



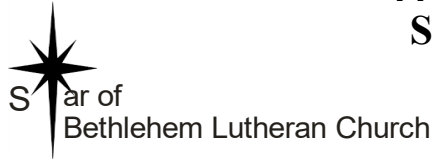
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*“Whoever loses their life
for me will **save** it.”*

Luke 9:24b



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Worship Service

Sunday, July 10, 2022 10:00 a.m.

Fifth Sunday after PENTECOST

Theme of the day: Is faithfulness to Christ worth the trouble it brings? The life of faith is lived in a godless world and is met with persecution. With our Savior, we bear his cross daily. Our Lord, however, uses even these sufferings to refine us. Strengthened through his means of grace, we boldly confess his name and trust his perfect plan.

WELCOME

A warm welcome to our friends and visitors! Star of Bethlehem Lutheran Church is eager to share with you the blessings of its Christ-centered ministry. If you are a new or long-time resident of the Central Coast looking for a church home, we invite you to meet with us at the close of this worship service or at your convenience. All are welcome to stay for refreshments in the fellowship hall.

Families are encouraged to worship together. If you need to step out with your children, the service can be seen and heard in the fellowship hall or narthex area. Feel free to enter and return at any time.

OUR MISSION

Our congregation exists for the purpose of "HOLDING OUT THE WORD OF LIFE." This is accomplished by faithfully preserving and proclaiming all of God's inerrant word, and administering the Sacraments as they were instituted by Christ.

HYMN: # 723 “Holy Spirit, the Dove Sent from Heaven”

♪ **Holy Spirit, the dove sent from heaven,
Ever one with the One who is Three,
From the Father You came,
Word of peace to proclaim,
Come and comfort us, speak tenderly,
You, the fragrance of life we are seeking;
Fill Your temple, Your altar make clean.
Joyous shelter of love, Gracious friend from above,
In Your care we are resting, serene.**

**Holy Spirit, the fire celestial,
Who on Pentecost came as foretold,
To descend from on high And the Church occupy
As the cloud filled the temple of old;
All the baptized You seal with Your promise,
All believers Your gift there receive, So that all the elect
All in Christ may expect To enjoy what by grace they believe.**

**Holy Spirit, the unction of blessing,
Sacred oil of the green olive tree, Giving heat, giving light,
As the tent lamps ignite And as Aaron praised God joyfully.
Blessed living and life giving water,
Now preserve us from evil within; For in Jesus, God's Son,
All believers are one In this washing that cleanses from sin.**

**Holy Spirit, the wind of great power,
Source of strength and of peace and of love,
Truest Comforter, plead, As You bring all our need
To the throne of God's glory above.
Be the light that enlightens the Scriptures;
Keep our feet from each devilish snare;
Only You can make whole All that troubles our soul;
By Your chrism, Christ's triumph we share.**

Minister: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and
the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.** (*spoken*)

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and
serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and de-
serve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our
sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are: "Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e - ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for - ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him." The score includes a variety of note values, rests, and phrasing slurs.

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are
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Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

M: O Lord, our God, govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world so that you Church may worship you in peace and joy;

through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST LESSON: Galatians 3:23-29

²³But before this faith came, we were held in custody under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith was revealed. ²⁴So the law was our chaperone until Christ, so that we might be justified by faith.

²⁵But now that this faith has come, we are no longer under a chaperone.

²⁶In fact, you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

²⁷Indeed, as many of you as were baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. ²⁸There is not Jew or Greek, slave or free, male or female, for you are all one and the same in Christ Jesus.

²⁹And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants and heirs according to the promise.

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 22

Refrain



Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Psalm tone



My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?*
Why are you so far from saving me?

I am a worm and not a man,*
scorned by men and despised by the people.

All who see me mock me;*
they hurl insults, shaking their heads:

“He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD rescue him.*
Let him deliver him, since he delights in him.”

Refrain

My strength is dried up, and my tongue sticks
to the roof of my mouth;*
you lay me in the dust of death.

A band of evil men has encircled me,*
they have pierced my hands and my feet.

They divide my garments among them*
and cast lots for my clothing.

But you, O LORD, be not far off;*
O my Strength, come quickly to help me.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

M: Alleluia. Because we are his children, God has sent the Spirit of his
Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” Alleluia.

(Galatians 4:6)

C: ♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

These words are written that we may believe
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 9:18-24

¹⁸One time when Jesus was praying alone and the disciples were with him, he asked them, “Who do the crowds say that I am?”

¹⁹They answered, “ ‘John the Baptist,’ but others say, ‘Elijah,’ and others say, ‘one of the ancient prophets come back to life.’ ”

²⁰He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?”

And Peter answered, “The Christ of God.”

²¹He gave them a strict command not to tell this to anyone. ²²He said, “The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests, and experts in the law. He must be killed and be raised on the third day.”

²³Jesus said to all of them, “If anyone wants to come after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross daily, and follow me. ²⁴For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it.

HYMN: # 536 “Lord Jesus Christ, the Church’s Head”

♪ Lord Jesus Christ, the Church’s head,
You are her one foundation.
In you she trusts, before you bows, And waits for your salvation.
Built on this rock secure, Your Church shall endure
Though all the world decay And all things pass away.
Oh, hear, oh, hear us, Jesus!

O Lord, let this your little flock, Your name alone confessing,
Continue in your loving care, True unity possessing.
Your sacraments, O Lord, And your saving Word
To us e’er pure retain. Grant that they may remain
Our only strength and comfort.

Help us to serve you evermore With hearts both pure and lowly.
And may your Word, that light divine, Shine on in splendor holy
That we repentance show, In faith ever grow.
The pow’r of sin destroy And evils that annoy.
Oh, make us faithful Christians.

And for your gospel let us dare To sacrifice all treasure;
Teach us to bear your blessed cross, To find in you all pleasure.
Oh, grant us steadfastness In joy and distress.
Lord, for your mercy’s sake, Let us by grace partake
Of endless joy and glory.

SERMON: Genesis 39:6-12, 16-23

Joseph was well built and handsome. ⁷Sometime after all this, his master's wife had her eye on Joseph, and she said, "Come, lie down with me." ⁸But he refused and said to his master's wife, "Look, my master does not concern himself with anything that has been entrusted to me in the house. He has put me in charge of everything that he has. ⁹He has no one in this house greater than I am, and he has not withheld anything from me except you, because you are his wife. How then could I do such a great evil and sin against God?"

¹⁰She kept speaking to Joseph day after day, but he would not listen to her. He would not lie down beside her or even be with her. ¹¹But one day when he went into the house to do his work, none of the men of the household were there inside the house. ¹²She caught him by his garment and said, "Come, lie down with me!" He left behind his garment in her hand and ran outside.

¹⁶She kept his garment beside her until his master came home. ¹⁷This is what she told him: "The Hebrew servant, whom you have brought to us, came to me to put me to shame and said to me, 'Let me lie down with you.' ¹⁸And look, when I screamed and cried out, he left behind his garment with me and ran outside."

¹⁹As soon as his master heard the words that his wife spoke to him, saying, "This is what your servant did to me," he became very angry. ²⁰Joseph's master took him and put him into the prison where the king's prisoners were confined, so Joseph was kept in prison there.

²¹But the LORD was with Joseph. He showed mercy to him and gave him favor in the sight of the warden of the prison. ²²The warden of the prison made Joseph responsible for all the prisoners who were in the prison. Joseph was responsible for whatever they did there. ²³The warden of the prison did not pay attention to anything that was under his authority, because the LORD was with Joseph, and the LORD made everything that he did succeed.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there 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.**

HYMN: # 465 “Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken”

**♪ Jesus, I my cross have taken, All to leave and follow you.
Destitute, despised, forsaken, You on earth once suffered, too.
Perish ev’ry fond ambition, All I’ve ever hoped or known;
Yet how rich is my condition! God and heav’n are still my own.**

**Let the world despise and leave me;
They have left my Savior, too.
Human hearts and looks deceive me;
You are not, like them, untrue.
And since you have smiled upon me,
God of wisdom, love, and might,
Foes may hate and friends may shun me—
Show your face, and all is bright.**

**Go, then, earthly fame and treasure!
Come, disaster, scorn, and pain!
In your service pain is pleasure; With your favor loss is gain.
I have called you Abba, Father! You my all in all shall be.
Storms may howl, and clouds may gather;
All must work for good to me.**

**Haste, my soul, from grace to glory,
Armed by faith and winged by prayer.
All but heav’n is transitory;
God’s own hand shall guide you there.
Soon shall end this earthly story;
Swift shall pass the pilgrim days,
Hope soon change to heav’nly glory,
Faith to sight and prayer to praise.**

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LORD'S PRAYER

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.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace.

Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: ♪ Amen. Amen. Amen.

HYMN: # 768:1,4,5 "How Firm a Foundation"

♪ **How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said
Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?**

**"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
My grace all-sufficient shall be your supply.
The flames will not hurt you; I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.**

**"Throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove
My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love,
And then, when gray hair shall their temples adorn,
Like lambs they shall still on my shoulders be borne."**

PRAYERS: Remember to pray for: Shawn Lozano, John Velasques, Ruth Fabian, little Elias, Shawna Bushey, Rose Marie Hillberg, Dennis Douglas, Bob Ward, George Caravana, Don Fabian, Doris Scheuffele, Molly Webb (and her brother Jim), Helen Marten, Doug Ward, Kathy Jones, Art Amarillas, Linda Hill & Christina, Roberta Gowin, Melinda Brown, Alice Taubman, Monica, Ryan Bevington, and Don Pedersen.

723 Holy Spirit, the Dove Sent From Heaven

1 Ho - ly Spir - it, the dove sent from heav - en, Ev - er
 2 Ho - ly Spir - it, the fire ce - les - tial, Who on
 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, the unc - tion of bless - ing, Sa - cred
 4 Ho - ly Spir - it, the wind of great pow - er, Source of

one with the One who is three, From the
 Pen - te - cost came as fore - told To de -
 oil of the green ol - ive tree, Giv - ing
 strength and of peace and of love, Tru - est

Fa - ther you came, Words of peace to pro - claim, Come and
 scend from on high, And the Church oc - cu - py As the
 heat, giv - ing light, As the tent lamps ig - nite And as
 Com - fort - er, plead As you bring all our need To the

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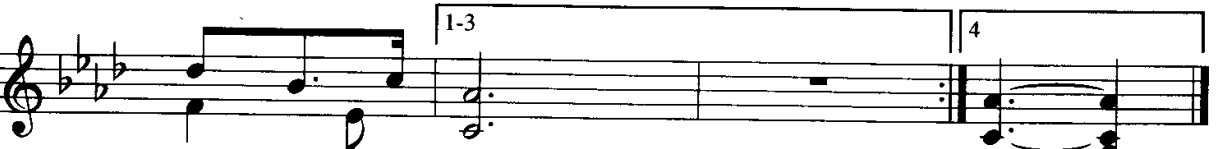
You, the fra-grance of life we are seek - ing; Fill your
 All the bap - tized you seal with your prom - ise, All be-
 Bless-ed liv - ing and life - giv - ing wa - ter, Now pre-
 Be the light that en - light - ens the Scrip - tures; Keep our



tem - ple, your al - tar make clean. Joy-ous shel - ter of
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 serve us from e - vil with - in; For in Je - sus, God's
 feet from each dev - il - ish snare; On - ly you can make



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