

The birds of the air  
make nests in its shade

MARK 4:32



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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.*  
**Third Sunday After Pentecost**  
**June 13, 2021**

**Prelude: Brass Ensemble**

*(Paraphrase of Psalm 148 by Gustav Holst)*

“Lord, Who Hast Made Us For Thine Own”

*Arranged by Dennis Davis*  
*Accompanied by Vicky Harris*

**GATHERING**

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

**Gathering Song**

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

**ELW # 836**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our provider, **help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Beloved people of God in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **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 are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Special Music**

“Sure Foundation”

*Choir directed by Randy Wilson*  
*Accompanied by Twyla Kirkeby*

**WORD**

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

**First Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24**

<sup>22</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I

myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. <sup>23</sup>On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. <sup>24</sup>All the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the LORD have spoken; I will accomplish it.

## **Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-17**

<sup>6</sup>So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— <sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup>For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. <sup>11</sup>Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences.

<sup>12</sup>We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. <sup>13</sup>For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. <sup>14</sup>For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. <sup>15</sup>And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

<sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. <sup>17</sup>So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

*Here ends the readings. Thanks be to God.*

**Gospel Acclamation**                    **“Alleluia, Lord to whom...”**  
The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. ***Glory to you, O Lord.***

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## **Gospel: Mark 4:26-34**

<sup>26</sup> He also said, ‘The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, <sup>27</sup>and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. <sup>28</sup>The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. <sup>29</sup>But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.’

<sup>30</sup> He also said, ‘With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? <sup>31</sup>It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; <sup>32</sup>yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.’

<sup>33</sup> With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; <sup>34</sup>he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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

**Reception into Membership: Ryan MulQueeney and Roxanne Wavra**

**Prayers of Intercession:** Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**  
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:** Jesus, Bread of life, **you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. 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:** Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

**SENDING**

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

**Announcements**

**Liturgy for Retirement and Departure of a Pastor**

*[Pastor Katherine and Les are invited forward]*

L: Pastor Katherine, on November 13, 2010, we called you to be our pastor: to proclaim God's Word, to baptize new members into the Church of Jesus Christ, to announce God's forgiveness to us, and to preside at our celebration of the Lord's Supper. With the Gospel you have comforted us in times of sickness and trouble,

and at the death of our loved ones. Sharing our joys and sorrows, you (and Les) have been important to our life together in the Church of Jesus Christ and in our service to this community.

L: You have served our congregation faithfully for 10 ½ years. You are now leaving our midst to retire. As your fellow members of this congregation, we wish to honor your ministry among us and bid you farewell and Godspeed in your next endeavor, bringing closure to your ministry at Christ Lutheran Church.

*[Invite those who desire to come forward for the laying on of hands.]*  
*[Encourage those who remain in the pews to raise their hands in blessing.]*

Then:

L: Let us pray.

Eternal God, we thank you for Pastor Katherine and Les and for our life together in this congregation and community. As they have been a blessing to us, so now send them forth to be a blessing to others, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### **Benediction**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

### **Sending Song**

“This Little Light of Mine”

**ELW # 677**

**Dismissal:** Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude: Vicky Harris**



**Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church. We are glad that you are here to worship with us today! Please sign the pew booklets in the pews. If you are a visitor, please introduce yourself and sign our guest book in the narthex along with the pew booklet.**

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

**Pianist/Organist:** Vicky Harris      **Worship Assistant:** Vicar Susan Christianson

**Cantor:** Jon Braband      **Lector:** Bob Tibbits

**Head Usher:** Brad Hahn      **Audio/Video Tech:** Scott Kuehn

**Ushers:** Mark and Joan Johnson

**Special Music:** Brass Ensemble with Dan Perschau, Dennis Davis, Don Petrick, Jon Braband, and Vicky Harris

**Special Music:** Choir directed by Randy Wilson and accompanied by Twyla Kirkeby

**Communion Assistants:** Erin Sauter, Marcia Miller, and Jodi Braband

## Brunch and Program Following the Worship Service

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for a Brunch celebrating Pastor Katherine's Retirement and the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of her Ordination! There will be a Program in the Sanctuary at 11:00.



### Flowers Behind the Altar

The flowers behind the Altar are given in honor of Pastor Katherine.

**Please lift these people up in prayers this week:** Troy Jenneke (nephew of Barb Jenneke and cousin of Teresa Rannow), Bill Gould, Kevin Menning, Richard Dolezal, Lois Tritz, David and Kathleen Reiners (brother and sister-in-law of Joanne Chrast), Dianne VonBerge, 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), 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 9<sup>th</sup> grader, son of Jim and Kari Gildea, and nephew of Shaun and Charity Gildea), Beau Brelje (GSL 4<sup>th</sup> 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, June 13<sup>th</sup>,** Worship Service with Holy Communion @ 9:00 a.m. – Noisy Pail offering for Habitat for Humanity; listen to service in the parking lot @ FM 97.7; no Adult Sunday School; Retirement Celebration Brunch for Pastor Katherine following the Worship Service with Program @ 11:00 a.m.

**Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup>** Televised worship @ 3:00 p.m. on channel 10.

**Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>,** Laundry Love @ Glencoe Laundromat Center (Haukos Bros.), 707 13<sup>th</sup> St. W., Glencoe. Hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>,** Televised Worship Service @ 2:00 p.m. on Channel 10.

**Thursday, June 17<sup>th</sup>,**

**Friday, June 18<sup>th</sup>,** No Women's Bible Study.

**Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup>,**

**Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>,** Worship Service @ 9:00 a.m. – Rev. Donna Olsen preaching; listen to service in the parking lot @ FM 97.7; Adult Sunday School @ 10:15 a.m.

## Welcome to Our New Members

The new members being welcomed to Christ Lutheran today are Roxanne Wavra and Ryan MulQueeney. Please greet and welcome them into our Christ Lutheran family!



## Noisy Pail Offering for Habitat for Humanity Today!



Christ Lutheran's Mission Team will be holding a **Noisy Pail offering for Habitat for Humanity this morning**. They will be collecting through the month of June. 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 Habitat for Humanity.**

**Remember, MidCountry Bank will be matching all donations to Habitat for Humanity up to \$50,000, including this Noisy Pail offering!**

## Congratulations on the New Arrival!

Congratulations to Alex and Lexi Schons on the birth of their baby girl, Cameron Alexis. Cameron was born on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021. She weighed 7 lb. 5 oz. and measured 20 inches long.



## Meals for Metag's



Christ Lutheran is providing meals for Gary and Mary Metag as Gary goes through an extended period of chemo and radiation treatment. If you could help by volunteering to provide a meal, your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Linda Simonson at

[Imooner1@hotmail.com](mailto:Imooner1@hotmail.com) or at 320-583-7961.

## 2021 Virtual Synod Assembly in June

Rev. Katherine Rood, Eldean and Nita Enderson, and Alex Menning are Christ Lutheran's voting members at the 2021 Southwestern Minnesota Synod Assembly. The Virtual Synod Assembly began on Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, and the Assembly will resume on Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. They hope to close the assembly early afternoon on Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. They will be electing a new Bishop this year among their many other agenda items. Please keep our representatives in your prayers.



God's Work. Our Hands.

## Laundry Love Begins Again!



Laundry Love will resume on **Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>** at the Glencoe Laundromat Center (Haukos Bros.), 707 13<sup>th</sup> St. W., Glencoe. Hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.

## Coffee Time



This summer, join the Women of CLC the last Thursday of each month. We will make coffee – bring your cup if you want – and join us inside or in The Garden if weather permits. Come for coffee, conversation, and a step towards normalcy. 😊

The dates will be Thursdays, June 24, July 29, August 26. Hope to see you. 😊

## Stewardship at Christ Lutheran

During this challenging time, Christ Lutheran members have generously contributed to the work and ministry of our community. Thank you for your faithful stewardship. You may also use the Online Giving button at [www.christluth.com](http://www.christluth.com) and choose the way you would like to donate.



This is an ideal time to sign up for SimplyGiving. For instructions, go to our website, [www.christluth.com](http://www.christluth.com). You can also mail your offering or drop it off in the locked Christ Lutheran mailbox. Thank you for your support!

## Christ Lutheran Council Creates Two New Positions

**Livestream  
Video Streaming &  
Video Projection  
Workers Needed**

The Church Council members, at their May meeting, formally created two new paid positions. The two positions are Video Streaming and Video Projection. The goal is to recruit CLC members to staff these positions on a rotating schedule. Neither position requires any Kay previous experience or training. Participants will be fully trained and receive reference materials.

The goal is to have no less than four trained Video Streaming operators. This position involves operating the video camera, sound board, and streaming/recording interface. Training will include a private hands-on tutoring session and supervised operating training session during an actual worship service(s).

The Video Projection operator position includes: turning on TV's, projectors, and computer prior to the service and then cuing the computer to project the slides as the service progresses. This position involves minimal training. The goal is to have at least 8 to 10 Video Projection operators.

The council established a compensation payment, per service, of \$25 for the Video Streaming operator and \$10 for the Video Projection operator. All members interested in either or both of these positions should contact one of the following: Council officers Vicky Harris, Dennis Davis, Shari O'Donnell; staff members Pastor



Rood, Vicar Susan, Dawn Peterson, or “Master” video operator Scott Kuehn. See Light & Life for more information.