

## *Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church*

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*January 12, 2025 - Baptism of our Lord  
The liturgy is Setting 10.*

**PRELUDE** “How Brightly Shines the Morning Star” - Pachelbel

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN** ELW #453 - “Baptized and Set Free” (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, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.

**Amen.**

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful God,

**you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Jesus’ ways. Amen.**

God proclaims these words of assurance:

“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine.” In † Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. In the Spirit, we are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, we live anew as beloved children of God.

**Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:1-7

<sup>1</sup> But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. <sup>2</sup> When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. <sup>3</sup> For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. <sup>4</sup> Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. <sup>5</sup> Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; <sup>6</sup> I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—<sup>7</sup> everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### SECOND READING: Acts 8:14-17

<sup>14</sup> Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. <sup>15</sup> The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit <sup>16</sup> (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). <sup>17</sup> Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.


This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**


### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (please stand and sing)



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

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

**GOSPEL - Luke 3:15-17, 21-22**

<sup>15</sup>As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, <sup>16</sup>John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." <sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

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

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #304 - "Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized" (page 9)**

**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

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

You call us by name and form us. We give thanks for the gift of baptism. Nurture the baptized and equip people sent to proclaim the good news, especially Young Adults in Global Mission and international congregations. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

You give strength to your people. Uphold all who serve the common good. Guide federal and state legislators, city and county officials, judges and juries. Strengthen our resolve to serve all in need. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

You are with us in challenging times. Draw near to all who are ill, undergoing treatment, or recovering from surgery. Accompany individuals and families affected by addiction or mental health challenges. Uphold each person as your beloved. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

You grant us peace. Comfort all who grieve. Dwell with us in this life and, at the last, join us with the saints whom you have created, formed, and named. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

**Amen.**

## OFFERING

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.

**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

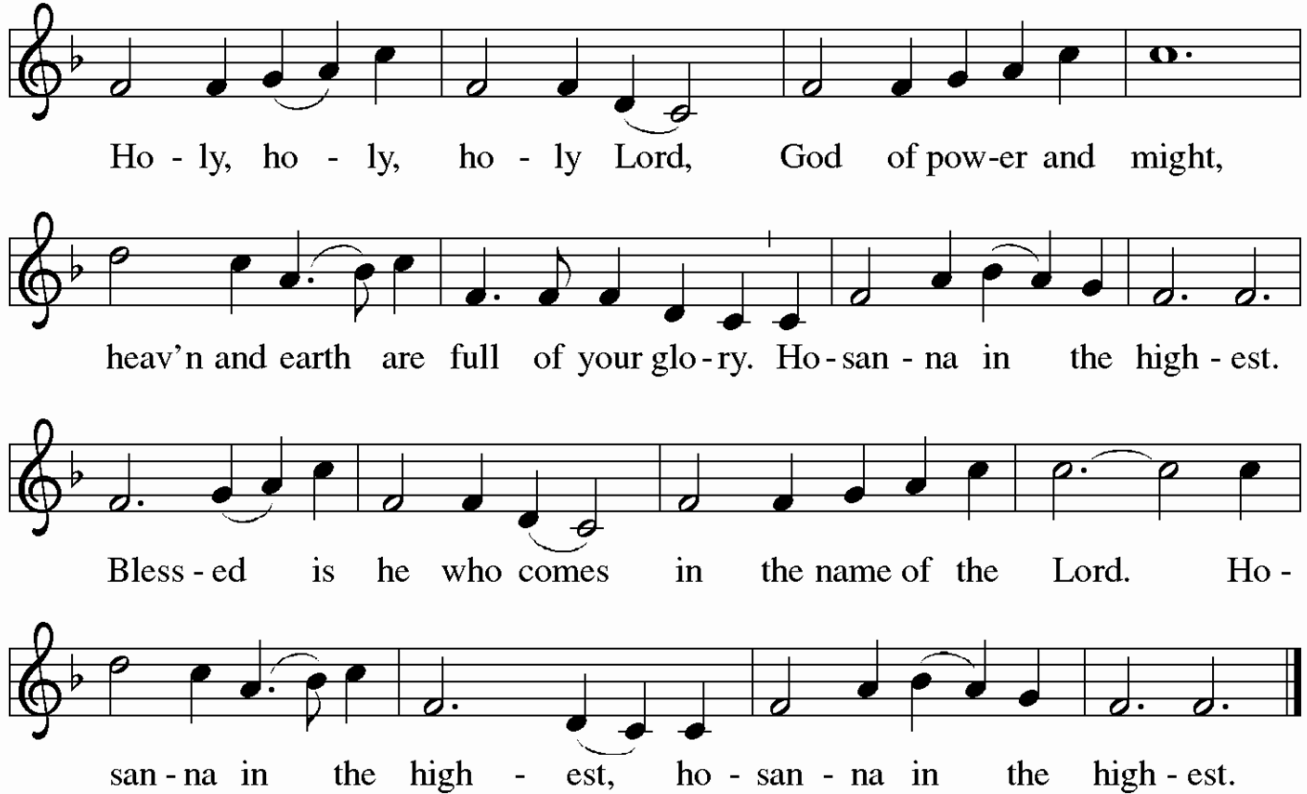
Lift up your hearts.

**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...



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

#### 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.



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## 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

**Merciful God, we thank you for Jesus, who is our heavenly food. Strengthened by this goodness, send us forth to announce your peace, comfort the afflicted, and share the good news of great joy. 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 ☩ give you peace. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

SENDING HYMN ACS #942 - "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" (page 10)

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

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

**Ushers**

**8:00 am**

Team Kvalheim  
Chase Riedel

**10:30 am**

Team Lockman

**Reader**

**8:00 am**

Nora Geach

**10:30 am**

Beth Erickson

**Communion Helpers**

**8:00 am**

Team Legried

**10:30 am**

Team Ursin

**Acolyte**

**8:00 am**

Leighton Vieau

**10:30 am**

Madisyn Howard

**Calendar-Week of January 12, 2025**

**Sun, January 12**

8:00 am Worship Service

10:30 am Worship

**Mon, January 13**

8:00 am Quilters-NK

5:30 pm Girl Scouts-NK

5:30 pm Stephen Ministry-CR

**Tues, January 14**

9:00 am Women's Bible Study - FR

6:30 pm Cub Scouts -FH

6:30 pm Bell Practice -FH/NK

**Wed, January 15**

5:15 pm Band Practice -S

6:00 pm Confirmation class - NK

6:30 pm Choir-FR

**Thurs, January 16**

6:00 pm Boy Scout- FH

7:00 pm Council- FR

**Sun, January 19**

8:00 am Worship Service

9:15 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship

*I can do ALL THINGS  
through Christ  
who STRENGTHENS me.*  
-Philippians 4:13



## OPENING HYMN ELW #453 - "Baptized and Set Free"



1 We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.  
2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.  
3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,  
4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.  
Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.  
and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.  
All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door  
For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:  
As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:  
Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



to a foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.  
end - less o - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.  
pre - cious riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.  
one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

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### *Lutefisk Sale Items*

Lutefisk - \$8/lb - 5lb minimum (\$40)  
Potatoes: Idahoan instant 3.24lb - \$14  
Herring: 8oz-\$6/12oz-\$9/26oz-\$17

2lb Brown Sugar: \$2  
Lefse: \$4 smaller package (6pc.)  
64oz Mayo: \$6





## HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #304 - "Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized"



1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spir - it on you  
2 God called you, "My be - lov - ed Son"; you are God's ser - vant  
3 Straight-way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed the  
4 Bap - tize us with your Spir - it, Lord; your cross on us be



came, as peace - ful as a dove, and yet as  
true, sent to pro - claim the reign of heav'n, God's  
call to serve with free and will - ing heart, to  
signed, that like - wise in God's ser - vice we may



ur - gent as a flame, as ur - gent as a flame.  
ho - ly will to do, God's ho - ly will to do.  
give your life for all, to give your life for all.  
per - fect free - dom find, may per - fect free - dom find.

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### ***Social Ministries—No Sew Blankets***

The Social Ministries Committee invites you to join us on Saturday, February 1, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the Fellowship Hall to make no-sew fleece blanket kits for Ronald McDonald House in Madison, WI. If you are interested in donating material for this project we use no-pill or blizzard fleece. Each blanket has 2 sides so each side will need 1 1/2 yards of material. If you would like to make a money donation towards the fabric you can send that to the church office. Any donated fabric can be left on the desk in the Friendship Room. Any questions, call Pam Hamele at 608-215-0382.



### ***Have Sunday Dinner and Donate Back***

Dine at the Texas Roadhouse on Sunday and show your server a bulletin from Sunday's church service. Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% of your meal back to Christ Lutheran.



SENDING HYMN ACS #942 - "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

*Refrain*

Ev - 'ry time I feel the spir - it mov - ing  
 in my heart, I will pray. Ev - 'ry time I feel the  
 spir - it mov - ing in my heart, I will pray.

1 Up - on the moun - tain my Lord spoke,  
 2 . . All a - round me looked so fine,  
 3 . . Jor - dan riv - er, chilly and cold,

out of his mouth came fire and smoke.  
 asked . . . . my Lord if all was mine.  
 chills the bod - y but not the soul.

*Refrain*

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***CLC Choir Practice Has Begun!***

Enjoy singing? Come and sing with the Christ Lutheran Church Choir. We practice once a week on Wednesday in the Friendship Room and sing most Sunday's. A sign up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board outside the Friendship Room or just come to practice and we can add you then. 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.



***Altar Flowers***

A special thank you to those who provide altar flowers throughout the year! The 2025 Calendar sign up sheet is now posted in the Narthex. As a reminder, when providing flowers, please make sure to contact the office at least a week or two in advance so an announcement can be put in the Sunday Bulletin. Thank you.

