

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH
200 West Anderson Lane - Austin, Texas 78752
Called by grace, led by faith, welcoming all to share God's love.

TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST



NOVEMBER 9, 2025

✝ You are invited to make the sign of the cross

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE Alex Chacon

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVNESS (responses in bold type)

In the Name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people,
turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of
your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your
forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior
and Lord. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We
have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we
have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved
you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as
ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your
will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.
Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and
ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I
therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the
name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

GATHERING SONG On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand + ELW 437

GREETING

CANTICLE OF PRAISE This Is the Feast + ELW setting 2, page 122

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you
renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all
things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and
bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord. Amen. (Please be seated)

(Please be seated)

WORD

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

FIRST READING Job 19:23-27a

...Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 17:1-9 Michael Harrison, cantor

¹ Hear a just cause, O Lord; give heed ¹ to my cry;
listen to my prayer, which does not come from ¹ lying lips.

² Let my vindication come forth ¹ from your presence;
let your eyes be ¹ fixed on justice.

³ Examine my heart, visit ¹ me by night,
melt me down; you will find no impuri- ¹ ty in me.

⁴ I have not regarded what ¹ others do;
at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways ¹ of the violent.

⁵ My footsteps hold fast to your ¹ well-worn path;
and my feet ¹ do not slip.

⁶ I call upon you, O God, for you will ¹ answer me;
incline your ear to me and ¹ hear my words.

⁷ Show me your marvelous ¹ lovingkindness,
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those
who ¹ rise against them.

⁸ Keep me as the apple ¹ of your eye;
hide me under the shadow ¹ of your wings,

⁹ from the wicked ¹ who assault me,
from my deadly enemies ¹ who surround me.

SECOND READING 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

...Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God. (Please stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia + ELW setting 2, page 124

(Please be seated)

GOSPEL Luke 20:27-38

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord...

...The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON (Please stand following)

HYMN OF THE DAY Christ, the Life of All the Living + ELW 339

APOSTLES' CREED ELW page 127 (on insert)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

...Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

...We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your
grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE (Please be seated following)

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

GATHERING OF OFFERING Special Music + Michael Harrison

OFFERTORY Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful + ELW 182

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your
goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time,
and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in
feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave
himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

(Please stand)

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... It is indeed right...

...and join their unending hymn... (Holy, Holy, Holy + ELW p. 130)

...Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION (Please be seated following)

SONGS DURING COMMUNION

Lamb of God + ELW page 135

I Know that My Redeemer Lives + ELW 619

Shall We Gather at the River + ELW 423

TABLE BLESSING & PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us
with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened
by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your
good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love
and serve in Christ's name. Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who
gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, ✝ bless you
now and forever. Amen. (Please stand for the sending song)

SENDING SONG Precious Lord, Take My Hand + ELW 773

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the Harvest. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Alex Chacon

FIRST READING: Job 19:23-27a

²³“O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!
²⁴O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock forever!
²⁵For I know that my vindicator lives
and that in the end he will stand upon the earth;
²⁶and after my skin has been destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
^{27a}whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.”

PSALM 17:1-9

SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

¹As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ²not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³Let no one deceive you in any way, for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

¹³But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴For this purpose he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. ¹⁶Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

GOSPEL: Luke 20:27-38

²⁷Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] ²⁸and asked him a question: “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; ³⁰then the second ³¹and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³²Finally the woman also died. ³³In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.”

³⁴Jesus said to them, “Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither

Let’s Talk Resurrection

When the Sadducees encounter Jesus with a technical question, he responds by humanizing and placing divine value upon each character in the Sadducees’ hypothetical scenario. Jesus’ response is about resurrection and about naming people as children of God and of light. The answer Jesus gives the Sadducees is about God, whose presence means life. This is about God’s promise of resurrection in the face of death, and about life in the face of and in spite of death.

Like Job, who was surrounded by the remnants of his lost life and still proclaimed hope, Jesus is in the midst of palpable tension that very soon will lead him to his own death, and yet he proclaims life. The author of this hope is God, whose very naming of a person brings that one to life. These texts proclaim hope in the face of hopelessness, and urge us to do the same.



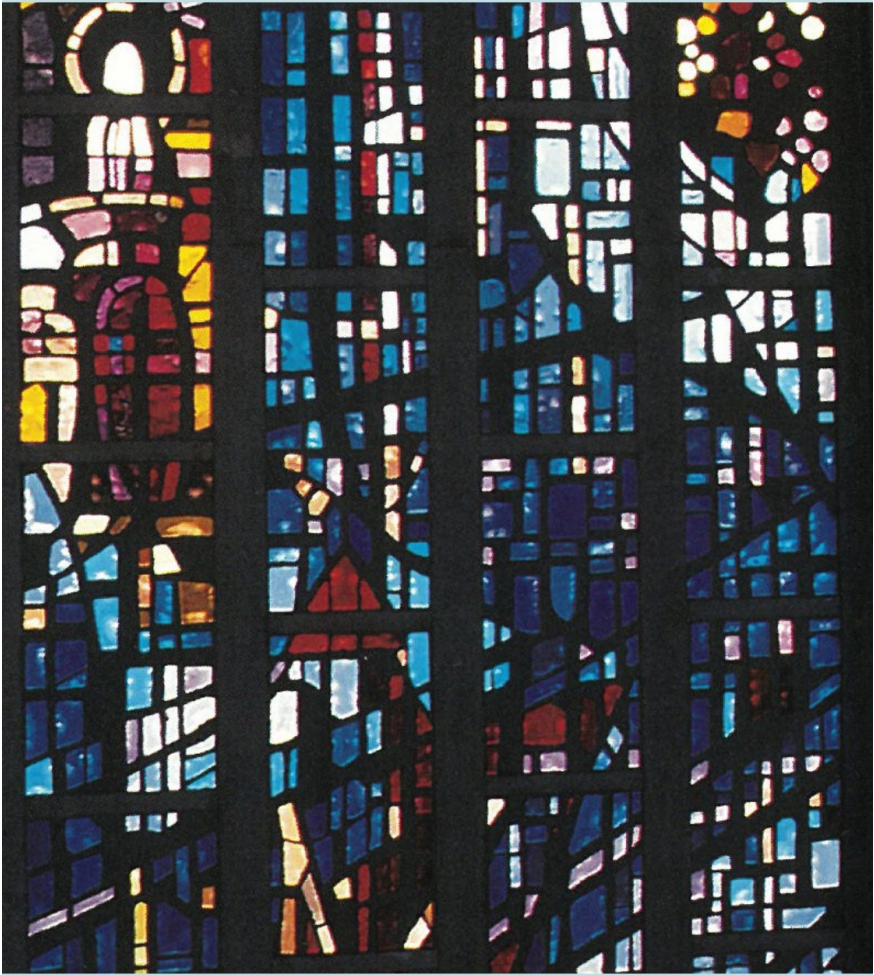
Gospel continued

marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive.”



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