

# Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church

A Christian community sharing God's love with the world



Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
October 16, 2022  
9:00 a.m.



*Pray always. Do not lose heart. This is Christ's encouragement in the gospel today. Wrestle with the word. Remember your baptism again and again. Come regularly to Christ's table. Persistence in our every encounter with the divine will be blessed.*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

*Jesus, Lord, We Look to Thee*

Arr. Cindy Berry

*Please stand*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

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

**C** **Amen.**

**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.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P** 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 heart; 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, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## OPENING HYMN

### *O Word of God Incarnate*



1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,  
2 The church from you, dear Mas - ter, re - ceived the gift di - vine;  
3 Oh, make your church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of bur - nished gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:  
and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.  
to bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old;



we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,  
It is the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through,  
oh, teach your wand - ring pil - grims by this their path to trace,



a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.  
mid mists and rocks and quick - sands still guides, O Christ, to you.  
till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see you face to face.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: MUNICH, *Neuermehrtes Gesangbuch*, Meiningen, 1693

## 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.

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries.  
Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for  
all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

*Please sit*

## THE LESSONS

### L **FIRST READING: Genesis 32:22-31**

<sup>22</sup>The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup>He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. <sup>24</sup>Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. <sup>25</sup>When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. <sup>26</sup>Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." <sup>27</sup>So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." <sup>28</sup>Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." <sup>29</sup>Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup>So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." <sup>31</sup>The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

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

### PSALM: Psalm 121

<sup>1</sup>I lift up my eyes | to the hills;  
from where is my | help to come?  
<sup>2</sup>**My help comes | from the LORD,**  
**the maker of heav- | en and earth.**  
<sup>3</sup>The LORD will not let your | foot be moved  
nor will the one who watches over you | fall asleep.  
<sup>4</sup>**Behold, the keep- | er of Israel**  
**will neither slum- | ber nor sleep;**  
<sup>5</sup>the LORD watches | over you;  
the LORD is your shade at | your right hand;  
<sup>6</sup>**the sun will not strike | you by day,**  
**nor the | moon by night.**  
<sup>7</sup>The LORD will preserve you | from all evil  
and will | keep your life.  
<sup>8</sup>**The LORD will watch over your going out and your | coming in,**  
**from this time forth for- | evermore.**

### L **SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 3:14--4:5**

<sup>14</sup>But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, <sup>15</sup>and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup>All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

<sup>4:1</sup>In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: <sup>2</sup>proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. <sup>3</sup>For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, <sup>4</sup>and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. <sup>5</sup>As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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

*Please stand*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P The Gospel according to Luke.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

### GOSPEL: Luke 18:1-8

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. <sup>3</sup>In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please sit*

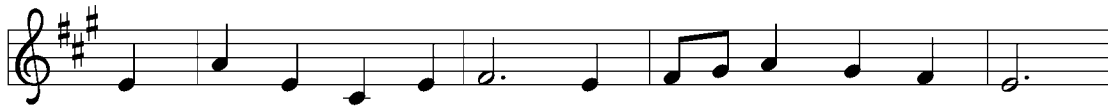
## SERMON

*Pr. Phil Vickers*

*Please stand*

HYMN OF THE DAY

*Rise Up, O Saints of God*



1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;  
 2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulfs earth's frame;  
 3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;  
 4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;  
 5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;



Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.  
 as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.  
 re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.  
 stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.  
 and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

Text: Norman O. Furness, b. 1936  
 Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825-1893  
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A With the whole church, we confess our 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

A In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

For all the baptized, that they become skilled in compassion and grace and equipped to share the good news with all. Grant your followers persistence in proclamation and prayer. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

For air and sky, clouds and sun, that they provide rain to parched land and relief to flooded ground. Renew and restore our polluted atmosphere and empower us to be worthy stewards of creation. Give clean water to those that thirst and bless the work of Water to Thrive. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

For judges, juries, and all who work in the judicial system, that they desire wisdom, seek truth, rule with fairness, and have the courage to do what is right. Eliminate oppression and injustice in our criminal justice system. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

For all who are lonely, especially those who have newly arrived in an unfamiliar city or country, political prisoners without recourse to justice, hospital patients without visitors, and any who are ill or grief-stricken. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

For those in our congregation and community engaged in advocacy work, that with the persistence of the widow, they lift their voices in seeking justice on behalf of others. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

For those who have taught us faith and now rest in your heavenly peace, that we remember and give thanks for these saints who shared the gospel through word and deed. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

P With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

*Please sit*

## CHOIR ANTHEM

*As the Deer*

*based on Psalm 42*

*written by Martin Nystrom*

## OFFERING

*Please stand*



## OFFERING HYMN

### *Give Thanks*

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,  
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.  
Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,  
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.  
And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am  
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And  
now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am  
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

Text: Henry Smith

Music: GIVE THANKS. Henry Smith

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## OFFERING PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C **God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has two measures.

## PREFACE

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;  
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 and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G minor (two flats) and 4/4 time. The melody is more complex than the 'Great Thanksgiving' hymn, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has two measures.

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**P** Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,  
who preached good news to the poor,  
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,  
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,  
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

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

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**C** **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.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**P** Taste and see that the Lord is good.

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

*Please sit*

## AGNUS DEI



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



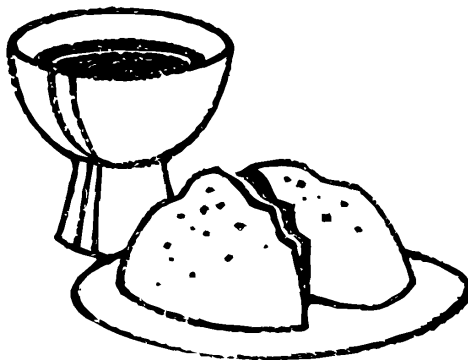
you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

**At Shepherd of the Lake, all who believe are welcomed to the Lord's table.**

*The usher will direct you at the appropriate time to come forward to the altar and receive communion. You may also remain in your seat and commune using the all-in-one cups available in the narthex. After consuming the wafer offered by the pastor, you may choose from either the wine or white grape juice offered by the assisting minister. The white grape juice will be at the center of the tray. A communion assistant will collect your empty cups.*

*Please feel free to commune with unhurried reverence for the sacrament. If you are unable to come forward to commune, please alert an usher and the sacrament will be brought to you.*



**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

*Day by Day*



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort  
 2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and  
 3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you send me  
 wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me  
 grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all  
 o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil  
 when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,  
 of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,  
 what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,



lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.  
 help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.  
 with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Robert Leaf, 1936–2005  
 Music: BLOTT EN DAG, Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813–1882  
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*Please stand*

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you  
 in his grace.

**C** **Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.

C **O God, our life, our strength, our food,  
we give you thanks for sustaining us  
with the body and blood of your Son.  
By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world,  
that more and more we will give you praise  
and serve your earth and its many peoples,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## BLESSING

P Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

## SENDING HYMN

### *If You But Trust in God to Guide You*



1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle  
2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less  
3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and  
4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -  
an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's  
qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -  
ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in  
keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who  
fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has  
serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.  
took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.  
cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.  
con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

Text: Georg Neumark, 1621–1681; tr. composite  
Music: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT, Georg Neumark  
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**DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C **Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

*All are  
welcome*



**Next Sunday, October 23, 2pm  
Pastor Phillip Vickers  
Installation as Pastor at So+L**

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## Hurricane Ian - 9/29/2022 update

As morning dawns, we see the destruction left from Hurricane Ian and recognize the long road ahead for recovery for our neighbors in Florida. Due to Hurricane Ian's shift to the east, we are cautiously optimistic that the Georgia coast will not see the major impact we feared. We continue to watch as Ian's path can change again. This hurricane is not over, and the Georgia coast is still under tropical storm warnings. If we determine we have need for a response in Georgia we will provide information about how you can help. What is present before us now is the care needed for our siblings in Florida.

Please give generously.

Here is a way to give to hurricane relief directly to the Florida – Bahama Synod:

[Florida-Bahamas Disaster Response →](#)

You may also give directly to Lutheran Disaster Response for Hurricane Ian, here:

[Lutheran Disaster Response →](#)

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*Gracious God, hold all who suffer and grieve this day in your tender compassion and love. Give them strength and protection for today and the days ahead, Lord in your mercy.....*

God's peace,

Pastor Morgan Gordy, Assistant to the Bishop for Disaster Ministry