

Rogate – "Ask!" May 17th, 2020 8:00 AM



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Welcome and Opening Prayer



The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Divine Service Setting Five, page 213

+ Confession and Absolution +

Confession, to confess to God our sins and sinful nature. Absolution, "To absolve of sin and wrongdoing," more specifically, to affirm God's forgiveness to all who sincerely confess their sins to Him.

Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation

Hebrews 10:22: Psalm 124:8: Psalm 32:5 LSB 213

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination. Consider: Have you loved God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength? Have you loved your neighbor as yourself?

Confession of Sins Jo

John 20:19-23 ISB 213

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution

[John 20:19–23] LSB 213

- Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

+ Service of the Word +

Sit

Introit

Psalm 66:1–2a, 17, 19–20; antiphon: Isaiah 48:20b

- [With a voice of singing,] declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth. Alleluia.
- The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob! Alleluia.
- **P** Shout for joy to God, all the earth:
- **C** sing the glory of his name.
- **P** I cried to him with my mouth,
- and high praise was on my tongue.
- **P** But truly God has listened;
- **C** he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- P Blessèd be God,
- because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me! 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.
- [With a voice of singing,] declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth. Alleluia.
- The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob! Alleluia.

Kyrie

Mark 10:47

A Greek phrase meaning, "Lord, have mercy!" A brief prayer not only imploring God's mercy but rejoicing in it through Jesus Christ.



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.





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Salutation and Collect of the Day

"Salutation" is a word from Latin meaning, "to salute" or "to greet." "Collect" (KAH-lekt), a brief structured prayer, usually consisting of five parts: address to God, basis for the prayer, petition, desired benefit or result, and trinitarian conclusion. The Collect of the Day also "collects" the message of the day's Gospel reading.

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Numbers 21:4-9

A The Old Testament Reading is from Numbers, chapter 21.

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.



Epistle James 1:22–27

A The Epistle is from James, chapter 1.

²²But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. ²³For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. ²⁴For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. ²⁵But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

²⁶If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel John 16:23–33

- A The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

²³[Jesus said:] "In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

²⁵"I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. ²⁶In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; ²⁷for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

²⁹His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! ³⁰Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God." ³¹Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe? ³²Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. ³³I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

- **A** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

Creed comes from the Latin "credo" which means "I believe." We confess our Christian faith in one of the three creeds agreed upon by the ancient church.

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 the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Sit

Children's Message

Matthew 19:14; Mark 13:13-15; Luke 18:16

A message especially for children from our Director of Christian Education, Amanda Adams.





- 2 Your name be hal - lowed. Help us, Lord, In pu - ri - ty
- to 3 Your king-dom come. Guard Your do - main And Your e - ter - nal
- 4 Your gra-cious will earth be done As on it is done be -



live in love As mem-bers of one fam - i - ly Your Word, That keep to the glo - ry of Your name We righ - teous reign. The Ho - lv Ghost en - rich our day With fore Your throne, That pa - tient - ly we may o - bey Through -



to You in u - ni - ty, Teach us pray no thought-less words to be-fore You free from blame. Let walk no false teach - ing perat - ten - dant on our way. Break Sa-tan's pow'r, de - feat his gifts our lives all that You say. Curb flesh and blood and ev - 'ry out





- 5 Give us this day our daily bread,
 And let us all be clothed and fed.
 Save us from hardship, war, and strife;
 In plague and famine, spare our life,
 That we in honest peace may live,
 To care and greed no entrance give.
- 6 Forgive our sins, Lord, we implore,
 That they may trouble us no more;
 We, too, will gladly those forgive
 Who hurt us by the way they live.
 Help us in our community
 To serve each other willingly.
- 7 Lead not into temptation, Lord, Where our grim foe and all his horde Would vex our souls on ev'ry hand. Help us resist, help us to stand Firm in the faith, a mighty host, Through comfort of the Holy Ghost.

- 8 From evil, Lord, deliver us;
 The times and days are perilous.
 Redeem us from eternal death,
 And, when we yield our dying breath,
 Console us, grant us calm release,
 And take our souls to You in peace.
- 9 Amen, that is, so shall it be. Make strong our faith in You, that we May doubt not but with trust believe That what we ask we shall receive. Thus in Your name and at Your Word We say, "Amen, O hear us, Lord!"

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Sermon

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If you have prayer requests, please e-mail them to our church office (office@christlcms.org) or call the office at (785) 266-6263. We will include them in next week's service, and also share them with our prayer chain if desired.

Stand

Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4 LSB 215

- Per Heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for the many blessings You have bestowed upon us as individuals, a congregation, and a country. We petition that comfort and healing come to those who are ill or suffering (especially ...). Build up and strengthen us to minister to our friends and loved ones who are experiencing turmoil in their lives (we name before You...). Help us to hand over our own worries and concerns to You. Continue to spread Your Gospel and strengthen those who suffer persecution for calling Your Son Lord. Protect our armed forces and first responders and bring peace to their families, drawing them close to You. Bless our country and the leaders of our country, our state, and our cities that they may make good, wise and godly decisions. Bless the ministry and missions of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS), the Kansas District of the LCMS, our congregation, Topeka Lutheran School and the Center for Young Children. Guide us in our lives to serve You in everything we do. In Christ's name we pray.
- **C** Amen

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.

Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Benedicamus Psalm 103:1

(beh-neh-dih-KAH-moose), Latin for "bless we [the Lord]." We give thanks to God for everything He has done for us in Jesus Christ.

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

BenedictionNumbers 6:24-26

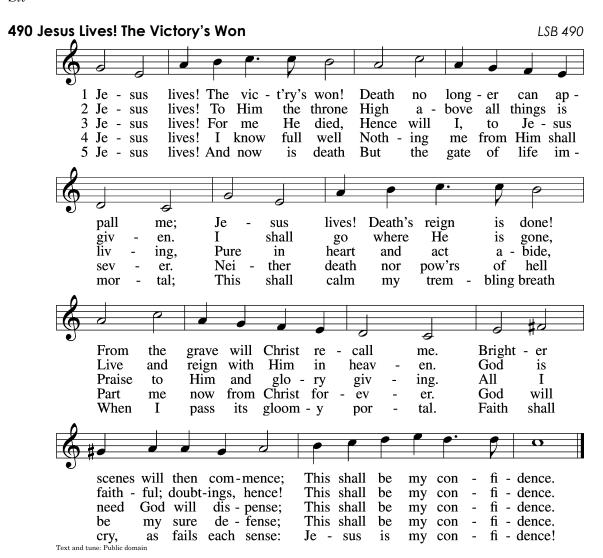
A final blessing from God this morning before we leave.

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.

C Amen.

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-- Announcements --

Celebrating

Birthdays: John G., Cindy H. (17th); Logan A., Jacob M. (18th); Mitch F., Lila N., David P., Janasia S. (19th); Bryan B. (21st); Rachel F., Jackie G. (22nd); Dylan B., Cori F., Kensleigh G., Nicole W. (23rd); Kylee N., Heather N. (24th)

Baptism Birthdays: David B., John G. (17th); Bryce B., Betsy P. (18th); Emagene M., Lila N., David P., Carolyn S. (19th); Amelia S. (20th); Kelly B., Barbara K. (21st); Sarah B., Kinsley L., Parker L. (22nd); Rachel F. (23rd); Jason K. (24th)

Anniversaries: Dick & Marjory H. (18th); Gary & Marsha S. (22nd)

Holy Baptism

We rejoice as Brooklyn H. joined our church family at Christ through the sacrament of Holy Baptism yesterday. Brooklyn was born on March 7th to parents Ryan and Cassandra, and her sponsors are Cassandra's sisters, Alexandra and Leandra.

Holy Communion

We are offering weekly 15-minute communion services on Wednesdays from 4:00-6:00 pm. In order to keep these services at 10 people or less, you must sign up for a 15-minute time slot each week that you would like to attend. (If you are attending as a family of 4, please sign up using four slots). You may sign up online through Sign Up Genius (the link for this week's services is https://bit.ly/ChristCommunion520- visit our website for future links). Or call the church office and leave a message – Mel or Amanda will call you back and help you sign up!

Bible Studies via Zoom

If you would like to participate in any of these online Bible studies via Zoom, please e-mail the church office (office@christlcms.org).

The Lutheran Difference – Sundays at 9:15 am Jr. Youth (4th-6th grades) – Sundays at 3:00 pm Youth (7th-12th grades) – Sundays at 4:00 pm Women's Study & Devotion – Thursdays at 6:00 pm Men's Bible Study – Saturdays at 10:00 am

<u>Masks</u>

As the state of Kansas begins its phased re-opening, many of our members are in need of cloth face masks. If you need a mask, or if you have masks that you would like to donate, please contact the church office.

Devotions

Visit our website (christlcms.org/devotions) for resources you can use at home!

-- Announcements --

Emergency Assistance Fund

If you and your family have not been financially affected by the current crisis, you may want to consider donating to the Emergency Assistance Fund set up at Christ Lutheran to help fellow Church members in need due to the Covid 19 crisis. The Emergency Fund provides our families assistance for groceries and utilities. Any level of giving and praying will be a tremendous blessing. Should monies remain in the fund after at the end of the crisis they will be used for Missions, church debt and the general fund as determined by the Church Council. Prayerfully consider what you can donate by cash, check or PushPay (keyword: CHRISTLCMS and select the "OTHER" button), by Text (text CHRISTLCMS to 77977). For those needing assistance please contact the office at 785-266-6263 or office@christlcms.org. Your request is forwarded to the Stewardship Committee and is strictly confidential.

Thrivent Cards

Thrivent members -- if you have unused Action Teams, please contact Amanda Adams (<u>dceadams@christlcms.org</u> or 785-266-6263). We are planning multiple projects to help us continue connecting as a congregation and keeping us in God's Word during this time of limited in-person interaction.

Remembered in our Prayers

Charlie P., Linda F., Alice M., Luke H., Betty C., Julie J., Don L., Natalie J. (daughter-in-law of Liz J.), Brittian K.(grandson of Sondra K.), Lance L., Jerry M., Bob T., Jean B. (sister of Pauline C.), Kathryn B. (granddaughter of Robert & Marjean P.), Judy P. (Lynne D.'s aunt), Cassandra H., Glenn T., Mert B., Steve C. (Brenda Z.'s brother), Angela (Mary D.'s daughter), Harold (Mary D.'s son-in-law), Judy (Colleen B.'s neighbor), Noel (Colleen B.'s brother), Rene A. for a speedy adoption process for Barbara, Marjorie H. and family after the death of her sister, our front line/essential workers, and others named in your heart. Pray for the Topeka Rescue Mission, the Schumachers in Ghana, and missionaries around the world. We pray especially for those around the world being persecuted for their faith in the one, true God and the suffering they endure. Please continue to pray for Pastor Micheel as well as our guest pastors, Amanda, our staff and their families as they do our Lord's work here at Christ Lutheran. We pray for the staff and students of TLS and the Center for Young Children. We also pray for those who serve in the armed forces, first responders, and for our country and government. Prayers of thanksgiving for our Lord and Savior and the new life we have in Him.

The Father Answers Our Prayers Because of Jesus

"Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you" (John 16:23). To pray in Jesus' name is to pray as one who has been baptized. For it is in the water that He put His name upon you, claiming you as His own, making you a son of God with access to the Father. By His incarnation and crucifixion, our Lord Jesus broke through the barrier of sin which separated us from God, opening a portal to the Father. To pray in Jesus' name is to pray with faith in Him as the one Mediator between God and men, who gave Himself a ransom for all (1 Tim. 2:1–6). Like Moses in the wilderness, Jesus is our go-between and intercessor before the throne of heaven. He was lifted up for us on the cross that we might be saved and restored to fellowship with the Father (Num. 21:4–9). Looking into this perfect teaching of liberty (James 1:22–27) we pray with boldness and confidence as dear children of God.

Offerings

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Stewardship Corner

Budgeted Weekly Needs:	\$ 7,300
Offerings Received - Week of 5/10	\$10,751

Budgeted Needs (Jan-Apr) \$128,032 Offerings Received (Jan-Apr) \$122,988

*** THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL GIVING DURING QUARANTINE! ***

James 1:22 – "But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves." The Word of God is not merely to be heard, but to be received and believed. Our faith is implanted and strengthened by the Word of God. And as Luther said, "Oh, it is a living, busy, active, mighty thing, this faith. And so, it is impossible for it not to do good works incessantly." James reminds us of this – and encourages us to examine our lives and come to repentance where we can see that we are not living out our faith in sincerity.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!

Hannah M. (Waubunsee High School)

Ellie A. (Topeka Lutheran School)

Chance B. (Topeka Lutheran School)

Myrick F. (Topeka Lutheran School)

Natasha M. (Topeka Lutheran School)



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