

Worship
Seventeenth Sunday in Pentecost

September 15, 2024
8:30am



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Welcome to Worship

Whether one's feet are big or small, fresh or worn, running or crawling,
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is:
Together on the Journey, Sharing God's Love

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

- P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure,
and whose love is endless.
- C. **Amen.**

SONG *"Come However You Are"*

To anyone walking down a hard road, worn out with blisters on your feet. To anyone with a heart that's shattered doing your best to hold it together, with no prayer to pray and no song left to sing. Whatever pain you're dealing with, let me offer this:

Chorus: **Come however you are. Come with all your heartbreaks. Come with all the mistakes you've made. Lay them down at the cross. Give them to the God who loves you. Hurt, scarred, falling apart, come however you are.**

To the girl who never had a father, to the guy who thinks he'll never amount to much of anything. To those of us who feel unwanted, unneeded, unloved and desperately incomplete: *Chorus*

Come with your regrets, come with the things you can't change, come with all your fears and all your shame with everything, come with the pieces of your bruised and broken heart. Don't wait; don't wait. Whatever pain you're dealing with let me offer this: *Chorus*

Come however you, come however you are. Come however you, come however you are. Come however you, come however you are. Come however you are.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P. Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C. **Amen.**

P. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. Therefore, let us confess our sins, for God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for Reflection

- L. Most merciful God,
- C. **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole hearts; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**
- P. Almighty God, in His mercy, forgives us all our sins, pointing us to new life in Christ. Rejoice in this Good News!
- C. **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE *"God, Your Blessings Overflow" -to the tune of For the Beauty of the Earth"*
God, your blessings overflow! What can we begin to say? How can we begin to show all our gratitude this day? God, we join to worship you, giving thanks for all you do.

BLESSING OF ELCA WORLD HUNGER DRIVE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- L. 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.**
- L. Let us pray together,
- C. **O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

(Those who are able, please stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

BIBLE READING Mark 8:27-38

Jesus and his disciples went into the villages near Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" They told him, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, and still others one of the prophets." He asked them, "And what about you? Who do you say that I am?" Peter answered, "You are the Christ." ³⁰ Jesus ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then Jesus began to teach his disciples: "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests, and the legal experts, and be killed, and then, after three days, rise from the dead." He said this plainly. But Peter took hold of Jesus and, scolding him, began to correct him. Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, then sternly corrected Peter: "Get behind me, Satan. You are not thinking God's thoughts but human thoughts."

After calling the crowd together with his disciples, Jesus said to them, "All who want to come after me must say no to themselves, take up their cross, and follow me. All who want to save their lives will lose them. But all who lose their lives because of me and because of the good news will save them. Why would people gain the whole world but lose their lives? What will people give in exchange for their lives?"

Whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this unfaithful and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of that person when he comes in the Father's glory with the holy angels."

The Word of the Lord

C. Thanks be to God

MESSAGE

Pastor Karri Anderson

SONG

"Everlasting God"

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord. We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord. Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord. We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord.

Our God, You reign forever, our hope our strong deliver. You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God. You do not faint, You won't grow weary.

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Instrumental

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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 PEOPLE

The following is said after each prayer petition

L. Lord in your mercy

C. Hear our prayer

OFFERING RECEIVED *"Come As You Are"*

(Those who are able, please stand)

OFFERTORY SONG *"We Give Thee But Thine Own"*

**We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

OFFERING PRAYER

God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

SONG *"I Will Carry You"*

I know you're tired, I see it in your eyes. All that anxiety that rules your mind. I'll be your shield when you don't feel like you've got strength enough to fight. I'll stand by your side.

Chorus: **I will carry you through your darkest night when you're terrified. I will carry you when the waters rise, and your hope runs dry. I will carry you. I will carry you.**

You are not the sum of your mistakes. You don't have to hide the parts of you that ache. I choose you as you are a million times. 'Cause I am not ashamed of you, I won't walk away from you. *Chorus*

Up and over the mountain, valley deep as the ocean. When you can't keep going, I will shoulder your burdens. *Repeat. Chorus x2*

SONG *"Good, Good Father"*

I've heard a thousand stories of what they think You're like, but I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night. You tell me that You're pleased and that I'm never alone.

Chorus: **You're a good, good Father. It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are. And I'm loved by You. It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am.**

I've seen many searching for answers far and wide, but I know we're all searching for answers only You provide. Because You know just what we need before we say a word. *Chorus*

You are perfect in all of Your ways. You are perfect in all of Your ways. You are perfect in all of Your ways to us. *Repeat.*

Instrumental

Love so undeniable, I can hardly speak. Peace so unexplainable, I can hardly think. As You call me deeper still, as You call me deeper still, as You call me deeper still into love, love, love. *Chorus x2*

COMMUNION BLESSING

COMMUNION PRAYER

Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

BLESSING

L. May the Father, Son and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

C. Amen.

SONG

"I Believe"

I believe there is one salvation, one doorway that leads to life, one redemption, one confession. I believe in the name of Jesus Christ.

I believe in the crucifixion. By his blood, I have been set free. I believe in the resurrection. Hallelujah, his life is death's defeat.

All praise to God, the Father, all praise to Christ, the Son. All praise to the Holy Spirit, our God has overcome. The King who was and is and evermore will be. In Jesus' mighty name, I believe.

Turnaround

I believe in the hope of heaven. He's preparing a place for me far beyond what hearts imagine, ears have heard, or eyes have seen.

I believe that day is coming, He's returning to claim His bride. Light the altar, keep it burning, see the Lamb who rose a roaring Lion.

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Instrumental

No, I'll never be ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ. How could I ever walk away from the one who saved my life. *Repeat x2*

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DISMISSAL

L. Let us go forth, Together on the Journey

C. Sharing God's Love!

POSTLUDE

This Week Please Pray For:

Members:

Don Burgess, transitional care, long recovery

Joyce Vogt, home therapy

Becki Silk, recovering from surgery

Anne Kelly, cancer treatment, daughter of Chris and Lorrie Kelly

Dean Wiseth, stroke, recovering at home

Kerry Bieze, hospitalized

Jennifer Becker, grieving the loss of her friend, Anne Marie Holmgren

Friend and Family of Members:

Nancy Kopet, cancer, daughter-in-law Ardis & Lyle Pieper

Bob Pieper, cancer, son Ardis & Lyle Pieper

Jordan and baby Rya, niece of Kris Johnson

Loree, cancer