

Welcome to Chapel of the Cross - Lutheran!

The Mission of Chapel of the Cross

Chapel of the Cross - Lutheran exists to show the love of Jesus to the people of North County and beyond so that all may have a living relationship with Christ.

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 17 & 18, 2021 5:00 p.m. & 8:30 a.m.

AS WE GATHER

We enjoy lives of liberty and freedom — freedom especially from any oppressive or tyrannic political government. Spiritually, however, we are not free, but slaves to sin and death. Spiritually, we need a deliverer, a Savior, a benevolent king. Paul reminds us of how, because of sin, being apart from God we had no hope. But he points us to Christ Jesus, who came to bring us near to the one hope of salvation by His blood. Jesus is the saving King who takes away your sin and delivers you through death. The Shepherd's compassion is for all and is for you. The title "King" was placed above His head on the cross. Now by His victory, all earthly sovereigns cast their crowns before Him. Receive His compassionate rule today as He brings us near to Himself by His Word and Sacraments and calls you blessed.

PRELUDE

"Prelude in Classic Style"

Gordon Young

WELCOME

✤ PREPARATION ♣

Please stand

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OPENING HYMN

909 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

1 Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ, our head and cornerstone, Chosen of the Lord and precious, Binding all the Church in one; Holy Zion's help forever And our confidence alone.

To this temple, where we call You, Come, O Lord of hosts, and stay; Come with all Your loving-kindness, Hear Your people as they pray; And Your fullest benediction Shed within these walls today.

Grant, we pray, to all Your faithful All the gifts they ask to gain; What they gain from You, forever With the blessèd to retain; And hereafter in Your glory Evermore with You to reign.

4 Praise and honor to the Father, Praise and honor to the Son, Praise and honor to the Spirit, Ever three and ever one: One in might and one in glory While unending ages run!

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INVOCATION AND PSALM

Pastor: People:	In the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
Pastor:	The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
People:	He maketh me to lie down in green pastures. He leadeth me besides the still waters. He restoreth my soul.
Pastor:	He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
People:	Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.
Pastor:	Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
People:	Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

to Yourself.

Pastor:	ike sheep without a			
	shepherd.	<i>Mark</i> 6:34		
People:	We all like sheep have gone astray, and the Lord h	We all like sheep have gone astray, and the Lord has laid on Him the		
	iniquity of us all.	Isaiah 53:6		
Pastor:	Let us confess our sins to God.			
	(silence for reflection)			
Pastor:	Jesus, our Good Shepherd.			
People:	we confess that we are sinful from birth, lost sheep who wander far			
•	from You. We have sinned by thinking wayward thoughts, by speaking			
	hurtful words, by doing deeds that disobey Your loving commands.			
	Forgive us, Lord Jesus, through Your most precious blood. Reconcile us			

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Pastor: Jesus, our Good Shepherd, laid down His life for us, His sheep. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, I announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. Thanks be to God!

HYMN OF PRAISE

	946	Glory to God, We Give You Thanks and Praise
1		Glory to God, we give You thanks and praise; Of heav'nly joy and earthly peace we sing.
	1	We worship You, to You our hearts we raise,
		Lord God, almighty Father, heav'nly King.
2]	Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
		You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
	(O Lamb of God, Your glorious vict'ry won,
		Receive our prayer, grant us Your peace within.
3		Alone, O Christ, You only are the Lord,
		At God's right hand in majesty most high:
		Who with the Spirit worshiped and adored,
		With all the heav'nly host we glorify.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: People:	The Lord be with you. And also with you.
Pastor:	Let us pray.
	Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
People:	Amen.

🕸 WORD 🕸

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 23:1-6

(The righteous Branch)

¹ "Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD. ² Therefore this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says to the shepherds who tend my people: "Because you have scattered my flock and driven them away and have not bestowed care on them, I will bestow punishment on you for the evil you have done," declares the LORD. ³ "I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. ⁴ I will place shepherds over them who will tend them, and they will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing," declares the LORD.

⁵ "The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will raise up to David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The LORD Our Righteousness.

Pastor:This is the Word of the Lord.People:Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY

"Psalm 23: Shepherd Me, O God"

Marty Haugen

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, Beyond my fears, from death into life.

1 God is my Shepherd, so nothing shall I want, I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love, I walk by the quiet waters of peace.

Refrain (sung by all):

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, Beyond my fears, from death into life.

- 2 Gently You raise me and heal my weary soul, You lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth, My spirit shall sing the music of Your name. (Refrain)
- 3 Though I should wander the valley of death, I fear no evil, for You are at my side, Your rod and Your staff, my comfort and my hope. (Refrain)
- You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred, Crowning me with love beyond my power to hold. (Refrain)
- 5 Surely Your kindness and mercy follow me
 all the days of my life;
 I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore. (Refrain)

EPISTLE

(One in Christ)

¹¹ Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called "uncircumcised" by those who call themselves "the circumcision" (that done in the body by the hands of men) -- ¹² remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ.

¹⁴ For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, ¹⁵ by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. ¹⁷ He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸ For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

¹⁹ Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household, ²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. ²² And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

Pastor:This is the Word of the Lord.People:Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Pastor:The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.People:Glory to You, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 6:30-44

(Jesus feeds the five thousand.)

³⁰ The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. ³¹ Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest."

³² So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. ³³ But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.

³⁵ By this time it was late in the day, so his disciples came to him. "This is a remote place," they said, "and it's already very late. ³⁶ Send the people away so they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat."

³⁷ But he answered, "You give them something to eat."

They said to him, "That would take eight months of a man's wages! Are we to go and spend that much on bread and give it to them to eat?"

³⁸ "How many loaves do you have?" he asked. "Go and see."

When they found out, they said, "Five--and two fish."

³⁹ Then Jesus directed them to have all the people sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰ So they sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. ⁴¹ Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to his disciples to set before the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. ⁴² They all ate and were satisfied, ⁴³ and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces of bread and fish. ⁴⁴ The number of the men who had eaten was five thousand.

Pastor:This is the Gospel of the Lord.People:Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE WORD

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711 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Savior, like a shepherd lead us; Much we need Your tender care. In Your pleasant pastures feed us, For our use Your fold prepare. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have bought us; we are Yours. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have bought us; we are Yours.

We are Yours; in love befriend us, Be the guardian of our way;
Keep Your flock, from sin defend us, Seek us when we go astray.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Hear us children when we pray.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Hear us children when we pray.

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You have promised to receive us, Poor and sinful though we be; You have mercy to relieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Early let us turn to You. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Early let us turn to You.

Early let us seek Your favor, Early let us do Your will; Blessèd Lord and only Savior, With Your love our spirits fill. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have loved us, love us still. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have loved us, love us still.

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PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Sermon Notes:

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Please stand

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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING

"Aria"

Charles Callahan

Please stand **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

+++ Special Intercessions +++

Each concluding: Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy, People: hear our prayer.
 Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
 People: Amen.

SACRAMENT ★

In the Lord's Supper we receive Christ's body and blood in and with the bread and wine. The two great blessings of the Lord's Supper are the forgiveness of sins and strength to live an improved Christian life. In response to the Lord's command we are to examine ourselves privately prior to partaking of the Sacrament. There are three basic questions on which we should examine ourselves, all of which we should be able to answer in the affirmative if we are to partake of the Sacrament worthily: 1) Am I truly sorry for my sins? 2) Do I believe Jesus Christ is my Savior? 3) Do I promise with God's help to live a Christian life? If you agree with the above statement, we invite you to the Sacrament.

PREFACE

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lim thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

0 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God C of pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth full of Your are glo the Ho - san - na in high est. ry. -Bless -He who the ed is comes in name of the Lord. Ho - san - na the high in _ est.

SANCTUS

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.

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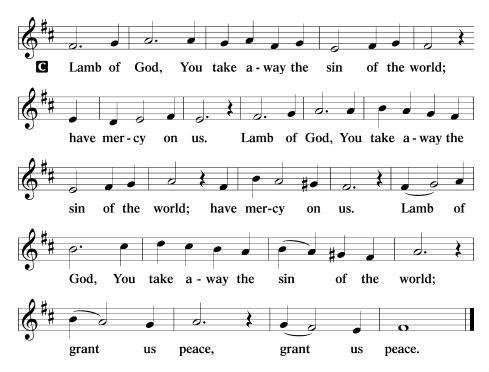
Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me.

> In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: Drink of it, all of you; this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor:The peace of the Lord be with you always.People:And also with you.

AGNUS DEI



A "continuous communion table" will be the method of distribution this day. Communicants will come forward down the center aisle at the direction of the usher. You will receive the wafer from the pastor at the center and then proceed to the right or left (depending on which side of the church you are sitting) to receive the wine. You will then return to your pew. As is our custom, communion will be brought to people in the pews who have difficulty walking to the chancel. If you wish to take communion in the pew, please raise your hand when the communion assistant comes down the aisle. Also young children will receive a word of blessing.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

725 Children of the Heavenly Father

- 1 Children of the heav'nly Father Safely in His bosom gather; Nestling bird nor star in heaven Such a refuge e'er was given.
- 2 God His own doth tend and nourish; In His holy courts they flourish. From all evil things He spares them; In His mighty arms He bears them.
- 3 Neither life nor death shall ever From the Lord His children sever; Unto them His grace He showeth, And their sorrows all He knoweth.
- 4 Though He giveth or He taketh, God His children ne'er forsaketh; His the loving purpose solely To preserve them pure and holy.

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642 O Living Bread from Heaven

O living Bread from heaven, How well You feed your guest! The gifts that You have given Have filled my heart with rest. Oh, wondrous food of blessing, Oh, cup that heals our woes! My heart, this gift possessing, With praises overflows. My Lord, You here have led me To this most holy place And with Yourself have fed me The treasures of Your grace; For You have freely given What earth could never buy, The bread of life from heaven, That now I shall not die.

You gave me all I wanted; This food can death destroy. And You have freely granted The cup of endless joy. My Lord, I do not merit The favor You have shown, And all my soul and spirit Bow down before Your throne.

Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened With heav'nly food, while here
My course on earth is lengthened, To serve with holy fear.
And when You call my spirit To leave this world below,
I enter, through Your merit, Where joys unmingled flow.

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SILENT PRAYER

You may pray the following prayer as we give thanks to God for His good gifts:

Dear Lord Jesus, we thank and praise You that You have again refreshed us with the gift of Your holy body and blood in this comforting sacrament. Bless our participation that we may depart from Your presence with peace and joy in the knowledge that we are reconciled to God. We ask this in Your name. Amen.

Please stand PRAYER Pastor:	Let us pray.
People:	Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

People:	Amen.
	The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
	The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
Pastor:	The Lord bless you and keep you.

CLOSING HYMN

644 The Church's One Foundation The Church's one foundation

Is Jesus Christ, her Lord; She is His new creation By water and the Word. From heav'n He came and sought her To be His holy bride; With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, Yet one o'er all the earth; Her charter of salvation: One Lord, one faith, one birth. One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses With ev'ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder The world sees her oppressed, By schisms rent asunder, By heresies distressed, Yet saints their watch are keeping; Their cry goes up, "How long?" And soon the night of weeping Shall be the morn of song.

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Through toil and tribulation And tumult of her war She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest, And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth has union With God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion With those whose rest is won.
O blessèd heav'nly chorus! Lord, save us by Your grace
That we, like saints before us, May see You face to face.

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POSTLUDE

"Toccata in D Minor"

Gordon Nevin

Prepare for next weekend's worship by reading: Genesis 9:8-17; Ephesians 3:14-21; Mark 6:45-56 Find a devotional guide on the readings at www.chapelofthecross.org/walkingtogether

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Serving at Chapel

Preacher:	Adam Rouse	
Liturgists:	5:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Kent Burreson Kent Burreson Ellory Glenn
Singers:	5:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Matt McEuen Lynda Christian Lynda Christian
Organist & Accompanist:	Milo Lombar	d

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Worship and Christian Education

Saturday - 5:00 p.m. Sunday - 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Worship Service broadcast on KFUO 850 AM Sundays at 4:00 p.m. Live internet streaming at www.chapelofthecross.org Sundays at 8:30 a.m.

Holy Communion is celebrated the 1st and 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month at 8:30 a.m., the 2nd and 4th and 5th Sundays of the month at 11:00 a.m., and the 1st and 3rd and 5th Saturdays of the month at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday school for children, Sunday Bible classes for adults and youth - 9:45 a.m.

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Missions

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