



TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 18, 2020
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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PRELUDE

IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

BURKHARDT

RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Sponsors present the candidate:

I present Emerson Atlas Kemp for baptism.

The presiding minister addresses parents:

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Emerson baptized into Christ?

Response: I do.

As you bring Emerson to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with him among God's faithful people,
bring him to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in his hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture him in faith and prayer,
so that he may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Emerson grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response: I do.

The presiding minister addresses the sponsors:

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Emerson in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response: I do.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly:

People of God, do you promise to support Emerson and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

We do.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

BAPTISM

Emerson Atlas Kemp, I baptize you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The assembly may respond with this acclamation.

**You belong to Christ,
in whom you have been baptized.**

Alleluia.

Clothed with Christ in baptism, the newly baptized may receive a baptismal garment.

The presiding minister continues:

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons
new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Emerson with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit
of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your
presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

*The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of the newly baptized. As the sign of the cross
is made, the minister says:*

Emerson Atlas Kemp, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the
cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

WELCOME

*A lighted candle may be given to the newly baptized (to a sponsor of a young child) as a representative of the
congregation says:*

Let your light so shine before others
that they may see your good works
and glorify your Father in heaven.

A representative of the congregation leads the assembly in the welcome.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:
join us in giving thanks and praise to God
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

GATHERING HYMN 733

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail
not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

2 Summer and winter and springtime and
harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Refrain

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy
faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Refrain

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.
Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for
you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

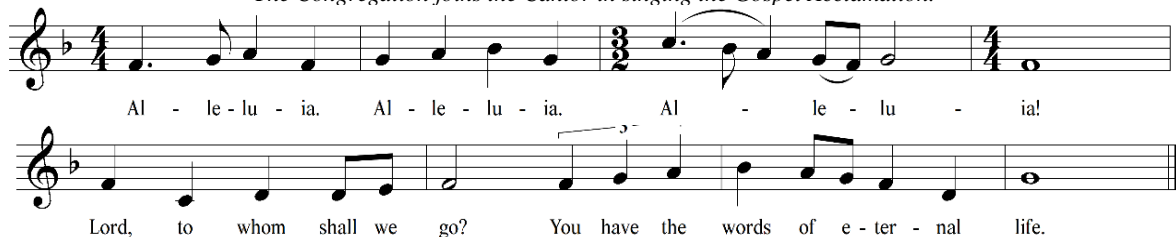
FIRST READING

ISAIAH 45:1-7

A reading from Isaiah.
¹Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations
before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him—and the gates shall not be closed:
²I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut
through the bars of iron, ³I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places,
so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. ⁴For the
sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you
do not know me. ⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you,
though you do not know me, ⁶so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west,
that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. ⁷I form light and create
darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the LORD do all these things.
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Congregation joins the Cantor in singing the Gospel Acclamation.



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia!
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

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GOSPEL

MATTHEW 22:15-22

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” ²¹They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S TIME

PASTOR ANDREW ISENHOWER


SERMON

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HYMN OF THE DAY 474

BREAD OF LIFE FROM HEAVEN

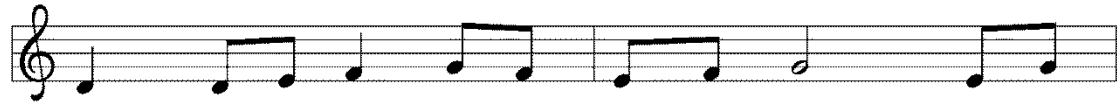
Refrain



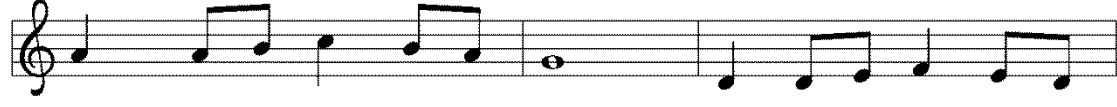
Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv - en, we



eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.




1 Break now the bread of Christ’s sac - ri - fice; giv - ing
 2 Seek not the food that will pass a - way; set your
 3 Love as the one who, in love for you, gave him -



thanks, hun - gry ones, gath - er round. Eat, all of you, and be
 hearts on the food that en - dures. Come, learn the true and the
 self for the life of the world. Come to the one who is

Refrain



sat - is - fied; in Christ’s pres - ence the loaves will a - bound.
 liv - ing way, that the full - ness of life may be yours.
 food for you, that your hun - ger and thirst be no more.

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

The congregation responds to each petition with "hear our prayer."

Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The congregation is invited to share the peace either by waving to your car neighbors or by taking this time to quickly send a text message offering God's peace.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

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:

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, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The Pastor will provide an invitation for those communing to eat the bread, with these words:

Take and eat. This is the body of Christ given for you.
Amen.

Afterwards, the Pastor will also provide the invitation to drink the juice.

Take and drink. This is the blood of Christ shed for you.
Amen.

BLESSING OF THE COMMUNICANTS

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

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

SENDING HYMN 834

IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

- 1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of
Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we
praise!
- 2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in
might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring
above
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness
and love.

- 3 To all, life thou givest, to both great and
small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish like leaves on the
tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changeth
thee.
- 4 Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in
light;
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their
sight;
all laud we would render; oh, help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

CHERWIEN

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LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

- Colonial Gardens Nursing Home** – Irene S. Poole
- Lowman Home** – Rosemarie Brown, Marianne De Werdt, Martha Haigler
- NHC Parklane** – Mary Allen, Becky Silvia
- The Palmettos** – Sara Loyd
- Rice Estate** – Grace Boozer
- Wellmore of Lexington** – Dot Correll, Bev Weymouth
- Wildewood Downs** – Joanna Carpenter, Dot Gibert
- At their homes** – Larry Evans, Curtis Easter

OCTOBER 11, 2020 ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

Drive-In Worship Service: **65**

***Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Collections needed: \$8,825**

***Current Expenses & Benevolences Received: \$7,420**

OTHER MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS

Food Pantry	\$80	Memorial Fund	\$345
Social Ministry Focus – Big Red Barn	\$50	Day School for Utilities	\$150
Social Ministry Focus – Lutheran Disaster Response	\$300	Office Window Replacement Fund	\$50
Capital Improvements Fund	\$200		

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Bettie Stroud to the Glory of God and in memory her mother Clara Dennis Godfrey.

HOLY BAPTISM - We welcome today at the 9:30 a.m. worship service our newest member, Emerson Atlas Kemp, by infant baptism. Emerson Atlas is the son of Eric and Amy Kemp. His sponsors are Amanda and Wes Snodgrass.

CONGREGATIONAL SYMPATHY is extended to the family of Wilhelmina Edwards upon her death on Thursday, October 8, 2020. Mrs. Edwards was a Charter Member of Good Shepherd.

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18 – If you bring food for Food Pantry Sunday, place all items in a plastic grocery bag and hand it out your window to an assistant (who will be gloved and masked) **on the way in the parking lot**. No loose items and no personal contact, please! Food can also be brought at any time and put in the bins located in the area in front of the Chapel.

2021 COUNCIL NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR – Nominations from the floor for the 2021 Council are now open. If you wish to nominate someone, please first obtain their permission. Second, please email any nomination to Anna-Marie Plyler at amplyler@sc.rr.com before October 21. Nominations will be closed October 21 at noon. The nominations will then be presented to council. See the email sent on October 14 for more information. For any questions, please contact Ed Beaman at ed.beaman@scav.com or 803-261-0188.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY – Meet in the FAB on Tuesday mornings at 11:30 a.m. for a Bible Study. *Masks and social distancing required. See email from 10-1-2020 for more details.*

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY will be led by Pastor Andrew each Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. A reminder with a meeting link will be sent by email each week.

GSLC GRANT APPLICATION DEADLINE – The deadline for applications for GSLC foundation grants are due by November 1. Applications are available on the church website or in the church office.

TRUNK-OR-TREAT – join us for the annual Truck-or-Treat in the FAB parking lot on Sunday, October 25 at 4:00 p.m.

SOCIAL MINISTRY OCTOBER EMPHASIS - Lutheran Disaster Response, a ministry of the ELCA. Money collected will be designated for relief for victims of West Coast fires and Gulf Coast hurricanes. LDR has long been considered one of the best and most cost-effective disaster relief organizations in the country. Representatives of LDR work with local communities to provide immediate as well as long-term aid to disaster victims. All money collected goes directly to provide relief for the disaster victims. Contributions may be sent to or dropped off at the church office any time during the month. Checks should be made to Good Shepherd and designated for “Lutheran Disaster Response.”