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Gathering in Worship, Growing in
God's Word, Serving in Jesus' name

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Tenth Sunday After Pentecost
Service of the Word
July 28, 2024

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 210 in the red hymnal.

***Please stand as you are able.**

❖Please be seated.

Prelude: Chris Starr

GATHERING

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

Welcome

***Gathering Song**

"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

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Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. **Amen.**

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

Merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. We truly repent. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of Jesus Christ. **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

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Canticle of Praise

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Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you! **And also with you!** Let us pray:

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

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

❖First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44

⁴²A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." ⁴³But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" ⁴⁴He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

Psalm: Psalm 145:10-18

¹⁰All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you.

¹¹**They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power,**

¹²to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

¹³**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.**

¹⁴The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

¹⁵**The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season.**

¹⁶You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing.

¹⁷**The Lord is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings.**

¹⁸The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Here ends the readings. Thanks be to God.

✱ **Gospel Acclamation** "Alleluia, Lord to Whom..." **ELW pg. 216**

Hear now the Holy Gospel according to St. John – this is the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 6:1-21

¹After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵When

he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." ⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" ¹⁰Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

¹⁵When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. ¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

*This is the Gospel of our Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ.***

❖ **Sermon**

Rev. Erik Karlson

Hymn of the Day

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

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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 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

In your mercy, **hear 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.]
[Children are invited to come forward to place their offering in "Christ's Well".]

*Offering Hymn "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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.

Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, **maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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.

❖Announcements

*Benediction

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

Sending Song

"Praise and Thanksgiving"

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Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Chris Starr



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

Organist: Chris Starr

Cantor: Katherine Grant

Lector: Muriel Wavra

Acolyte: Maxwell Beste Zehnder

Head Usher: Connie Duenow

Ushers: Kevin & Peg Menning

Audio/Visual: Mckenzie Ebert

Greeters: Kathy Olson

Kitchen Guild: Judy Larsen

Refreshments: Susan Wedin & Mary Metag

Altar Guild: Judy Larsen, Joanne Chrast

Need to contact a staff member? Find their information below:

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Please lift these people up in prayers this week: Loren and LaMane Mueller, Bob Iverson, Joy Macheel (daughter of Jon and Jodi Braband), Lloyd Duenow (father of Brad Duenow), Marilyn Ueland, Mary Entinger, Carol Carver, Wayne and Carolyn Hegna (brother of Kathy Marsh), LuAnn Harms, Bruce Miller, Laura Mackenthun (Daughter of Dennis and Linda Roisum), Karen Wendlandt, Bev Phifer, Karen Sylwester, Mark Becker (Brother of Jonathan Becker), Cathy Haaskenson, Brent Lindemann, Mary Jo Schimelpfenig, Mark St. Germain (Son-in-law of Gerald and Vicky Harris), Christina McLeod, Richard Kristofferson (Brother of Gloria Gustafson), Teresa Rannow, Kathy Remus.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST LUTHERAN

Sunday, July 28, Service of the Word @ 9 AM in the Sanctuary.

Monday, July 29, Televised Worship Service @ 3 PM on Channel 10.

Tuesday, July 30, Women's Bible Study @ 10 AM in the Conference Room.

Wednesday, July 31, Pastoral Text Study @ 11 AM in the Fireside Room.

Thursday, August 1, Men's Bible Study @ 9 AM in the Conference Room; Grand Meadows Worship Service @ 10:30 AM at Grand Meadows.

Friday, August 2, Office Closed.

Saturday, August 3, No Events.

Sunday, August 4, Worship Service with Communion @ 9 AM in the Sanctuary.

CLC ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPDATES

Find out what's going on at Christ Lutheran

Outdoor Worship Service & Potluck Lunch

On August 18th, CLC will celebrate the 9:00 am worship outside in the east parking lot. Please bring your own lawn chairs and dress comfortably. Immediately

following we will move inside for coffee and a potluck dinner, beginning at 10:15 am. Burgers, hot dogs, buns, potato salad, and condiments will be provided. Coffee, water, and lemonade will be available too. You are invited to bring whatever fun creations you enjoy making and would like to share it with the rest of us. We look forward to your salads, desserts, bars, and whatever else you would like to bring. See you there!



Volunteers to Donate and Service Refreshments

CLC is looking for volunteers who are willing to donate and serve refreshments on Sundays after worship. Please let the church office know if this is something you are willing and able to help with. We greatly appreciate it!

AED Training

Bobby Scheidt is looking for individuals who are interested in being trained on how to use an AED. If this is something that you would like to know more about please contact Megan in the Church office. Depending on the interest shown, Bobby will schedule a training session.

Laundry Love

Laundry Love for July was attended by 21 appreciative individuals/families. A total of \$540 was spent. The volunteers this month were Becky Olmstead, Connie Heitz, and Linda Simonson. We thank them for the giving of their time. If you are interested in volunteers next month let Megan in the office know. Thank you, Christ Lutheran members, for your ongoing financial support for this outreach.



August Noisy Pail Offering

The Mission Team will have a noisy pail offering on August 4th to collect monies for School supplies. These will be distributed to the kids in Mid-August. We of course will accept donations throughout the month of August. Thank you for your continued generosity for all of the Missions at Christ Lutheran.

-The Mission Team

2024 VBS Food Donations Needed!

We are in need of some donations for our VBS meals. The items needed are on the whiteboard in the Narthex. Please take the reminder card and sign your name under the donation item.

Thank you for your generosity and support of our Christian Education Programs!



Sunday Acolytes

Students don't forget to keep signing up for Sunday Acolyte slots! Our Acolytes are a crucial part of our worship services and help keep everything flowing smoothly. Find the signup form on our Worship Assistants webpage (christluth.com/worship/worship-assistants) or our Confirmation webpage (christluth.com/confirmation).

Help Send a Kid to Camp

Green Lake Bible Camp uses scholarship funds to cover the cost of camp for those that may need financial assistance attending camp. Currently, these funds are being depleted. Without additional funding, many kids that would benefit from attending will be unable to go. GLLM has established a goal of



raising \$60,000 to enable those with limited resources to attend bible camp. A one-week scholarship cost is \$695.

If you choose to support this fundraising request you can do it by identifying your contribution to Christ Lutheran as “Green Lake Scholarship”, or, you can send a check directly to:

GLLM, 9916 Lake Ave. S., Spicer, MN. 56288.

CLC Mission Team

Bulletin, Newsletter, and Worship Service Deadlines

In an effort to ensure that worship services plans can be finalized, and that the bulletins and newsletters can be edited and reviewed, in a timely manner, we are posting official deadlines for submission. We thank everyone for helping us make these productions as wonderful as we can!

Newsletter Deadline: Tuesdays @ 10 AM

Bulletin Announcement Deadline: Wednesdays @ 12 PM

Worship Service Additions or Alterations: 7 days prior to the affected service.