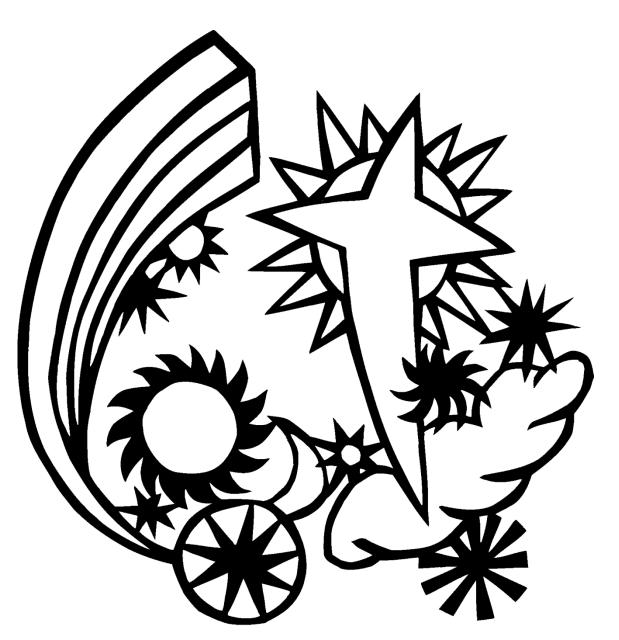


CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH 480 MONTEREY AVE. MORRO BAY, CALIFORNIA Pastor Brian Stein-Webber

# November 13, 2022 Twenty Third Sunday After Pentecost



# **PRELUDE**

# **Ina Davenport**

# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **Pastor Brian Stein-Webber**

# **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who redeems us in Christ Jesus, whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors.

We have ignored voices

that call for your justice.

We have neglected actions

that witness to your righteousness.

We have spoken and acted

in ways that disrupt your beloved community.

We truly repent of things we have done

and left undone.

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Restore our troubled spirits, so that we may live in newness, follow the way of the Spirit, and build up the body of Christ.

Amen.

Rejoice and be glad!
God hears the prayers of all who cry out,
and restores us to life through the death
and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
Therefore, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,
and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING Shall We Gather at the River #423 (red book, rear section)

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God.

# **REFRAIN**

Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray, we will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. REFRAIN

Ere we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down; grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. REFRAIN

Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease; soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.

REFRAIN

[This hymn was written by the famous 19th century pastor and hymnwriter Robert Lowry, during an epidemic that was claiming many lives in New York City. Lowry was a gifted administrator and an inspiring preacher with a fine sense of humor. He was excellent at painting word pictures from his imagination. Music, surprisingly was his avocation. He served many parishes in New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. He then went on to edit Sunday School and hymn books. Other famous hymns by him include: "I Need Thee Every Hour," "How Can I Keep From Singing?", and "We're Marching to Zion." He said, though, "I would rather preach a gospel sermon to an appreciative, receptive congregation than write a hymn."]

# **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, 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)

Ray Makeever

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.

Let us pray together... O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

# WORD

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

# FIRST LESSON: Malachi 4:1-2a

The first lesson for today is from the book of Malachi, the 4<sup>th</sup>chapter, beginning with the 1<sup>st</sup> verse.

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven,

when all the arrogant and all evil doers will be stubble,

the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts,

so that it will leave them neither root nor branch.

But for you who revere my name

the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

[New Revised Standard Version]

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

# **PSALM 98** (the congregation responds with the bold words)

O sing to God a new song, for God has done marvelous things.

God's right hand and holy arm have brought victory.

God has made known his victory; God has revealed vindication in the sight of the nations.

God has remembered steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Sing praises to God with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the Ruler, the Lord.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.

Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of God, who is coming to judge the earth.

God will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

[New Revised Standard Version]

# SECOND LESSON: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

The Second Lesson for today is from the Second Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians, the  $3^{rd}$  chapter, beginning with the  $6^{th}$  verse.

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

to keep away from believers who are living in idleness

and not according to the tradition that they received from us.

For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us;

we were not idle when we were with you

and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it;

but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you.

This was not because we do not have that right,

but in order to give you an example to imitate.

For even when we were with you, we gave you this command:

Anyone unwilling to work should not eat.

For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies,

not doing any work.

Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ

to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

[New Revised Standard Version]

#### CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,

**GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 21:5-19** 

The gospel lesson for today is from the chapter of Luke, the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter, beginning with the 5<sup>th</sup> verse.

Glory be to you, Oh Lord.

When some were speaking about the temple,

how it was adorned with beautiful stone and gifts dedicated to God,

[Jesus] said,

"As for these things that you see,

the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another;all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be,

and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?"

And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray;

for many will come in my name and say,

"I am he!" and, "The time is near!"

Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections,

do not be terrified for these things must take place first,

but the end will not follow immediately."

Then he said to them,

"Nation will rise against nation, and realm against realm;

there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues;

and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you;

they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons,

and you will be brought before rulers and governors because of my name.

This will give you an opportunity to testify.

So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance;

for I will give you words and a wisdom

that none of you opponents will be able to withstand or contradict.

You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends;

and they will put some of you to death.

You will be hated by all because of my name.

But not a hair of your head will perish.

By your endurance you will gain your souls."

# The New Revised Standard Version]

This is the gospel indeed.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON End Times? Pastor Stein-Webber

SERMON HYMN My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness #251 (red hymnal, rear section)

My soul proclaims your greatness, Lord; I sing my Savior's praise! You looked upon my lowliness, and I am full of grace.

Now ev'ry land and ev'ry age this blessing shall proclaim – great wonders you have done for me, and holy is your name.

To all who live in holy fear your mercy ever flows. With mighty arm you dash the proud, their scheming hearts expose. The ruthless you have cast aside, the lowly throned instead;

the hungry filled with all good things, the rich sent off unfed.

To Israel, your servant blest, your help is ever sure; the promise to our parents made their children will secure. Sing glory to the Holy One, give honor to the Word, and praise the Pow'r of the Most High, one God, by all adored.

[The writer of this hymn seems not to be known, but the words are a restatement of The Magnificat, as sung by Mary at the Annunciation in the Gospel of Luke. The tune, Kingsfold, is an English folk tune.]

# 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

United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world. *A brief silence*.

Reviving God, keep your church active in its mission and ministry. Encourage bishops, deacons, pastors, and lay leaders to risk boldly in their proclamation and fill them with wisdom and endurance for challenging times. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Renewing God, as the northern hemisphere prepares for winter, make us mindful of the ordered beauty of your creation. We pray especially for the people of Ukraine, whose energy infrastructure is being destroyed. Teach us to treasure cycles of rest and new life. Help us care for what you have made. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Loving God, accompany all who make sacrifices for the sake of others. Safeguard first responders and active duty military personnel. Grant peace to veterans and heal any wounds in body, mind, or spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Healing God, your people cry out to you. Sustain doctors, nurses, and hospital personnel in their tireless work. Uphold mental health professionals and those in their care. May the sun of righteousness rise on all who are sick, or otherwise in need of our prayers, especially,

- Pastor Brian in his recovery from Bell's Palsy
- Ina Davenport thanksgiving for her finding adequate housing
- Family of Edith Tway who passed on October 12
- Pastor Jim Berg dealing with health issues
- L.C for improved mental health
- Sally Mingo Jennifer Kurrle's mother 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, now in on-going home rehabilitation care.
- Linda Luke- recovering from recent procedure and to gain weight and strength
- Rebecca Aparicio, Nancy Padilla's mother-in-law, living in a nursing home
- Becky Padilla- responding well to treatment for cancer
- Marcia Shep, Jennifer Kurrle's grandmother
- Lia, Ina Davenport's friend-recovering well from a broken back
- James Hecker- experiencing new complications following bladder replacement surgery
- Christopher Buckles, Kate Anderson's son
- Katie Brochtrup- facing oral surgery
- 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 the new COVID-19 omicron variants, and that we might continue to observe mitigation guidelines
- For the people of Ukraine, for strength, healing and protection, and changes of heart for those attacking them.
- For Joe Hoeflich and Glenna Baker who celebrate their birthdays this week.

# Lord, in your mercy,

# receive our prayer.

Uniting God, unite this assembly in its shared mission and ministry for the sake of the gospel, including our partnership with local congregation, including La Iglesia de Santa Cruz. Draw our attention to ways we can better work together and give us patience to work through disagreement. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.** 

Consoling God, abide with all who grieve for loved ones who have died, especially the Tway family. Comfort us with the promise of resurrection and new life with you. Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.

Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you; 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.... Blessed are you, Maker of all things. As you have entrusted us with all that you have created, now gather our gifts, nourish us with this sacrament, and send us to those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

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:
We give you thanks, most gracious God,
that you have fed us with the bread of heaven
and given us a foretaste of Paradise.
Enliven us to be your body in the world
and to serve those who are in need;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
AMEN.

# **BLESSING**

The God of peace, who creates all things and calls them good, who makes us alive in Jesus, and who breathes on us the Spirit of hope, + bless you now and forever.

Amen.

# SENDING HYMN Soon and Very Soon #439 (red hymnal, rear section)

Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King. Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King. Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King. Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King.

No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King.....

No more dyin' there....

# Soon and very soon...

[This hymn was composed by Gospel great Andrae Crouch in .... His parents were Church of God in Christ pastors who also operated a cleaners business and a restaurant at different times. Crouch wrote his first gospel song at the age of 14, and formed several gospel groups afterwards. He won multiple Grammy Awards and collaborated with several well-known talents. He succeeded his parents at New Christ Memorial Church of God in Christ in Pacoima, California. His most famous hymn is "My Tribute." He has been known as the father of modern gospel music.]

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world. **Thanks be to God.** 

# **POSTLUDE**

# **Ina Davenport**

# Thank you to:

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

# Events this week:

- **All are welcome** to linger after worship in the fellowship hall.
- **The Zoom discussion group** will meet tonight at 7:00 pm, discussing the movie *The Apostle*.
- **Bible Study** will meet on Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am in the fellowship hall.
- **Coffee Club** will meet Friday, November 18th, at the Buttercup in Morro Bay, at 9:00 am.
- Let Nancy Padilla know if you would like to roast a turkey for the **Los Osos Community Dinner** on Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Let Pastor Brian know if you would like to start receiving his weekly emails.
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# Don't forget to check the Calendar website page for upcoming events: morrobaylutherans.org