

# CHAPEL OF THE CROSS

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# Welcome to Chapel of the Cross - Lutheran!

## To Our Visitors

We offer you a very warm welcome to Chapel of the Cross - Lutheran! We are happy to have you worshipping with us and hope that your worship here today and the Word of God that is shared will assist you in the week ahead. If you are looking for a church home, we hope that you would prayerfully consider making Chapel of the Cross that home. May God bless your week!

## Nursery

If you need to take your infant or toddler out of the worship service, the nursery is available for your use. The worship service is broadcast to the nursery. An usher will be happy to show you where it is located.

## Sunday School and Bible Study

We have an exciting Sunday School program for children age 2 and up. We also offer Bible studies for youth and adults at 9:45 a.m. Sunday School rooms are in the Lower Level. Check the Chapel Weekly handout for Bible study locations. An usher will be happy to take you to the appropriate place.

## Holy Communion

Holy Communion is celebrated regularly and often here at Chapel of the Cross. If you have questions about Holy Communion and what we as a church believe about it, please speak with the Pastor before the service. Children are invited to come forward with their parents for a blessing.

## Sound Enhancement Devices

If you are hearing impaired there are sound enhancement devices available. Please ask an usher for a personal receiver.

### **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.*

# Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 6, 2024

11:00 a.m.

*Please note: This worship service is live streamed and recorded.*

## AS WE GATHER

In a world intent upon remaking God's gift of family into its own creation, we are confronted with the goodness of the Lord. In His wisdom, He created man for woman and woman for man, and in His grace, He established the home and family as the first place where His love is known and shared. Today our challenge is not simply to preserve what God designed but to rediscover the beauty, wisdom, and goodness of His creative will and purpose. Even when sin has made this gift a challenge, God has provided an abundance of His mercy that we might forgive as He has forgiven us and so restore what sin would destroy.

## PRELUDE

Variations on "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

setting by Janet Linker

## WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND EXCHANGE OF PEACE

*It is important to recognize that some people are especially susceptible to viruses that can be spread by contact and that some immune systems are very sensitive. Please understand that some may choose not to shake hands during the Exchange of Peace, but might simply greet you with a verbal greeting, a wave, or a smile.*

✠ PREPARATION ✠

*The congregation turns and faces the cross as the procession approaches the altar reminding us that Christ leads us into the presence of God.*

*Please stand*

**ENTRANCE HYMN**

**549** All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

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| <p><b>1</b> All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!<br/>Let angels prostrate fall;<br/>Bring forth the royal diadem<br/>And crown Him Lord of all.<br/>Bring forth the royal diadem<br/>And crown Him Lord of all.</p>             | <p><b>5</b> Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget<br/>The wormwood and the gall,<br/>Go, spread your trophies at His feet<br/>And crown Him Lord of all.<br/>Go, spread your trophies at His feet<br/>And crown Him Lord of all.</p> |
| <p><b>3</b> Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,<br/>Ye ransomed from the fall,<br/>Hail Him who saves you by His grace<br/>And crown Him Lord of all.<br/>Hail Him who saves you by His grace<br/>And crown Him Lord of all.</p> | <p><b>7</b> Oh, that with yonder sacred throng<br/>We at His feet may fall!<br/>We'll join the everlasting song<br/>And crown Him Lord of all.<br/>We'll join the everlasting song<br/>And crown Him Lord of all.</p>               |
| <p><b>4</b> Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line,<br/>Whom David Lord did call,<br/>The God incarnate, man divine,<br/>And crown Him Lord of all.<br/>The God incarnate, man divine,<br/>And crown Him Lord of all.</p>         |   |

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## INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

# HYMN OF PRAISE

## 806 Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart

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, \_\_\_\_\_ give thanks. \_\_\_\_\_

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: **Merciful Father, Your patience and loving-kindness toward us have no end. Grant that by Your Holy Spirit we may always think and do those things that are pleasing in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## ✕ WORD ✕

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 2:18–25

*("It is not good that the man should be alone.")*

<sup>18</sup> The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."

<sup>19</sup> Now the LORD God had formed out of the ground all the beasts of the field and all the birds of the air. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup> So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds of the air and all the beasts of the field.

But for Adam no suitable helper was found. <sup>21</sup> So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and closed up the place with flesh. <sup>22</sup> Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

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<sup>23</sup> The man said,

"This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,' for she was taken out of man."

<sup>24</sup> For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh.

<sup>25</sup> The man and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM

Psalm 8

Pastor: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

People: **You have set your glory above the heavens.**

Pastor: From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

People: **When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,**

Pastor: what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him?

People: **You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.**

Pastor: You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet:

People: **all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field, the birds of the air,**

Pastor: and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.

People: **O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!**



## HYMN

706 Love in Christ is Strong and Living

## EPISTLE

Hebrews 2:1-18

*(Because He suffered when tempted, He is able to help us when tempted.)*

<sup>1</sup> We must pay more careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away. <sup>2</sup> For if the message spoken by angels was binding, and every violation and disobedience received its just punishment, <sup>3</sup> how shall we escape if we ignore such a great salvation? This salvation, which was first announced by the Lord, was confirmed to us by those who heard him. <sup>4</sup> God also testified to it by signs, wonders and various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

<sup>5</sup> It is not to angels that he has subjected the world to come, about which we are speaking. <sup>6</sup> But there is a place where someone has testified:

"What is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? <sup>7</sup> You made him a little lower than the angels; you crowned him with glory and honor <sup>8</sup> and put everything under his feet."

In putting everything under him, God left nothing that is not subject to him. Yet at present we do not see everything subject to him. <sup>9</sup> But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

<sup>10</sup> In bringing many sons to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the author of their salvation perfect through suffering.

<sup>11</sup> Both the one who makes men holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers. <sup>12</sup> He says,

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"I will declare your name to my brothers; in the presence of the congregation I will sing your praises."

<sup>13</sup> And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again he says, "Here am I, and the children God has given me."

<sup>14</sup> Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death--that is, the devil-- <sup>15</sup> and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death. <sup>16</sup> For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham's descendants. <sup>17</sup> For this reason he had to be made like his brothers in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people.<sup>18</sup> Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## ANTHEM

*"I've Got the Joy"*

*I like to sing 'cause I've got the joy,  
I've got the joy of the Lord in my heart.*

*I like to clap my hands 'cause I've got the joy,  
I've got the joy of the Lord in my heart.*

*I'm gonna share the joy everywhere that I go,  
And I'm gonna share the joy with everybody I know.  
I'm gonna share the joy every night and day;  
I can't keep it to myself, I've gotta give it away!*

*I like to jump 'cause I've got the joy,  
I've got the joy of the Lord in my heart.*

*I like to shout 'cause I've got the joy,  
I've got the joy of the Lord in my heart.*

*Please stand*

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

**People:** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

Mark 10:2-16

*(No longer two but one flesh)*

<sup>2</sup> Some Pharisees came and tested him by asking, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?"

<sup>3</sup> "What did Moses command you?" he replied.

<sup>4</sup> They said, "Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away."

<sup>5</sup> "It was because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law," Jesus replied.

<sup>6</sup> "But at the beginning of creation God 'made them male and female.' <sup>7</sup> 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, <sup>8</sup> and the two will become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one. <sup>9</sup> Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate."

<sup>10</sup> When they were in the house again, the disciples asked Jesus about this. <sup>11</sup> He answered, "Anyone who divorces his wife and marries another woman commits adultery against her. <sup>12</sup> And if she divorces her husband and marries another man, she commits adultery."

<sup>13</sup> People were bringing little children to Jesus to have him touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. <sup>14</sup> When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. <sup>15</sup> I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." <sup>16</sup> And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them.

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### HYMN

863 Our Father, by Whose Name

### PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

*Please stand*

#### 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.**

#### 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.**

## OFFERING

*During the offering, please sign the Record of Fellowship found at the end of each pew*

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

setting by Wayne Kerr

*Please stand*

## OFFERTORY

782 Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings

### 1 Gracious God, You send great blessings

New each morning all our days.

For Your mercies never ending,

For Your love we offer praise.

Lord, we pray that we, Your people

Who Your gifts unnumbered claim,

Through the sharing of Your blessings

May bring glory to Your name.

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## PRAYER

Pastor: Blessed Lord, You have given us Your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by Your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

## 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.

## BENEDICTION

Pastor:           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.

People:           **Amen.**

*Please turn towards the cross as it is carried out of the church, and remain facing it until the hymn is completed. This symbolizes our following Christ into the world as we leave.*

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

770     What a Friend We Have in Jesus

## POSTLUDE

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

setting by John A. Behnke

Prepare for next weekend's worship by reading:  
Amos 5:6-7, 10-15; Hebrew 3:12-19; Mark 10:17-22

Find a devotional guide on the readings at [www.chapelofthecross.org/walkingtogether](http://www.chapelofthecross.org/walkingtogether)

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## Serving at Chapel

Preacher:	Theodore Laesch
Liturgists:	5:00 p.m. Samuel Wondemu
	8:30 a.m. Samuel Wondemu
	11:00 a.m. Ellory Glenn
Lectors:	8:30 a.m. Carla Rainey
	11:00 a.m. Marilyn Kreitner
Acolytes:	8:30 a.m. Grace Meyer
	11:00 a.m. Anna Zvirgzdins/Bella Moss
Choirs:	5:00 p.m. Choral Singers
	11:00 a.m. Sunday School Children
Soloist:	8:30 a.m. Mark Petersen
Organist & Accompanist:	Ryan Meyer
Director of the Week:	Riane Cleveland
Elder of the Week:	Jim Crosier