

*Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church*

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*June 9, 2024 - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost  
The liturgy is Setting 12 in the ACS.*

**PRELUDE - "Prelude and Fugue in F Major" - J.S. Bach**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ORDER OF BAPTISM P. 227 - Alanna Josephine Ziegler**

**FLOWER DEDICATION** -Today's altar flowers are in honor of Neil McLaughlin.

**OPENING HYMN ELW #768 - "Lead Me, Guide Me" (page 8)**

**PASTORAL 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.**

**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.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.**

**CHILDREN’S SERMON**

**FIRST READING – Genesis 3:8-15**

<sup>8</sup>Adam and Eve heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.<sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, “Where are you?” <sup>10</sup>He said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.” <sup>11</sup>He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” <sup>12</sup>The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.” <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent tricked me, and I ate.” <sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. <sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.”

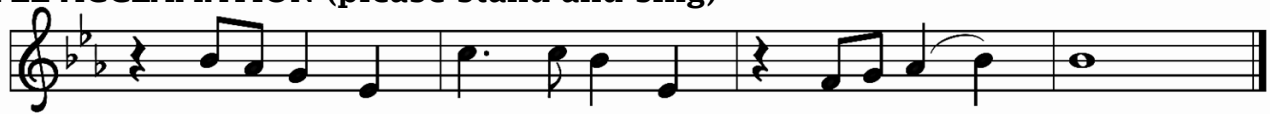
This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING – 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1**

<sup>13</sup>Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—“I believed, and so I spoke”—we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. <sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. <sup>5:1</sup>For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (please stand and sing)**



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

*Repeat alleluia*



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

This is the good news according to St. Mark  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL – Mark 3:20-35**

Jesus went home; <sup>20</sup>and the crowd came together again, so that Jesus and the disciples could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. <sup>28</sup>“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”—<sup>30</sup>for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.” <sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” <sup>33</sup>And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #504 – “A Mighty Fortress” (page 9)**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

*A brief silence*

You reawaken our hearts to your mercy. We give you thanks for renewers of the church in every age. Enliven the creativity and persistence of all seeking to transform the church into a closer vision of your beloved community. Lord in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Your presence is revealed in the shade of trees, the growth of seeds into flowers, and in the blessing of plants granting food in their right season. Heal lands scarred by deforestation, pollution, or infestation. Teach us to cultivate the earth with respect and reverence. Lord in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Our nations and communities are divided, O God. Teach us again to listen with curiosity and mercy, even in disagreement. Grant us the humility to acknowledge our hardness of heart and make us bold in modeling cooperation for the sake of the common good. Lord in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Praise to you for our ancestors in faith who believed, spoke, and lived in you. Give us confidence that as Jesus was raised, so we too will be raised, with all the saints, into your everlasting presence. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

**PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING** - *If you missed placing your offering in the plate when you arrived, there will be another plate by the ushers to leave your offering as you depart. Thank you for your support.*

**OFFERTORY 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.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... (ELW #191)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Let us pray for God's kingdom to come here, now and forever:

## THE 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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the Lord's Supper, for all is now ready.



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## **SHARING THE MEAL**

*All are welcome to receive the Real Presence of Christ in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. You do not need to be a member of this church or a Lutheran to receive the sacrament. We do ask that you desire a relationship with Jesus Christ.*

*If you require gluten-free hosts, please say “no gluten” when you approach the person sharing the host.*

*The center rings of the trays provided contain grape juice for those desiring it. Cups may be returned to the Acolytes’ baskets. The Common Cup is also available.*

*Children may come forward for a blessing, or to receive communion if they have been through instruction, here, or at another church.*

*If you wish to still receive the individual communion packet (wafer on top and wine/juice on the bottom), please pick one up as you approach the front.*

*If you would like the sacraments brought to you, please let the usher know.  
Welcome!*

## **COMMUNION HYMN ELW #481 - “Come to the Table” (page 10)**

### **PASTORAL BLESSING**

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

**Amen.**

### **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.**

### **BENEDICTION**

## **SENDING HYMN ELW #860 - “I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me” (page 10)**

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

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### ***Neil McLaughlin’s Retirement Recognition is Today!***

Immediately following the service, the Church music groups are hosting a brunch in appreciation of Neil McLaughlin’s many years of service dedicated to directing our Church choir. Please plan to join us!

Now that Neil and his wife, Laura, are both retired, they have plans to do more traveling, so he is stepping down as director, but he will still join us to sing when he is here. Anne Emerson is taking over as choir director, so if you are interested in joining the choir, practices will start up again late summer.

**Serving you today in  
Christ's Love:**

**Ushers**

Team Thompson

**Reader**

Nora Geach

**Communion Helpers**

Team Nelson

**Acolyte**

**Calendar-Week of June 9, 2024**

**Sun, June 9**

9:00 am   Worship Service  
10:00 am   Neil's recognition

**Mon, June 10**

9:00 am   Visitation for Gordy Peterson  
11:00 am   Service for Gordy Peterson  
6:00 pm   Stephen Ministries -CR  
6:00 pm   Girl Scouts Troop #8217 - NK

**Tues, June 11**

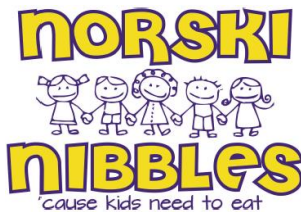
9:00 am   Women's Bible Study - FR  
5:30 pm   Praise Band -S  
6:30 pm   Cub Scouts - FH

**Thurs, June 13**

6:00 pm   Boy Scout - FH  
6:30 pm   Cub Scout Committee -FH

**Sun, June 16   *Father's Day***

9:00 am   Worship Service



***Norski Nibbles Needs You!***

The Norski Nibbles summer free lunch program for feeding hungry kids in our community will begin on June 10. This will be our 11th year! We will need volunteers to hand out the lunches at 3 local parks. We have been assigned the weeks of June 10 and August 12.

***Notice - Confirmation Meeting***

June 23, after 9 a.m. service there will be a confirmation meeting regarding incoming 7<sup>th</sup> Grade students.



***Help Grow our Church***

Christ Lutheran Church would like to host an outreach/fundraising event during and after the DeForest 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. To make this a successful event, we need your help. Sign up is on the bulletin board outside the friendship room

***Road Construction has started***

Reigstad Street reconstruction has started. Main Street church parking lot driveway will still be open. The other driveway on Reigstad Street may be blocked.



Mark your calendars for Sunday September 8th for Christ Lutheran Church's DeForest Faith Fest, a full day of Christian concerts, food and fun. Volunteers are needed and there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

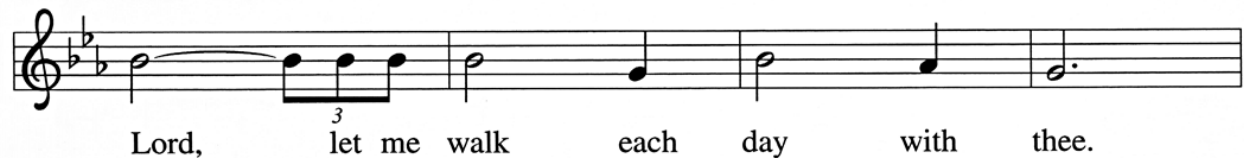
OPENING HYMN ELW #768 - "Lead Me, Guide Me"

*Refrain*

Lead me, guide me, a - long the way;



for if you lead me, I can - not stray.




Lord, let me walk each day with thee.



Lead me, O Lord, lead me.



1 I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r  
2 Help me tread in the paths of righ - teous - ness,  
3 I am lost if you take your hand from me,



to help me o - ver my weak - est hour.  
be my aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press.  
I am blind with - out . . . thy light to see.



Help me through the dark - ness thy face to see.  
I am put - ting all . . . my trust in thee.  
Lord, just al - ways let me thy ser - vant be.

*Refrain*



Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

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LEAD ME, GUIDE ME  
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HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #504 - "A Mighty Fortress"



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -  
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe  
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?  
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might  
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;  
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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**COMMUNION HYMN ELW #481 - "Come to the Table"**



Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

Text: Claire Cloninger, b. 1942

Music: COME TO THE TABLE, Martin J. Nystrom, b. 1956

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**SENDING HYMN ELW #860 - "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"**



1	I'm so glad	I'm so glad
2	Sa - tan had me bound,	Sa - tan had me bound,
3	When I was in trou - ble,	When I was in trou - ble,



Je - sus lift - ed me.	I'm so glad	Je - sus lift - ed me,
	Sa - tan had me bound,	
	When I was in trou - ble,	



sing - ing glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus lift - ed me.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual