

Worship Guide for Christ the Good Shepherd July 25, 2021 – 9th Sunday after Pentecost

OPENING SONG: Breathe

Verse: This is the air I breathe This is the air I breathe Your holy presence living in me This is my daily bread This is my daily bread Your very word spoken to me	Chorus: And I I'm desperate for You And I I'm lost without You
Ending This is the air I breathe This is the air I breathe	

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WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

SONG: Your Grace is Enough-

Verse 1 Great is Your faithfulness O God You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart You lead us by still waters into mercy And nothing can keep us apart	Pre-Chorus (So) remember Your people Remember Your children Remember Your promise O God
Chorus 1 Your grace is enough Your grace is enough Your grace is enough for me	Verse 2 Great is Your love and justice God of Jacob You use the weak to lead the strong You lead us in the song of Your salvation And all Your people sing along
Chorus 2 Yeah Your grace is enough Heaven reaches out to us Your grace is enough for me God I sing Your grace is enough I'm covered in Your love Your grace is enough for me for me	Ending: Sing like never before O my soul I'll worship Your holy name Worship Your holy name Worship Your holy name

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INVOCATION

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (Based on Exodus 20)

The Lord God has commanded us:

You are to have no other gods. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You are not to misuse the name of your God. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You are to hallow the day of rest to honor your God. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You are to honor your father and mother. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You are not to murder. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You are not to commit adultery. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You are not to steal. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You are not to bear false witness against your neighbor. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You are not to covet your neighbor's house. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You are not to covet your neighbor's spouse or anything that belongs to your neighbor. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Hear what the Lord God says: "I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to those who love me and keep my commandments." (*Luther's Small Catechism*)

Lord God, help us to love and trust you, and to act according to your commandments. Amen. (SC)

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, 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: (A brief silence)

Mercifully open your ears, O Lord, to all who humbly pray. May you be able to give what they desire, because you have taught them what they should ask. Through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

1st READING: A reading from 2 Kings 4:42-44

Today's reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need.

42 A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." 43 But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" 44 He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord. Word of life, word of truth. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 145:10-18

You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. (Ps. 145:16)

One: All your works shall praise you, O Lord, and your faithful ones shall bless you.

All: They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,

One: that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

All: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.

You, Lord, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.

One: The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

All: The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

One: You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

All: You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.

One: You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.

2nd READING: A reading from Ephesians 3:14-21

We have been rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which surpasses all human knowledge. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, our lives are continuously strengthened and empowered by the ongoing presence of the Spirit.

14 For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, 15 from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. 16 I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, 17 and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. 18 I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, 19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen. Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

We say together:

Alleluia. A great prophet has risen among us! God has looked favorably on us! Alleluia.

✠✠✠ THE HOLY GOSPEL According to John 6:1-21 **Glory to You, O Lord.**

In John's gospel, the miracles of Jesus are called "signs," because they reveal the true character of God. As such, they remain within the mystery of God and cannot be brought under human control.

1 Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. 2 A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. 3 Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. 4 Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. 5 When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" 6 He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. 7 Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." 8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 9 "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" 10 Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. 11 Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. 12 When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." 13 So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. 14 When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." 15 When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. 16 When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, 17 got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. 18 The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. 19 When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. 20 But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." 21 Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

MESSAGE – Pastor Curtis Zieske

SONG: Open the Eyes of My Heart

<p>Chorus Open the eyes of my heart Lord Open the eyes of my heart I want to see You I want to see You</p>	<p>Verse To see You high and lifted up Shining in the light of Your glory Pour out Your power and love As we sing holy holy holy</p>
<p>Bridge Holy holy holy Holy holy holy Holy holy holy I want to see You</p>	

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APOSTLE'S CREED

This is what we believe and teach:

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 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.

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

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church. Bless the ministries of our neighboring congregations (*especially*). Empower churches throughout the world and encourage missionaries who accompany global neighbors. Kindle in us a spirit of collaboration, that all people may know your loving works. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for creation. Send rain to lands experiencing drought and come to the aid of those enduring sweltering heat. Nurture wheat and barley crops grown for the nourishment of your people and conserve aquatic habitats and fish populations. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for those who govern. Cast out arrogance, selfishness, and corruption and instruct those who lead to practice compassion and humility. Inspire them with a vision of the common good and a commitment to ensure that all who hunger are fed. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for those bowed down by heavy burdens: those who are unemployed or underemployed, those unable to find affordable housing, and those without health insurance. Console those who grieve and hear the cries of those who call to you for healing (*especially*). Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for this assembly. Deepen our resolve to use what we have to serve those in need. When we worry that we do not have enough resources for ministry, assure us of your abundance. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Here other intercessions may be offered

Jack Johnson, prayers of healing

Lois, Mary's Michener's friend, with broken hip.

Linda, Diane Hawkins' sister, diagnosed with cancer.

Sharon Reynolds.

Pastor Shelley, who has completed chemo and is in recovery. Prayers for healing.

Miles and Stephanie's daughter Lucy, with medical diagnosis.

Kathy Moredock for health.

Nancy Ostrem recovering from shoulder replacement surgery.

Josie, Mary's friend, injured from a fall.

Rev. Elwin Bergstraesser, with lung cancer, wife and family for peace.

Mary, recovering at home from fall, balance issues and increasing vision.

Julie, Mary's daughter, healing from surgery.

Eleanor Norman for healing after a fall.

Anna Christie for healing and strength during recovery.

Gary Drager, peace after the trauma of a fall.

Hunter Baker, student of Kelsey Hallin, for healing of fractured vertebrae.

Sara expecting 2nd child and diagnosed with lymphoma.

Coleen Brown with serious health issues and recent hospitalization.

Family of Chuck Blaisdell grieving his death.

Cora Lee recovering from kidney surgery.

Jamie Sauer recovering from surgery and hoping to release to work.

Paul, recovering from knee surgery.
Ron Mohr's mother Vi, recovering for broken hip.
Karen Hafner recovering from surgery.
Willie Dolan and family at the passing of his twin sister.
Family of Zack Wilson who passed of cancer.
Family of Deputy Paul Lancaster, grieving his sudden death.
Family of Dorothy Fox, at her death.
Sami, Juliana and family Abu Ghazaleh protection during violence in Jerusalem.
Rev. John Telya as he starts a new ministry as Hospice chaplain for Providence in Portland/Beaverton.
Small business owners during COVID.
Communities affected by fire, flood, earthquake, tornado and heat.
All diagnosed with COVID-19 and families that support them.
Continuing progress in the area of racism and reconciliation.
Shut-ins experiencing loneliness.
Vicar Sena Norton as she prepares for pastoral leadership in September and daughter Mae transitioning to new state, home, school, friends & family.

We give thanks for those who have died. As you sustained them through all their days, so dwell in our hearts, that we may have the power to comprehend, with *(the apostle James, name/s, and)* all the saints, the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of our risen lord Jesus Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**
Worshippers share a sign of peace with one another.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Open our eyes, O God, to your generous care of everything that lives so we do not try to struggle by and for ourselves. Accept these offerings as our pledge that we will work and wait with you until you have subdued all things unto your Son. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE 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.**

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, and the whole company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn of praise, saying:

SANCTUS (Holy, Holy, Holy)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. ✠ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**
You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in you may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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, for this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. *(All bow)*

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 sins. Do this for the remembrance of me. *(All bow)*

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless † us, your servants, and these your own gifts of † bread and † wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sins, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, *(all bow)* Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior has taught us, we pray boldly: **Our Father...**

FRACTION *(Breaking of the bread)*

God brings forth wine to gladden us *(Psalm 104.15)*

And bread to strengthen the human heart. *(Psalm 104.15)*

AGNUS DEI *(Lamb of God)*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

ALL ARE INVITED TO RECEIVE THE BREAD/BODY AND WINE/BLOOD OF CHRIST

AFTER ALL HAVE RECEIVED:

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

Let us pray: O Lord, we are the bruised reed they said you would not break. By your perfect love offered in this Sacrament, help us grow into a semblance of the glory you foresaw in us when you called us to be yours. We bless you now and evermore. **Amen.**

SONG: Come Now is The Time to Worship

Verse Come now is the time to worship Come now is the time to give your heart Come just as you are to worship Come just as you are before your God Come	Chorus One day every tongue Will confess You are God One day every knee will bow Still the greatest treasure remains For those who gladly choose You now
Ending Come come just as you are come come	

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BENEDICTION

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG: Lord I Need You

<p>Lord I come I confess Bowing here I find my rest And without You I fall apart You're the one that guides my heart</p>	<p>Chorus 1 Lord I need You oh I need You Ev'ry hour I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You</p>
<p>Verse 2 Where sin runs deep Your grace is more Where grace is found is where You are And where You are Lord I am free Holiness is Christ in me Where You are Lord I am free Holiness is Christ in me</p>	<p>Bridge So teach my song to rise to You When temptation comes my way And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You Jesus You're my hope and stay And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You Jesus You're my hope and stay</p>
<p>Chorus 2 Lord I need You oh I need You Ev'ry hour I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You</p>	

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

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We will try to Zoom this Sunday. Join us at Zoom ID: 837 6115 9516 Dial in: (253) 215-8782

Pastoral Care Needs

Please contact our U-Matters Team through Twila Anderson at (503) 871-5253. In addition, Pastor Curtis Zieske, our bridge pastor, is available for critical needs: **507-351-9580**. Twila will coordinate with him.

Office Hours: Office hours are 9-3:30, Monday-Thursday

Rose is now working in the office Monday-Wednesday, and working from home on Thursdays. Please call the church number to reach her during these hours.

Please send prayers, praise, and announcements to office@christthegoodshep.org or share with Heidi Dupuis.

<p>Outreach Meeting Zoom August 7 10AM Meeting ID: 823 2680 4809 Passcode: 164756</p>	
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School Supplies are currently being collected for this year's Summer Backpack Giveaway. Financial donations are always welcome through Tithe.ly or mail your check to the church with your offering designated: "School Supplies." Contact the office to drop off supplies: office@christthegoodshep.org

Contemporary Worship 7.25.2021 10 AM in the Sanctuary. (Bring your Worship Guide!!)

Due to technical difficulties, Zoom may not be available. Please still try to log on.

RE-OPENING PRACTICES CONTINUE TO EVOLVE

- The Church Council continues to evaluate our in-person worship practices each time we meet. At our July Council meeting, we agreed to the following:
- We will continue to encourage mask-wearing and provide social distancing guides inside the church building.
- Mask wearing if singing aloud is particularly encouraged.
- We will return to having fellowship time following worship service on August 1. For the time being, this will take place under cover outside the south entrance to the Gathering Room.
- We will continue to use the communion kits. As an alternative, worshippers are welcome to bring their own communion elements.
- We will continue to print a limited number of worship guides which will be available in the narthex.
- Pew Bibles and hymnals will continue to be stored away.
- We are still working on successfully incorporating a Zoom element of our worship service.

The Council will review all of our practices again at our next meeting. Our goal is to be able to meet and worship in a manner that is safe and healthy for all.

Looking forward to worshipping together!

CGS Reflection for Sunday 25 July 2021

Today is the first of five consecutive Sundays with the Gospel reading from Saint John, chapter 6 – Jesus the Bread of Life chapter. The first of these Gospel readings tells of Jesus feeding thousands of hungry people with but five loaves of bread and two fish (Saint John 6. 1-21). What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference; it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and the least to transform this world into the world that God envisions, a world where all are satisfied and no one goes hungry.

The images in all of today's readings tell of the magnificence of God. In today's 2nd reading from Ephesians, God unites all humanity living in unity. God unites all believers, creating a family that is "rooted and grounded in love" (Eph 3.17) We recognize our place in the world as not superior to, but united with, all of creation.

How does understanding our connection with all living things shape how we care for creation? As the loaves were shared with plenty left over, can we fully trust God's abundance for all kinds of life, and live as interlinked and interdependent beings?

(Adapted from Sundays and Seasons, an ELCA worship resource book)

Please Note: This will be the last mailed worship guide unless you speak with the office. A few copies will be available in the Narthex each week.