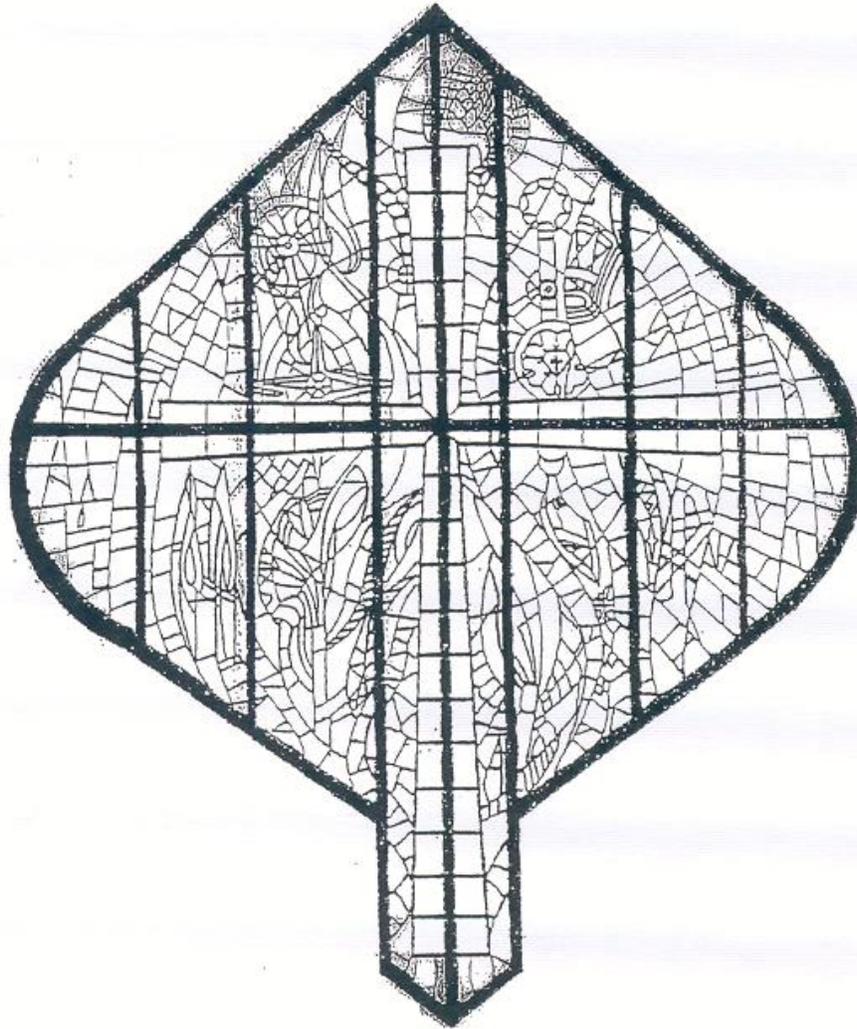


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COMMUNION ANNOUNCEMENT

Here at Christ Lutheran Church we believe, teach and confess that Jesus Christ is the only Savior from sin, and that He alone is the way to eternal life.

We believe, teach, and confess that in the Sacrament of Holy Communion the true body and blood of Jesus Christ is received along with the elements of bread and wine, and that the reception of this gift in faith is a means through which God Himself forgives our sins, strengthens us in faith, and unites us as His children.

If your own personal beliefs are in complete harmony with these Biblical truths, if you are a baptized Christian who has been instructed in these Lutheran confessions, if you recognize the reality of sin in your life and desire to receive God's forgiveness, and if you acknowledge that receiving Holy Communion at our table expresses an implied unity with us in the body of Christ you are welcome to join us at the table of our Lord.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Christ Lutheran Church is to connect people to Jesus through:

- Inspirational worship
- Loving service
- Caring fellowship
- Relevant education

so that they may know, and grow in, his love.

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Ninth SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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AS WE GATHER

Miracles tend to be big things in our minds. But the miracles Jesus does are more often tied to the simple things of ordinary life—like food! Jesus provides the simple things of life in miraculous ways. That is one of the things the five thousand learned when Jesus took a light lunch and fed thousands. It also confronts us here in simple water that becomes the means to new and everlasting life, or in simple bread and wine that feeds us the flesh and blood of Christ, or in efficacious words that accomplish what they say. But this is also true in our daily lives, as our Good Shepherd supplies all our needs of body and soul.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

Organ

WELCOME

HYMN

"When Peace, like a River"

H.I.S. Band

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows, like sea billows, roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Chorus:

**It is well, (It is well) with my soul, (with my soul),
It is well, it is well with my soul.**

Though Satan should buffet, through trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And has shed His own blood for my soul.

(Chorus)

My sin, O the bliss of this glorious thought,
My sin, not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul.

(Chorus)

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall re-sound and the Lord shall descend,
“Even so,” it is well with my soul.

(Chorus)

"It Is Well With My Soul" words and music by Horatio Gates Spafford, Philip Paul Bliss. Public domain.

(Please rise)

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for self-examination.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

RESPONSIVE PSALM 136:1-9, 23-26

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
People: for his steadfast love endures forever.

Pastor: Give thanks to the God of gods,
People: for his steadfast love endures forever.

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
People: for his steadfast love endures forever;

Pastor: to him who alone does great wonders,
People: for his steadfast love endures forever;

Pastor: to him who by understanding made the heavens,
People: for his steadfast love endures forever;

Pastor: to him who spread out the earth above the waters,
People: for his steadfast love endures forever;

Pastor: to him who made the great lights,
People: for his steadfast love endures forever;

Pastor: the sun to rule over the day,
People: for his steadfast love endures forever;

Pastor: the moon and stars to rule over the night,
People: for his steadfast love endures forever;

Pastor: It is he who remembered us in our low estate,
People: for his steadfast love endures forever;

Pastor: and rescued us from our foes,
People: for his steadfast love endures forever;

Pastor: he who gives food to all flesh
People: for his steadfast love endures forever.

Pastor: Give thanks to the God of heaven,
People: for his steadfast love endures forever.

**People: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
And to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning
Is now, and will be forever. Amen**

HYMN RESPONSE

“Give Thanks Unto the God of gods”

By Rev. John C. Stennfeld

Text: Psalm 136
Tune: St. Columba

Give thanks unto the God of gods;
His love endures forever.
Give thanks to Him for He is good;
His love will leave us never.

Give thanks unto the Lord of lords,
To Him who does great wonders,
Who made the heavens and the earth
And moved over the waters.

Give thanks to Him who made the sun
To give the day a bright light;
And thanks to Him who also made
The moon and stars for the night.

To Him whose love will always last,
To God in highest heaven –
The One who gives us all we have,
All praise to Him be given.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 55:1-5

(Come, all who hunger and thirst, and the Lord will satisfy you with all that you need.)

SONG

“Come to the Water”

H.I.S. Band

You said you'd come and share all my sorrows.
You said you'd be there for all my tomorrows.
I came so close to sending you away.
But just like you promised, You came in to stay.
I just had to pray.

Chorus:

**And Jesus said, “Come to the water, stand by my side.
I know you are thirsty, you won't be denied.
I felt every teardrop, when in darkness you cried.
And I long to remind you, that for those tears I died.”**

Your goodness is so great, I can't understand.
But, dear Lord, I know now that all this was planned.
I know you are here now and always will be.
Your love burst my chains and in you I'm free.
But Jesus, why me?

(Chorus)

Jesus, I give you my heart and my soul.
I know that without you I'll never be whole.
Savior, you opened all the right doors.
And I thank you and praise you from Earth's humble shores.
Take me, I'm yours.

(Chorus)

“For Those Tears I Died” words and music by Marsha J. and Russ Stevens

(Please rise)

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 14:13–21*

(Jesus feeds the five thousand, and all were satisfied.)

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven
And sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in Holy Spirit,
The holy Christian Church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated)

HYMN OF THE DAY “Sing to the Lord of Harvest”

LSB #893

Sing to the Lord of harvest,
Sing songs of love and praise;
With joyful hearts and voices
Your alleluias raise.
By Him the rolling seasons
In fruitful order move;
Sing to the Lord of harvest
A joyous song of love.

God makes the clouds rain goodness,
The deserts bloom and spring,
The hills leap up in gladness,
The valleys laugh and sing.
God fills them with His fullness,
All things with large increase;
He crowns the year with blessing,
With plenty and with peace.

Bring to this sacred altar
The gifts His goodness gave,
The golden sheaves of harvest,
The souls Christ died to save.
Your hearts lay down before Him
When at His feet you fall,
And with your lives adore Him
Who gave His life for all.

"Sing to the Lord of Harvest"

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SERMON

Give Thanks
Text: Psalm 136

Rev. John C. Stennfeld

OFFERING

“Offertory”

H.I.S. Band
Words by John C. Stennfeld
Music by Fred Frieling

From the bounty of your blessing
We return these gifts O Lord.
These treasures you have given us,
From your great love out poured.

Please use them for your glory.
Build your kingdom far and wide.
‘Til everyone in every place
Will, in your grace abide.

From the bounty of your blessing.
From the bounty of your blessing.
From the bounty of your blessing.

(Please rise)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[Psalm 136]

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

SANCTUS “*Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*”

LSB #940
v. 1

Holy God, we praise Thy name;
Lord of all, we bow before Thee,
All on earth Thy scepter claim,
All in heav’n above adore Thee.
Infinite Thy Vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.

“Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed Lord, Your love created all things and Your mercy gave the promise of redemption when we chose the path of sin and rebellion. Grant us grateful hearts to rejoice in all Your mercies and hearts of faith to trust in the redemption accomplished for us by the death and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ. In accord with His Word and testament, we come to His Table to receive His body in this bread and His blood in this wine, assuring us of Your forgiveness and bestowing upon us a foretaste of the feast to come.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20;
1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. *Revelation 22:20*

LORD'S PRAYER

People: 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.

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

"To the Lamb"

Organ
Maranatha #24

To the Lamb upon the Throne,
Be the praise forevermore.
Be the power and the glory,
Be the strength and majesty.

Chorus:

We worship Thee, O Lamb of God,
The Living Word.
We lift up Your name and worship Thee.
Ancient of Days, we give You praise,
O Lamb upon the Throne.

Son of God, Son of Man,
You became the Spotless Lamb;
Suff'ring for me, you showed me mercy,
Now You reign in majesty.

"To the Lamb"

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(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

"Give Thanks"

H.I.S. Band

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One;
Give thanks because He's given,
Jesus Christ, His Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One;
Give thanks because He's given,
Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
Let the poor say, "I am rich,
Because of what the Lord has done for us."

And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
Let the poor say, "I am rich,
Because of what the Lord has done for us."

Give thanks, give thanks.

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One;
Give thanks because He's given,
Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
Let the poor say, "I am rich,
Because of what the Lord has done for us."

Give thanks, give thanks, give thanks.

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"Eat This Bread"

H.I.S. Band

Chorus:

**Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to Me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in Me and you will not thirst.
Jesus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hunger.
Jesus Christ, Risen Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.**

This is My body given for you; this is My blood that was shed for you.
(Chorus)

As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you show My death until I come again.
(Chorus)

Eat My flesh and drink My blood, and I will raise you up on the last day.
(Chorus)

Anyone who eats this bread, will live forever.
(Chorus)

If you believe and eat this bread, you will have eternal life.
(Chorus)

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(Please rise)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, in our want we cry to You and You answer us with the food of Your mercy and grace in Christ, our Savior. Keep us from being satisfied by things that have no power to forgive our sins or lead us to everlasting life. Lead us to trust in You, for Your grace will not disappoint us, and Your gifts satisfy us today and through all eternity; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

HYMN

"In Thee Is Gladness"

LSB #818

In Thee is gladness
Amid all sadness,
Jesus, sunshine of my heart.
By Thee are given
The gifts of heaven,
Thou the true Redeemer art.
Our souls Thou wakest,
Our bonds Thou breakest;
Who trusts Thee surely
Has built securely;
He stands forever:
Alleluia!
Our hearts are pining
To see Thy shining,
Dying or living
To Thee are cleaving;
Naught can us sever:
Alleluia!

Since He is ours,
We fear no powers,
Not of earth nor sin nor death.
He sees and blesses
In worst distresses;
He can change them with a breath.
Wherefore the story
Tell of His glory

With hearts and voices;
All heav'n rejoices
In Him forever;
Alleluia!
We shout for gladness,
Triumph o'er sadness,
Love Him and praise Him
And still shall raise Him
Glad hymns forever:
Alleluia!

"In Thee Is Gladness"

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