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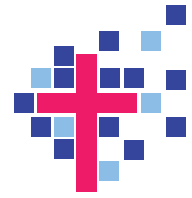
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## Welcome to Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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*God does not promise that the path of the disciple will be easy. Jeremiah feels the pain of rejection from those who do not want to hear what he has to say. Jesus declares that his words may bring stark division. Even so, we need not be afraid for God accounts for each hair on our heads. Though we may experience rejection, frustration, division, and death, God's grace and love make us a new creation each day. Marked with the cross and filled with holy food, we are sent from worship to witness to Christ in the world.*

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# GATHER

## WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Dave Thomas

## OPENING SONGS

ELW #824

### *This is My Father's World*

1. This is my Fa - ther's world, and to my lis - t'ning ears all  
 2. This is my Fa - ther's world; the birds their car - ols raise; the  
 3. This is my Fa - ther's world; oh, let me not for - get that

na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres. This  
 morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their mak - er's praise. This  
 though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ru - ler yet. This

is my Fa - ther's world; I rest me in the thought of  
 is my Fa - ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the  
 is my Fa - ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The

rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.  
 rust - ling grass, I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev - 'ry - where.  
 Lord is king, let heav - en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858–1901  
 Music: TERRA PATRIS, Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930, adapt.

## OPENING PRAYER

David and Alicia Thomas



## LESSONS

### FIRST LESSON

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#### *Jeremiah 20:7-13 (The Message)*

L A reading from Jeremiah.

<sup>7-10</sup> You pushed me into this, God, and I let you do it.

You were too much for me.

And now I'm a public joke.

They all poke fun at me.

Every time I open my mouth

I'm shouting, "Murder!" or "Rape!"

And all I get for my God-warnings  
are insults and contempt.

But if I say, "Forget it!

No more God-Messages from me!"

The words are fire in my belly,

a burning in my bones.

I'm worn out trying to hold it in.

I can't do it any longer!

Then I hear whispering behind my back:

"There goes old 'Danger-Everywhere.' Shut him up! Report him!"

Old friends watch, hoping I'll fall flat on my face:

"One misstep and we'll have him. We'll get rid of him for good!"

<sup>11</sup> But God, a most fierce warrior, is at my side.

Those who are after me will be sent sprawling—

Slapstick buffoons falling all over themselves,

a spectacle of humiliation no one will ever forget.

<sup>12</sup> Oh, God-of-the-Angel-Armies, no one fools you.

You see through everyone, everything.

I want to see you pay them back for what they've done.

I rest my case with you.

<sup>13</sup> Sing to God! All praise to God!

He saves the weak from the grip of the wicked.

L Word of God. Word of Life.

**C Thanks be to God!**

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**PSALM**

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*Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 (The Message)*

<sup>7</sup> Because of you I look like an idiot,  
I walk around ashamed to show my face.  
<sup>8</sup> My brothers shun me like a bum off the street;  
My family treats me like an unwanted guest.  
<sup>9</sup> I love you more than I can say.  
Because I'm madly in love with you,  
They blame me for everything they dislike about you.  
<sup>10</sup> When I poured myself out in prayer and fasting,  
All it got me was more contempt.  
<sup>11</sup> When I put on a sad face,  
They treated me like a clown.  
<sup>12</sup> Now drunks and gluttons  
Make up drinking songs about me.  
<sup>13</sup> And me? I pray.  
God, it's time for a break!  
God, answer in love!  
Answer with your sure salvation!  
<sup>14</sup> Rescue me from the swamp,  
Don't let me go under for good,  
Pull me out of the clutch of the enemy;  
This whirlpool is sucking me down.  
<sup>15</sup> Don't let the swamp be my grave, the Black Hole  
Swallow me, its jaws clenched around me.  
<sup>16</sup> Now answer me, God, because you love me;  
Let me see your great mercy full-face.  
<sup>17</sup> Don't look the other way; your servant can't take it.  
I'm in trouble. Answer right now!  
<sup>18</sup> Come close, God; get me out of here.  
Rescue me from this deathtrap.

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## SECOND LESSON

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### *Romans 6:1b-11 (The Message)*

L A reading from Romans.

<sup>1-3</sup> So what do we do? Keep on sinning so God can keep on forgiving? I should hope not! If we've left the country where sin is sovereign, how can we still live in our old house there? Or didn't you realize we packed up and left there for good? That is what happened in baptism. When we went under the water, we left the old country of sin behind; when we came up out of the water, we entered into the new country of grace—a new life in a new land!

<sup>3-5</sup> That's what baptism into the life of Jesus means. When we are lowered into the water, it is like the burial of Jesus; when we are raised up out of the water, it is like the resurrection of Jesus. Each of us is raised into a light-filled world by our Father so that we can see where we're going in our new grace-sovereign country.

<sup>6-11</sup> Could it be any clearer? Our old way of life was nailed to the cross with Christ, a decisive end to that sin-miserable life—no longer at sin's every beck and call! What we believe is this: If we get included in Christ's sin-conquering death, we also get included in his life-saving resurrection. We know that when Jesus was raised from the dead it was a signal of the end of death-as-the-end. Never again will death have the last word. When Jesus died, he took sin down with him, but alive he brings God down to us. From now on, think of it this way: Sin speaks a dead language that means nothing to you; God speaks your mother tongue, and you hang on every word. You are dead to sin and alive to God. That's what Jesus did.

L Word of God. Word of Life.

**C Thanks be to God!**

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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*Thy Word*HOLY GOSPEL

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*from Matthew 10 (The Message, paraphrased)*

P Today's gospel is from the 10th chapter of St. Matthew.

Jesus taught his disciples, saying, "You know that students aren't above their teacher, right? That's why a student doesn't get a better desk than her teacher. And a laborer doesn't make more money than his boss. Be content—pleased, even—when you, my students, my harvest hands, get the same treatment I get. If they call me, the Master, names, what can the workers expect? Don't be intimidated. Eventually everything is going to be out in the open, and everyone will know how things really are. So don't hesitate to go public now. Don't be bluffed into silence by the threats of bullies. There's nothing they can do to your soul, your core being. Save your fear for God, who holds your entire life—body and soul—in his hands. What's the price of a pet canary? Some loose change, right? And God cares what happens to it even more than you do. He pays even greater attention to you, down to the last detail—even numbering the hairs on your head! So don't be intimidated by all this bully talk. You're worth more than all the birds in the sky to God. Stand up for me against world opinion and I'll stand up for you before my Father in heaven."

P This is good news.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## MESSAGE

Pastor Dave Thomas

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*Student, Teacher*

SONG OF THE DAY

*I Surrender All*



1. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der, all to him I free - ly give; I will e - ver  
 2. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der, hum - bly at his feet I bow, world - ly pleas - ures  
 3. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der, make me, Sav - ior, whol - ly thine; May thy Ho - ly  
 4. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der, Lord, I give my - self to thee; Fill me with thy



love and trust him, in his pres - ence dai - ly live.  
 all for - sak - en, take me, Je - sus, take me now.  
 Spir - it fill me, may I know thy pow'r di - vine.  
 love and pow - er, let thy bless - ing fall on me.



I sur - ren - der all, I sur - ren - der all.



All to thee, my bless - ed Sav - ior, I sur - ren - der all.

Text: Judson W. Van De Venter, 1855-1939

Tune: SURRENDER, Winfield S. Weeden, 1847-1908



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## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### THE 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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

### OFFERING

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BENEDICTION

- P** May God Creator bless you and keep you.  
May Christ be ever light for your life.  
May the Spirit of Love be your guide and your path for all of your days.  
In the name of the Father, and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**
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**SENDING**

## CLOSING SONG

### *Build Your Kingdom Here*

1. Come set your rule, and reign in our hearts a - gain. In -  
 2. We seek your king - dom first. We hun - ger and we thirst; re -  
 3. Un - leash your king - dom's pow'r, reach - ing the near and far. No

crease in us, we pray. Un - veil why we're made. Come set our hearts a -  
 fuse to waste our lives, for you're our joy and prize. To see the cap - tives'  
 force of hell can stop your beau - ty chang - ing hearts. You made us for much

blaze with hope, like wild - fire in our ver - y souls; Ho - ly Spir - it, come, in - vade us  
 hearts re - leased; the hurt, the sick, the poor at peace. We lay down our lives for heav - en's  
 more than this; A - wake the king - dom seed in us. Fill us with the strength and love of

now. We are your church; We need your pow'r in us.  
 cause. We are your church; We pray, re - vive this earth.  
 Christ. We are your church; We are the hope on earth.

*Chorus*

Build your king - dom here. Let the dark - ness fear. Show your might - y  
 hand. Heal our streets and land. Set your church on fire. Win this na - tion  
 back. Change the at - mos - phere. Build your king - dom here, we pray!

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**SENT TO SERVE**

P Jesus said, "As I have been sent, so also I send you."  
By God's grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we are called to:

- C** **Worship God,**  
**Grow in Faith,**  
**Share the Gospel,**  
**Serve Others,**  
**Welcome All. — Thanks be to God!**