

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Lay Lead



Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Welcomes YOU! You are a blessing to us as we come together to worship the LORD.

Holy Communion:

Jesus said of the communion of bread and wine.

"This IS my Body...; This IS my Blood..."

We believe those who receive Holy Communion receive Jesus Christ in His fullness. When we hear those words, we can rest in the fact that Jesus lived for us; he died for us; lives again for us; he heals us; he teaches us; he loves us. Jesus' body and blood (through bread and wine) is a gift for you. This is the Lord's table, and you are welcome to commune with us.

There will be no communion this week.

Welcome Visitors: Thank you for visiting Christ the Good Shepherd. Please stop by the Welcome Desk and to introduce yourself learn more about our church and our ministries.

During Worship:

For the consideration of others, please silence your cell phones and electronic devices.

For your convenience, the nursery is available during worship. Activity bags for your child's use are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

LBW: Lutheran Book of Worship (green)

Bible verses from New Revised Standard Version

WOV: With One Voice (blue)

CGSLC services are on Capital Community Television (CC:TV) **Channel 23**Saturday 3:00 PM - Sunday 8:30 PM - Mondays 9:00 AM - Thursdays 9:00 PM
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Prelude

Gathering

Please check with an usher to record your attendance.

GATHERING SONG

"Lift High the Cross" The Chancel Choir; Broadway Bapt.

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**.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

Amen.

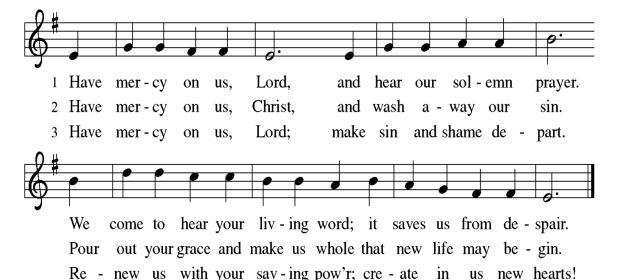
Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does. God of mercy and forgiveness, we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

Amen

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

KYRIE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Word

FIRST READING

A reading from: **Deuteronomy 30:15-20**

¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity.

¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess.

- ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them,
- ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess.
- ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰Ioving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE READING: PSALM 1

- ¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- ²Their delight is in the law of the LORD, and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.
- ³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.
- ⁴It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- ⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- ⁶For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 14:25-33

- ²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them,
- ²⁶"Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple.
- ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.
- ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has

laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.'

- ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand?
- ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

MESSAGE:

Disciple or Christian

Allen G. Parr Jr.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Take My Life"

Kari Jobe

APOSTLE'S CREED

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.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation. We pray for the church around the world and for the mission of the gospel. Refresh the hearts of your people, deepen our understanding of every good thing we share, and strengthen our partnerships in the faith. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

SHARING THE PEACE

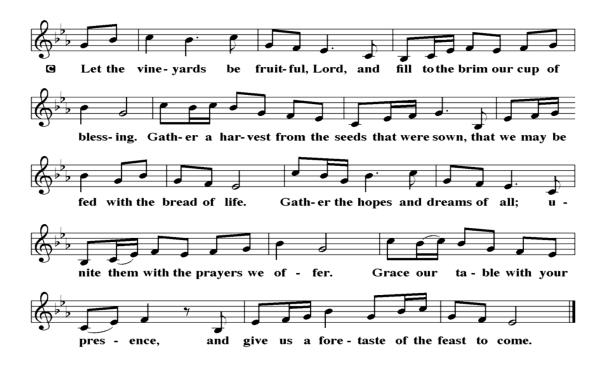
The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

The congregation is invited to share the peace with one another.

OFFERING

Please give online at Tithe.ly or drop your offering in the plates provided.

Contact an usher for assistance.



OFFERING PRAYER

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

Sending

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

Amen.

SENDING SONG "Let us ever walk with Jesus" Heirs of the Reformation

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is With You.

Thanks be to God.

Please join us for fellowship in the Gathering Room.

NOTES

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Upcoming September

- o 4th Lay Lead Service
- o 5th Office Close Labor Day
- 11th Better Together Worship & Conversation @ CGS
- 13th Executive Council Meeting
- 15th Prayer Shawl @12:30pm

Better Together Synod Meeting

- 18th Regular Worship
- o 20th Council Meeting
- 25th Regular Worship



Altar Guild Training

If you are new or returning member
Contact Vicar Sena







CORE Team: Kay Harris

Wendy Johnson

Cindy Spicer

Vicar Sena Norton

Scripture Study

<u>Used to Exclude</u> <u>Used to Welcome</u>

Genesis 1:26-28 Corinthians 12:12-13

Matthew 19:3-6 Matthew 22:34-40

Mark 12:28-34

Please keep an eye out for next steps from your CORE Team