



Christ the Servant - Lakeview



Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 11, 2026



*Everything is ready;
come to the
wedding banquet*

MATTHEW 22:4

In Isaiah we are given a vision of the great feast to come, when God will wipe away death forever. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who pours love into our hearts
and healing upon the earth.

Amen.

Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,
**we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness
in the world and in our own hearts.**

Creation groans from overuse.

Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.

Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.

**Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love
to others.**

Turn our hearts back to you.

Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.

**Renew us to live as your holy people,
following the way of Jesus Christ.**

Amen.

Hear this good news:

We have peace with God through † Jesus Christ,
in whom there is no condemnation,
but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.
Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN - CORNERSTONE

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name

Interlude

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But wholly trust in Jesus' Name

Christ alone, Cornerstone
Weak made strong
In the Savior's love
Through the storm
He is Lord, Lord of all

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil

Christ alone, Cornerstone
Weak made strong
In the Savior's love
Through the storm
He is Lord, Lord of all

When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne

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Weak made strong
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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING – Isaiah 25:1-9

¹ O LORD, you are my God;

I will exalt you; I will praise your name,
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

² For you have made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;
the palace of foreigners is a city no more;
it will never be rebuilt.

³ Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.

⁴ For you have been a refuge to the poor,
a refuge to the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.
When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm,

⁵ the noise of foreigners like heat in a dry place,
you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;
the song of the ruthless was stilled.

⁶ On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines
strained clear.

⁷ And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the covering that is spread over all nations;

⁸ he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

⁹ It will be said on that day, "See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the LORD for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

¹ The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.

² **The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

³ You restore my soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

⁴ **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of
death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod
and your staff, they comfort me.**

⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my
enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is
running over.

⁶ **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the
days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the
LORD forever.**

SECOND READING – PHILIPPIANS 4:1-9

¹ My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy
and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

² I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind
in the Lord. ³ Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion,
help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the
work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my
coworkers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵ Let
your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do

not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

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GOSPEL - MATTHEW 22:1-14

The Gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ² “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ ⁵ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ ¹⁰ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad, so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ “But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed

a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹² and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON - Tony Lee

HYMN OF THE DAY - HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD

The splendor of a King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice,
All the earth rejoice

He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
Trembles at His voice

How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great, is our God

Age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End
Beginning and the End

The Godhead, Three in One
Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb
Lion and the Lamb

How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see

How great, how great, is our God

Name above all names

Worthy of all praise

My heart will sing

How great is our God

Name above all names

Worthy of all praise

My heart will sing

How great is our God

How great is our God, sing with me

How great is our God, and all will see

How great, how great, is our God

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APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - RESPONSE: Your mercy is great.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERING HYMN - JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE

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Just a closer walk with thee,
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;
daily walking close to thee,
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

I am weak but thou art strong:
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;
I'll be satisfied as long
as I walk, let me walk close to thee.

Just a closer walk with thee,
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;
daily walking close to thee,
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Through this world of toil and snares,
if I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who with me my burden shares?
None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.

Just a closer walk with thee,
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;
daily walking close to thee,
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

When my feeble life is o'er,
time for me will be no more;
guide me gently, safely o'er
to thy kingdom shore, to thy shore.

Just a closer walk with thee,
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;
daily walking close to thee,
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

OFFERING PRAYER

God of creation,
you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.
All blessings are from you;
make us generous with what we have.
Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts
in service to you and in love to our neighbors,
today and always.
Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

THE 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION - SPECIAL MUSIC

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Sustaining God,
with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and
abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to
serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your
liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus,
in whose name we pray.
Amen.

COMMUNITY LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN - HOUSE OF THE LORD

We worship the God who was
We worship the God who is
We worship the God
Who evermore will be

He opened the prison doors
He parted the raging sea
My God, he holds the victory Yeah

There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet
we shout out Your praise

There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise

We shout out Your praise

We sing to the God who heals
We sing to the God who saves
We sing to the God who
Always makes a way

'Cause He hung upon that cross
Then He rose up from that grave
My God's still rolling stones away

There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet
we shout out Your praise

There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise

We were the beggars Now we're royalty
We were the pris'ners
Now we're running free
We are forgiven, accepted,
Redeemed by His grace
Let the house of the Lord Sing praise
(x2)

There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet
we shout out Your praise

There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise

There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
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DISMISSAL

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Announcements

Statistics

Attendance last Sunday, October 4 outdoor service was 46

This week's offerings to General Fund: \$1498.05

Received online: \$1393.15

Upcoming Dates:

October 11	Pumpkin Delivery - 4:00 PM
October 12	Pumpkin Patch Opens Photo Directory Picture Day 1
October 13	Photo Directory Picture Day 2
October 24	Trunk or Treat - 2-4 PM
November 8	60th Anniversary Celebration

2027 Summer mission trip fundraising opportunity:

In order to help raise funds for our upcoming 2027 summer mission trip, Christ the Servant has set up a fundraising opportunity with Gerten's green house. Members can place orders online for Christmas for: holiday plants/wreaths/pointsettias. Sales are open through 10 pm on Thursday October 29. (Plants will be delivered to Christ The Servant church and will be available for pickup the evening of Dec 2.) 30% of all sales will be given to Christ the Servant Lutheran Church.

To place an order online:

1. Go to www.gertensfundraising.com
2. Enter the store ID code: **649** and click 'Enter ID to Continue'.

If you have any questions or need assistance with placing your orders, please reach out to Wendy Shulze or Lori Moore.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST THE SERVANT

Today: Sunday, October 11 – 20th Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:30 AM - Bible Study
- 9:30 AM - Worship
- 10:30 AM - Fellowship
- 11:00 AM - Intentional Faith Meeting
- 4:00 PM - Pumpkins Arrive

Monday, October 12

- Pumpkin Patch Opens
- Directory Photos Day 1
- No Piecemakers Today
- 9:00 AM - Package Bread and Delivery

Tuesday, October 13

- Directory Photos Day 2
- 7:00 AM - Bread Preparation (FH)
- 8:30 AM - Bread Distribution (FH)
- 6:30 PM - AA (FH)

Wednesday, October 14

- 10:00 AM - Bible Study (FH)
- 11:30 AM - Senior Hi-Lites
- 6:00 PM - Youth
- 7:00 PM - AA Meeting (Class A)

Thursday, October 15

- 3:45 PM - Thursday Chair Yoga

Friday, October 16

- 9:00 AM - Piecemakers

Saturday, October 17

- 9:00 AM - Project Day (K/FH)
- 9:30 AM - Women's Bible Study
- 12:00 PM - UCG Church (S/K/FH)

Sunday, October 18 – 21st Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:30 AM - Bible Study
- 9:30 AM - Worship
- 10:30 AM - Fellowship
- 10:30 AM - Care of Creation Team

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY! THANK YOU!

Greeter: Katie Wright

Ushers: Johnson Family

Reader: Steve E.

Sound Booth: Tim, Tom, Peter, Kim, Tony

Communion Assistants: OPEN

Musician: Revelation

Coffee Servers: Mike and Elijah G.

Cub Bread Pickup: Gary S.

Counters: Loretta M. and Roger G.

Flowers: OPEN

PRAYER REQUESTS...

We pray for those in need of healing and mercy:

Kayla, (Tasha's friend), Norma, (Leila's Mother), Jennifer C (best friend of Angie M), Mary Kay (Joni's Mother) Brian I (son of Pam I), Salomie (sister-in-law of Peter S), Patty W (sister of Mike W), Clarice, Jean A, Anne, Peter, Grace B.

We pray for our service men and women:

Laiden S (deployed to Germany)

We pray for those who are grieving:

The family of Robert M., Leila's brother. The family of Steve Holtz

(Please call the church office with prayer concerns or updates.)

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