



Husbands,
love your wives,
as Christ
loved the church
and gave himself
up for her.

EPHESIANS 5:25, ESV



✝ **Sunday, August 25, 2024** ✝
✝ **Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost** ✝
✝ **Praise Service – 10:30 am** ✝

Welcome in Jesus' Name

May God richly bless you as you worship Him. If you are a guest with us, we want you to feel welcome; you honor us with your presence, and we are glad to have you here. Please fill out the Attendance Registration located in your bulletin. Prayer requests can also be made on the same insert. If you have a specific prayer request that you would like the Pastor to pray for during the Prayers of the Church, please fill out the bulletin insert and give it to an usher, who will then deliver it to the Pastor.

Holy Communion

We celebrate the Lord's Supper as part of our worship service, on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month during the 8:30am service and the 2nd & 4th Sunday during the 10:30am service.

We invite those who share our confession of faith, namely, that Jesus is truly present in, with & under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation to commune with us. Those who share a different confession or have not yet been instructed in the Lord's

Supper are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing. We offer individual cups. The light-colored cups in the center are grape juice instead of wine. Pastor will be available prior to the worship service to answer any questions about Holy Communion.

To Our Guests

We often have guests in worship from all over the world. Please introduce yourself to Pastor or a Greeter before or after the worship service.

Restrooms

Restrooms and changing tables are located out the back of the sanctuary and down the hallway.

Out of respect for your fellow worshippers & those who have diligently prepared for this worship service, we ask that you **silence your cell phones** & keep conversation to a minimum prior to the service.

Large Print Bulletin: If you desire a sight-saving bulletin, please ask an usher.

Flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Roberta Murphy in honor of Michael's birthday.

Prelude by Mark and Phil

Welcome and Announcements

Please Stand

Opening Song

Cornerstone

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

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

(Chorus)

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

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Redeemed to stand before His throne!

(Chorus-2x)

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Responsive Reading

Psalm 14

- P** The fool says in his heart, “There is no God.” They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds; there is none who does good.
- C** **The Lord looks down from heaven on the children of man, to see if there are any who understand, who seek after God.**
- P** They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt; there is none who does good, not even one.
- C** **Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread and do not call upon the Lord?**
- P** There they are in great terror, for God is with the generation of the righteous.
- C** **You would shame the plans of the poor, but the Lord is his refuge.**
- P** Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion! When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.

Confession

- P** *What is Confession?*
- C** **Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.**
- P** *What sins should we confess?*
- C** **Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord’s Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we know and feel in our hearts.**
- P** *Where is this written?*
- C** **This is what St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.” (John 20:22–23)**

- P** *What do you believe according to these words?*
- C** **I believe that when the called ministers of Christ deal with us by His divine command, in particular when they exclude openly unrepentant sinners from the Christian congregation and absolve those who repent of their sins and want to do better, this is just as valid and certain, even in heaven, as if Christ our dear Lord dealt with us Himself.**

We pause for a moment of self-reflection as we prepare to confess our sins.

Confession of Sins

- P** Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!
- C** **If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.**
- P** Therefore, let us confess our sins to God our heavenly Father:
- C** **O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- P** What joy, what celebration! Our sins are forgiven. They are forgiven through Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection. Therefore, go forth knowing that through Christ your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**

- P** Let us pray.
Almighty and merciful God, defend Your Church from all false teaching and error that Your faithful people may confess You to be the only true God and rejoice in Your good gifts of life and salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Song of Praise

Holiness

Holiness, holiness is what I long for
Holiness, holiness is what I need
Holiness, holiness is what You want from me

(Chorus)

So take my heart, and form it
Take my mind, transform it
Take my will, conform it
To Yours, to Yours, O Lord

Faithfulness, faithfulness is what I long for
Faithfulness is what I need
Faithfulness, faithfulness is what You want from me

(Chorus)

Please be seated

Old Testament

Isaiah 29:11-19

- A** What does God expect? Words spoken or hearts that truly believe? Isaiah was sent to the people to express God's conditions. Here Isaiah shares the word of God and the outcome for their failure to do more than just speak the words. The Old Testament lesson is from Isaiah chapter 29:

¹¹The vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, “Read this,” he says, “I cannot, for it is sealed.” ¹²And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, “Read this,” he says, “I cannot read.”

¹³And the Lord said:

“Because this people draw near with their mouth
and honor me with their lips,
while their hearts are far from me,
and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men,

¹⁴therefore, behold, I will again
do wonderful things with this people,
with wonder upon wonder;
and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish,
and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden.”

¹⁵Ah, you who hide deep from the LORD your counsel,
whose deeds are in the dark,
and who say, “Who sees us? Who knows us?”

¹⁶You turn things upside down!
Shall the potter be regarded as the clay,
that the thing made should say of its maker,
“He did not make me”;
or the thing formed say of him who formed it,
“He has no understanding”?

¹⁷Is it not yet a very little while
until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?

¹⁸In that day the deaf shall hear
the words of a book,
and out of their gloom and darkness
the eyes of the blind shall see.

¹⁹The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD,
and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Ephesians 5:21-33

A Submit out of reverence for Christ. This is not just some saying in the Bible, it is an expectation. To truly live, we must first submit to Christ. Then we truly understand love and respect, and how to treat others, especially our spouse. The Epistle lesson is from Ephesians chapter 5:

²¹submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

²²Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

²⁵Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. ²⁸In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰because we are members of his body. ³¹“Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” ³²This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Holy Gospel

Mark 7:1-13

P You have to give the Pharisees credit. At least they are not afraid to be wrong in front of Jesus. Here Jesus corrects their traditions, because it is not man made traditions that we must follow, but the Word of God. The Holy Gospel this morning is from Mark chapter 7:

¹When the Pharisees gathered to [Jesus], with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, ²they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. ³(For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands, holding to the tradition of the elders, ⁴and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.) ⁵And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” ⁶And he said to them, “Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written,

“This people honors me with their lips,
but their heart is far from me;
⁷in vain do they worship me,
teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.”

⁸You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men.”

⁹And he said to them, “You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! ¹⁰For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ ¹¹But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban’ (that is, given to God)— ¹²then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, ¹³thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

Please be seated

Sermon Song

Lord Help Me Out

Finding a place where my heart can be
I want to live so happily

(Chorus)

So Lord help me out,
I've been wandering all over town
I want to know what's wrong with my heart

Lord, you are my strength
Oh Lord, you are my rock and my Savior,
I love you Lord.

Lord, help me out, I need a place to stay
'Cause I've been wandering all night and day.

So please help me out
'Cause I know you've got a plan
You know what I need and wherever I stand.

(Chorus)

(This song was written by Ava and Elle McGuire)

Sermon

living defiled

Offering

Please stand

Offertory -

Be Glorified

In my life Lord, be glorified, be glorified!
In my life Lord, be glorified today.

In Your church Lord, be glorified, be glorified!
In Your church Lord, be glorified today.

Versicles

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- P** Hear my prayer, O Lord;
C **let my cry come to You.**
P In the day of my trouble I call upon You,
C **for You answer me.**
P Hide Your face from my sins,
C **and blot out all my iniquities.**
P Create in me a clean heart, O God,
C **and renew a right spirit within me.**
P Cast me not away from Your presence,

- C** and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.
- P** Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
- C** and uphold me with a willing spirit.
- P** Because Your steadfast love is better than life,
- C** my lips will praise You.
- P** For You have been my help,
- C** and in the shadow of Your wings I will sing for joy.
- P** Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth;
- C** unite my heart to fear Your name.
- P** I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
- C** and I will glorify Your name forever.
- P** May all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You.
- C** May those who love Your salvation say evermore, “God is great!”
- P** Save Your people and bless Your heritage!
- C** Be their shepherd and carry them forever.
- P** Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;
- C** listen to my plea for grace.

Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Almighty God, to whom all hearts are known, grant us a true faith, that we would honor You not only with our lips, but serve You faithfully with all our heart, mind and strength. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.
- P** Almighty God, You call men into the Office of the Ministry to be shepherds to Your sheep. Grant Your wisdom to those who guide Your Church, especially our Synod and District leadership, all of our pastors, and all servants of the Church. Keep them steadfast in the faith, so that they do not set forth as divine truth those things that are only human tradition, but rather teach Your Word with honesty and clarity. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.

- P** Almighty God, preserve us from rejecting Your commandments for the doctrines of men. By Your Spirit's aid, lead all Christians to keep Your commandments in thought, word and deed, honoring You in all that we do. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Almighty God, preserve Your estate of marriage. Grant that wives would submit to their husbands as to the Lord, and that husbands would love their wives as Christ loved the Church and gave Himself up for her. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Almighty God, grant wisdom, discernment, and hearts set on peace to the leaders of our nation and throughout the world, that they will always work to serve others before self, putting aside their selfish interests to build peaceful nations that prosper in You. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Almighty God, in His earthly ministry Your Son healed the sick and comforted the hurting. Grant healing and peace to those taking treatments, to the ill or injured, to the lonely and the imprisoned, *and to all in need of our prayers*, that in meekness each hurting heart would obtain fresh joy in Your Son and exult in You. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Into Your hands, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

Prayer

P Let us pray together:

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

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.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Song

Lord I Lift Your Name

Lord, I lift Your name on high
Lord, I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord, I lift Your name on high

(Repeat all)

The Dismissal

P Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude by Mark and Phil

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Opportunities at Shepherd of the Coast

✠8:30 am – A traditional worship service in the classic Lutheran liturgical style.

✠9:30 am – Adult Bible Study

✠10:30 am – Praise Service – A contemporary worship service that is geared to families with young children.

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