

9:00 a.m. Online Worship

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost God Cares about Political Leadership

Christ the King
Lutheran Church

Great Falls, Virginia

July 18, 2021

Our vision is to be a vibrant community of Jesus' disciples,
empowered by the Holy Spirit to bring God's grace into our world.

P: indicates Presiding Minister; A: indicates Assisting Minister;
C: indicates Congregation.

ELW refers to Evangelical Lutheran Worship.

At places where the † appears, it is customary to make the sign of the cross in remembrance of your baptism.

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GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

PRELUDE

DIALOGUE AND DOXOLOGY

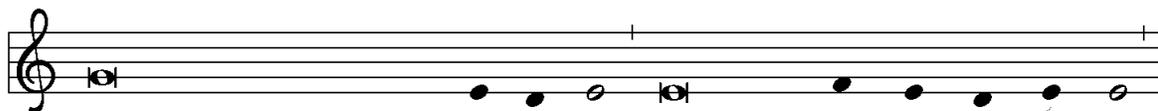
*The Reader sings the regular text; the **Congregation** sings the **bold** text.*



O Lord, o - pen my lips,



and my mouth shall pro - claim your praise.



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



Al - le - lu - ia.

PSALMODY: Psalm 95

*The Reader sings the **bold** text; the Congregation sings the regular text.*



Give glory to God, our light and our life.



Oh, come, let us wor - ship and praise.



Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the



rock of our sal - va - tion. 1 Let us come be-fore God's



pres - ence with thanks - giv - ing and raise a loud shout to the



Lord with psalms. For you, Lord, are a great



God, and a great rul - er a - bove all gods.



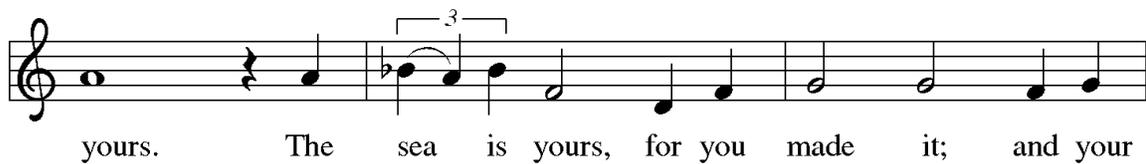
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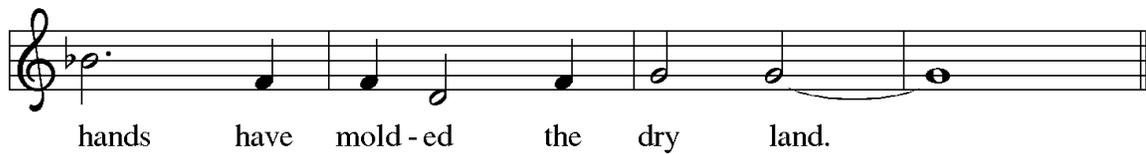
rock of our sal - va - tion. 2 In your hand are the



cav - erns of the earth; the heights of the hills are al - so



yours. The sea is yours, for you made it; and your

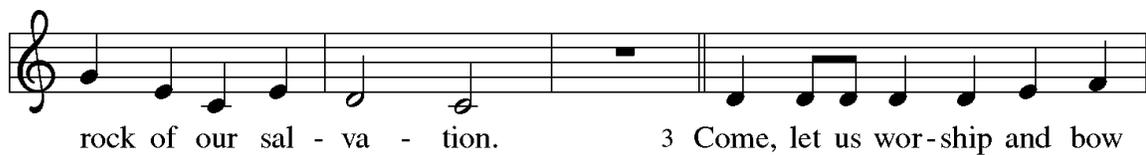


hands have mold-ed the dry land.

Refrain



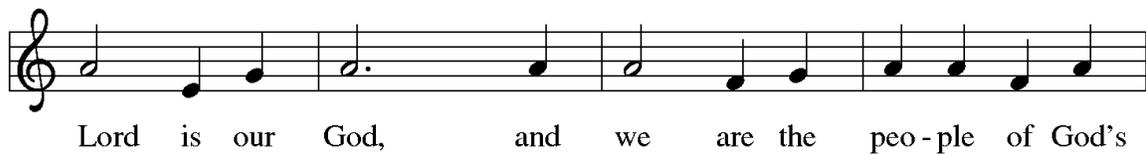
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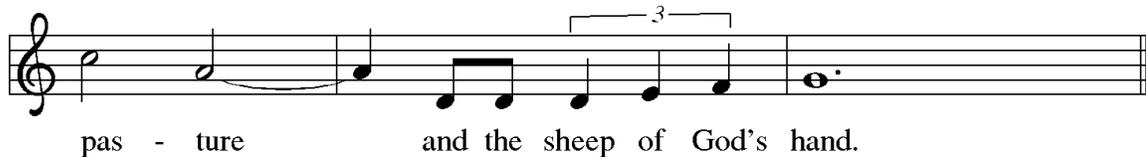
rock of our sal - va - tion. 3 Come, let us wor-ship and bow



down; let us kneel be-fore the Lord our mak - er. For the



Lord is our God, and we are the peo-ple of God's

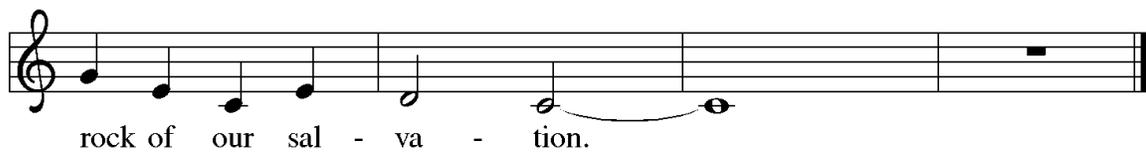


pas - ture and the sheep of God's hand.

Refrain



Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the



rock of our sal - va - tion.

Please be seated.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

for more details see the end of the bulletin

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 23:1-6

A: A reading from Jeremiah.

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD.

²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD.

³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

After the reading:

A: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND LESSON: Mark 6:30-34

A: A reading from Mark.

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

After the reading:

A: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

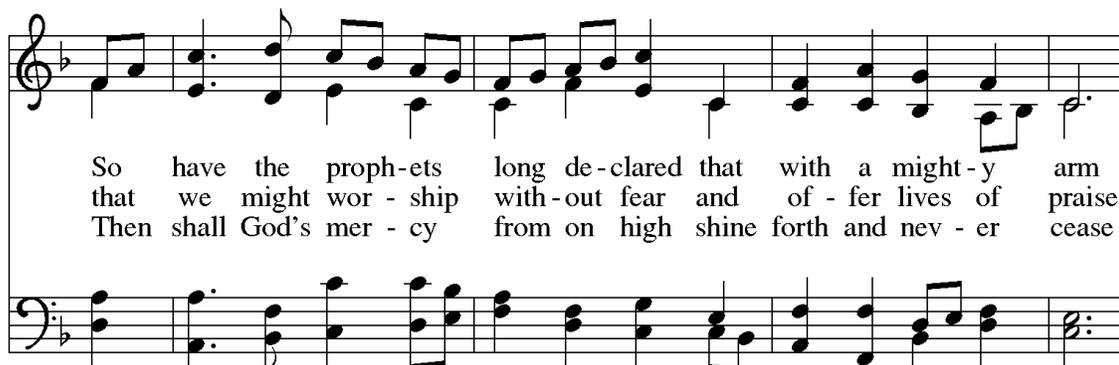
GOSPEL CANTICLE: ELW 250 Blessed Be the God of Israel



1 Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to set us free
2 With prom-ised mer - cy will God still the cov - e - nant re - call,
3 My child, as proph-et of the Lord you will pre-prepare the way,



and rais - es up new hope for us: a Branch from Da - vid's tree.
the oath once sworn to A - bra - ham, from foes to save us all;
to tell God's peo - ple they are saved from sin's e - ter - nal sway.



So have the proph-ets long de - clared that with a might - y arm
that we might wor - ship with - out fear and of - fer lives of praise,
Then shall God's mer - cy from on high shine forth and nev - er cease



God would turn back our en - e - mies and all who wish us harm.
in ho - li - ness and righ - teous-ness to serve God all our days.
to drive a - way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

Silence for meditation may follow the sermon.

Please stand as you are able when the music begins.

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 507 O God of Light



1 O God of light, your word, a lamp un - fail - ing,
 2 From days of old, through blind and will - ful a - ges,
 3 Un - dimmed by time, those words are still re - veal - ing
 4 To all the world your sum - mons you are send - ing,



shall pierce the dark - ness of our earth - bound way
 though we re - belled, you gent - ly sought a - gain,
 to sin - ful hearts your jus - tice and your grace;
 through all the earth, to ev - 'ry land and race,



and show your grace, your plan for us un - veil - ing,
 and spoke through saints, a - pos - tles, proph - ets, sa - ges,
 and quest - ing spir - its, long - ing for your heal - ing,
 that myr - iad tongues, in one great an - them blend - ing,



and guide our foot - steps to the per - fect day.
 who wrote with ea - ger or re - luc - tant pen.
 see your com - pas - sion in the Sav - ior's face.
 may praise and cel - e - brate your gift of grace.

THANKSGIVING

We give thanks for all that God provides and for the present of Jesus Christ among us.

Normally we would share communion at this point in our Sunday worship. Our decision not to meet in person as the Body of Christ to receive the Body of Christ is an act of self-sacrifice for the sake of our neighbors. By not meeting, we are joined with our community and the nation in an attempt to interrupt the exponential growth of COVID-19. We look forward with all the People of God for the day of our reunion when we all will again feast together.

*During this time when we are not meeting in person, members of the community are invited to mail their offerings to the church (10550 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, 22066); arrange for automatic transfer (call the church office or email bookkeeper@gflutheran.org for more information) or contribute via **PayPal** using the button below or on www.gflutheran.org. Please note: PayPal levies a 3% charge per transaction to Christ the King.*



MUSICAL OFFERING

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING RESPONSE: ELW 184 Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, you give your very self to be our daily bread. Gather these gifts that you have sown in us and make us to be your body for the life of the world.

C: Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

A: Let us pray.

Mighty God of mercy, we thank you for the resurrection dawn, bringing the glory of our risen Lord who makes every day new.

Especially we thank you –

for the sustaining goodness of your creation . . .

for the new creation in Christ and all gifts of healing and forgiveness . . .

for the gifts of relationship with others . . .

for the communion of faith in your church . . .

Merciful God of might, renew this weary world, heal the hurts of all your children, and bring about your peace for all in Christ Jesus, the living Lord.

Especially we pray –

for those who govern nations of the world . . .

for the people in countries ravaged by strife or warfare . . .

for all who work for peace and international harmony . . .

for all who strive to save the earth from carelessness and destruction . . .

for the church of Jesus Christ in every land . . .

Five-word petitions will be read here.

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through joys and perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

A: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us 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.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

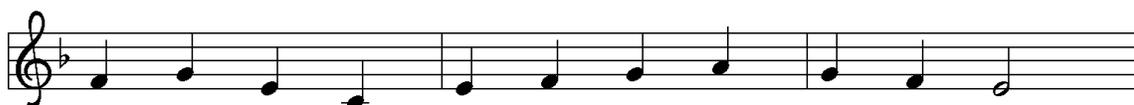
P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN: ELW 544 Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing



1 Praise the Lord, rise up re - joic - ing, wor - ship, thanks, de -
2 Scat - tered flock, one shep - herd shar - ing, lost and lone - ly,
3 Sins for - giv - en, wrongs for - giv - ing, we go forth a -



vo - tion voic - ing: glo - ry be to God on high!
one voice hear - ing, ears at - ten - tive to your word;
lert and liv - ing in your Spir - it, strong and free.



Christ, your cross and pas - sion shar - ing, by this eu - cha -
by your blood new life re - ceiv - ing, in your bod - y,
Part - ners in your new cre - a - tion, seek - ing peace in



rist de - clar - ing yours the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
firm be - liev - ing, we are yours, and you the Lord.
ev - 'ry na - tion, may we faith - ful fol - l'wers be.

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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Announcements

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Pray that we will respond to God's call to serve our neighbors in need and share the gospel wherever we go with those unique gifts, skills, and passions the Spirit has cultivated in us through our education, life experiences and communities of faith. Amen.

Today, July 18: Congregational Meeting

The upcoming congregational meeting will be held in person at Gysan Hall on Sunday, July 18 at 11:15 a.m. The meeting also will be streamed via zoom. We are hoping to see as many of you in person as possible. We will serve light food and beverages:

- <https://tinyurl.com/CTK072021>
- Meeting ID: 878 6960 0943
- Passcode: **GodsLove**

The links with additional information for the meeting are below:

- [Meeting notice](#)
- [Agenda for the July 18 meeting](#)
- [Minutes from the February 7, 2021 CtK Congregational Meeting](#) for approval
- [Proxy form – to vote on the matters presented.](#)

Martha's Table

On August 1 we will gather in Gysan Hall after the outdoor worship service to make about 500 sandwiches for Martha's Table. We will wear masks and gloves since we will be working with food, and we will space our workers carefully. Please sign up to help with this event on the clipboard in the front hall, or call, text, or email Karen Magley (ksmagley875@gmail.com, 703-728-3321).

Longest Day Update

Karen Magley, who is passionate about the fight against Alzheimer's disease, leads an effort to raise funds for The Alzheimer's Association. Donations can still be received until July 30. Make your donations at <https://tinyurl.com/TLDKSM> or donate by mailing a check made out to The Alzheimer's Association to her home address (11608 Holly Briar Lane, Great Falls, 22066) before July 28.

Adult Forum Note, July 18

Today the Adult Forum will not meet. We hope you will attend the Congregational Meeting!

Welcome Guests



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MEMBERSHIP: If you would like to know more about Christ the King or are interested in living out your discipleship as a member of this community, please contact the church office at (703)759-6068.

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CHRIST THE KING is a Stephen
Ministry congregation.

Backpack drive continuing _____

A reminder that we have committed to a partnership with Cornerstones to provide student backpacks for the coming academic year. Purchase NEW backpacks (no wheels, no corporate logos). Bring them to Christ the King and drop them in the dedicated bins through August 6.

Questions? Contact [Louise Babirak](#).

Drive-up Communion, Summer Schedule _____

Pastor will greet you (wearing mask and gloves) and will provide you with a printed order of service. Only one person in the car will interact directly with the pastor, that person must wear a mask. Please sign up using the links below:

- [July 20](#)
- [August 4](#)
- [August 31](#)

King's Kids Preschool Open House, July 30 (10-11AM) _____

CtK's popular preschool is preparing for the 2021-22 school year! We still have openings in these engaging classes:

- Curious Caterpillars for 4-year-olds (Monday-Friday class)
- Busy Bees for 3-year-olds (Tuesday/Thursday class)
- Friendly Frogs for children from 2-½ to 3 years old (Tuesday/Thursday class)
- Little Lambs to start on January 3 for 5 toddlers from 17 to 29 months old (Tuesday/Thursday class)

Interested families should call 703-759-6935 or email kkp@gflutheran.com.

Prayers of CtK _____

Pastor Hank and his family as they mourn the death of his aunt, Arlean Cobb. **Caryl and Dick Morgan** ask for prayers for their daughter Beth, her surgeon, and her oncologist. **Bill Carbaugh** asks for prayers for his friend Joel Pulliam who is battling metastatic cancer.

Pray for our military personnel _____

Capt. Ryan Anderson; Capt. Don Feeley; Col. David Dippold; Chaplain Capt. John Teitman; Capt. Chris Unger; Ensign Owen Shenk; Midshipman Lillian Baker; Cody Jones, USN.

Scouting

Christ the King Lutheran Church supports scouting. For more information on troops in the area, please contact Kathleen Foley, kmfoley.gf@gmail.com.

CALENDAR July 18—July 25

Sunday, July 18

9:00 a.m. – Facebook Live Worship,
[CtK Facebook page](#)

10:15 a.m. – In-person Worship,
Indoors, CtK

11:15 a.m. – Congregational Meeting,
Gysan Hall & Zoom

7:00 p.m. – AA

Monday, July 19

Youth Work Camp

7:30 p.m. – Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 20

Youth Work Camp

Drive-up Communion

7:00 a.m. – Men's Breakfast,
Silver Diner-Reston

Wednesday, July 21

Youth Work Camp

Thursday, July 22

Youth Work Camp

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, July 23

Youth Work Camp

Saturday, July 24

7:00 p.m. – AA

Sunday, July 25

9:00 a.m. – Facebook Live Worship,
[CtK Facebook page](#)

10:15 a.m. – In-person Worship,
Indoors, CtK

11:15 a.m. Adult Forum

7:00 p.m. – AA



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