
CHRIST OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pentecost 23 – October 28, 2018 - Pastor Mark Voss

🎵 Morning Praise 🎵

OPENING HYMN

"May We Your Precepts, Lord, Fulfill"

CW 458

P: O Lord, open my lips.

C: **And my mouth shall declare your praise.**

P: Hasten to save me, O God.

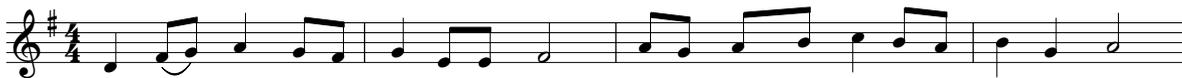
C: **O Lord, come quickly to help me.**

P: Give glory to God, our light and our life.

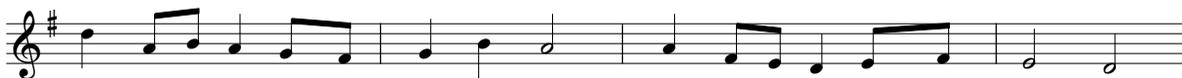
C: **The Spirit of the Lord fills the world: let us worship him.**

Refrain – sing

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Come oh, come, let us sing to the Lord, let us shout with joy to our sav-ing Rock;



come, en-ter in with our songs of praise, come, en-ter in with thanks - giv - ing.



You are a great and a won-drous God, cup-ping in your hands all the
Come, let us wor-ship and bow - ing low, kneel be-fore the One who has



depths of earth. You made the hills and the moun - tains high,
made us all. You are the God whom we call our own,



you made the seas and the dry land. *Refrain*
we are the flock that you shep-herd. *Refrain*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Lord, keep your household, the Church, in continual godliness and set us free from all adversities that, under your protection, we may serve you with true devotion and holy deeds; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

God's Word

Hebrews

4:9-16

**God's word
brings both
hurt and
healing**



⁹There remains, then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God;
¹⁰for anyone who enters God's rest also rests from his own work,
just as God did from his.

¹¹Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest,
so that no one will fall by following their example of disobedience.

¹²For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword,
it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow;
it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

¹³Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and
laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

¹⁴Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens,
Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.

¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize
with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way,
just as we are--yet was without sin.

¹⁶Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence,
so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Mark 10:35-45 – Ambition is never blind

Blind ambition sees only one's self

³⁵Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him.

"Teacher," they said, "we want you to do for us whatever we ask."

³⁶"What do you want me to do for you?" he asked.

³⁷They replied, "Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory."

Ambition sees others and serves

³⁸"You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said.

Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?"

³⁹"We can," they answered. Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, ⁴⁰but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared."

⁴¹When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John.

⁴²Jesus called them together and said,

"You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³Not so with you.

Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant,

⁴⁴and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all.

⁴⁵For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Our Response to God's Love in the Gospel

P: You have heard the Gospel. What is your response?

C: **These things we believe: God is holy and we are sinful. Yet, "God so loved the world he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."**

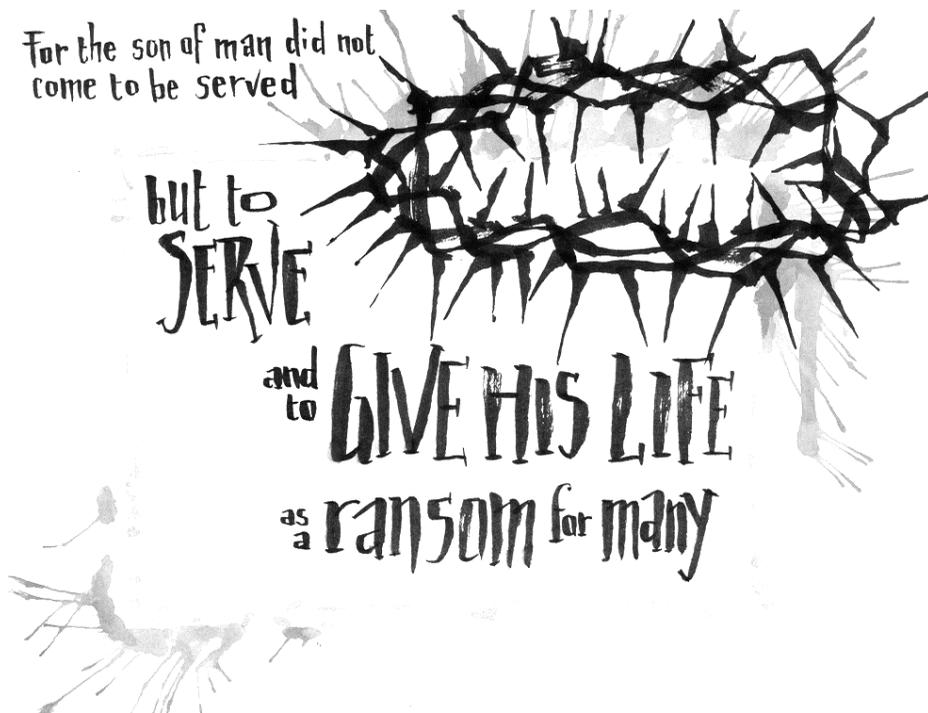
We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, who died and rose again and, believing, we have life in his name. He came not to be served, but to serve and to offer his life as a ransom for many.

We believe that the Spirit has brought us to faith in Christ and without such faith we would be lost. We also believe the Spirit continues to dwell within us, transforming us into the image of the living Christ, fitting us with the nature of "servant."

Sermon Series - *The Power Gospel*

Ambition is Never Blind

based on Mark 10:35-45 on page three



LORD, HAVE MERCY

P: In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.

C: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord have mercy.

LORD'S PRAYER Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

MUSICAL SELECTION – Men's Choir

"Hark the Voice of Jesus Crying"

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PRAYER FOR GRACE

P: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us praise the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"This Is My Will"

CW 497

Calendar – October 28 – November 5

Today	8 & 10:30a Worship 9:15a Bible Study and Sunday School 12p Confirmation Class
Tuesday	9a Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School Children's Theater at COR
Wednesday	7:15p Choir
Thursday	8a Bible Study 7p Worship with Communion 7:45p Bible Study
Sunday	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS 8 & 10:30a Worship with Communion 9:15a Bible Study and Sunday School 12p Confirmation 3p Joint Reformation
Monday – November 5	7p Congregational Meeting

Announcements

Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School Children's Theater is presenting *"Little Red and the Riding Hoods"* Tuesday, October 30th, at 9a. Everyone is welcome!

JOINT REFORMATION SERVICE: Sunday, November 4th, 3p, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 2100 N Wadsworth. District President Phil Hirsch will preach. Light supper to follow.

CONGREGATION MEETING: Monday, November 5th, at 7p. Long term plans for the 2019-20 school year and beyond will be outlined. Nebraska District President, Pastor Phil Hirsch, will be attending to answer questions regarding staff positions and potential calls or revising of calls.

TOWN MEETING: Sunday, November 11th, at 10:15a, we have the opportunity to hear about and discuss the ministry here at Christ Our Redeemer. Your participation is encouraged.

BUTTER BRAIDS: If you would like to order butter braids to help support our teen group the order form is on the table in the narthex. The deadline for ordering is November 2nd.

VETERAN'S APPRECIATION DINNER – Sunday, November 11th, from 4-6:30p. All congregational members who are veterans, as well as other veterans known by our members are welcome. If you are not a veteran, but have family members, friends, co-workers, or neighbors who are, please feel free to invite them to this celebration and join them as well. Please confirm the number in your party by signing the list on the table in the narthex or emailing us at christredeemer@corchurch.com.

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at 8 and 10:30a (Summer
Worship at 9a) and Thursdays
at 7p

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- A warm welcome to our visitors. May the Lord bless your worship with us today. We ask that you please sign the friendship register located at the end of the pew.
- Children – Activity bags are available in the coat room, off the narthex. During our service a staffed nursery is located straight ahead and to your left as you exit the sanctuary. While we encourage young children to be in the service, families may like to use the nursery and are invited to do so.
- Please let an usher know if you require a larger print bulletin.
- Our services can also be viewed online. Go to our website corchurch.com and click on Video Broadcast.
- As a member of Christ Our Redeemer we are connected to each other through our unity of faith and the public confession of that faith in Lord's Supper. To read what our profession of faith is, go to www.corchurch.com and click on "Our Beliefs" or take a copy of the tract "What We Believe" in the Visitor Information Center kiosk. To become a member of our church family, please speak with the pastor.