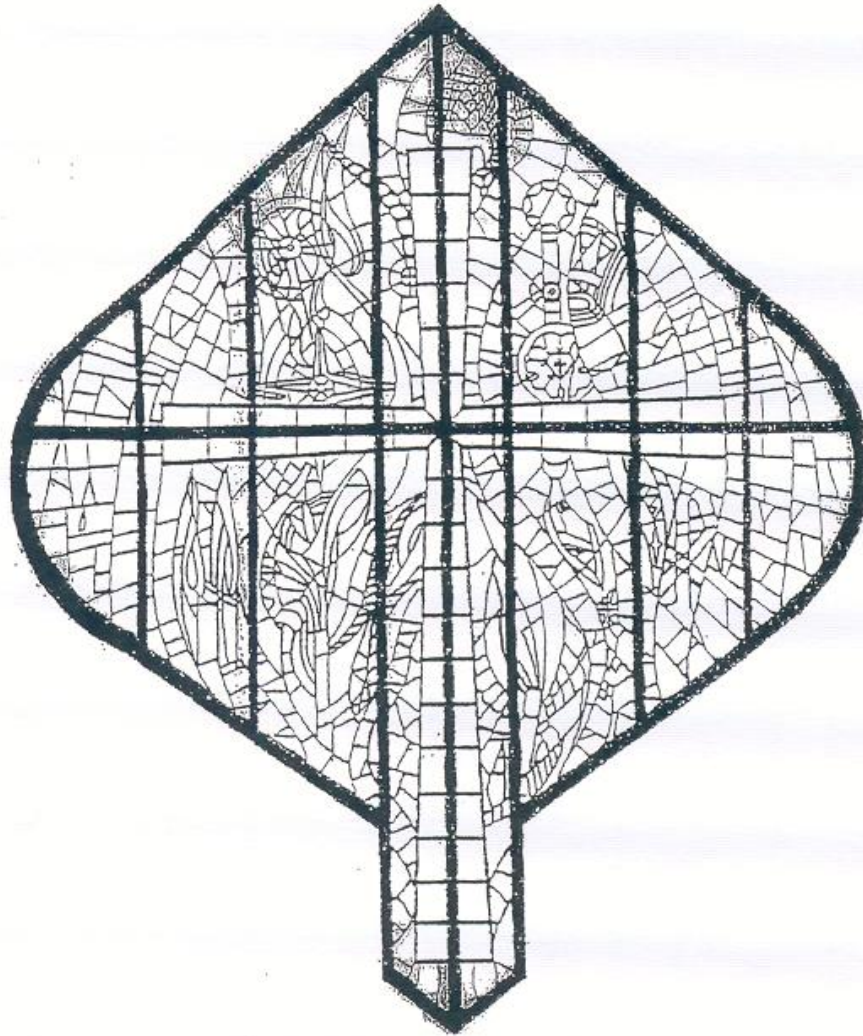


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COMMUNION ANNOUNCEMENT

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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THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

March 31, 2024

AS WE GATHER

At last! The day of Easter is finally here! Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! The darkness of death is now overwhelmed by the light of Christ's resurrection victory. Satan stands defeated, and death is destroyed. The enemy no longer has power over Christ Jesus, nor does he have claim over your life either! As you bow in faith before Jesus and rise to sing your praises to Him early this Easter morning, may the joy of this day inspire you to find joy in your Savior every day. New beginnings start at the empty tomb, and there's no better way to begin our Easter celebration than at the break of day, joining together to sing the praises of Him who died yet was raised to life again. "This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24).

PRESERVICE MUSIC

Organ

(Please rise)

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

Pastor

(The women are so shocked by the news of the resurrection that they initially tell no one.)

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 118:24

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Pastor: This is the day that the LORD has made;

People: **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

INVOCATION

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

People: **Amen.**

REPONSIVE PSALM

Psalms 118:15-26, 28-29

Pastor: Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous:

People: **The right hand of the Lord does valiantly,**

Pastor: The right hand of the Lord exalts,

People: **the right hand of the Lord does valiantly!"**

Pastor: I shall not die, but I shall live,

People: **and recount the deeds of the Lord.**

Pastor: The Lord has disciplined me severely,

People: **but he has not given me over to death.**

Pastor: Open to me the gates of righteousness,

People: **that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.**

Pastor: This is the gate of the Lord;

People: **the righteous shall enter through it.**

Pastor: I thank you that you have answered me

People: **and have become my salvation.**

Pastor: The stone that the builders rejected

People: **has become the cornerstone.**

Pastor: This is the Lord's doing;

People: **it is marvelous in our eyes.**

Pastor: This is the day that the Lord has made;

People: **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Pastor: Save us, we pray, O Lord!

People: **O Lord, we pray, give us success!**

Pastor: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

People: We bless you from the house of the Lord.

Pastor: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;

People: you are my God; I will extol you.

Pastor: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

People: for his steadfast love endures forever!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: We cannot enter God's presence as we are. Our sinful condition falls short of the glory of God. Let us therefore give voice to those sins, confessing our faults and failures to God Himself.

Silence for confession

Pastor: Rejoice and be glad! God does not merely overlook our faults. He became incarnate in His son Jesus to pay for our faults. Through his death on the cross, the debt for every one of our sins has been paid. And thus we have been forgiven.

Therefore, in the stead and by the command of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, I pronounce to you your forgiveness in the name of the Father and of the
✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

SONG OF PRAISE

"Shout to the Lord"

H.I.S. Band

Chorus:

Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing

Power and Majesty praise to the King

Mountains bow down and the seas will roar

At the sound of Your name

I sing for joy at the work of your hands

Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand

Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord there is none like you
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am never cease to worship You
(Chorus)

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SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.
Almighty God and Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ,
You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life.
People: **Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord’s
resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving
Spirit;**

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, 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 25:6-9* Lector
(When the Lord swallows up death, it will be
like having the best feast ever prepared.)

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 15:1–11* Lector
(Paul, persecutor of Christians, is one of many people who saw
Jesus alive after death. The news is of primary importance
for people of faith.)

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

HYMN

"When the Sabbath Day was Over"

By Rev. John C. Stennfeld

Text: Mark 16:1-8

Matthew 28:1-8

Luke 23:56, 24:1-11

Tune: Hymn to Joy

H.I.S. Band

When the Sabbath day was over,
Women went to Jesus' tomb,
That they might anoint his body
With some spices and perfume.
On their way they asked each other,
"Who will roll away the stone,"
Since the stone was very large, and
They had gone there all alone.

When the women looked up, they saw
That the stone was rolled away;
In the tomb there was a young man
Robed in white of bright array.
"Do not fear," this angel told them,
"Jesus is no longer dead;
See the place where they had laid him,
He has risen as he said!"

Trem-bling, and oh, so bewildered,
They ran from where Christ had laid,
Nothing did they say to others,
For they all were so afraid.
But when they saw the disciples,
They told them why they had fled,
And they shared the angel's message,
"Christ has risen from the dead"

Let us thus go forth rejoicing
With the news the angels gave,
Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior
Now has risen from his grave.
Sin no longer can condemn us,
Death itself has lost its sting;
Thus we now shall live forever
Up in heav'n with Christ our King.

SERMON

“Old Story, New Perspective”

Pastor

Text: Mark 16:6

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Awake, My Heart, with Gladness”

LSB #467

OFFERING

(Please rise)

CREED *Nicene Creed*

**People: I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. He lives to intercede for us before the Father. With confidence, let us present to God our petitions for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus.

For the holy Christian Church throughout the world, that it may be found without fault at the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For all believers in the Lord Jesus that their lives may testify to His resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, that a spirit of respect may grow among nations and peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For those in positions of public trust in all levels of government, that they may serve justice and promote the welfare and dignity of every person, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For all who suffer because of poverty, persecution, or sickness, [*especially* . . .], and all others we name in our hearts [*silence*], that they may know the healing power of the risen Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For those who grieve because of the death of their loved ones, [*especially* . . .], that through the sure hope of the resurrection of Christ, God would wipe away the tears from their eyes and give them comfort, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth God's glory in all that we do, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For all who come this day to the feast of our Lord's body and blood, that their faith be strengthened, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

**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 the evil one.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION OF OUR LORD

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

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

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

PAX DOMINI

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

People: **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

AGNUS DEI

"Lamb of God"

H.I.S. Band

Your only Son, no sin to hide,
But You have sent Him from Your side,
To walk upon this guilty sod,
And to become the Lamb of God.

Chorus:

**O Lamb of God, sweet lamb of God,
I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in His precious blood,
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.**

Your gift of love they crucified,
They laughed and scorned Him as He died,
The humble King they named a fraud
And sacrificed the Lamb of God.

(Chorus)

I was so lost, I should have died,
But You have brought me to Your side,
To be led by Your staff and rod,
And to be called a Lamb of God.

(Chorus)

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"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

LSB #461

DISMISSAL BLESSING

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Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: Go in peace as you serve our living Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please be seated)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

H.I.S. Band

In Remembrance of Andrew and Anni Bost; in Remembrance of Al Brodbeck and Honor of Leola Brodbeck; from Dale and Patty Brodbeck (2)

In Remembrance of Andrew and Anni Bost; In Remembrance of Al Brodbeck and Honor of Leola Brodbeck from Douglas and Deborah Bynum

In Honor of Mary Carrion; in Remembrance of Alberto Carrion, Sr. from their children, their spouses, and grandchildren (1)

In Remembrance of Jack and Maxine Lambeth; Dorothy and Gail Craig from Kevin and Barbara Craig (4)

In Remembrance of Agnes Gonzalez from Lucille Herrera and BJ Zamora (2)

In Remembrance of Ron from Jo Kautz (1)

In Remembrance of Alfred and Phyllis Giansanti from Teresa Kirby (2)

In Honor Dearest Father and Dear Jesus Christ from Gwendolyn and Donald Lewis (1)

In Remembrance of Paul Lippe from Gary Lippe (1)

In Remembrance of Scott Mitchell from Sonny and Phyllis Mitchell, Chandler, and Connor (1)

In Honor of Amanda and Onyema Ogwuegbu from Jim and MaryLou Moore (1)

In Remembrance of Brother James and Grandparents from Onyema and Amanda Ogwuegbu (1)

In Remembrance of Judy Pietsch and Larry Triesch from Roy Pietsch and Mary Ann Triesch (2)

In Remembrance of Franklin Richter from Katherine Richter (1)

In Honor of Pearl and Ernie from Ernest and Sue Sermons (2)

In Remembrance of Julian Shefstad from Arliss Shefstad (1)

In Remembrance of Cornelia Smith from Sharon Smith (1)

In Honor of Aunt Ladda Scott from John and Pachalin Stennfeld (1)

In Remembrance of Gilbert and Helen Pillack from Betty Joyce Stephens and Clayton Pillack (1)

In Remembrance of Edward Stephens from Betty Joyce Stephens (1)

In Remembrance of our parents and to the Glory to God from Phyllis and Donn Trautner (1)

In Honor of Freddie Richter; in Remembrance of Willlie Vrael; In Honor of Dorothy Richter and Wilma Vrael from Mark Vrael and Brenda Richter and (3)

In Remembrance of James and Sophie Werchan and Raymond and Dorothy Kluttz from Alice and Alan Werchan (2)

In Remembrance of our parents from Jimmy and Mildred Westfall (1)

SERVING TODAY

PASTOR: Rev. John C. Stennfeld

ORGANIST: Phyllis Trautner

LECTOR: Micah Stennfeld

FLOWERS: In Remembrance of Willie Vrael
From Brenda Richter and Mark Vrael

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THIS WEEK

TODAY:	Worship Service	9:30 A.M.
	Fellowship (on patio)	10:45 A.M.
	Easter Egg Hunt	11:00 A.M.
NEXT SUNDAY:	Worship Service	9:30 A.M.
	Children's Discipleship	10:45 A.M.
	Adult Discipleship Class	10:45 A.M.

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