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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.
Ninth Sunday of Pentecost
August 7th, 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.

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: Chris Starr

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

*** Gathering Song** "God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens"

ELW # 771

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 one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.**

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves. **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: Almighty God, **you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

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

First Reading: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

¹The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

¹⁰Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! ¹¹What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the LORD; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. ¹²When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; ¹³bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation— I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. ¹⁴Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. ¹⁵When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood.

¹⁶Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, ¹⁷learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. ¹⁸Come now, let us argue it out, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. ¹⁹If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; ²⁰but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. ⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.” ¹³All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that

* **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.**

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

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**
[As we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion, all who believe they receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the form of bread and wine, forgiveness of sin and renewal therein are welcome at this table. It is the meal of all the Baptized. Please follow the direction of the Ushers.]

Communion Hymns: **ELW #'s 856, 460, 479**

* **Prayer after Communion:** Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

SENDING

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

Benediction

The God of peace, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. **Amen.**

Sending Song "You Servants of God" **ELW # 825**

Dismissal: Go in peace. Love your neighbor. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Chris Starr



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

Organist: Chris Starr

Lector: Hank Larsen

Cantor: Chris Davis

Head Usher: Brad Hahn

Greeter: Hank and Judy Larsen

Acolyte:

Communion Assistants: Shari O'Donnell,
Carla Kuehn, Erin Sauter, and
Bonnie Hahn

Ushers: Brian O'Donnell and
Eli Kuehn

Audio/Video Tech: Mckenzie Ebert
Refreshments: Jim, Dawn, and
Becky Peterson

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? 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, Gary Metag, 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).

Announcements for this week:

Sunday, Aug. 7th, Worship Service @ 9:00 a.m. – Baptism of Amelia Joy Morris, Charles (Charlie) Scott Morris, and Elijah David Morris; Noisy Pail Offering for school supplies.

Monday, Aug. 8th, Televised Worship Service @ 3:00 p.m. on Channel 10; Executive Cabinet @ 4:30 p.m. in the Conference Room; Vacation Bible School, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 9th, Ladies Fellowship @ 10:00 @ Rhema's (formerly Gert & Erma's); Narcotics Anonymous Women's Group @ 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall; Vacation Bible School, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 10th, Televised Worship Service on Channel 10 @ 2:00 p.m.; Vacation Bible School, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.; Council @ 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 11th, Vacation Bible School pool fellowship from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. family pizza party at Oak Leaf Park.

Friday, Aug. 12th,

Saturday, Aug. 13th, Narcotics Anonymous from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, Aug. 14th, Worship Service @ 9:00 a.m.

With Deepest Sympathy



Our sympathies are extended to Larry and Sharon Gutknecht on the passing of Otto Gutknecht, Larry's brother. Otto passed away early Friday morning, July 29th. His funeral will be Saturday, Aug. 13th at 10:00 a.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church in Bismarck Township, Sibley County, with interment in the church cemetery. Visitation will be Friday, Aug. 12th from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Dalin-Hantge Funeral Chapel in Winthrop and will continue one hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday. Please keep Larry and Sharon in your prayers.

Baptisms This Morning



Amelia Joy Morris, Charles (Charlie) Scott Morris, and Elijah David Morris, children of Sara and Scott Morris, will be received into the church through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism today. Elijah's sponsors are Weston Schultz, Katie Schultz, Billy Schultz, Larissa Curtiss, Mike Morris, and Cassie Morris. Elijah was born on July 5, 2020.

Charlie's sponsors are Billy Schultz, Katie Schultz, Curtis Verdon, and Taylor Morris. Charlie was born on June 15, 2020.

Amelia's sponsors are Emily Machtemes, Larissa Curtiss, Weston Schultz, Gavin Verdon, Mandi Verdon, and Will Schultz. Amelia was born on January 10, 2019.

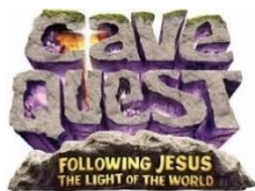
May God bless Amelia, Charlie, Elijah, and their family.

Noisy Pail Offering for School Supplies TODAY!

Missions will be holding a Noisy Pail offering for school supplies **this morning**. They will be collecting through the month of August. 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 school supplies.**



Vacation Bible School Starts on Monday, Aug. 8th



Christ Lutheran's Christian Education/Youth Team, led by Vacation Bible School Director Stacey Groe, is set to begin this year's Vacation Bible School on Monday, Aug. 8th. VBS will run from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday at Christ Lutheran. On Thursday, Aug. 11th, there will be pool fellowship from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., and a family pizza party at Oak Leaf Park at 5:00 to wrap up this year's program.

VBS is for all students in kindergarten through fourth grade including those students who will be entering kindergarten in the fall of 2022 and those students who have completed fourth grade during the 2021-2022 school year.

Christian Education/Youth Team members include Tami Alsleben (Council Liaison), Stacey Groe, Megan Hoffmann, Erin Sauter, Tiffany Simonson, and Emily Walters. For more information, contact clceducation@christluth.com.

Personal Care Kit Collection – Tomorrow is the Last Day!

Christ Lutheran Women of the ELCA is having a collection for Personal Care Kit items for LWR (Lutheran World Relief).



Beginning in June through August 8th we will be collecting Personal Care Kit items, which include towels, soap, toothbrush, nail clipper and a sturdy comb. There is detailed information near the collection box in the Narthex.



Part-time Position at Christ Lutheran

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.

For application contact Pastor Elizabeth at pastorelizabeth@christluth.com.

Favorite Hymns During Worship

On a recent Sunday, the congregation was asked to write down their favorite hymns, and an impromptu hymn sing was held. Almost 50 hymn choices were collected, although a smaller number were chosen to sing that morning. Now that the Worship and Music Team has those requests, the team will continue to include them in upcoming worship services. Watch for them in the future!



Common Cup Back-to-School Drive



Common Cup Ministries Back-to-School Drive is accepting SCHOOL SUPPLIES donations.

- **Collecting through August 13th**
- Cash donations used for bulk purchasing
- Items needed include backpacks, spiral notebooks, colored pencils, dry erase markers (four-pack}
- Spiral notebooks, colored pocket folders, complete list on CC website
- All items collected go to McLeod County's 400 registered school children

Distribution dates are August 17 in Hutchinson and August 18th in Glencoe.

Deadline to register your child to receive school supplies is August 5th.

Call Jen at 320-587-9929 for registration information.

Head Ushers are Needed

USHERS 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.

Basement Storage Assessment Team Update

Thank you to Shari O'Donnell and her Basement Storage Assessment Team for their work on July 31st. Several projects have been identified and will be scheduled for fall. They include:

1. Look at space in the garage or getting a storage shed for the Live Nativity things.
2. Go through the file drawers in the basement storage area and clean them out.
3. Organize the things that are currently in storage in the basement storage area.

S'more Night with the Glencoe Police Department



This is a family event to get to know your local police officers on **Monday, Aug. 15th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.** at Oak Leaf Park, 200 DeSoto Ave. S., Glencoe. Bring your family and kids out for a night of fun around the campfire, roasting marshmallows and getting to know the officers that serve your community.