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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.*  
**Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost**  
**August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**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.**

**Service of the Word begins on page 211 in the red hymnal.**

*Masks, hand sanitizer and distance seating are available. Please take every measure to feel safe.*

\* *Please stand as you are able.*

❖ *Please be seated.*

**Prelude: Vicky Harris**

**GATHERING**

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

\* **Gathering Song**

"Let Justice Flow Like Streams"

**ELW # 717**

**Welcome**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts 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 is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **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.**

Kyrie  
Hymn of Praise

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**Prayer of the Day:** O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**Special Music**

“I Will Be Christ to You”

*Randy and Kay Wilson*

## WORD

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

### **First Reading: Jeremiah 2:4-13**

<sup>4</sup>Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the LORD: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? <sup>6</sup>They did not say, “Where is the LORD who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?” <sup>7</sup>I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. <sup>8</sup>The priests did not say, “Where is the LORD?” Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit.

<sup>9</sup>Therefore once more I accuse you, says the LORD, and I accuse your children’s children. <sup>10</sup>Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. <sup>11</sup>Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. <sup>12</sup>Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the LORD, <sup>13</sup>for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

### **Psalm: Psalm 81:1, 10-16**

<sup>1</sup>Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

<sup>10</sup>**I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.**

**Open your mouth wide and I will fill it.**

<sup>11</sup>“But my people did not listen to my voice; Israel would not submit to me.

<sup>12</sup>**So I gave them over to their stubborn hearts, to follow their own counsels.**

<sup>13</sup>O that my people would listen to me, that Israel would walk in my ways!

<sup>14</sup>**Then I would quickly subdue their enemies, and turn my hand against their foes.**

<sup>15</sup>Those who hate the LORD would cringe before him, and their doom would last forever.

<sup>16</sup>**I would feed you with the finest of the wheat, and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you.”**

## **Second Reading: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16**

<sup>1</sup>Let mutual love continue. <sup>2</sup>Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup>Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. <sup>4</sup>Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. <sup>5</sup>Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." <sup>6</sup>So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" <sup>7</sup>Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup>Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. <sup>15</sup>Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. <sup>16</sup>Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

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

✱ **Gospel Acclamation**                      **"Alleluia, Lord to whom..."**                      **pg. 216**  
The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. ***Glory to you, O Lord.***

## **Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14**

<sup>1</sup>On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

<sup>7</sup> When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. <sup>8</sup>"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; <sup>9</sup>and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this person your place", and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup>But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. <sup>11</sup>For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.'

<sup>12</sup> He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. <sup>13</sup>But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. <sup>14</sup>And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

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

❖ **Children's Sermon**

*Pastor Elizabeth*

✱ **Hymn of the Day**

"Let Us Go Now to the Banquet

**ELW # 523**

**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:** Merciful God, receive our prayer.

\* **Sharing of the Peace:**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

### **STEWARDED 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 plates will be passed to church members in each pew.]*

*[Children are invited to come forward to place their offering in "Christ's Well".]*

\* **Canticle of Thanksgiving**

**ELW #219**

**Offering Prayer:** God of abundance: **you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**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.

### **SENDING**

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

#### **Temple Talk – Acknowledgement of Randy and Kay Wilson**

##### **Introduction**

*Pastor Elizabeth*

Christ Lutheran celebrates eighteen years of the music ministry of Randy Wilson, first as choir director then, in addition, as director of the bell choir. Randy and Kay have graced worship with beautiful duets and solos AND shared their talent during funerals and many special events, and we are grateful for their many musical gifts.

##### **Gift Presentation**

*Dennis Davis, Council President*

## Prayer

*Pastor Elizabeth*

Holy God, source of all creativity, thank you for the gifts of Randy and Kay. They have created the atmosphere that lifts You up, for your Son Jesus said, "When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all people to myself." Today we celebrate these two musicians for the healers that they are, for through them you provide light and renewal to all souls. Fill them with your light and love as they so generously share their love of you with the world. **Amen.**  
(John 12:32)

## Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

## Special Music

"A Place in the Choir"

*Randy and Kay Wilson  
Holly Corrick, Flute*

## Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. **Amen.**

## Sending Song

"Soon and Very Soon"

**ELW # 439**

**Dismissal:** Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude:** Vicky Harris



## A special thank you to all who assisted with our worship service today:

**Pianist:** Vicky Harris

**Lector:** Dawn Peterson

**Cantor:** Becky Peterson

**Head Usher:** Brad Hahn

**Greeter:** Larry and Sharon Gutknecht

**Ushers:** Joan Johnson and  
Dawn Peterson

**Acolyte:**

**Audio/Video Tech:** Mckenzie Ebert

**Refreshments:** Brad and Bonnie  
Hahn

**Special Music:** Randy and Kay Wilson  
with Holly Corrick, Flute

**Please lift these people up in prayers this week. Is God moving your heart to send a card to a loved one in your own family?** Denise Landin, Pat Ley (aunt of Pastor Elizabeth), Arlene Stene (sister of Mary Ellen Bullert), Dianne VonBerge, Deb Blazek (friend of Joanne Chrast), Peter Mellesmoen (brother of Dave Mellesmoen), Sandra Brenhaug, Lisa Busche (daughter of Mike and Jann Savre), Allen Nelson (brother of Charlotte Dittmer), Kelly Higgins, Joy Macheel (daughter of Jon and Jodi Braband), Lloyd Duenow (father of Brad Duenow), Bill Heuer, Jeanine Wedin, Marilyn Ueland, Kristen Heldt, Matt Guetzkow (cousin of Darlene Hennessey), Richard Dolezal, Lois Tritz, Brent Lindemann (stepfather of Audrey Howell), LaDonna Oberlin, Stanley Butcher (brother of Deb Heuer), Mary Entinger, LuAnn Harms, Marlys Rehmann, Dori Swedberg (mother of Katherine Grant), Lisa Style, Brian Mikolichek, Carol Carver, and Gary Brown (friend of Joanne Chrast).

## This week at Christ Lutheran:

**Sunday, Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>**, Worship Service @ 9:00 a.m.

**Monday, Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>**, Televised Worship Service @ 3:00 p.m. on Channel 10.

**Tuesday, Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>**, Ladies Fellowship @ 10:00 @ Rhema's; Narcotics Anonymous Women's Group @ 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**Wednesday, Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>**, Televised Worship Service on Channel 10 @ 2:00 p.m.

**Thursday, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>**, UCAP HOMES Committee @ 10:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

**Friday, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Visitation for Gary Metag Funeral from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Christ Lutheran.

**Saturday, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Visitation for Gary Metag Funeral at 10:00 a.m. at Christ Lutheran; Gary Metag Funeral at 11:00 a.m.; Narcotics Anonymous from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**Sunday, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>**, Worship Service with Holy Communion @ 9:00 a.m.

**Monday, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>**, Labor Day – church office closed.

## With Deepest Sympathy

Our sympathies are extended to Mary Metag on the passing of her husband, Gary. Gary passed away at his home on Wednesday, Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>. Funeral services will be on Saturday, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 a.m. at Christ Lutheran. Visitation will be on Friday, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. and one hour before the funeral at 10:00 a.m. Please keep Mary and the family in your prayers.



## Volunteers Are Needed After Church Today



Volunteers are needed to set up tables and chairs for 120 for a teacher luncheon this week and for Abundant Table next week. If you are able, please grab a cup of coffee and a treat and meet downstairs after the Worship Service this morning.

## Abundant Table on Wednesday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>

The next Abundant Table Meal will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>. There is a volunteer sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Set-up will be done on Tuesday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.



The menu will include grilled pork chops, scalloped potatoes, peas and carrots, and dessert. The meal is served between 5:00 and 6:00 p.m. with fellowship beginning at 4:30 p.m. We hope to see you there!

## Celebration of Life for Marvin Rothfusz



Marvin Rothfusz passed away on June 29, 2020. Because of COVID at that time, his inurnment was limited to an immediate family event, and we were unable to hold a larger, community event to celebrate his life. The Rothfusz family would like to (finally) make that happen near the date of his birthday. Please join us in a "Celebration of Life" for Marvin Rothfusz on **Saturday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the**

**church.** All who knew Marvin (and Judy) are invited. Also, if you have something that reminds you of Marvin, please bring it to the service so it can be placed on a memento table in the chancel. A reception and light refreshments will follow the service.

## Part-time Positions at Christ Lutheran

Christ Lutheran is looking to fill these part-time positions:



- Christ Lutheran Church seeks part-time position which includes Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings of **Christian Education Coordinator** to begin as soon as possible. Will also oversee the potential reinstatement of the afterschool program.
- Adult Choir Director
- Bell Choir Director

For more information and an application contact Pastor Elizabeth at [pastorelizab@christluth.com](mailto:pastorelizab@christluth.com).

## Church Office Hours

Summer is over, and office hours at Christ Lutheran have returned to normal! The office is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday.



## Welcoming Week Block Party in Glencoe



Newcomers and long-time residents – no matter where we're from – Glencoe is WHERE WE BELONG. You're invited to Glencoe's communitywide Welcoming Week Block Party on **Saturday Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. on the lawn near the courthouse in downtown Glencoe.**

There will be music by DJ Marrano, live performances, a community resource fair, and food vendors. Free activities include music and dancing, pinatas, kids' activities, yard games and root beer floats.

## Head Ushers are Needed



**Head ushers are needed for Sunday morning Worship Services.** If you are available to serve as a head usher one Sunday a month, we have a place for you!

Contact Brad Hahn, Pastor Elizabeth, or Dennis Davis if you need more details. Please prayerfully consider serving Christ Lutheran as a head usher. Thank you.

***Be sure to check the bulletin board in the Narthex for upcoming area church events!***