



SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS & CRAVE LIFE
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IT'S MORE THAN YOU THINK

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20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Worship Order - 10:00 a.m.

Service of Word and Service

GATHERING

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN

“SIYAHAMBA / WE ARE MARCHING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD” ELW 866

We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, (marching, we are marching, marching,) we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, (marching, we are marching, marching,) we are marching in the light of God.

Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos', siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos' Siyahamb' ekukhanyen'
kwenkhos', siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'

Siyahamba, (hamba, siyahamba, hamba,) siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos' Siyahamba, (hamba,
siyahamba, hamba,) siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'

WORD

CONFESSON AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity ✚ one God, who creates, redeems,
and sustains us and all of creation.

C **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Faithful God,

C **have mercy on us.**

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways.

We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves.

We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.

**Make us humble, change our minds and repent, so to reconcile
with our siblings in Christ.**

P God hears us, responds to the cries of injustice, and through his death and
resurrection, Christ has made us his own.

Your sins are forgiven in the name of ✚ Jesus Christ.

Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness of mind
to do God's work in the world.

C **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 45:1-7

1Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him—and the gates shall not be closed: 2I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, 3I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. 4For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. 5I am the Lord, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, 6so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. 7I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the Lord do all these things.

A Word of God. Word of Life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

****CHILDREN'S MOMENT**** (*Call to all the kids*)

BEFORE THE GOSPEL READING

A Today's Gospel reading is from the book of Matthew from the 22nd chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 22:15-22

15Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. 16So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. 17Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" 18But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? 19Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. 20Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" 21They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." 22When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

A Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Moses D. Barrios

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OF THE DAY

"HOLY SPIRIT, EVER DWELLING" ELW #582

(Verse 1)

Holy Spirit, ever dwelling, in the holiest realms of light, Holy Spirit, ever brooding o'er a world of gloom and night; Holy Spirit, ever raising those of earth to thrones on high; living, life-imparting Spirit, you we praise and magnify

(Verse 2)

Holy Spirit, ever living as the church's very life; Holy Spirit, ever striving through us in a ceaseless strife; Holy Spirit, ever forming in the church the mind of Christ: you we praise with endless worship for your gifts and fruits unpriced

(Verse 3)

Holy Spirit, ever working through the church's ministry; quick'ning, strength'ning, and absolving, setting captive sinners free; Holy Spirit, ever binding age to age and soul to soul in communion never ending, you we worship and extol

APOSTLES' 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 the 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 INTERCESSION

With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

Holy God, you call us to work for peace and justice in your vineyard. Refresh the church with your life, that we may bear fruit through work and service. Help us to faithfully nurture your gifts and blessings. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Thank you for the abundant harvest of the earth. Bless and care for those whose hands bring the fruits of the earth to the tables of all who hunger. May we be inspired by your servants who cared deeply for your creation. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Curb the impulses of greed and pride that lead us to take advantage of others. Reveal to us how racism and white supremacy continue to operate in our world and make us bold to speak out against such evil. Grant that world leaders seek the fruits of the kingdom for the good and welfare of all people. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Sustain all who suffer with the promise of new life. Assured of your presence, heal our pain and suffering, and equip us to embrace all bodies aching for wholeness of mind, body, and soul. We call to mind those who are struggling today with the global pandemic. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for all managers in our community and for all who seek employment. Give hope and a future to those who lack meaningful work, those who have been marginalized or abused in the workplace, and those who desire new opportunities. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

INTRODUCTION TO THE PEACE

- P** The peace of Christ be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

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OFFERING PRAYER

- A** Let us pray together.
C **Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.
You have set before us these gifts of your good creation.
Prepare us for your heavenly banquet,
nourish us with this rich food and drink,
and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world,
through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

- P** Mothering God, Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.
Amen.
- C** **The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord smile on you, shine his light upon you.
The Lord lift you, turn his face towards you
and give you his peace. Give you his peace.
Amen.**

DISMISSAL

- P** Go in peace. Christ is with you.
C **Thanks be to God.**

SONG - "The Days Are Coming" by Joel and Aim Pakan

JOIN US ONLINE NEXT WEEK AT 10:00 A.M.