# Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church

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# October 13, 2024 - 21st Sunday after Pentecost The liturgy is Setting 12 in the ACS.

#### **PRELUDE**

(10:30 am) BELLS - "Jesus And His Love"

#### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**FLOWER DEDICATION** Today's altar flowers are provided by Rick & Brenda Thompson, Jeff & Cindy Schave, and Tim & Tammy Thompson in loving memory of John and Lorraine Thompson.

## OPENING HYMN ELW #525 - "You are Holy" (page 11)

#### **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,  $\pm$  one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

#### Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection Silence for reflection

#### Gracious God.

Have mercy on us. We confess that we have too often raised our voices in praise and thanksgiving to you, and then harshly judged our neighbors with our next breath. Our fears cause conflicts and disputes with people we love and people we meet. You command us to care for the poor, but we often turn away thinking we don't have enough for ourselves. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with your grace and mercy and help us to trust you for all we need and to give thanks for all we have. Turn our hearts to follow the ways of Jesus.

God promises to forgive us and to remember our sin no more. By God's grace we have been saved and set free. In the name of  $\pm$  Jesus Christ, the source of all healing, know that all our sins have been forgiven. Live as forgiven and redeemed people of God. **Amen.** 



# PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON



# FIRST READING - Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

<sup>6</sup>Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. <sup>7</sup>Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! <sup>10</sup>They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. <sup>11</sup>Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. <sup>12</sup>For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. <sup>13</sup>Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. <sup>14</sup>Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. <sup>15</sup>Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## SECOND READING - Hebrews 4:12-16

<sup>12</sup>Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. <sup>14</sup>Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (please stand and sing)



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

#### GOSPEL - Mark 10:17-31

<sup>17</sup>As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" 18 Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.' " 20He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." 21 Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said. "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." 22When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. <sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! 25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another. "Then who can be saved?" <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible." <sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, 30 who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(10:30 am) CHOIR ANTHEM - "I Want Jesus to Walk With Me" - Tim Harbold

#### **SERMON**

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #695 - "As Saints of Old" (page 12)

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

Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

# A brief silence

Compassionate God, embolden the church to seek all who are lost, clothe those who are naked, and mend what is broken. May we be generous bearers of your eternal love. Lord, in your mercy,

# hear our prayer.

Sustaining God, as we approach harvest time, we pray for farmers, field workers, and those who process crops. Keep us mindful of environmental threats to the nourishing food that feeds the world. Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

Loving God, we pray for those who are afflicted, tormented, grieving, oppressed, and lonely. Deliver the strength of your love and compassion to all who need it today. Lord, in your mercy,

### hear our prayer.

Ever-living God, we rejoice to be heirs of the eternal life made real in Jesus' death and resurrection. We give thanks for saints of all times and places, first and last, who still inspire us to faithful living. Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

#### Amen.



#### **OFFERING**

# OFFERING HYMN ELW #692 - "We Are An Offering"



#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

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.



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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:

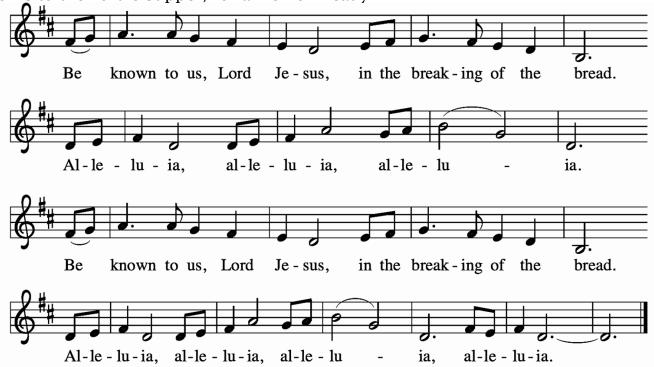
#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.



#### 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!

#### 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

Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

### PRAYER FOR HOME COMMUNION MINISTRY

Gracious God, you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food, comfort, and strength to a sick and hurting world. Anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and sacrament to our sisters and brothers in their homes, in prisons and in hospitals. Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope to those who feast on your body and blood and receive your words of new life. May we all recognize that we have a place and a home in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.** 

**BENEDICTION** - The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\pm$  give you peace. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

SENDING HYMN ELW #674 - "Let us Talents and Tongues Employ" (page 13)

#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Postlude

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#### Altar Guild

There will be an Altar guild meeting on October 19 at 10 AM in the Friendship Room. Coffee and treats will be provided. Hope to see everybody. Thank you.

If you have questions you can contact us at

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# Serving you today in Christ's Love

Ushers 8:00 am

Team Paulson Mikena Kilbane

**10:30 am** Team Campbell

> Reader 8:00 am

Beth Erickson

10:30 am Tim Thompson

# **Communion Helpers**

8:00 am

Team Nelson

**10:30 am** Team Lockman

Acolyte 8:00 am

Leighton Vieau Brinley Schwenn

**10:30 am** Tristan Andorfer

## Calendar-Week of October 13, 2024

Sun, October 13

8:00 am Worship Service 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship

Mon, October 14

8:00 am Quilters -NK 5:30 pm Girl Scouts -NK

Tues, October 15

9:00 am Women's Bible Study - FR

6:30 pm Bell Practice

6:30 pm Cub Scout-pack party

Wed, October 16

6:00 pm Confirmation class -NK

6:30 pm Choir-FR

Thurs, October 17

8:00 am Prepare Rutabagas 6:00 pm Boy Scout- FH

7:00 pm Council Meeting-FR

Fri, October 18

10:00 am Jack Sigurslid Visitation

11:00 am Jack Sigurslid Funeral Service

Luncheon to follow

Sat. October 19

10:00 am Altar Guild-FR

Sun, October 20

8:00 am Worship Service 9:15 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship



#### OPENING HYMN ELW #525 - "You are Holy" hel. Du är all - tid myck-et Du är he - lig, du är mer You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more nån - sin kan för - stå, än - då. än vi du är пä rathan we ev - er un-der - stand. You are al at hand. ways sig - nad va - re kom - mer hit just Väl dusom nu, you com-ing you com-ing Bless-ed are near. Bless - ed are here sig - na-de vår jord, blir till väl bröd på vår jord. raised from dead. your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, Du är he lig, dи är hel het, You are ho ly, whole you are ness, dи är het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig! när Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord! you are pres ent.



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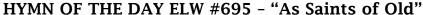
na, Sing ho - san na in the high



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- 1 As saints of old their first-fruits brought of or chard, flock, and field
- 2 A world in need now sum-mons us to la bor, love, and give;
- 3 In grat i tude and hum-ble trust we bring our best to day



to God, the giv - er of all good, the source of boun-teous yield, to make our life an of - fer - ing to God, that all may live.

to serve your cause and share your love with all a - long life's way.



so we to-day first-fruits would bring, the wealth of this good land, The church of Christ is call-ing us to make the dream come true: O God, who gave your-self to us in Je-sus Christ your Son,



of farm and mar - ket, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand. a world re-deemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new. teach us to give our - selves each day un - til life's work is done.

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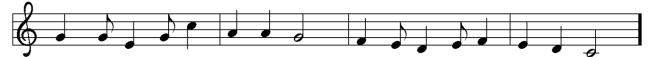
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# SENDING HYMN ELW #674 - "Let us Talents and Tongues Employ"



- 1 Let us tal-ents and tongues em-ploy, reach-ing out with a shout of joy:
- 2 Christ is a ble to make us one, at the ta ble he sets the tone,
- 3 Je sus calls us in, sends us out bear-ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro-ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo-ken and seen and heard. teach-ing peo-ple to live to bless, gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im-man-u-el) ev-'ry-where!



Je - sus lives a-gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the Word a-round: loaves a - bound!

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# CLC Choir Practice Has Begun!

Enjoy singing? Come and sing with the Christ Lutheran Church Choir. **Practice began on Wednesday, September 11th at 6:30PM (NOTE NEW TIME) in the Friendship Room**. We meet once a week and sing most Sunday's. A signup sheet will be posted on the bulletin board outside the Friendship Room as



well. Don't worry if you have a busy schedule and can't make every practice. We are happy to have you join us whenever you can! Any questions, please call Anne Emerson (608)846-0898

# Lutefisk Is Right Around The Corner!



Saturday, November 9th will be here soon—Christ Lutheran Church's Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner! We again expect around 1,400 members, friends and neighbors to come to enjoy this delicious meal which includes the area's best-tasting lutefisk,

meatballs and lefse with all the trimmings topped off with a piece of tasty pie.

Reservations may be made beginning on September 4 through Friday, November 4 by making reservations online or calling the church office 608-846-4718. Walk-ins and carry-out meals are also possible! Please share the date of dinner with your family, friends and neighbors. In order to help us prepare the meal and serve our guests, we need your help! A sign-up board is up outside the Friendship Room.

# It's time to think about the Bazaar and Bake Sale 2024!!

For new members, the Christ Lutheran Church Women hold a Bake Sale and Raffle in the Friendship Room in conjunction with the Lutefisk Dinner. Some members create a variety of yummy treats for the Bake Sale, such as traditional Norwegian treats, brownies, cookies, bars, pastries, breads and canned items, such as jams, jellies, horseradish, relishes, beet pickles, etc.

Other members with different skills and talents create items for the raffle portion of the Bazaar. The sky is the limit! Examples of items raffled in past years are paintings, carvings, table runners, floral arrangements, wood working, homemade cards, quilts and jewelry, just to name a few. Other members have opted to donate gift cards from local establishments.

Money generated from the Bazaar has been used for a wide variety of things both within our walls and throughout the community, state, nation and world!

So start thinking about your talent and what you can contribute. Any questions can be directed to:

Vicki Sobczak, Bazaar Chair, at 608-444-1804 or email: vsobczak@yahoo.com

# 2024-25 Sunday School at Christ Lutheran Church There's Still Time! Signup details, dates, and more!

We offer Sunday School lessons for children from preschool to 6th grade. If you're interested in enrolling your child(ren), please see below for important details.

Sunday school classes began **Sunday**, **September 15**. Sunday school takes place Sundays from 9:15-10:15 AM, between church services. **Registration forms** are available on line or in the Friendship Room that you can fill out. You can return the form by mail or drop it off at church at the front office or in the offering plate. We strive to make Sunday School an interactive and fun experience for children of all ages! They can expect crafts, games, song time, and snacks while learning about Bible lessons and making new friends.

**Teachers and classroom helpers needed!** We are short-handed this year. Parents, please consider volunteering. We can be flexible with schedules! If you have a high school student, we could use their help—it could count towards their National Honor Society volunteer hours.

**Questions? Contact:** Kristy Bergeron (<a href="mailto:kroloff@hotmail.com">kroloff@hotmail.com</a>)
Michelle Gest (<a href="mailto:kroloff@hotmail.com">mrippgest@gmail.com</a>)

# Thanksgiving Meals For The Hungry

This year we will be donating meals to elderly through the DeForest Area Community Center, donating non-perishable food items to the DeForest Area Food Pantry and also helping the Moravian Church with the Thanksgiving meal they prepare for community members in need. We will be distributing the meals etc. the week of November 18. Bags & shopping lists will be available outside of the Friendship Room on October 27. Each bag will have a number on it. There will be a list next to the bags. Please write your name and phone number next to the number on the list which corresponds with the number on the bag you have taken. There will also be envelopes available if you would like to contribute towards buying turkeys for the meals. Please return the full bags to the Friendship Room no later than noon on November 13th. Any questions, call Pam Hamele at 608-215-0382 or the church office. Thank you everyone!!