

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF GENEVA

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



ENGLISH-SPEAKING CONGREGATION

WORSHIP SERVICE AT 11H00

20 OCTOBER 2024

THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING CONGREGATION OF THE ELCG WELCOMES YOU!

*We are a home away-from-home,
with people from different places becoming sisters and brothers in Christ.
Our members come from 40 countries and six continents. Some are in Geneva for
decades, others for only a few months. All help the parish to be a community of
shared beliefs, experiences and concerns. Opportunities for fellowship, spiritual
growth and recreation bring families, friends and acquaintances together. Such
bonds are precious in a city of so many welcomes and farewells.*

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We are glad you are here—welcome!

Thank you to those sharing in worship leadership this morning:

Reader: Nina Kiderlin

Prayer leader: Maureen Gumbe

Altar care: Mee Ji

Assisting ministers: Grace George, Damaris Hassink, Kristen Namigai,
Nyambura Njoroge

Ushers: Belinda Mziray, Nashipai Naing'olah

Offering counters: Johnny Camaddo, Ngoni Hove

Flowers: German-Speaking Congregation

Coffee hour: Neighborhood Group B

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Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost + 20 October 2024, 11h00

Ecumenical Prayer Cycle:

Anguilla Antigua and Barbuda, Aruba, Bahamas, Barbados, Bonaire, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Cuba, Curaçao, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guadeloupe Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Martinique, Montserrat, Puerto Rico, Saba, St Barts, St. Eustatia, Saint Martin / Sint Maarten, St Kitts-Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks & Caicos, US Virgin Islands.

Welcome

Prelude

Katharina Mainberger-Dellweg

Greeting

Jesus Christ, our source, our center, our savior,

***Jesus Christ, wounded, afflicted, oppressed,
like a servant suffering,***

Jesus Christ, healing, forgiving, bearing iniquities, rising,

***Jesus Christ, raising us up with him,
gathering us into his outstretched arms,***

Jesus Christ calls us here,

his body re-formed,

so God is revealed in our midst,

God in the flesh, diseased, scarred, oppressed,

God, servant of the servants,

and as servant, in all and over all.

Hymn

Christ be our light

Bernadette Farrell: UK



1. Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
2. Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
3. Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
4. Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for
5. Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your ho - ly
hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone has power to
wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread, bro - ken for
warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing, shel - ter - ing
hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants to one an -



peo - ple, light for the world to see. Christ, be our light!
save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.



Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness. Christ,



be our light! Shine in your church ga - thered to - day.

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Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God, whose godliness we barely recognize,
whose life in our midst upends what we value,
whose practices do not match our mode or our mood,
*forgive us all that is not love,
all that is not humility,
all that is not serving others as you serve us.*

When our needs crowd out the need that we be of help,
when our wants obscure the want that others want not,
when our hopes defeat the hope by which others rise,
heal us by your Spirit.

*Turn us to follow your Beloved,
into the sacred story of wet towels, contaminated hands, crude crosses,
where living is renewed in the giving
and the flourishing of grace abounds.*

Sung Response

Oye, Señor

Betty Hernández and Maritza Dixon: Mexico/Panama

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 2/4 time. It consists of three staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff begins with a Dm chord and a 7-measure rest. The second staff includes Dm, C, and A7 chords. The third staff includes A7 and Dm chords. The lyrics are in Spanish and English.

O - ye, Se - ñor, tu pue - blo te cla - ma. O - ye, Se -
Hear us, O Lord, your peo - ple cry to you. Hear us, O
ñor, tu pue - blo te cla - ma. Dá - nos tu for - ta - le - za y a
Lord, your peo - ple cry to you. Give us your stead - fast cour - age to
vi - va nues - tra fé. O - ye, Se - ñor! O - ye, Se - ñor!
live out our faith with strength. Hear us, O Lord. Hear us, O Lord.

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Words of Grace

Hymn of Praise

Jézi de Nazarèt

Haitian worship chorus

G

Jé - zi de Na - za - rèt, Jé - zi de Na - za - rèt,
 Je - sus of Na - zar - eth, Je - sus of Na - zar - eth,
 Je - sús de Na - za - ret, Je - sús de Na - za - ret,

C G D G

Jé - zi de Na - za - rèt, Es - poua moin sé nan ou.
 Je - sus of Na - zar - eth, I find my hope in you.
 Je - sús de Na - za - ret, es - pe - ro só - lo en ti.

D G C

Ou kon'n sa moin be - zoin. Ou kon'n sa map ché - chè,
 You know just what I need. You know my sear - ching, too.
 Tú sa - bes me su - frir, co - no - ces mi do - lor

D G

Es - poua moin sé nan ou.
 I find my hope in you.
 es - pe - ro só - lo en ti.

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Prayer of the Day

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 53:4-12

Surely he has borne our infirmities
 and carried our diseases;
 yet we accounted him stricken,
 struck down by God, and afflicted.
 But he was wounded for our transgressions,
 crushed for our iniquities;
 upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
 and by his bruises we are healed.
 All we like sheep have gone astray;
 we have all turned to our own way,
 and the Lord has laid on him
 the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.

By a perversion of justice he was taken away.

Who could have imagined his future?

For he was cut off from the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people.

They made his grave with the wicked
and his tomb with the rich,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain.

When you make his life an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of the Lord shall prosper.

Out of his anguish he shall see light;
he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.

The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.

Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong;

because he poured out himself to death,
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:9-16

Because you have made the Lord your refuge,

the Most High your dwelling place,

no evil shall befall you,

no scourge come near your tent.

For God will command God's angels concerning you

to guard you in all your ways.

On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

You will tread on the lion and the adder,
the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.
 Those who love me, I will deliver;
I will protect those who know my name.
 When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble,
I will rescue them and honor them.
 With long life I will satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 5:1-10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

Honduras

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Al-le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - to.
Now the Lord is risen in - deed.

Gospel

Mark 10:35-45

The Gospel according to Mark, chapter 10.

Glory to you, O Lord.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Alleluia

Sermon

Andy Willis

Hymn

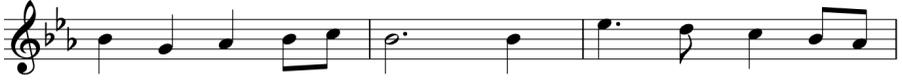
Holy God, holy and glorious

Susan R. Briechl

Robert Buckley Farlee



1. Ho - ly God, ho - ly and glo - ri - ous
 2. Ho - ly God, ho - ly and pow - er - ful,
 3. Ho - ly God, ho - ly and beau - ti - ful,
 4. Ho - ly God, ho - ly and on - ly wise,
 5. Ho - ly God, ho - ly and liv - ing one,



glo - ry most sub - lime, you come as one a -
 pow - er with - out peer, you bend to us in
 beau - ty un - sur - passed, you are de - spised, re -
 wis - dom of great price, you choose the way of
 life that nev - er ends, you show your love by



mong weak - ness; in - to hu - man time
 - ject - ed; emp - tied, you draw near,
 fol - ly; God the cru - ci - fied, fast,
 dy - ing, dy - ing for your friends,



and we be - hold your glo - ry.
 and we be - hold your pow - er.
 and we be - hold your beau - ty.
 and we be - hold your wis - dom.
 and we be - hold your liv - ing.

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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 again 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

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Gathering of Gifts

Our Only Source of Unity

Choir

Words by Allison Carter (Barbados) and other members of the Caribbean

Liturgy Alive Workshop. Music by Jean Mathurian (Antigua)

Arrangement by Noel Dexter (Jamaica)

*Our only source of unity, Jesus Christ,
our only light for liberty, Jesus Christ,
come meet the one who gives us life, Jesus Christ. (2x)*

*From many grains one loaf of bread, Jesus Christ,
from many grapes one cup of wine, Jesus Christ,
from many isles, one people now in Jesus Christ. (2x)*

*Come, let us serve the one who calls, Jesus Christ.
Come, let us go in harmony with Jesus Christ.*

Come, let us share God's peace and love in Jesus Christ. (2x)

Offertory

Bendice Señor nuestro pan

Argentina

Ben - di - ce, Se - ñor, nues - tro pan, y da pan a los que tien - en
Lord, bless the bread you have given, and give bread to all who are

ham - bre y ham - bre de jus - ti - cia a los que tien - en
hun - gry, give hun - ger for jus - tice to those with

pan. Ben - di - ce Se - ñor nues - tro pan.
bread. Lord, bless the bread you have given.

English, Donald Wetherick

comes in the name of the Lord. Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Eucharistic Prayer

Words of Institution

Remembering

At this table Jesus serves us, so we remember how to serve others.
 With this bread we become his body.
 With this cup poured out, we become his blood.
 We proclaim the mystery of our faith.
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Lord's Prayer

in our many languages

***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.***

Agnus Dei

Oi Jumalan

Matti Rantatalo: Finland

Gm Dm⁷ Eb B^b/D Eb B^b/D Cm⁷ Dm Eb

Oi, Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa, jo - ka pois o - tat maa - il - man
 O, Lamb of God, given for us, all the sin of the world you are

F/A F⁷ B^b F/A Gm⁷ F

syn - nin, ar - mah - da mei - tä, ar - mah - da mei - tä.
 bear - ing. Grant us your mer - cy, grant us your mer - cy.

Gm Dm⁷ Eb B^b/D Eb B^b/D Cm⁷ Dm Eb F/A

Oi Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa, io - ka pois o - tat maa il - man syn - nin,
 O, Lamb of God, given for us, all the sin of the world you are bear - ing.

F/B^b B^b B^b/D Cm F⁷ B^b

an - na meil - le rau - ha - si ja siu - na - uk - se - si.
 Peace, we ask you, peace and jus - tice. Grant us your own true peace.

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Invitation to Communion

Songs during Communion

Somos pueblo que camina

English Carolyn Jennings

Misa Popular Nicaragüense

E B B⁷ E

1. So - mos pue - blo que ca - mi - na por la sen - da del do - lor.
 1. We are peo - ple on a jour - ney; pain is with us all the way.
 2. God has sent the in - vi - ta - tion to the hum - ble and the poor.
 3. This is bread that God pro - vides us, nour - ish - ing our u - ni - ty.
 4. Christ is ev - er pres - ent with us to u - nite us all in love.
 5. All who tru - ly thirst for jus - tice seek their lib - er - a - tion here.

E A E B⁷ E

a - cu - da - mos ju - bi - lo - sos a la san - ta co - mu - ni - on.
 Joy - ful - ly we come to - geth - er at the ho - ly feast of God.

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We come now to the table, Lord

Caribbean Conference of Churches Jamaica workshop

St. Vincent melody
adapted by Patrick Prescod



1. We come now to your ta - ble, Lord, you are the Liv - ing Bread.
2. We drink the cup, it was for us your sa - cred blood was shed,
3. A ho - ly feast trans - form - ing us, the sa - cred bread and wine,



We come now to your ta - ble, Lord, let ev - ery soul be fed.
we drink the cup, it was for us you suf - fered pain and blood;
a ho - ly feast trans - form - ing us, that makes our lives di - vine;



You are the Liv - ing Bread; let ev - ery soul be fed,
your sa - cred blood was shed, you suf - fered pain and bled;
the sa - cred bread and wine, that makes our lives di - vine;



and now may ev - ery soul be fed with Liv - ing Bread.
we drink the cup, it was for us your blood was shed.
a ho - ly feast trans - form - ing us, this bread and wine.

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Sera la paz

Elizabeth Hernández: Mexico

E G#m A

Y el fru - to de la jus - ti - cia se - rá la paz.
The har - vest of do - ing jus - tice will be true peace,

B7 E B7 E

Paz pa - ra tu vi - da, paz pa - ra tu pue - blo;
peace in all your be - ing peace for all your peo - ple,

F#m E B E E7

paz que en Je - su - cris - to pue - des en - con - trar.
peace you can dis - cov - er given by Je - sus Christ,

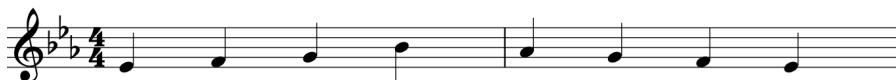
A E B E

Paz que en Je - su - cris - to pue - des en - con - trar.
peace you can dis - cov - er given by Je - sus Christ.

English paraphrase by Terry MacArthur

The Servant Song

Richard Gillard: Aoteroa/New Zealand



1 and 6. Bro - ther, sis - ter, let me serve you,
2. We are pil - grims on a jour - ney,
3. I will hold the Christ - light for you
4. I will weep when you are weep - ing,
5. When we sing to God in hea - ven



let me be as Christ to you. Pray that I may
broth - ers, sis - ters on this road. We are here to
in the night - time of your fear. I will hold my
when you laugh I'll laugh with you. I will share your
we shall find such har - mo - ny, born of all we've



have the grace to let you be my ser - vant too.
help each oth - er walk the mile and bear the load.
hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.
joy and sor - row till we've seen this jour - ney through.
known to - geth - er of Christ's love and ag - o - ny.

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Sending Forth

Benediction

The peace of the Lord be with you

Guatamalan traditional

The peace of the earth be with you, the peace of the heav - ens
too; the peace of the riv - ers be with you, the
peace of the o - ceans too. Deep peace fall - ing ov - er
you. God's peace grow - ing in you.

The image shows a musical score for a benediction. It consists of four staves of music in 4/4 time. The melody is written in treble clef. The lyrics are written below the notes. The music is a traditional Guatemalan piece.

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Benediction

Introduction of Visitors and Announcements

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Interested in Joining the English-Speaking Congregation?

Membership in our congregation is simple, a way of claiming this as your home church in Geneva for however long you are here. You can still retain membership in a church in your home country if you wish. If you'd like to learn more about joining the congregation as a member, please contact the church office or Andy Willis soon. We plan to receive newmembers shortly and will hold an orientation session in the coming weeks.

Serving at the Soup Kitchen this Saturday, 26 October

Our congregation will be serving at the Soup Kitchen on Saturday, 26 October 2024. It takes place from 9h00 until about 13h00 at Le Jardin de Montbrillant (Rue de Montbrillant 3) just behind Geneva Cornavin train station. All are welcome to sign up and help prepare and serve a warm meal. Contact the church office or Elisabeth Benn (chriselis_benn@bluewin.ch) for more information.

Save the Date: Talent Fest on Friday 8 November

One of the ways we support our congregation is by offering our time and talents to bring our common ministry to life. On Friday 8 November at 19h00, all are invited to a “Talent Fest”—a potluck dinner with fun, games, and a focus on offering our talents for the good of our community. All are welcome!

Harvest Festival – Postponed to May 2025

Our congregation has a long tradition of holding an annual Harvest Festival, where we raise funds for one or more outside projects. This year we have decided to postpone the event until the spring, so it can have more of its own space in a moment in our church's life when it doesn't overlap with other fundraising efforts. We remain committed to supporting other organizations and churches engaged in meaningful and important work, and we will continue to do so through our sharing fund this season.

Worship Committee

The worship committee will meet again on Monday evening, 28 October, 19h00 at the church to continue planning for Advent-Christmas. All are welcome to join in. Terry MacArthur can provide you with the Biblical texts for the season.

No Choir Rehearsal on Thursday, 24 October

Please note that due to the school vacation, there is no choir rehearsal this coming Thursday, 24 October. Regular rehearsals will resume the following week.

Serving Weekly Coffee Hour

Our congregation holds a simple coffee hour after worship each Sunday. Preparation for coffee hour is by neighborhood groups:

27 October – Group C

3 November – Group D

10 November – Group E

17 November – Group A

*If you can help on a week when your group is assigned,
please let your group's coordinator know.*

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This Week's Schedule:

Sat, 26 Oct	9h00	Serving at the soup kitchen
Sun, 27 Oct	10h00	Church School
	11h00	Worship on the Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
<i>Office hours: Tuesday 9h30-17h30, Thursday 9h30-17h30, Friday 9h30-13h30</i>		

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