

Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord...
He is like a tree planted by water.
That sends out its roots by the stream.

Jeveniah 17:7-8

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany February 13, 2022 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM



Christ Lutheran Church 3509 SW Burlingame Rd. Topeka, KS 66611 785-266-6263 www.christlcms.org Rev. Ben Micheel, Pastor Amanda Adams, DCE Chris Francik, TLS Principal



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As we gather, please take time to fill out the fellowship pad located near the center aisle in your pew. If you have any prayer requests, feel free to use a prayer request card from the pew rack in front of you, and place it in the offering plate after the sermon. (For those joining us online, please contact the church office.) We will include these requests in our prayers during worship, and share them with our prayer chain (if desired).

# **Welcome and Opening Prayer**



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+ 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

- C Amen.

### **Exhortation**

Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3-4; Luke 18:13 203

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Confession of Sins

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

**Absolution** [John 20:19–23] LSB 203

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

### Service of the Word

### Introit

Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5; antiphon: v. 7

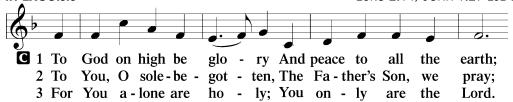
- P I will praise you with an upright heart,
- when I learn your just and righteous decrees.
- P Blessèd are those whose way is blameless,
- who walk in the law of the LORD!
- P Blessèd are those who keep his testimonies,
- who seek him with their whole heart.
- P You have commanded your precepts
- C to be kept diligently.
- P Oh that my ways may be steadfast
- in keeping your statutes! 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 I will praise you with an upright heart,
- **©** when I learn your just and righteous decrees.

# **Kyrie**



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







Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er. Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

# 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 Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; 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**

Jeremiah 17:5-8

A The Old Testament Reading is from Jeremiah, chapter 17.

<sup>5</sup>Thus says the LORD: "Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the LORD. <sup>6</sup>He is like a shrub in the desert. and shall not see any good come. He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. 7"Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. <sup>8</sup>He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes. for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit."

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

**Epistle** 

1 Corinthians 15:1–20

A The Epistle is from 1 Corinthians, chapter 15.

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, <sup>2</sup>and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

<sup>3</sup>For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I,

but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

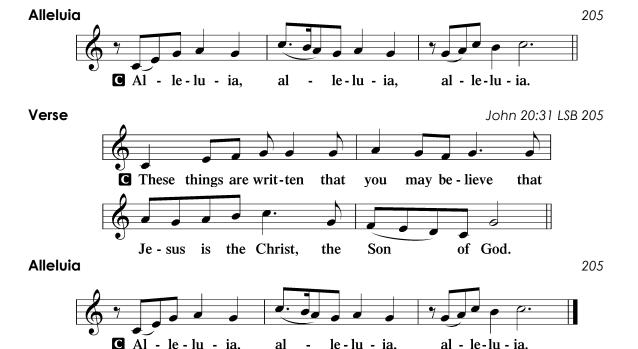
<sup>12</sup>Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? <sup>13</sup>But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. <sup>14</sup>And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. <sup>15</sup>We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. <sup>16</sup>For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. <sup>17</sup>And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. <sup>18</sup>Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. <sup>19</sup>If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

<sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

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

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### Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel Luke 6:17–26

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.

# Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>17</sup>[Jesus] came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, <sup>18</sup>who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. <sup>19</sup>And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all.

<sup>20</sup>And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

<sup>21</sup>"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied.

"Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh.

<sup>22</sup>"Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! <sup>23</sup>Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

<sup>24</sup>"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup>"Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry.

"Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.

 $^{26}$ "Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

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

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.

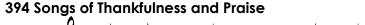
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

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.

### Children's Message

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

Children are invited to join Amanda Adams, our Director of Christian Education, at the front of the sanctuary for the Children's Message.



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- 1 Songs of thank ful ness and praise, Je sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
- 2 Man i fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;
- 3 Man i fest in mak-ing whole Pal sied limbs and faint ing soul; 4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;
- 5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres ent in Thy ho ly Word—



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far, And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest; Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might; Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo-rious sign; Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem: Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine; Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill; All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear; That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad-dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.

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Thou by all wilt be con-fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.

And may project Thee are the con-fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.

God in man made man - i - fest.

God in man made man - i - fest.

And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

### Sermon

# Offering

If you brought your gift, tithe, or offering with you today, you may place it in the offering plate as it passes. We also have multiple options for electronic giving. You can sign up for online giving at pushpay.com/pay/christlcms for a one-time or recurring gift. Direct links with more information are available on the church website (christlcms.org/giving).

For those joining us remotely, you may use the electronic giving methods listed above, or you may mail your offering to the church office (3509 SW Burlingame Rd. Topeka. KS 66611).



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# Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4

At the end of each petition, the pastor will say, "Lord, in Your mercy," to which the congregation will respond, "Hear our prayer."

- ...through Jesus Christ, Your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

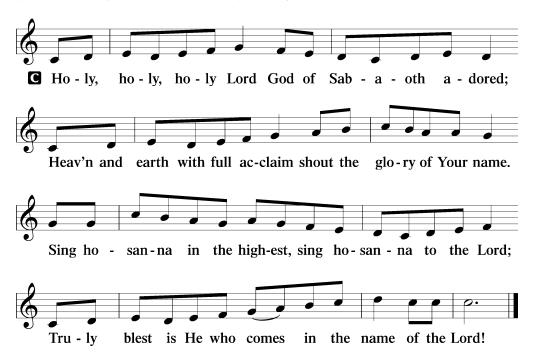
### Service of the Sacrament

### **Preface**

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136] LSB 208

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

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



# **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

As the glory of Your presence once filled Your ancient temple, so in the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You manifested the fullness of Your glory in human flesh.

We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your glory to us. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood so that we may one day behold Your glory face to face.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:



### Lord's Prayer

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 + 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 + 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

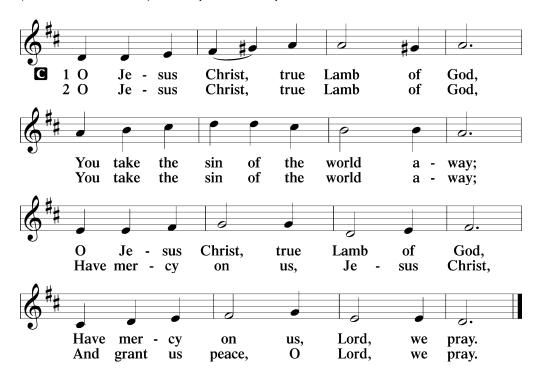
(PAKS DOH-mee-nee), Latin for "peace of the Lord" (John 20:19).

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



Agnus Dei John 1:29 LSB 210

(AHG-noose DAY-ee). Latin for "Lamb of God."



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### 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 altar rail due to physical ailments. Following that the ushers will dismiss the people from their pews to go to the altar rail. The congregation will be ushered down the middle aisle to go up to the rail and when dismissed from there will use the side aisle to return to their seats. All are invited up to receive a blessing.

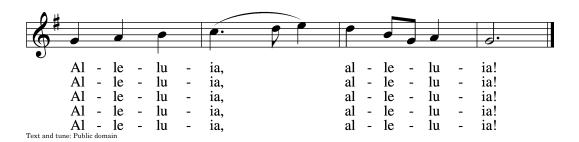




- 5 Glorified, I shall anew With this flesh then be enshrouded; In this body I shall view God, my Lord, with eyes unclouded; In this flesh I then shall see Jesus Christ eternally.
- Then take comfort and rejoice, For His members Christ will cherish. Fear not, they will hear His voice; Dying, they will never perish; For the very grave is stirred When the trumpet's blast is heard.
- Laugh to scorn the gloomy grave 7 And at death no longer tremble: He, the Lord, who came to save Will at last His own assemble. They will go their Lord to meet, Treading death beneath their feet.
- 8 O, then, draw away your hearts From all pleasures base and hollow; Strive to share what He imparts While you here His footsteps follow. As you now still wait to rise, Fix your hearts beyond the skies!

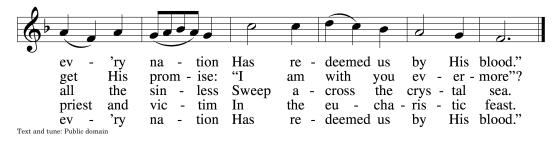
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### **Nunc Dimittis**

Luke 2:29-32 LSB 211

(NUNK dih-MIH-tuss). Latin for "now [let your servant] depart," from the Song of Simeon.



### **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 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 LSB 212

(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.
- C Thanks be to God.

### **Benediction**

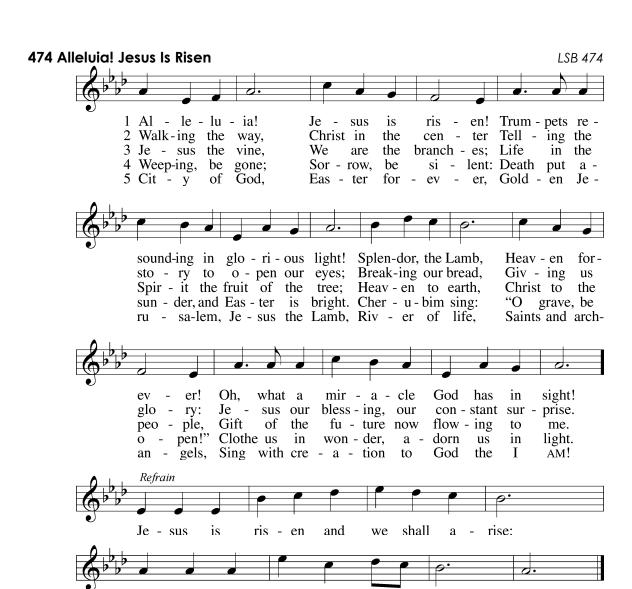
A final blessing from God this morning before we leave.

- 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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# -- Week at a Glance --

Sunday February 13th	9:00 am 9:15 am 1:00 pm	Worship Service w/ Communion Muffins for Missions Bake Sale Sunday School (adults & children) Valentines Cards Service Project College/Young Adult Group (Super Bowl)
Monday February 14th		Valentine's Day
Tuesday February 15th		
Wednesday February 16th	5:30 pm	Confirmation WWF Choir Practice
Thursday February 17th		Chair Aerobics TLS Enrollment Night (TLS Gym)
Friday February 18th	1:30 pm	Young at Heart  TLS Basketball Tournament
Saturday February 19th		Women's Monthly Bible Study Men's Bible Study (Zoom) TLS Basketball Tournament
Sunday February 20th		Worship Service w/ Communion Sunday School (adults & children)

# **Celebrating**

Birthdays: Bryce B., Ashley S. (13th); Kyilee F. (14th); Randy H. (16th); Kristine S. (17th);

George F. (18th); Laurel B., Darrel P., Laiton W. (19th); Phil B. (20th)

Baptism Birthdays: John A., Ike Z. (13th); Tracy C., Curtis H., Julie J., Liz J. (15th);

Duane S. (16th); Kristine S. (17th); Celestine K. (19th); Charles H. (20th)

**Anniversaries:** (none this week)

# -- Announcements --

# Adult Sunday School Hour (9:15 am)

Journey through Genesis with Pastor Ben – Schemm Family Life Center (Gym) God's Word for Today: Acts – Basement A Walk Through the Bible (Women's Group) – Pastor's Office

### Children/Youth Sunday School Hour (9:15 am)

Children (Pre-K through  $6^{th}$  grade) — Upstairs Education Wing Youth ( $7^{th}$ - $12^{th}$  grades) — Basement Youth Room

### Pastor's Midweek Bible Study

The Epistles – Thursday at 7 PM – Basement \*\*This class will NOT meet this week due to TLS Enrollment Night.

### **Muffins for Missions - TODAY!**

Whether you're stocking up on snacks for the big game, snagging something sweet for your Valentine, or just replacing your morning donut – visit the Board of Evangelism's bake sale this morning! All proceeds from the free will offering will go toward grocery and gas gift cards for those in need.

### Service Project – Valentines Cards for Shut-Ins – TODAY!

Join us in the gym on Sunday, Feb.  $13^{\rm th}$  from 1:00 to 2:30 PM. We'll be making Valentines to send to our homebound members, as well as residents of local nursing homes. All ages are welcome!

# **Voters Meeting**

We will be holding a special congregational voters' meeting on Sunday, February 27th at 11:45 AM. Issues to be voted on at this meeting include approval of the updated LSAT constitution and bylaws, as well as the approval of the TLS congregation per member fees. All members of our congregation are encouraged to attend!

# **Red Cross Blood Drive**

Our next blood drive will be on Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. To make your life-saving appointment call 800-RED-CROSS or visit <a href="www.redcrossblood.org">www.redcrossblood.org</a> (sponsor code: TopekaCLC). Bring a photo ID, drink plenty of water and eat prior to your appointment.

# <u>Lent Meals – Coming Soon!</u>

Lent is just around the corner. Amanda Adams is looking for Christ Youth and their families for volunteer to serve Wednesday evening Lent meals before our midweek worship services. Contact Amanda for more info. Thank you for your help!

# -- Announcements --

### **TLS Enrollment Night**

All current and prospective TLS families are encouraged to attend Enrollment Night for the 2022-2023 school year. The meeting will be held on Thursday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM in the TLS gym. You will receive information about the next school year and upcoming changes as well as sign your congregational covenant. TLS families – please plan to attend this important meeting.

### **TLS Basketball Tournament**

The  $70^{th}$  annual Topeka Lutheran School Basketball Tournament will be held on Feb.  $18^{th}$  - $19^{th}$  at TLS. Go Wildcats!

### TLS Kindergarten Step-Up Day

Is your child entering kindergarten next fall (2022-2023 school year)? Join us on Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup> from 1 PM to 4:30 PM for an exciting preview of kindergarten at Topeka Lutheran School. For more information on what TLS has to offer, please contact the school office.

### TLS Fundraiser at Jason's Deli – Tuesday, Feb. 22nd

Support Topeka Lutheran School's  $8^{th}$  graders as they fundraise for their class trip! Whether you order for dine in, carryout, or curbside, the TLS  $8^{th}$  grade class gets 25% of the proceeds. Be sure to mention TLS when you order.

# **TLS Family Reading Night**

Save the date! Our annual Family Reading Night will be Friday, March  $4^{\rm th}$ . More information coming soon!

# After School Care Giver Needed

Do you like to care for, speak with, and play games with school age children? Are you 16 years of age or older? If you answered yes to both questions, Topeka Lutheran School is looking for you to apply to work in its after school care program. For a full job description and more information, please contact Chris Francik, TLS principal, at (785) 357-0382 or <a href="mailto:francik@topekalutheran.org">francik@topekalutheran.org</a>.

# **Bookkeeper**

Topeka Lutheran School is looking for a part time bookkeeper. This position requires experience with payroll, QuickBooks, and double entry accounting among other responsibilities. This is a 20 hour per week position. For a full job description and more information, please contact Chris Francik, TLS principal, at (785) 357-0382 or <a href="mailto:francik@topekalutheran.org">francik@topekalutheran.org</a>.

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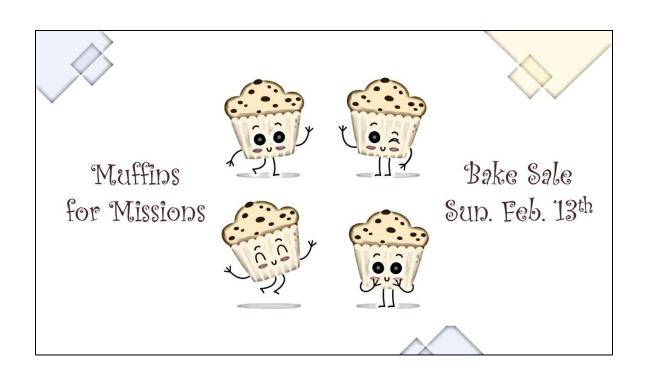
### **Mask Information**

Face masks are still optional throughout the church building. Disposable masks are available at all church entrances for those who would like one. Children's size masks are located by the main entrance. Reusable cloth masks are available by the church office. For more information regarding masking, please visit <a href="www.cdc.gov">www.cdc.gov</a>.

### Remembered in our Prayers

Charlie P., Alice M., Luke H., Julie J., Don L., Jerry M., Jean (Pauline C.'s sister), Judy (Colleen B.'s neighbor), Noel (Colleen B.'s brother), Kathy (Brenda Z.'s sister-in-law), Shirley (Frank J.'s grandmother), Melanie (Sharon L.'s daughter), Ella (Marsha S.'s granddaughter), Jeanette W., Lisa (Judy K.'s sister), Randy (Carol J.'s son), Steve (Rachel M.'s father), Vikki N., Matt N., Lynn M., Virginia C., Leonard (brother of Jeanette B.), Evelyn (mother of Sandy S.), Marjean P., Ted M., Adam (Jamie H.'s son), Carolyn S., Caleb (Dana N.'s nephew), Robert P., Jen (Donna B.'s niece), Walt M., Kim S., Carlie G., Julie (Bessie T.'s aunt), Janene (Bessie T.'s cousin), Jeff (Bessie T.'s friend's brother), Glenna L., and others named in your heart. Pray for the Topeka Rescue Mission, Chelsea Irwin 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, DCE 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 Topeka Lutheran School 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.







# Enrollment Night at TLS Thursday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> - 7 PM



All current and prospective TLS families are encouraged to attend Enrollment Night for the 2022-2023 school year. The meeting will be held on Thursday, February 17 at 7 PM in the TLS gym. At this meeting, you will receive information about the next school year and upcoming changes as well as sign your congregational covenant.

Please plan to attend this important meeting.



### Christians Live by Faith in Christ and Rejoice in the Promise of His Resurrection

"Cursed is the man who trusts in man," for all the strength of his flesh is like the grass that fades away (Jer. 17:5). The one who turns away from the Lord may have food and money and laugh for now, but he "shall mourn and weep" in the judgment (Luke 6:24–25). But "the man who trusts in the LORD" is blessed with all that he needs, "like a tree planted by water." When heat comes, he survives (Jer. 17:7–8). For the Lord has come in the flesh to heal the people of all their diseases, to cleanse their spirits with forgiveness, and to preach the Gospel of the kingdom of God to the poor (Luke 6:18–20). As all of this is by way of His cross, it is solely by faith in the promise of His resurrection that Christians "rejoice" and "leap for joy" (Luke 6:21–23). "If Christ has not been raised," our faith is in vain and we are most to be pitied (1 Cor. 15:14–19). But, in fact, just as "Christ died for our sins," so has He also "been raised from the dead" (1 Cor. 15:3, 20).

# Worship Attendance - Sunday, February 6th

8:00 AM -- 127 10:30 AM -- 75

# **Stewardship Corner**

Budgeted Weekly Needs:	\$ 8,337
Offerings Received - Week of 2/6	\$ 13,438
Budgeted Needs (Jan - Dec. 2021)	\$409,704
Offerings Received (Jan – Dec. 2021)	\$405,050

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Luke 6:20-21 – "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied." The Beatitudes are largely about emptiness. If you're poor, your pockets are empty. If you are hungry, your stomach is empty. If you are mourning, there's an emptiness in your heart that used to be filled with the presence of a loved one. Jesus assures us in each case that the Lord will fill our emptiness. That assurance gives us not only peace, but also courage to follow the Lord faithfully.