

COS Sunday Devotional Streaming

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost – August 2, 2020

Welcome

Welcome to Christ Our Savior's worship to start the month of August! We are continuing our online / in-person hybrid worship, and today we begin a series of three sermons on Jesus' miracles in Matthew entitled Miracles of the Kingdom – God's Priorities. We hope you will be blessed by the Word this week.

Invocation

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Confession of Sins

Spoken Together

Dear Father in heaven, you give me my daily bread, and yet often I receive it without much thanks. I look to my own hands and say, "you have fed me," and I look to my own surroundings and forget that all good things come from You. Because I have done this, I have been selfish and fearful and have not shared with others when I could have. Forgive my sins, Father, of thought, word and deed. By Your Holy Spirit, help me to correct my ways and lead me into the path of righteousness. I ask it for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Absolution

Pastor Ely

Music

The King of Love My Shepherd Is, *Koine*

The King of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness fails me never;
I nothing lack if I am his,
And he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow,
My Savior gently leads me,
And where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feeds me.

Confused and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me
And on his shoulder gently laid
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With you, dear Lord, beside me,
Your rod and staff my comfort still,
Your cross before to guide me.

You spread a table in my sight,
A banquet here bestowing;
Your oil of welcome, my delight;
My cup is overflowing!

And so, through all the length of days,
Your goodness fails me never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise
Within your house forever!

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55:1-5

“Come, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and he who has no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
³ Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.
⁴ Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
⁵ Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,
and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

Epistle Reading

Romans 9:1-13

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit— ² that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. ⁴ They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. ⁵ To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

⁶ But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, ⁷ and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” ⁸ This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. ⁹ For this is what the promise said: “About this time next year I will return, and Sarah shall have a son.” ¹⁰ And not only so, but also when Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, ¹¹ though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God’s purpose of election might continue, not because of

works but because of him who calls— ¹² she was told, “The older will serve the younger.”
¹³ As it is written, “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.”

Gospel Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

¹³ Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵ Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶ But Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷ They said to him, “We have only five loaves here and two fish.” ¹⁸ And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Children’s Sermon

Pastor Ely

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty, from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering Music

All Who Are Thirsty, *Kutless*

All who are thirsty,
All who are weak,
Come to the fountain,
Dip your heart in the stream of life.
Let the pain and the sorrow
Be washed away
In the waves of His mercy,
As deep cries out to deep:

Come, Lord Jesus, come!

Prayers of the Congregation

The 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.

Music **Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness, *Concordia***

Praise the One who breaks the darkness
With a liberating light.
Praise the One who frees the prisoners,
Turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the Gospel,
Healing every dread disease,
Calming storms and feeding thousands
With the very Bread of peace.

Praise the One who blessed the children
With a strong yet gentle word.
Praise the One who drove out demons
With a piercing two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water
To the desert's burning sand.
From this well comes living water,
Quenching thirst in every land.

Let us praise the Word Incarnate:
Christ, who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose victorious
That we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
Seeing what our God has done.
Let us praise the true Redeemer,
Praise the One who makes us one.

Meditation: "The Priority of Provision"

Pastor Ed

Prayer and Benediction

Virtual Sharing of the Peace

Final Music

Christ is Risen, *Matt Maher*

Let no one caught in sin remain
Inside the lie of inward shame.
We fix our eyes upon the cross
And run to Him who showed great love
And bled for us.
Freely You've bled for us.

Chorus: Christ is risen from the dead,
Trampling over death by death.
Come awake, come awake,
Come and rise up from the grave!
Christ is risen from the dead,
We are one with Him again.
Come awake, come awake,
Come and rise up from the grave!

Beneath the weight of all our sin,
You bowed to none but Heaven's will.
No scheme of hell, no scoffer's crown,
No burden great can hold You down.
In strength You reign,
Forever let Your church proclaim:

Chorus

O death, where is your sting?
O hell, where is your victory?
O church, come stand in the light.
Our God is not dead, He's alive, He's alive

Chorus

Chat Time