I'll stand

Bridge

All of my life in ev'ry season You are still God I have a reason to sing I have a reason to worship

Verse 4

This is my prayer in the harvest When favor and providence flow I know I'm filled to be emptied again The seed I've received I will sow

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Christ is with you. Invite all to join in connecting to Jesus' pathway of joy and life.

C Thanks be to God.