

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
(8:30 AM)
CONTEMPORARY/LIVESTREAM WORSHIP
(10:30 AM)



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 14, 2021

INTRODUCTION

November begins with All Saints Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. It is fitting, then, that the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predictions provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised forgiveness. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.

PRELUDE**WELCOME**

Stand

P This is the day that the Lord has made:

C Let us rejoice and be glad in it. (*Ps 118:24*)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism as the presiding minister begins.

P In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

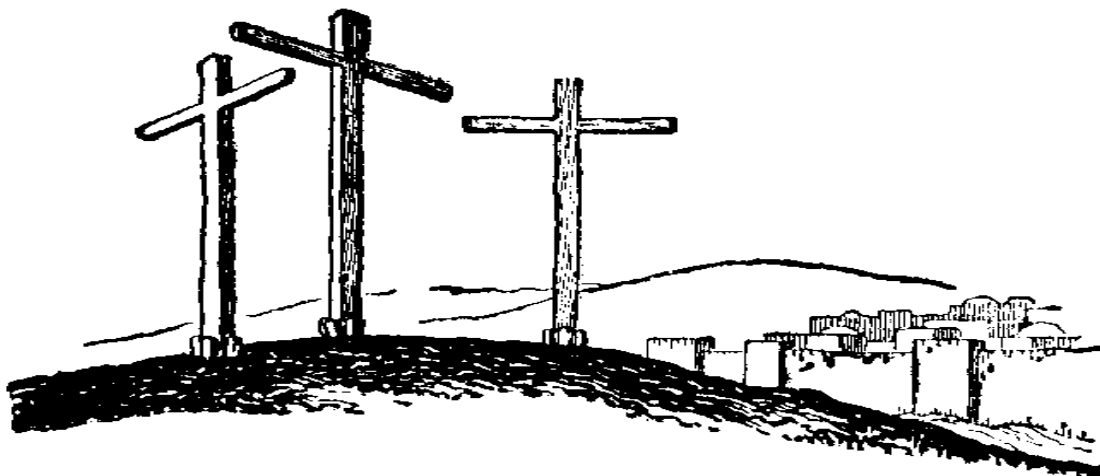
Silence is kept for reflection.

P Have mercy on us, O God.

C We confess that we have sinned against you and against our neighbor. We have built walls instead of tables and have turned away the stranger. We have sought glory for ourselves and have treasured that which does not satisfy. Help us to love as you love, to welcome those you send, and to treasure mercy and justice. Turn us from our ways to your ways, and free us to serve those in need. Amen.

P God, who makes all things new, forgives your sins for † Jesus' sake and remembers them no more. Lift up your heads and your hearts. Yours is the kingdom of God.

C Amen.



GATHERING HYMN (8:30 AM)

MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE



- 1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
- 2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
- 3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,
- 4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream



- Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my
be thou my guide; bid dark - ness turn to day, wipe sor - row's
shall o'er me roll; blest Sav - ior, then, in love fear and dis -



- guilt a - way, oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine!
love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv - ing fire!
tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.
trust re-move; oh, bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808–1887

Music: OLIVET, Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

GATHERING HYMN (10:30 AM)

COME, NOW IS THE TIME TO WORSHIP

Chorus

**Come, now is the time to worship.
Come, now is the time to give your heart.
Come, just as you are to worship.
Come, just as you are before your God.
Come!**

- 2) Someday, ev'ry tongue will confess you are God.
One day, ev'ry knee will bow.
Still, the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose you now.

Chorus

- 1) One day every tongue will confess you are God.
One day every knee will bow.
Still the greatest treasure remains for those
Who gladly choose you now.

- 3) Willingly, we choose to surrender our lives.
Willingly, our knees will bow.
With all our hearts, our minds and strength,
We gladly choose you now.

Chorus

Chorus

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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 Let us pray. Almighty God,

C Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:30 Worship)

PR. SCOT SORENSEN

Children are excused for Sunday School

FIRST READING

DANIEL 12:1-3

The book of Daniel is an example of apocalyptic literature, which is full of strange visions and symbolism. Arising during times of great persecution, apocalyptic literature is concerned with God's revelation about the end time and the coming kingdom of God, when God will vindicate the righteous who have been persecuted.

¹"At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

R Word of God, word of life

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 126

Refrain: sung first by Cantor, then by all

C The Lord has done great things for us, we are filled with gladness and joy. We are filled with gladness and joy.

Verses sung by Cantor

1. When God set the captives of Zion free, we were more like children in a dream.
Then you could hear our laughter and cheers; then you could hear our shouts of joy.
2. They said in amazement to the world, "Indeed, God has done great things for them."
Truly our God has done great things, and so we are glad, we shout for joy.
3. Restore all our fortunes, God of love, like rivers that save the desert lands.
Those who have gone to sow in tears shall go back to reap with shouts of joy.

SECOND READING

HEBREWS 10:11-25

Images of worship and sacrifice are used throughout Hebrews to highlight what Christ has uniquely accomplished through his death. Because we have received forgiveness through Christ's death, we live with sincere hearts by trusting in God's promises and encouraging love and good works from each other.

¹¹Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," ¹³and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." ¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [¹⁵And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

¹⁶“This is the covenant that I will make with them
after those days, says the Lord:
I will put my laws in their hearts,
and I will write them on their minds,”
¹⁷he also adds,
“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”
¹⁸Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

¹⁹Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

R Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

GOSPEL READING

MARK 13:1-8

In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He exhorts the listener: Do not be alarmed.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 13th chapter

C **Glory to You, O Lord**

¹As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” ²Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

P The Gospel of our Lord

C **Praise to You, O Christ**

Sit

SERMON

“WHEN?”

PR. SCOT SORENSEN

Stand

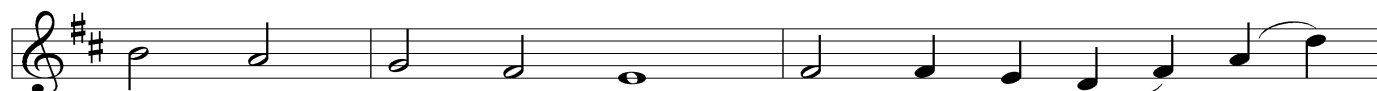


SONG OF THE DAY (8:30 AM)

JESUS SHALL REIGN



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners
 5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring hon - ors pe -



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
 throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -
 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
 cu - liar to our King; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.
 Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

SONG OF THE DAY (10:30 AM)

CORNERSTONE

1) My hope is built on nothing less
 Than Jesus blood and righteousness
 I dare not trust the sweetest frame
 But wholly trust in Jesus name

2) When Darkness seems to hide His face
 I rest on His unchanging grace
 In every high and stormy gale
 My anchor holds within the veil
 My anchor holds within the veil

Chorus:

Christ alone; cornerstone
 Weak made strong; in the Savior's love
 Through the storm, He is Lord
 Lord of all

Chorus

3) When He shall come with trumpet sound,
 Oh, may I then in Him be found;
 Dressed in His righteousness alone,
 Faultless stand before the throne.

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — APOSTLES' CREED

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 into hell.

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 INTERCESSION

Sit

MINISTRY MOMENTS (ANNOUNCEMENTS)

OFFERING *(Please place your offerings in the collection plate located by the doors as you exit)*

SPECIAL MUSIC

WORSHIP TEAM

OFFERING PRAYER

P Holy God, the earth is yours and everything in it, yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures. Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine, and strengthen us to be your body for the world through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

Stand

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 God 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.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise:
beyond the stars; beneath the sea;
within each cell; with every breath.

C We praise you, O God.

P Generations bless your faithfulness:
through the water; by night and day;
across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

C We bless you, O God.

P We give you thanks for your dear Son:
at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer;
beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

C We thank you, O God.

P In the night in which he was betrayed...
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end,
we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

P We pray for the gift of your Spirit:
in our gathering; within this meal;
among your people; throughout the world.
Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus,
by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P A feast of love is offered here for you and for all the saints.

We invite all baptized Christians who desire God's presence and forgiveness in their life to receive Communion. The tray contains your choice of white grape juice in the center or wine. Gluten free wafers are available. Children are encouraged to come forward for a blessing.

If you are worshiping in your homes, you are invited to commune each other, or to take communion yourself. You may use these words:

The body of the Christ, given for you. The blood of the Christ, shed for you.

For those abstaining from communion, I invite you to offer a blessing to each other. Here are two options:

1. *Marking the forehead in the sign of the cross and saying:*
(Name) child of God, know that you are loved and protected by God.

2. *Prayer for those abstaining from Communion:*

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

(St. Alphonsus de Liguori 1696-1787)

COMMUNION HYMN (8:30 AM)

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDEROUS CROSS



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a



prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
trib - ute far too small; love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748

Music: ROCKINGHAM OLD, adapt. Edward Miller, 1731–1807

COMMUNION HYMN (10:30 AM)

LORD, I NEED YOU

- 1) Lord, I come, I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
Without You I fall apart
You're the One that guides my heart

Chorus

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

- 2) Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are, Lord, I am free
Holiness is Christ in me **Chorus**

Bridge

Teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus, You're my hope and stay **Chorus**

Tag

You're my one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in God's grace, now and forever.
C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Blessed Jesus, at this table, you have been for us both host and meal. Now send us forth to extend our tables and to share your gifts until that day when all feast together at your heavenly banquet.
C Amen.

Stand

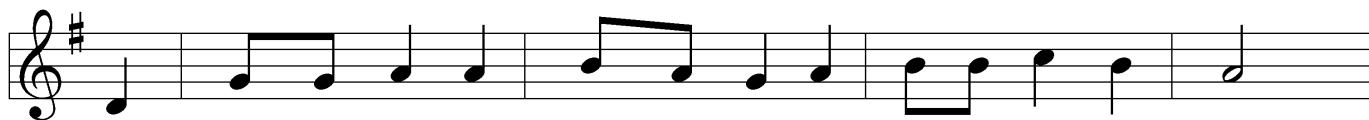
BENEDICTION

P God, the beginning and the end, who has written your name in the book of life, † bless and keep you in grace and peace from this time forth and forevermore.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN (8:30 AM)

OH, FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING



1 Oh, for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great re-deem-er's praise,
2 My gra-cious Mas-ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,
3 The name of Je - sus charms our fears and bids our sor-rows cease,
4 He breaks the pow'r of can - celed sin; he sets the pris-'ner free.
5 To God all glor - y, praise, and love be now and ev - er giv'n



the glo - ries of my God and king, the tri-umphs of his grace!
to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of your name.
sings mu - sic in the sin-ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.
His blood can make the foul - est clean; his blood a - vails for me.
by saints be - low and saints a - bove, the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.

Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829

SENDING HYMN (10:30 AM)

TRADING MY SORROWS

Verse

I'm trading my sorrows,
I'm trading my shame.
I'm laying them down
For the joy of the Lord.
I'm trading my sickness,
I'm trading my pain.
I'm laying it down
For the joy of the Lord.

Bridge —Worship Team (try it if you know it)

I'm pressed but not crushed,
persecuted, not abandoned,
Struck down, but not destroyed.
I am blessed beyond the curse,
for his promise will endure.
That His joy's gonna be my strength
Though the sorrow will last for the night
His joy comes with the morning.

Chorus

We say, "Yes, Lord, Yes, Lord,
Yes, Yes, Lord,
Yes, Lord, Yes, Lord,
Yes, Yes, Lord
Yes, Lord, Yes, Lord,
Yes, Yes, Lord. Amen

Sing Verse and Chorus again

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DISMISSAL

P Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE