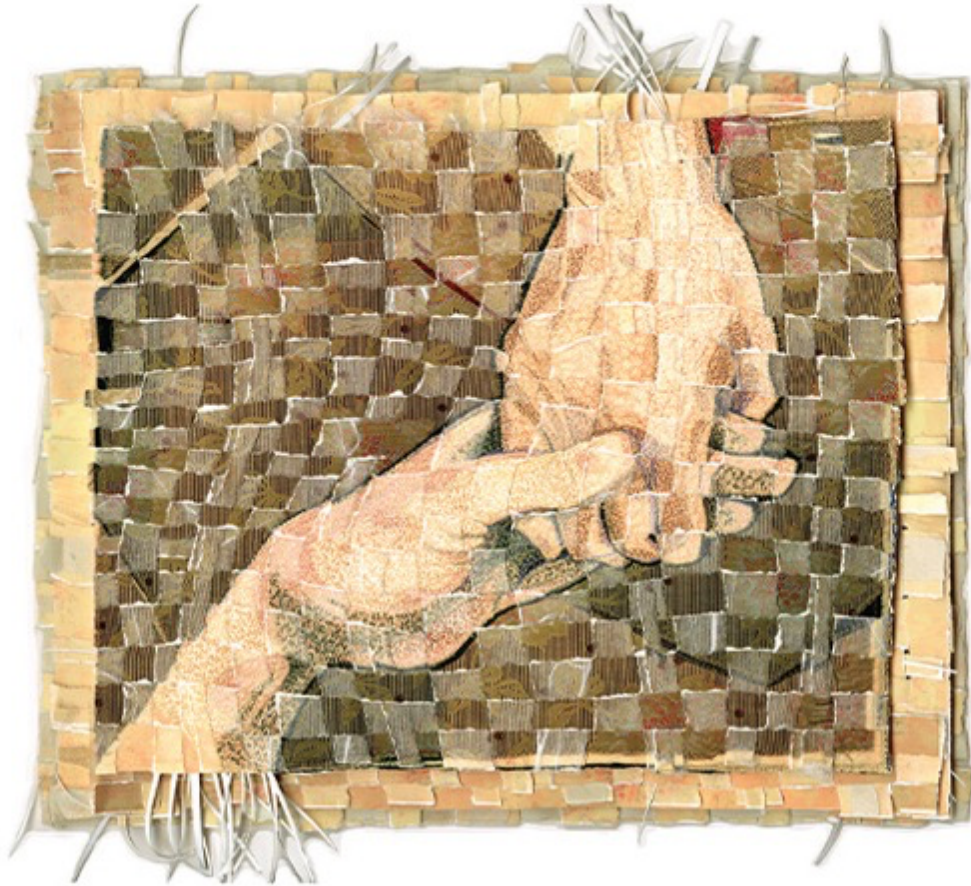


Abide in my love

JOHN 15:9



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Christ Lutheran Church
Christ Lutheran Mission Statement
As members of Christ Lutheran we - Gather in Worship,
Grow in God's Word, Serve in Jesus' name.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 9, 2021

Prelude: Vicky Harris

GATHERING

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

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering Song

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

ELW # 631

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit, **Amen.**
Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thought of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

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.**

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day: O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

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

First Reading: Acts 10:44-48

⁴⁴While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷“Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Here ends the readings. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

“Alleluia, Lord to whom...”

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Gospel Acclamation: The Holy Gospel according to St. John. ***Glory to you, O Lord.***

Gospel: John 15:9-17

⁹As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

The Gospel of the Lord, we say: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Katherine

Choir Anthem

“Sing When the Spirit Says Sing”

Director: Randy Wilson
Accompanist: Twyla Kirkeby

Prayers of Intercession: Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**
The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

STEWARDING GOD’S GIFTS

We offer to God what is God’s own

Offering

[Please remember to send your much appreciated and needed weekly tithes and offerings.]

Offering Prayer: God of love, **you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Eucharistic Prayer & Words of Institution

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.**

Distribution of Communion

“Lamb Of God”

ELW # 146

Prayer after Communion: Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

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

Announcements

Benediction

May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Song

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

ELW # 543

Dismissal: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: Vicky Harris



A special thank you to all who helped assist with our worship service today:

Organist: Vicky Harris

Cantor: Dennis Davis

Head Usher: Nathan Stoltenburg
with Jim Carlson

Communion Assistant: Becky Olmstead

Lector: Muriel Wavra

Audio/Video Tech: Scott Kuehn

Ushers: Fran Huwe and Brian O'Donnell

Special Music: Choir directed by Randy
Wilson, accompanied by Twyla Kirkeby

Please lift these people up in prayers this week: Denise Landin, Brent Lindemann (stepfather of Audrey Howell), LaDonna Oberlin, Dennis Pilger (cousin of Donna Senske), Cassandra DeCasas (daughter of Bill and Deb Heuer), Talyn Mellesmoen, daughter of Hannah Mellesmoen and granddaughter of Dave and Nancy Mellesmoen), Collin Gustafson, grandson of Marv and Gloria Gustafson), Julie Schrupp, Gary Metag, Charlotte Dittmer, Sandy Koeppen, (sister of Barb Jenneke), Linda Mullenbach, Stanley Butcher (brother of Deb Heuer), Mary Entinger, Brad Duenow, LuAnn Harms, Dennis Dittmer, Marlys Rehmann, Sandra Brenhaug, Dori Swedberg (mother of Katherine Grant), Lisa Style, Brian Mikolichek, Erik Murray (nephew and Godchild of Gloria Gustafson), Carol Carver, Brayden Gildea (a GSL 9th grader, son of Jim and Kari Gildea, and nephew of Shaun and Charity Gildea), Tom Rozeske (father of Tami Alsleben), Beau Brelje (GSL 4th grader), Marie Kliche (mother of Nancy Kliche, Gary Brown (friend of Joanne Chrast), and Eydie Knoll (sister of Millie Dreier).

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST LUTHERAN

Sunday, May 9th, In-person Worship Service with Holy Communion @ 9:00 a.m. – Noisy Pail for Common Cup (collecting through the month of May); listen to service in the parking lot @ FM 97.7; Adult Education @ 10:15 a.m. – in-person classes in the sanctuary or via Zoom.

Monday, May 10th, Televised worship @ 3:00 p.m. on channel 10; Dawn's hours switch to "summer hours" – 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. through August 12th.

Tuesday, May 11th,

Wednesday, May 12th, In-person Men's Bible Study @ 8:00 a.m.; Women's Bible Study at Grand Meadows @ 9:30 a.m., televised Worship Service @ 2:00 p.m. on Channel 10; Confirmation Highway 212 ditch cleanup – meet in the John Deere dealership parking lot east of Glencoe at 5:45 p.m.; dress appropriately and wear work gloves if possible. Choir @ 6:00 p.m.; Council meets @ 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 13th, Rachel Circle @ 9:00 a.m.

Friday, May 14th, Women's Bible Study via Zoom @ 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, May 15th,

Sunday, May 16th, In-person Worship Service with Holy Communion @ 9:00 a.m. –
Baccalaureate; listen to service in the parking lot @ FM 97.7; Adult Education @
10:15 a.m. – in-person classes in the sanctuary or via Zoom.



Happy 100th Birthday, Jeanette!

The flowers near the altar are given in celebration of Jeanette Nelson's 100th birthday today, May 9th. Congratulations to Jeanette, and may God continue to bless you!

Noisy Pail Offering for Common Cup Today!

Missions will be holding a Noisy Pail offering for Common Cup **this morning**. They will be collecting through the month of May. Paper money and checks are welcome, too! **If you write out a check, please make sure to note on the memo line that it is for Common Cup.**



Adult Education Sunday School Series



Dr. John Bergseng is leading the Adult Education Sunday School series – based on the book, "Making Sense of Scripture" by David Lose – at 10:15 a.m. on Sundays after Worship Services. Classes for this seven-part series will be offered in-person and via Zoom.

Handouts for the series are available in the entryway near the mailbox. Books are available for purchase in the office for \$14.89 but are not required to participate in the Sunday School classes. Contact Dr. Bergseng for more information about the series.

Morning Bible Studies

- ✝ **Wednesday Morning In-person Men's Bible Study** – 8:00 a.m. in the Narthex.
- ✝ **Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study** – 9:30 a.m. at Grand Meadows.
- ✝ **Rachel Circle** – 9:00 a.m. meeting the second Thursday of each month.
- ✝ **Friday Morning Women's Bible Study** – 10:00 a.m. via Zoom.



Contact Pastor Katherine for more information about these groups. The lessons for this week will be Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1; 1 John 5:9-13; and John 17:6-19.

CLC Lutheran College Scholarship information



High school seniors planning to attend ELCA colleges next year, or current returning ELCA college students, please notify the church office. Then, watch for letters to be sent to you regarding the Christ Lutheran scholarship program. **New or renewal applications are due to the Church office by May 30, 2021.** If you have questions, please contact a scholarship committee member: Joan Johnson, Kevin Menning or Jeff Grant.

Funding Request for Green Lake

In the past month, we became aware of a lack of funding for Green Lake Lutheran Ministries. Due to the pandemic related shut-down, GLLM has not had “guests” for summer camps or group retreats since March 16, 2020. This has resulted in a revenue loss of \$1.1 million. To reduce expenses to bare minimum, full time staff was laid off and the few remaining staff members accepted reduced hours and salaries. They need to begin preparing for summer camps this year, bringing back staff and hiring camp counselors. GLLM is dependent on donations to operate, as camper fees do not fully cover the actual cost of camp.



We are asking members of Christ Lutheran to help support this growth in faith mission work that benefits youth in our congregation and throughout our conference. Our goal is to raise at least \$3,000, or enough to cover the cost of at least one counselor for summer camp. For the past 5 years, they have hired an average of 45 counselors for a season. The average camper spends about 100 hours with a counselor during a week of camp.

Please consider supporting this effort. Checks/donations should be made out to Christ Lutheran Church specifying that the donation is for GLLM. **Donations need to be in the church office by May 20, 20121.**

CLC Mission Team: *Becky Olmstead, Karin Ramige, Nancy Dolezal
Cheryl McDougall, Dianne VonBerge*

Common Cup Needs your Coats



It's spring and time to pack away, or give away, your warm outerwear. Common Cup is collecting adult and children's coats/snow pants for their October distribution of warm coats to families in need.

You may drop off coats and snow pants in the CC box found under the stairs, inside the side parking lot door entrance. A box will be available for collection through the month of May. Help us keep families in need warm when the temperatures drop next fall. Only clean coats in good repair please. Your generosity is appreciated.

Happy Mother's Day!

“Hope For Recovery” Workshop available online on May 11th

On Tuesday, May 11th, from 6:00 to 9:30 p.m., NAMI (the National Alliance on Mental Illness) MINNESOTA will present “Hope For Recovery.” In this 3.5-hour online class you will obtain information on the following mental illnesses: schizophrenia, depression, bipolar disorder, borderline personality disorder, anxiety, and co-occurring disorders.



You will learn information on treatments, crisis management, suicide prevention, the mental health system, and local resources along with practical strategies for helping a loved one or friend. This includes learning about the LEAP strategy or Boundary Setting to improve communication.

This workshop is for family and friends of a teen or adult living with a mental illness. To register for this online class, visit:

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0lce2urj0uHNHAO-lg95_Yo_Pi2NrS9pYx

Women’s Get-together on Wednesday, May 26th



Women of Christ Lutheran, we have missed you! Join your women's planning team on **Wednesday, May 26th at 10:00 in The Garden** (Columbarium) area of Christ Lutheran Church.

No program, no speaker just conversation and fellowship. Bring your mask, a chair, and your own beverage. Individually-wrapped treats will be provided. Stay as long as you please. Call 320-510-1593 if you need a ride. We are happy to pick you up. Hope you can make it. Remember May 26th, mark your calendar.

McLeod Emergency Food Shelf – Help is Available!

Lennie Albers, McLeod Emergency Food Shelf Director, encourages anyone in need to use the Food Shelf. Please call the Food Shelf with questions at 320-864-2088.



The Food Shelf’s distribution hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday. But there are other options for people. A pre-order can be called in, and curbside pickup is available.

Financial support may be mailed or dropped off at MEFS, 808 12th St E, Glencoe, MN 55336 or processed electronically at

www.mcleodemergencyfoodshelf.org/donate (via PayPal).

Cash donations are needed to buy hamburger, cheese, eggs, and other necessary food items for a balanced diet. Cash donations can be put in a mission envelope. Checks can be made out to Christ Lutheran and write on memo line “for the food shelf.