

**WORSHIP SERVICE**  
**November 1, 2020**  
**Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost**

**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

Prelude

Welcome

\* God's Greeting

\* We Greet One Another

**Christ be with you.**

**And also with you!**

\* Call to Worship (Psalm 27:1, 4-5, 13)

*The Lord is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear?*

**The Lord is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?**

*One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek:*

**that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,  
to gaze on the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.**

*For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling;*

**he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock.**

*I remain confident of this:*

**I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.**

\* Opening Prayer

**WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD**

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo.**

**Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear,  
and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.**

**Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed;  
and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image;  
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

*While it is true that we have sinned, it is a greater truth that we are forgiven through God's love in Jesus Christ. To all who humbly seek the mercy of God I say, in Jesus Christ your sin is forgiven.*

**Thanks be to God.**

Congregational Prayer

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:29-5:21 <sup>29</sup> Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. <sup>30</sup> And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup> Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. <sup>32</sup> Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

<sup>1</sup> Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children <sup>2</sup> and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. <sup>3</sup> But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people. <sup>4</sup> Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving. <sup>5</sup> For of this you can be sure: No immoral, impure or greedy person—such a person is an idolater—has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. <sup>6</sup> Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of such things God's wrath comes on those who are

disobedient. <sup>7</sup> Therefore do not be partners with them. <sup>8</sup> For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light <sup>9</sup> (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) <sup>10</sup> and find out what pleases the Lord. <sup>11</sup> Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. <sup>12</sup> It is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret. <sup>13</sup> But everything exposed by the light becomes visible—and everything that is illuminated becomes a light. <sup>14</sup> This is why it is said:

“Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.” <sup>15</sup> Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, <sup>16</sup> making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup> Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is. <sup>18</sup> Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup> speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, <sup>20</sup> always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>21</sup> Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Message: “The Third Way: Let It Shine”

Prayer of Application

\* Song of Response: “May the Mind of Christ My Savior”

*Lift Up Your Hearts #334*

May the mind of Christ, my Savior, live in me from day to day,  
by His love and power controlling all I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour,  
so that all may see I triumph only through His pow'r.

May the peace of God, my Father, rule my life in everything,  
that I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea.  
Him exalting, self abasing: this is victory.

May we run the race before us, strong and brave to face the foe,  
looking only unto Jesus as we onward go.

## **WE CELEBRATE GOD’S COVENANT WITH US**

The Words of Institution

The Lord’s Supper

## **WE DEPART TO SERVE**

\* Blessing

\* Closing Song: “This Little Light of Mine”

*Lift Up Your Hearts #930*

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine **(sing 3x)**

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Everywhere I go, I’m gonna let it shine **(sing 3x)**

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me; I’m gonna let it shine **(sing 3x)**

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

\* Postlude

\* Please stand if you are able.

Message: Rev. Randy Raak

Piano: Andrew Friend