

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH 480 MONTEREY AVE. MORRO BAY, CALIFORNIA Pastor Brian Stein-Webber

# October 23, 2022 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



### **PRELUDE**

# **Ina Davenport**

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Pastor Brian Stein-Webber**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days. **Amen.** 

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does. *Silence is kept for reflection.* 

God of mercy and forgiveness,

we confess that sin still has a hold on us.

We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you.

Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life.

Be our refuge and strength on the journey,

through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

## Beloved of God:

your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

# GATHERING Lift High the Cross #660 (red book, rear section)

### **REFRAIN**

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod, our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. REFRAIN

All newborn servants of the Crucified bear on their brows the seal of him who died. REFRAIN

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. REFRAIN

So shall our song of triumph ever be: praise to the Crucified for victory REFRAIN [George Kitchen wrote this hymn in 1887 while Church of England Dean of Winchester for the Society of the Propagation of the Gospel. It is usually sung as a processional at festival, Lenten or Holy Week services. It was recently a featured hymn at the memorial service for Bishop Howie Wennes which Pastor Brian attended. The tune, named Crucifer, was composed by Sydney Nicholson, founder of the Royal School of Church Music in England.]

### **GREETING**

In the name of God the Creator, in the name of Christ the Redeemer, in the name of the Guiding Spirit, Alleluia, Amen.

# **GATHERING SONG** (call and response)

Ray Makeever

Come, let us worship God....Come let us worship God. Come, let us worship God....Come let us worship God. Welcome everyone....Welcome everyone, To the love of God....To the love of God.

Rest for the weary....**Rest for the weary.**Rest for the weary....**Rest for the weary.**Welcome everyone....**Welcome everyone,**To the love of God....**To the love of God.** 

Food for the hungry....Food for the hungry. Food for the hungry....Food for the hungry. Welcome everyone....Welcome everyone, To the love of God....To the love of God.

Hope for the children...**Hope for the children.** Hope for the children...**Hope for the children.** Welcome everyone....**Welcome everyone,** To the love of God....**To the love of God.** 

**KYRIE** (call and response)

Kyrie eleison.....Kyrie eleison
Kyrie eleison.....Kyrie eleison
Kyrie....Kyrie
Christe....Christe
Kyrie....Kyrie
Christe....Christe
Kyrie, Christe eleison....Kyrie, Christe eleison
Kyrie, Christe eleison....Kyrie, Christe eleison
Kyrie, Christe eleison....Kyrie, Christe eleison

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you **And also with you.** 

Ray Makeever

Let us pray together... Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

### WORD

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

# FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

The first lesson for today is from the book of Jeremiah, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter, beginning with the 7<sup>th</sup> verse.

Although our iniquities testify against us,

act, O Lord, for your name's sake;

our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you.

O hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble,

why should you be like a stranger in the land,

like a traveler turning aside for the night?

Why should you be like someone confused,

like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?

Yet you, O God, are in the midst of us,

and we are called by your name;

do not forsake us!

Thus says God concerning this people:

Truly they have loved to wander,

they have not restrained their feet;

therefore God does not accept them,

now God will remember their iniquity and punish their sins.

Have you completely rejected Judah?

Does your heart loathe Zion?

Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us?

We look for peace, but find no good;

for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.

We acknowledge our wickedness, O God,

the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you.

Do not spurn us, for your name's sake;

do not dishonor your glorious throne;

remember and do not break your covenant with us.

Can any idols of the nations bring rain?

Or can the heavens give showers?

Is it not you, O Lord our God?

We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

# PSALM 84:1-7 (the congregation responds with the bold words)

How lovely is your dwelling place, O God of hosts! My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of God; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a next for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O God of hosts, My Ruler and my God.

Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.

Happy are those whose strength is in you,

in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

As they go through the valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools.

They go from strength to strength;

the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

[New Revised Standard Version]

# SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

The Second Reading for today is from the letter of Second Timothy, the 4th chapter, beginning with the 6<sup>th</sup> verse.

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation,

and the time of my departure has come.

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race,

I have kept the faith.

From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness,

which God, the righteous judge, will give me on that day,

and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me.

May it not be counted against them!

But God stood by me and gave me strength,

so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it.

and all the Genthes inight hear it

So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for the heavenly kingdom.

To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

[The New Revised Standard Version]

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

## CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION #174 (red hymnal, rear section)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 18:9-14** 

The gospel lesson for today is from the 18<sup>th</sup> chapter of Luke, beginning with the 9<sup>th</sup> verse.

# Glory be to you, Oh Lord.

[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves

that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:

"Two men went up to the temple to pray,

one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.

The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus:

'God, I thank you that I am not like other people:

thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.

I fast twice a week:

I give a tenth of all my income.'

But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven,

but was beating his breast and saying,

'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!'

I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other: for all who exalt themselves will be humbled.

but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

[The New Revised Standard Version]

This is the gospel indeed.

Praise to you, O Christ.

**SERMON Humble Prayer Pastor Stein-Webber** 

**SERMON HYMN** Precious Lord, Take My Hand #773 (red hymnal, rear section)

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,

I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.

Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.

Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near, when my life is almost gone, hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near, and the day is past and gone. at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

[Thomas Dorsey, noted hymnwriter, recounted how he was inspired by hearing Blind Connie Williams sing his version of the hymn Maitland, and subsequently wrote Precious Lord. It was in response to his inconsolable bereavement at the death of his wife Nettie Harper and infant son in childbirth in August of 1932. This hymn was the favorite hymn of Martin Luther King, Jr. and was requested by him to be sung at the evening service he was meaning to attend at the end of the day he was assassinated. They were his last words.]

## APOSTLE'S CREED

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed.

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 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 THE PEOPLE

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation. *A brief silence*.

God of mercy, you are in the midst of us and we are called by your name. Inspire your church to serve and love all people with the unceasing grace you extend to us. Hear us, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

God of all creation, you formed a world where even the sparrow finds a home. Preserve the beauty and diversity of all creatures with whom we share the earth. Lead us to protect all living things. Hear us, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

God of peace, you are an ever-present help in time of trouble. Rescue families and nations torn apart by violence, inhumanity and warfare, especially in Ukraine, Syria, Venezuela, Afghanistan, South Sudan and Myanmar. Unite all people toward common goals of reconciliation and peace for every person. Hear us, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

God of hope, you stand with the suffering and give strength. Comfort your people filled with fear or anger, anxiety or shame. Bring healing to all who are sick in body, mind, or spirit, especially,

- The family of Edith Tway who passed on Wednesday, October 12
- Ken Foran recovering from hip surgery
- Sandi and Keith Tygum- former members of Calvary who are homebound with multiple health issues.
- Ina Davenport Glaucoma has returned

- Katie Brochtrup recovering from vaccination side effects
- Sally Mingo Jennifer Kurrle's mother receiving therapy for knee injury
- Arthur Hendey, Kea McKee's brother spine surgery
- Paul Weggenmann Jean Senter's cousin pain with arthritis and dying of a disease that weakens muscles
- Denise Kenealy, daughter-in-law of Robin Karas, continuing with in home care.
- Linda Luke- Recovering from treatment
- Rebecca Aparicio, Nancy Padilla's mother-in-law, living in a nursing home
- Becky Padilla- has responded well to treatment for cancer
- Marcia Shep, Jennifer Kurrle's grandmother
- Lia, Ina Davenport's friend-recovering well from a broken back
- James Hecker- serious infection has returned
- Christopher Buckles, Kate Anderson's son
- Marcia and Rick Walt, friends of Cindy Haener
- Janelle Muff, for continuing good health
- Elaine Grawe- recovering well from brain surgery
- Darel and Betty Sorenson, as Betty remains in nursing care on Hospice
- Mercedes Stevens, Katie Edson's mother
- For Laura Salazar and her family
- Iglesia Santa Cruz, Pastor Esteban and Angie- ministering boldly in Santa Maria, and for our support of their ministry
- For those who are contracting COVID-19, for swift and effective recovery
- For the people of Ukraine, for strength, healing, protection, and changes of heart for those attacking them

Hear us. O God.

# Your mercy is great.

God of restoration, you call us to trust in you and not ourselves alone. Make this congregation a community of humility and repentance, ready to encounter you in love and follow in your ways. Hear us, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

God of eternal life, to you be the glory forever. We give you thanks for all who have fought the good fight, finished the race, kept the faith, and now live with you. Hear us, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

## **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

# And also with you.

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray together.... Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

#### **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**

SANCTUS p. 173 (red hymnal, front section)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord.
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.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat, this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Drink this, all of you. It is the new covenant of my blood, shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this in remembrance of me.'

Let pray the prayer that our Lord Jesus taught us:

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.

## **CHRIST HAVE MERCY**

Ray Makeever

Christ, have mercy on us all, keep us steadfast e'er we fall. Break the bread, pour the wine. Come and dine.

God, be with us at the feast. Grant us wisdom, give us peace. Break the bread, pour the wine. Come and dine.

Holy Spirit, breathe again. Light the darkness, be our friend. Break the bread, pour the wine. Come and dine.

Bake a great loaf, give it time; choose the best grapes from the vine. Break the bread, pour the wine Come and dine.

## TAKING OF HOLY COMMUNION

[All who desire may come forward to take the body and blood of Christ. During the distribution of Communion, you may also seek prayers of healing at the chair by the baptismal font.]

## **COMMUNION BLESSING**

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in eternal life.

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together:
God of the abundant table,
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.
Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
AMEN.

## **BLESSING**

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. Amen.

# SENDING HYMN Shout to the Lord #821 (red hymnal, rear section)

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you. All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love. My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength; let ev'ry breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth; let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King.

Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name. I sing for joy at the work of your hands; forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.

Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

# (repeat from beginning)

[The composer and writer of this hymn, Darlene Zschech, published it in 1993 through Hillsong Music Australia. She wrote it during the time she was struggling with financial worries and the stresses of raising a young family. It was the closing song on Idol Gives Back in 2008, changing "Jesus" in the first line to "Shepherd."]

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.

## **POSTLUDE**

## **Ina Davenport**

## Thank you to:

- **Nikki Rocha** for assisting in worship.
- **Nancy Koppl** for teaching Sunday School.
- Sandy McMillan and others for counting the offering.
- **Ina Davenport** for accompanying worship.
- **Janet Lorenzo** and others for streaming worship.
- **Janet Lorenzo** for assembling worship bulletins.
- Nancy Padilla, for setting up and welcoming.
- **Gary and Mark Orback,** for tending to our outside property.
- **Sophia and Janet Lorenzo,** for tending to our inside property.
- Ken Brocks for his handyman work.

### Events this week:

- **All are welcome** to linger after worship and attend the **Appreciation Luncheon**, in thanksgiving to the people of this congregation and to the glory of God.
- **The Zoom discussion group** will meet tonight at 7:00 pm, discussing the movie *The Power of Forgiveness*.
- **Bible Study** will meet on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am in the fellowship hall.
- **The Worship Planning Workshop** will meet this Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 to 11:30 am in the sanctuary. Let Pastor Brian know if you are interested in joining this group.
- Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am, we will recognize Reformation Sunday. Everybody is invited to wear something red! Sunday School will take place in the social hall. Also on this Sunday Stewardship Packets will be handed out.

Let Pastor Brian know if you would like to **start receiving his weekly emails**. (bsteinwebber@gmail.

Don't forget to check the Calendar website page for upcoming events: morrobaylutherans.org