

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost July 3, 2022 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

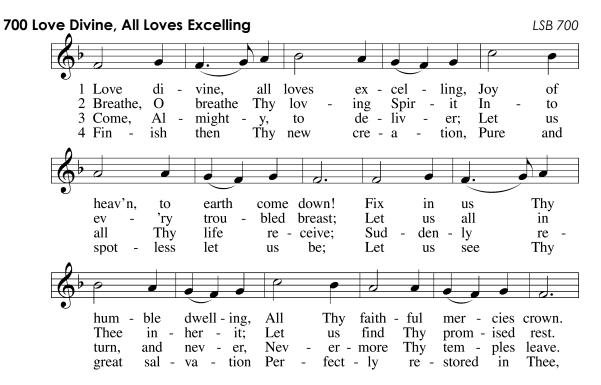


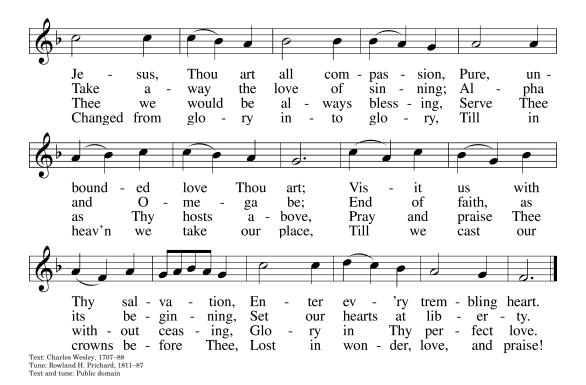
Christ Lutheran Church 3509 SW Burlingame Rd. Topeka, KS 66611 785-266-6263 www.christlcms.org Rev. Ben Micheel, Pastor Amanda Adams, DCE Kyle Johnson, TLS Principal



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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# Divine Service Setting Four, page 203

+ 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

- In the name of the Father and of the 

  Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.



- 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 LSB 203

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

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

- 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.



#### Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 19:2, 4-6; antiphon: v. 1

- **P** The heavens declare the glory of God,
- and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.
- **P** Day to day pours out speech,
- and night to night reveals knowledge.
- P Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.
- In them he has set a tent for the sun,
- **P** which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,
- and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.
- P Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them,
- and there is nothing hidden from its heat. 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 heavens declare the glory of God,
- and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

**Kyrie** 

Mark 10:47 204

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.



#### Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29 LSB 204



2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa-ther's Son, we pray; 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



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.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## 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.

Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word, Your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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# Sending & Commissioning of National Youth Gathering Participants (10:30 only)

### **Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 66:10-14

A The Old Testament Reading is from Isaiah, chapter 66.

<sup>10</sup> Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her; 11that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance." <sup>12</sup>For thus says the LORD: "Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip, and bounced upon her knees. <sup>13</sup>As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort vou: you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like the grass; and the hand of the LORD shall be known to his servants, and he shall show his indignation against his enemies."

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

A The Epistle is from Galatians, chapter 6.

<sup>1</sup>Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. <sup>2</sup>Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup>For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. <sup>4</sup>But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. <sup>5</sup>For each will have to bear his own load.

<sup>6</sup>One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. <sup>7</sup>Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. <sup>8</sup>For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. <sup>9</sup>And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup>So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. . . .

<sup>14</sup>But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. <sup>15</sup>For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. <sup>16</sup>And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

 $^{17}\mbox{From}$  now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

<sup>18</sup>The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

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

Stand



## Alleluia and Verse

# Alleluia



**Verse** John 20:31 LSB 205



Alleluia 205





Holy Gospel Luke 10:1–20

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. <sup>2</sup>And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup>Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. 4Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. 5Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' 6And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. 8Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. 9Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you,' 10But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, 11'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.' 12I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

<sup>13</sup>"Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. <sup>14</sup>But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. <sup>15</sup>And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades.

<sup>16</sup>"The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me."

<sup>17</sup>The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" <sup>18</sup>And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. <sup>19</sup>Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

- **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.

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.

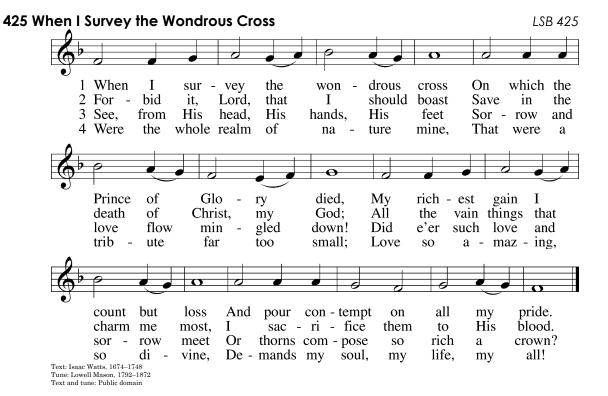
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

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.



#### 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 through Vanco at bit.ly/GivingChristLCMS for a one-time or recurring gift. You may also download the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app and search for Christ Lutheran Church in Topeka, KS. Direct links and additional 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

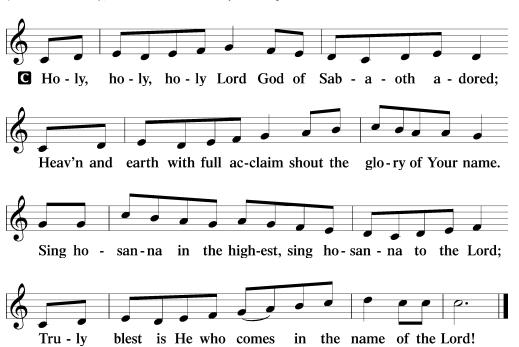
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks 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:

#### Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3: Matthew 21:9 208

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



# **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

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.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

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

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."

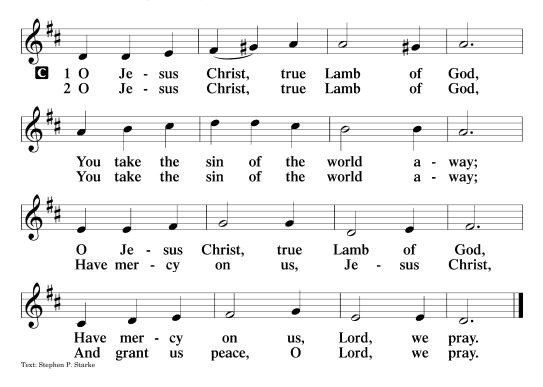
#### Pax Domini

(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.





- 1 Hark, the voice of Je sus call-ing, "Who will go and work to day? 2 Some take up His task in morn-ing, To their Lord re spond-ing soon;
- as rain and snow from heav en Wa ter seeds in dust y soil, the Lord whose com-ing Marks the time when grace shall end, 4 Hear - ken to

are white and har-vests wait-ing—Who will bear the sheaves a - way?" Fields are called in heat of mid-day, Oth-ers late in af - ter-noon; Some Caus - ing them to bud and flow - er, Giv - ing bread to those who toil; When with His an - gel - ic reap - ers He in glo - ry shall de-scend.



Loud and long the Mas-ter call-eth; Rich re-ward He of-fers thee. set - ting, Some are sent in - to the fields, E - ven as the sun is the Lord sends forth His prom - ise, Words of life and joy and peace— Soon the night, the fi - nal har - vest; Soon the time for work shall cease.

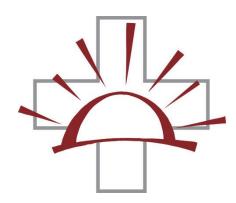


Who will an-swer, glad - ly say - ing, "Here am I, send me, send me"? There to gath - er in the boun - ty That God's Word so rich - ly yields. Nev - er void to Him re-turn-ing, Bear - ing fruit with great in-crease. Then the souls His grace has gar-nered Shall en - joy His Sab - bath peace.

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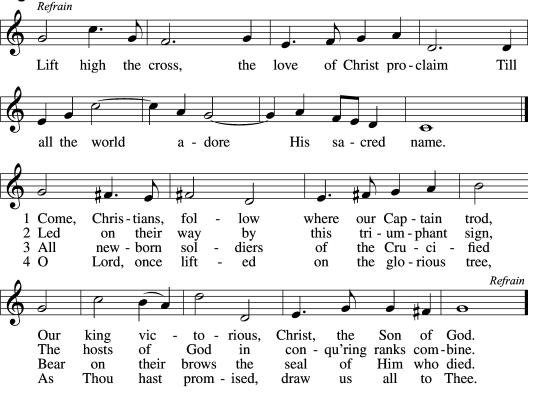
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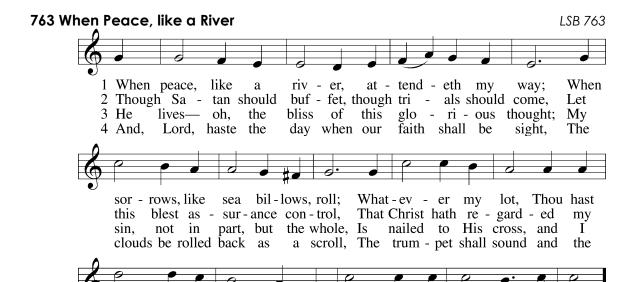


- Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell 5 Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. Refrain
- So shall our song of triumph ever be: 6 Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain  $_{\rm Text:\ George\ W.\ Kitchin,\ 1827-1912;\ rev.\ Michael\ R.\ Newbolt,\ 1874-1956,\ alt.}$

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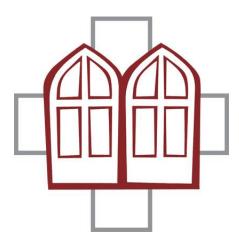
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#### Stand



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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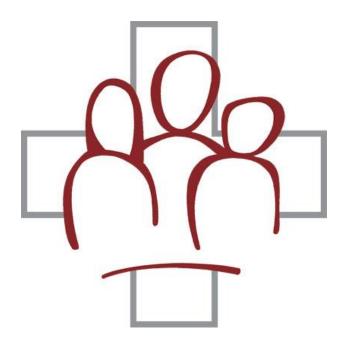
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#### Acknowledgments

# -- Week at a Glance --

Sunday July 3rd		Worship Service w/ Communion Sunday School (children & adults)	
Monday July 4th		Independence Day	
Tuesday July 5th	6:30 pm	Elders Meeting	
Wednesday July 6th	5:30 pm	WWF	
Thursday July 7th	2:00 pm	Chair Aerobics  National Youth Gathering	
Friday July 8th	10:30 am	Evangelism – Lunches at SENT  National Youth Gathering	
Saturday July 9th		uke Savage Memorial Golf Tournament Men's Bible Study (Zoom)	
		National Youth Gathering	
Sunday July 10th		Worship Service Sunday School (children & adults)	
		National Youth Gathering	

## **Celebrating**

Birthdays: Jaylen O., Clayton P. (3rd); Lois N. (5th); Jan C., Mayah M., Garry N. (6th);

Damion B., Luke L., Madison L. (8th); KeyShawn S. (9th)

Baptism Birthdays: Hannah N., Simon S. (3rd); Garry N. (6th); Nikolai H. (7th); Lydia B.

(8th); Nancy G. (9th)

Anniversaries: Phil & Greta H., Duane & Linda S. (7th)

# -- Announcements --

## Adult Sunday School Hour (9:15 am)

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

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

Children (Pre-K through 6th grade) – Upstairs Education Wing Youth (7th-12th grades) – Basement Youth Room

### Pastor's Midweek Bible Study

The Book of Daniel – Wednesdays at 7 PM – Basement Please note that our only class for the month of July will be Wednesday, July 20th.

## **Worship Service Announcements**

Please note that on Sunday, July  $10^{\rm th}$  and Sunday, July  $31^{\rm st}$  we will not have communion during worship services, as Pastor Ben will be out of town on both of those days.

### **LWML Mite Box**

It's the first Sunday of the month, which means it's Mite Box Sunday! Look for the LWML Mite Box at the back of the sanctuary following worship services. Following the example of the widow in the Gospel of Mark who gave her coins (mites) to the temple treasury, your pocket change can help serve through missions.

# **Bible Reading Challenge**

We are nearing the end of our Bible Reading Challenge! We're taking 60 days to read the five major prophets of the Old Testament: Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, and Daniel. Pick up a (bright green) reading log in the coffee lobby, or download from our website (christlems.org). Turn in your completed reading log after July 20th for a prize!

# **Summer Evangelism**

Our volunteer opportunity for the summer will once again be distributing lunches to the children at SENT in the HiCrest neighborhood. It will be every Friday from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM, starting June 17<sup>th</sup> and continuing until school resumes this fall. If you are interested in helping, call Nancy Crago at (785) 383-2852 or sign up in the coffee lobby.

# **National Youth Gathering**

The National Youth Gathering is quickly approaching (July 7-14)! Please keep Christ Youth (and attending adults) in your prayers as they prepare to travel and spend time in fellowship with other believers.

# -- Announcements --

# Outdoor Worship Service & Church Picnic

On Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, we will have our 10:30 AM worship service outdoors at Lake Shawnee (Shelter #4, 3128 SE Tinman Circle), followed by a church picnic. Shelter seating may be limited, so please bring your own chairs if possible.

Hot dogs and bottled water will be provided at the picnic – please bring a dish to share.

The 8 AM worship service that morning will still be held here in the sanctuary. There will NOT be Sunday School or Bible Study that morning at 9:15 AM. We will be live-streaming the 10:30 AM service instead of the usual 8 AM that day.



# -- Announcements --

#### **Pray for TLS**

Take one of the purple paw print magnets from the back of the sanctuary. Whenever you see it, use it as a reminder to pray for Topeka Lutheran School!

#### Remembered in our Prayers

Charlie P., Alice M., Luke H., 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), Melanie (Sharon L.'s daughter), Ella (Marsha S.'s granddaughter), Vikki N., Matt N., Virginia C., Evelyn (mother of Sandy S.), Ted M., Carolyn S., Jen (Donna B.'s niece), Janene (Bessie T.'s cousin), Jeff (Bessie T.'s friend's brother), Barbara K., Dave C., Garry N., Sharon H., Mark (Carol J.'s friend), 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.



### The Lord Grants Peace and Life to His Church

The Lord restores Jerusalem, His Church, because she is the mother of His children, whom He comforts "as one whom his mother comforts" (Is. 66:13). We are "satisfied from her consoling breast" with the pure milk of the Word, and we "drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance" (Is. 66:11). The messengers of Christ bestow such gifts upon His Church. For He sends them out "as lambs in the midst of wolves" (Luke 10:3), bearing in their bodies the sacrifice of His cross, by which "the kingdom of God has come near" (Luke 10:9, 11). Wherever He enters in with this Gospel, Satan is cast out and falls "like lightning from heaven" (Luke 10:18). Thus, we do not "boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Gal. 6:14). Rejoicing in this Gospel, we "bear one another's burdens" in love, according to "the law of Christ" (Gal. 6:2).

## Worship Attendance - Sunday, June 26th

8:00 AM -- 65 10:30 AM -- 85

# **Stewardship Corner**

Budgeted Weekly Needs:	\$ 8,337
Offerings Received – Week of 6/26	\$ 5,283
Budgeted Needs (Jan-May 2022)	\$ 180,640
Offerings Received (Jan-May 2022)	\$ 182,589

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Luke 10:20b – "But rejoice that your names are written in heaven." No one can snatch us out of the nail-marked hands of Jesus. He has redeemed us and claimed us as His own. As those whose names are written in heaven, we seek to live heavenly lives here on earth. This is the foundation of all our good works, including the good work of faithfully supporting the work of the Church. It's our joy in having been redeemed by the Lord through the activity of the Church that motivates us to support the Church.