

*for the  
gifts and calling  
of God are  
irrevocable.*

*Romans 11:29*

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

August 16, 2020

8:00 AM, 9:15 AM, & 10:30 AM



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## Welcome and Opening Prayer

### 649 Blest Be the Tie That Binds

LSB 649



1 Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris - tian love;  
2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne We pour our ar - dent prayers;  
3 We share our mu - tual woes, Our mu - tual bur - dens bear,  
4 When here our path - ways part, We suf - fer bit - ter pain;  
5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, And sin we shall be free



The fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds Is like to that a - bove.  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our com - forts and our cares.  
And of - ten for each oth - er flows The sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.  
Yet, one in Christ and one in heart, We hope to meet a - gain.  
And per - fect love and friend - ship reign Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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*Stand*

### Divine Service Setting One, page 151

✠ 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.*

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

### Invocation

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Exhortation

1 John 1:8–9 LSB 151

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*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

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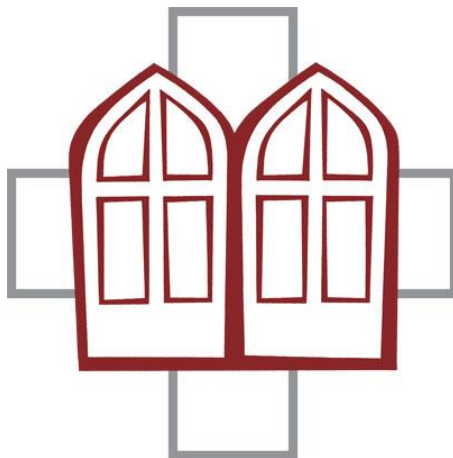
- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved 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.**

## Absolution

[John 20:19–23] LSB 151

- P** 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.
- C** **Amen.**

*Sit*

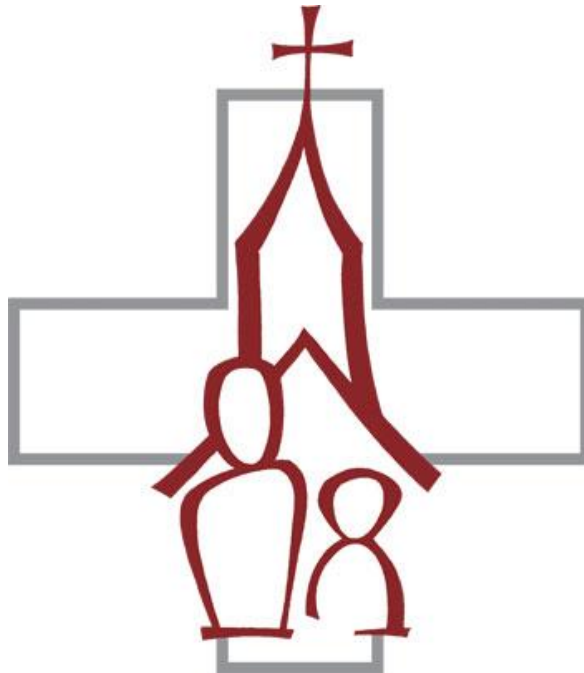


## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 28:1-2, 6-7; antiphon: v. 8*

- P** The LORD is the strength of his people;  
**C** **he is the saving refuge of his anointed.**
- P** To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,  
**C** **lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.**
- P** Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,  
**C** **when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.**
- P** Blessèd be the LORD!  
**C** **For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.**
- P** The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;  
**C** **my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him. 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.**
- P** The LORD is the strength of his people;  
**C** **he is the saving refuge of his anointed.**



# Kyrie

Mark 10:47 LSB 152

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

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29 LSB 154

**P** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

*“Salutation” is a word from Latin meaning, “to greet.” “Collect” (KAH-lect), 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 al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 56:1, 6–8

**A** The Old Testament Reading is from Isaiah, chapter 56.

<sup>1</sup>Thus says the LORD:

“Keep justice, and do righteousness,  
for soon my salvation will come,  
and my deliverance be revealed. . . .

<sup>6</sup>“And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,  
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,  
and to be his servants,  
everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,  
and holds fast my covenant—

<sup>7</sup>these I will bring to my holy mountain,  
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;  
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices  
will be accepted on my altar;  
for my house shall be called a house of prayer  
for all peoples.”

<sup>8</sup>The Lord GOD,  
who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares,  
“I will gather yet others to him  
besides those already gathered.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*Romans 11:1–2a, 13–15, 28–32*

**A** The Epistle is from Romans, chapter 11.

<sup>1</sup>I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2</sup>God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. . . .

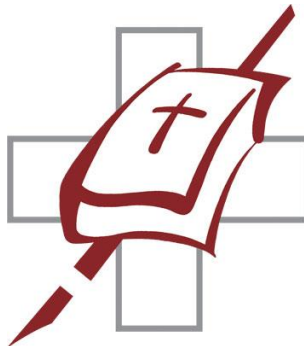
<sup>13</sup>Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry <sup>14</sup>in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. <sup>15</sup>For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? . . .

<sup>28</sup>As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. <sup>29</sup>For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup>Just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup>so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. <sup>32</sup>For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

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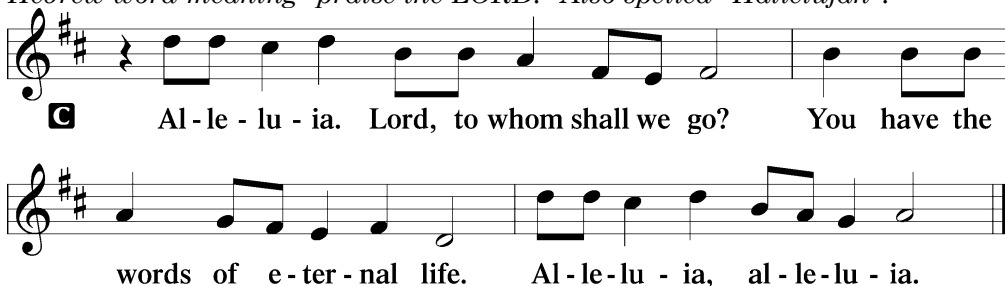




## Alleluia and Verse

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*Hebrew word meaning "praise the LORD." Also spelled "Hallelujah".*

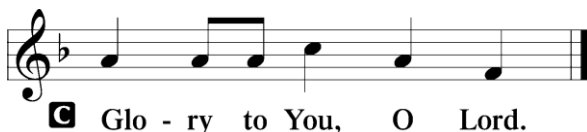


**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 15:21–28*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifteenth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>21</sup>Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon.  
<sup>22</sup>And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” <sup>23</sup>But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” <sup>24</sup>He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” <sup>25</sup>But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” <sup>26</sup>And he answered, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” <sup>27</sup>She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” <sup>28</sup>Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.



## **Nicene Creed**

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

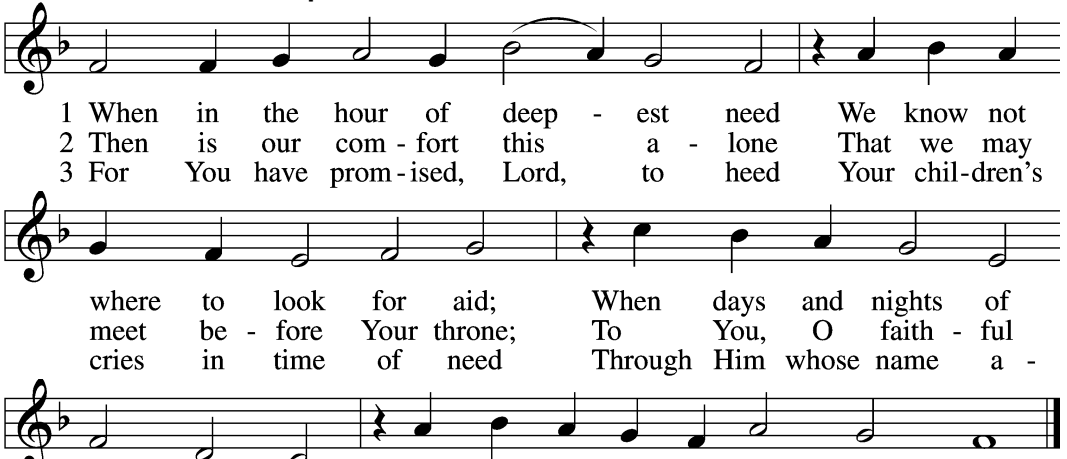
**C I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**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.**

## 615 When in the Hour of Deepest Need

LSB 615, sts 1-3, 6



1 When in the hour of deep - est need We know not  
2 Then is our com - fort this a - lone That we may  
3 For You have prom - ised, Lord, to heed Your chil - dren's  
where to look for aid; When days and nights of  
meet be - fore Your throne; To You, O faith - ful  
cries in time of need Through Him whose name a -  
anx - ious thought No help or coun - sel yet have brought,  
God, we cry For res - cue in our mis - er - y.  
lone is great, Our Sav - ior and our ad - vo - cate.

6 So we with all our hearts each day  
To You our glad thanksgiving pay,  
Then walk obedient to Your Word,  
And now and ever praise You, Lord.

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## Sermon

## Offering

*For those gathered with us in-person, an offering plate will be at the back of the room for a contactless drop-off for your gifts, tithes, and offerings as you leave today's service.*

*For those still joining us remotely, we have multiple options for giving. You can text CHRISTLCMS to 77977 to give via text message, or sign up for online giving at [pushpay.com/pay/christlcms](https://pushpay.com/pay/christlcms) for a one-time or recurring gift. Or, use the "My Church by PushPay" app, with keyword CHRISTLCMS. You may also mail your offering to the church office (3509 SW Burlingame Rd, Topeka, KS 66611).*

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*If you have prayer requests, please e-mail them to our church office ([office@christlcms.org](mailto: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.*

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## Offertory

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19 LSB 159



**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4

- P** Let us pray to the Lord for all that we need and on behalf of all people, that He may bestow upon us the riches of His grace and that we may receive His gifts with faith and thanksgiving in our hearts.

## Brief silence

- P** For true unity in the faith; for the preservation of pure doctrine; for harmony in the lives of our congregation, district and Synod; and for charitable hearts that put the best construction on what we see and hear, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For those outside the kingdom; for missionaries near and far; for the ministries and agencies of our Church whereby the Gospel is spoken to those who have not heard; and for those who hear, that they may be brought to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all pastors and church workers, for those preparing for full-time church work, and for those considering church-work vocations, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all families, for husbands and wives to live in faithfulness to each other, for all mothers with child, for all children, and for those who bring them to Baptism and nurture them in the faith, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For our president; the Congress; our governor; all elected and appointed leaders; all judges and magistrates; the members of the armed forces; and our police, firefighters and emergency medical personnel in their duties to protect and serve us, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the healing of the sick, the relief of the suffering, the comfort of the grieving and the peace of the dying, [*especially \_\_\_\_\_*], and for those who care for them in their afflictions, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For this holy assembly and for our communion upon the Lord's body and blood, and for us to bear in our lives the fruits of the Spirit and do the good works for which we were created, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all honest work and occupations, for our good use of the fruits of our labors, for generosity for those in need, and for the tithes and offerings that accompany our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For our remembrance of the saints and in thanksgiving for their faithful witness, that at last we may be joined with them in Your eternal presence, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

- P** Lord God, giver of all that is good, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your grace, that we may endure the changes and chances of this mortal life and be found worthy when our Savior comes to bring to completion all things; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136] LSB 160*

- P** The Lord be with you.



- C** And al - so with you.

- P** Lift up your hearts.



- C** We lift them to the Lord.

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



- C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

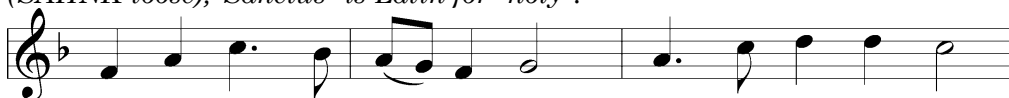
### Proper Preface (Full)

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9 LSB 161

(SAHNK-toose), "Sanctus" is Latin for "holy".



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. 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.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.



## Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9–13 LSB 162

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✝}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✝}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

John 20:19 LSB 163

*(PAKS DOH-mee-nee), Latin for "peace of the Lord" (John 20:19).*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.





## Agnus Dei

John 1:29 LSB 163

**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Sit*

## Distribution

*Communion is reserved for those who are members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or members of a church body in fellowship with the LCMS unless special arrangements have been made with the pastor. The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first. Then they will distribute it to those who cannot come up to the front of the sanctuary due to physical ailments. Following that the ushers will dismiss the people from their pews to proceed to the front. All are invited up to receive a blessing.*



# 936 Sing Praise to the God of Israel

LSB 936



1 Sing praise to the God of Is - ra - el! Sing praise for His  
 2 God spoke by the proph - ets long a - go, His prom - ise on  
 3 You, child, will go on be - fore the Lord As proph - et, His  
 4 O bright, ris - ing Sun, now shine on us In need of il -



vis - i - ta - tion! Re - deem - ing His peo - ple from their sin,  
 oath re - call - ing— To A - bra - ham made in for - mer years:  
 way pre - par - ing; To speak on be - half of God Most High,  
 lu - mi - na - tion; Come scat - ter the shades of sin and death



Ac - com - plish - ing their sal - va - tion, Up - rais - ing a  
 Of van - quish - ing foes ap - pall - ing, That those He de -  
 His coun - sel of truth de - clar - ing: Rich mer - cy and  
 And shat - ter their dom - i - na - tion. Be guid - ing our



might - y horn with - in The house of His ser - vant Da - vid!  
 liv - ered from their fears Might glad - ly and tru - ly serve Him.  
 grace for all where - by In - iq - ui - ty is for - giv - en.  
 foot - steps on the path Of peace, in Your pres - ence dawn - ing!

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# 845 Where Charity and Love Prevail

LSB 845



1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail There  
 2 With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear His  
 3 For - give we now each oth - er's faults As  
 4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; Let



God is ev - er found; Brought here to - geth - er  
 char - i - ty we learn; Let us with heart and  
 we our faults con - fess, And let us love each  
 all con - ten - tion cease; Be God's the glo - ry



by Christ's love By love are we thus bound.  
 mind and soul Now love Him in re - turn.  
 oth - er well In Chris - tian ho - li - ness.  
 that we seek; Be ours His ho - ly peace.

5 Let us recall that in our midst  
 Dwells Christ, His only Son;  
 As members of His body joined  
 We are in Him made one.

6 For love excludes no race or clan  
 That names the Savior's name;  
 His family embraces all  
 Whose Father is the same.

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1 Eve - ning and morn - ing, Sun - set and dawn - ing, Wealth, peace, and  
 2 Fa - ther, O hear me, Par - don and spare me; Calm all my  
 3 Ills that still grieve me Soon are to leave me; Though bil - lows  
 4 To God in heav - en All praise be giv - en! Come, let us



glad - ness, Com - fort in sad - ness: These are Thy works; all the  
 ter - rors, Blot out my er - rors That by Thine eyes they may  
 tow - er, And winds gain pow - er, Af - ter the storm the fair  
 of - fer And glad - ly prof - fer To the Cre - a - tor the



glo - ry be Thine! Times with - out num - ber, A - wake or in  
 no more be scanned. Or - der my go - ings, Di - rect all my  
 sun shows its face. Joys e'er in - creas - ing And peace nev - er  
 gifts He doth prize. He well re - ceiv - eth A heart that be -



slum - ber, Thine eye ob - serves us, From dan - ger pre - serves us,  
 do - ings; As it may please Thee, Re - tain or re - lease me;  
 ceas - ing: These shall I trea - sure And share in full mea - sure  
 liev - eth; Hymns that a - dore Him Are pre - cious be - fore Him



Caus - ing Thy mer - cy up - on us to shine.  
 All I com - mit to Thy fa - ther - ly hand.  
 When in His man - sions God grants me a place.  
 And to His throne like sweet in - cense a - rise.

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*Stand*

**Dismissal**

## Thank the Lord

[Psalm 105:1–3, 42–43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8–10] LSB 164



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy

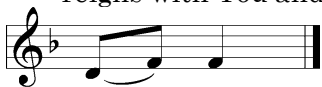


with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

## Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Luther's Morning Prayer

**C** 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.

## Benediction

Numbers 6:24–26 LSB 166

*A final blessing from God this morning before we leave.*

- P** 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  $\text{†}$  give you peace.



**G** A - men.

## 571 God Loved the World So That He Gave

LSB 571



- 1 God loved the world so that He gave His on - ly  
2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, Who was made  
3 God would not have the sin - ner die; His Son with  
4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son For - gives all



Son the lost to save, That all who would in  
flesh and suf - fered death; All then who trust in  
sav - ing grace is nigh; His Spir - it in the  
sins which you have done; And, jus - ti - fied by



Him be - lieve Should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.  
Him a - lone Are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.  
Word de - clares How we in Christ are heav - en's heirs.  
Je - sus' blood, Your Bap - tism grants the high - est good.

- 5 If you are sick, if death is near,  
This truth your troubled heart can cheer:  
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;  
That is the firmest ground of faith.

- $\triangle$  6 Glory to God the Father, Son,  
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
To You, O blessed Trinity,  
Be praise now and eternally!

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## -- Week at a Glance --

Sunday August 16	<b>8:00, 9:15, &amp; 10:30 am</b> 11:45 am	<b>Worship Service w/ Communion</b> Voters Meeting
Monday August 17		
Tuesday August 18	9:00 am	LWML Work Day
Wednesday August 19	7:00 pm	Pastor's Bible Class
Thursday August 20		
Friday August 21	6:00 pm	Meet & Greet at Lake Shawnee (Shelter #4)
Saturday August 22	10:00 am	Men's Bible Study
Sunday August 23	<b>8:00, 9:15, &amp; 10:30 am</b> 5:00 pm	<b>Worship Service w/ Communion</b> Youth Group (7 <sup>th</sup> -12 grades)

# -- Announcements --

## **Celebrating**

**Birthdays:** Jon B., Shelly B. (17<sup>th</sup>); Cora J. (18<sup>th</sup>); Keenan G. (19<sup>th</sup>); Kailey Lynn C. (21<sup>st</sup>); Jalen F., Cailin J. (23<sup>rd</sup>)

**Baptism Birthdays:** Sandy S. (16<sup>th</sup>); Jon B., Tracie C., Alexandra H., Greta H., Leandra H., Cassandra H., Michael O. (17<sup>th</sup>); Jaclyn H.; Sloan W. (18<sup>th</sup>); Jaylee H., Nicholas H., Adam S. (19<sup>th</sup>); Frank S. (22<sup>nd</sup>); Emil B., Natasha M., Helen M. (23<sup>rd</sup>)

**Anniversaries:** David & Barbara B. (16<sup>th</sup>); Shawn & Michelle H. (17<sup>th</sup>); Dennis & Margaret B. (21<sup>st</sup>)

## **Altar Flowers**

The flowers adorning our altar this morning were given in honor of David & Barbara Butts' wedding anniversary. Congratulations on 34 years of marriage!

## **Voters Meeting**

There will be a brief Voters Meeting today at 11:45 am in the gym to approve the replacement of the church roof.

## **Overflow Seating**

Our 8:00 Sunday morning service has been at maximum (distanced) capacity for the past several weeks. So we are offering a separate sign-up slot for "overflow" seating in the gym during our 8 AM service. The live-stream of the worship service will be played on a tv screen so that you can still participate in worship, and you may still come to the sanctuary to receive Holy Communion. Thank you for your patience as we navigate this less than ideal situation together!

## **Adult Bible Class**

Join Pastor Ben on Wednesdays at 7 pm for a study on the coming week's lectionary readings – sign up to attend in-person, or e-mail the office to attend via Zoom.

## **Meet & Greet for Pastor Ben & Family**

Join us at Lake Shawnee (Shelter #4) on Friday, August 21st. Come and go as you please from 6:00-7:30 pm (no need to sign up). Hot dogs and chips will be provided – please bring your own drinks. Some seating will be available on site, but feel free to bring your own chairs or a picnic blanket. We'll be able to socialize in the open air and spread out as needed.



# -- Announcements --

## **Youth Group**

7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade youth will meet here at church for Bible study and fellowship on Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5pm. If you don't feel comfortable meeting in-person but would like to join us via Zoom, please contact Amanda Adams.

## **LWML Work Day**

We will be holding work days on Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in the church basement.

## **Part-Time Positions at TLS**

After-school care workers are needed at Topeka Lutheran School each weekday beginning Thursday, September 3. Necessary qualifications include a love of children and the ability to follow safety protocols regarding the coronavirus and best child supervision practices. Applicants must be at least 16 years old.

Substitute teachers are needed at all age levels. Applicants must meet the qualification for an emergency substitute license (a minimum of 60 college credits), as well as a love of children and the ability to follow safety protocols regarding the coronavirus and best child supervision practices.

If you are interested in learning more about these job opportunities, please contact Chris Francik at 785-357-0382 or [francik@topekalutheran.org](mailto:francik@topekalutheran.org).

## **Part-Time Positions at CYC**

The Center for Young Children is in need of responsible individuals that love to work with young children. We have part-time positions in our infant room, toddler rooms, and preschool rooms. E-mail Valerie at [cyc@topekalutheran.org](mailto:cyc@topekalutheran.org) or pick up an application at 1732 SW Gage Blvd. Applicants will have to meet licensing requirements.

## **Disinfecting Wipes**

The Center for Young Children is in need of disinfecting wipes. Many stores are limiting the number an individual can buy at one time, so it makes it difficult to keep wipes on hand. If you see wipes, please consider picking some up for CYC.

# -- Announcements --

## **LWR Care Kits**

During the month of August, LWML will be collecting Care Kit items for Lutheran World Relief. The following items are needed: towels (52" x 27" maximum size), bars of soap, nail clippers, toothbrushes, and sturdy wide tooth combs. Donations may be placed in the bin in the coffee lobby.

## **Thrivent Cards**

Thrivent members -- if you have unused Action Teams, please contact Amanda Adams ([dceadams@christlcms.org](mailto:dceadams@christlcms.org) 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.

## **Emergency Assistance Fund**

If you have been financially affected by the Covid-19 crisis and need assistance, please contact the office at 785-266-6263 or [office@christlcms.org](mailto:office@christlcms.org). Your request is forwarded to the Stewardship Committee and is strictly confidential. The Emergency Fund provides our members with assistance for groceries and utilities. If you are interested in giving to this fund, please visit our website ([christlcms.org/giving](http://christlcms.org/giving)) for more information.

## **Prayer Chain**

Do you have a prayer request? Would you like to join our e-mail prayer chain? Contact the church office ([office@christlcms.org](mailto:office@christlcms.org)).

## **Remembered in our Prayers**

Charlie P., Alice M., Luke H., Betty C., Julie J., Don L., Brittian K.(grandson of Sondra K.), Lance L., Jerry M., Bob T., Jean B. (sister of Pauline C.), Judy P. (Lynne D.'s aunt), Mert B., Larry R., Ruu C., Angela (Mary D.'s daughter), Judy (Colleen B.'s neighbor), Noel (Colleen B.'s brother), Vera (Barbara B.'s aunt), Donna B., Don C., Gary (Ruth S.'s son), Rene A. for a speedy adoption process for Barbara, our front line/essential workers, and others named in your heart. Pray for the Topeka Rescue Mission, the Schumachers and their ministry 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 Ben, 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 Church Lives Under the Cross of Christ and Prays in the Hope of His Mercy***

By her persistent prayer that Jesus would have mercy and help her (Matt. 15:22, 24), and even in the face of His initial silence and apparent rejection (Matt. 15:23–26), the Canaanite woman boldly confessed her faith in Him (Matt. 15:27–28). Her beautiful example encourages us to cling to the words and promises of the Gospel, even in the face of the Law that accuses and condemns us. *“For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable”* (Rom. 11:29), and His Law *“has consigned all to disobedience”* for the very purpose *“that he may have mercy on all”* (Rom. 11:32). Hence, the woman’s faith and hope were not disappointed, but her prayers were answered in the mercy of Christ. Not only does He grant us the crumbs from His table, but He also feeds us with *“the children’s bread”* in the house of His Father (Matt. 15:26–27). He has brought us to His *“holy mountain,”* and He makes us joyful in His house, where He hears our prayers and accepts our sacrifice of praise upon the altar of His cross (Is. 56:7).

### **Offerings**

We have multiple options for your gifts, tithes, and offerings. You can text CHRISTLCMS to 77977 to give via text message, or sign up for online giving at [pushpay.com/pay/christlcms](http://pushpay.com/pay/christlcms) for a one-time or recurring gift. Or, use the “My Church by PushPay” app, with keyword CHRISTLCMS. You may also mail your offering to the church office (3509 SW Burlingame Rd, Topeka, KS 66611). Direct links with more information are available on the church website ([christlcms.org/giving](http://christlcms.org/giving)).

## **Stewardship Corner**

<b><i>Budgeted Weekly Needs:</i></b>	<b>\$ 7,300</b>
<b><i>Offerings Received – Week of 7/26</i></b>	<b>\$ 7,859</b>
<b><i>Budgeted Needs (Jan-July)</i></b>	<b>\$224,053</b>
<b><i>Offerings Received (Jan-July)</i></b>	<b>\$216,800</b>

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**Matt. 15:27 – “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.”** These are the words of faith, for faith means receiving what God gives. And God has given us so much more than just the crumbs that fall from the table. He has given us life and salvation, body and soul, eyes and ears, possessions and income. Our stewardship starts with faith in the God who is the greatest Giver.

# Wednesday Night Bible Class



ADULT BIBLE CLASS WITH PASTOR BEN  
WEDNESDAYS AT 7:00 PM

SIGN UP ON OUR WEBSITE TO ATTEND IN PERSON  
E-MAIL THE OFFICE TO ATTEND VIA ZOOM