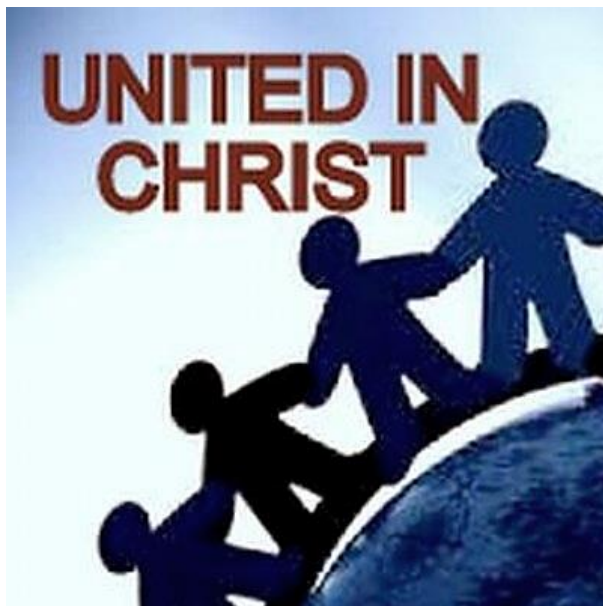


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Welcome!

- All worshipers are asked to sign the Fellowship Cards during the offering. These are located in the card holders in the pew.
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This is Your Life - United

We continue a series on Paul's letter to the Ephesians which focuses on our life in Christ. Having been chosen in Christ, we who believe in Jesus are being built into one holy temple. We are united.

HYMN

Speak, O Savior; I Am Listening – **CW 283**

HOLY BAPTISM (9:30 service)

CW p. 12

Stevie Paschen

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: (spoken) Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

KYRIE



P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: (spoken) Amen.

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and



Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer, re -

ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by your help be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ, you Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (spoken) Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 23:1-6

The Lord our Righteousness

"Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!" declares the Lord. ² Therefore this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says to the shepherds who tend my people: "Because you have scattered my flock and driven them away and have not bestowed care on them, I will bestow punishment on you for the evil you have done," declares the Lord. ³ "I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. ⁴ I will place shepherds over them who will tend them, and they will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing," declares the Lord. ⁵ "The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The Lord Our Righteous Savior.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 23

We find contentment in God

Refrain



The Lord is my shep - herd; there is noth - ing I shall want.

Psalm tone



The LORD is my shepherd,*
I shall not be in want.



He makes me lie down in green pástures;*
he leads me beside quiet wáters.

He rēstores my soul;*
he guides me in paths of righteousness
for his náme's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death, I will fear no évil,*
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they cómfort me.

Refrain

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my énemies.*
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup óverflows.

Surely goodness and love will follow me
all the days óf my life,*
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD fōréver.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Ámen.**

Refrain

SECOND LESSON & SERMON TEXT

Ephesians 2:13-22

Reconciled in Christ

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, ¹⁵ by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. ¹⁷ He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸ For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit. ¹⁹ Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and

strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, ²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. ²² And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

VERSE OF THE DAY *(Isaiah 55:11b)*

P: Alleluia. My Word will not return to me empty,

C: but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. Alleluia.

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 6:30-34

Jesus has compassion for the people



Glo-ry be to you, O Lord! Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. ³¹ Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." ³² So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. ³³ But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.



Praise be to you, O Christ! Praise be to you, O Christ!

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.
 The third day he rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
 From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy Christian Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN

Built on the Rock – **CW 529**

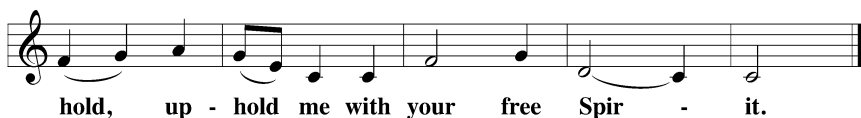
SERMON

Pastor Kenneth Frey

Picture of Peace

CREATE IN ME

Cre - ate in me a
 pure heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with -
 in me. Do not cast me a - way from your
 pres - ence or take your Ho - ly Spir - it from
 me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -



OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

HYMN

In Christ There Is No East or West – **CW 539**

P: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart, that being strengthened and comforted by your Holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (*spoken*) Amen.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: (*spoken*) Amen.

HYMN

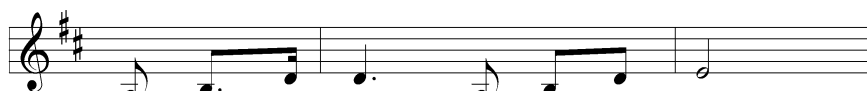
In Christ Alone – CWS 752



1 In Christ a - lone my hope is found.
 2 In Christ a - lone— who took on flesh,
 3 There in the ground his bod - y lay,
 4 No guilt in life, no fear in death,



He is my light, my strength, my song;
 Full - ness of God in help - less babe.
 Light of the world by dark - ness slain;
 This is the pow'r of Christ in me;



This cor - ner - stone, this sol - id ground,
 This gift of love and right - eous - ness,
 Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day
 From life's first cry to fi - nal breath,



Firm through the fierc - est drought and storm.
 Scorned by the ones he came to save.
 Up from the grave he rose a - gain!
 Je - sus com - mands my des - tin - y.



What heights of love, what depths of peace,
 Till on that cross, as Je - sus died,
 And as he stands in vic - tor - y,
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man

When fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease!
The wrath of God was sat - is - fied;
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
Can ev - er pluck me from his hand;

My Com - for - ter, my all in all,
For ev - 'ry sin on him was laid.
For I am his and he is mine—
Till he re - turns or calls me home,

(Fine)

Here in the love of Christ I stand.
Here in the death of Christ I live.
Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

This christological hymn summarizes the sacrificial, earthly life of our Savior and the glory that is now his forever and ours through faith.

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Worship Notes

Presiding Minister: Kenneth Frey
Organist: Stacey Kraus

Service Teams:

8:00 a.m. R. Hoh (Head Usher), G. Petermann, B. Hopfensperger, M./C. Krueger, T. Luehring
9:30 a.m. C. Woehler (Head Usher), T. Falck, A. Ziegler, D. Olson, J. Bork, T. Falck, M. Spaude, D. Falck
6:00 p.m. C. Waack (Head Usher), J. Ings, C. Feidt, P. Rooyakkers, J. Kaepernick