

Romans 8:31-39

LWML Sunday October 2, 2022 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM



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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).

#### **Holy Communion**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder.

For further study, see Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.



#### **Welcome and Opening Prayer**

#### 912 Christ Is Our Cornerstone LSB 912 1 Christ is our cor - ner - stone, On Him a - lone build: we gain from heav'n The grace which we 2 Here may we im plore, $\triangle$ 3 Oh, then, with hymns of praise These hal - lowed courts shall ring; With His true saints a - lone The courts of heav'n are filled. On His And may that grace, once giv'n, Be with us ev - er - more Un - til Our voic - es we will raise The Three in sing And thus One to great love Our hopes we place Of pres-ent grace And joys that day When all the blest To end-less rest Are called a - way. joy - ful song, Both loud and long, That glo-rious name. pro - claim In Text: Latin, c. 8th cent.; tr. John Chandler, 1806–76, alt. Tune: John Darwall, 1731-89

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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

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

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- 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

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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.

**Psalm** 90:1–4, 10–12

- P Lord, you have been our dwelling place
- **C** in all generations.
- **P** Before the mountains were brought forth,
- or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
- P You return man to dust
- and say, "Return, O children of man!"
- **P** For a thousand years in your sight
- are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night.
- **P** The years of our life are seventy,
- or even by reason of strength eighty;
- **P** yet their span is but toil and trouble;
- they are soon gone, and we fly away.
- **P** Who considers the power of your anger,
- and your wrath according to the fear of you?
- P So teach us to number our days
- that we may get a heart of wisdom.

**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.

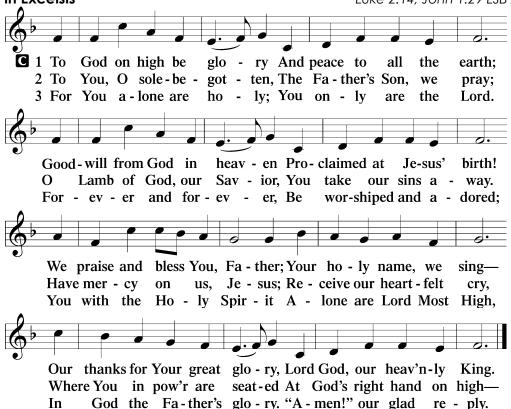


C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.





Luke 2:14; John 1:29 LSB 204



#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

Text: Stephen P. Starke

"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.
- Detus pray.
  O God, You did not spare Your own Son but gave Him up for us all. Grant that by faith we may trust in Your promises and live according to Your will;

that by faith we may trust in Your promises and live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Isaiah 6:1-8

A The Old Testament Reading is from Isaiah, chapter 6.

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"

<sup>4</sup>And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup>And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

<sup>8</sup>And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

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

**Epistle** Romans 8:31–39

A The Epistle is from Romans, chapter 8.

<sup>31</sup>What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup>Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. <sup>35</sup>Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."

<sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor height nor depth, nor anything else

in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

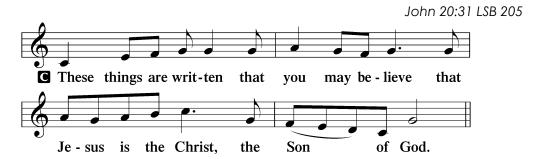
- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

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#### Alleluia and Verse



Verse



Alleluia 205





Holy Gospel Luke 12:35–40

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

<sup>35</sup>[Jesus said:] "Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, <sup>36</sup>and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup>Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. <sup>38</sup>If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! <sup>39</sup>But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. <sup>40</sup>You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

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

#### **LWML Pledge**

In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.

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#### Children's Message

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

Children are invited to the front of the sanctuary for the Children's Message.







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#### 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).

#### Stand



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- We gather today in the name of our compassionate Savior, to give thanks for women like the Biblical Dorcas who use their willing hands to give comfort and life's necessities to those in need.
- We thank you, Father, for Dorcas of old and the women who follow in her footsteps, using their talent with needles and thread.
- P To you, Merciful Lord, we give thanks for all the faithful women who, alone in their homes or in small groups, cut and sew together the colorful scraps of fabric to form tops of spectacular patterns and hues.
- C Lord, we ask your blessings for these women as they create their labors of love.
- P Lord, Source of all Comfort, we express our gratitude for the caring women who gather in members' homes and in church basements and fellowship halls to quilt, tie, and bind the "comforters."
- We thank you for the quilters and ask you to bind our hearts in love for the people these quilts will comfort in times of stress.
- P Father, we now dedicate this rainbow of quilts to the glory of God and ask that you shower blessings upon the people of many colors who will use them for warmth, for shelter, for luggage, for sustaining life.
- Lord, teach us, also, to use our talents to reach out to the world's downtrodden people as these quilters have learned to do.
- P Jesus, we ask that you continue to bless the work of the quilters, the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Orphan Grain Train, and SENT.
- Bless their work, O Lord, and may it draw people to you.
- **P** For to You, O Lord, is the glory forever and ever.
- C Amen.

#### 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**

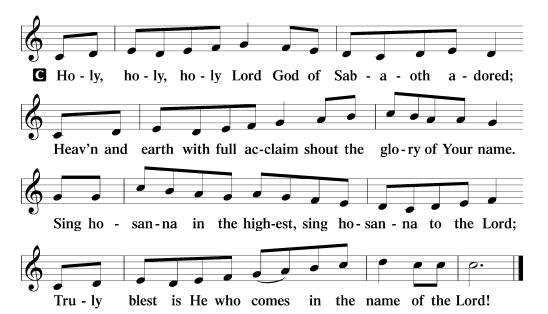
2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136] LSB 208

- **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:

#### Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9 208

(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.

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

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

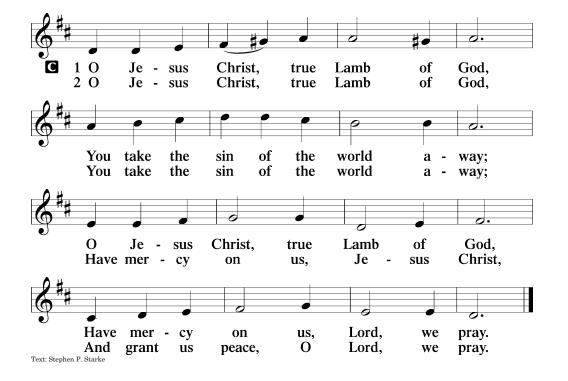
(PAKS DOH-mee-nee), Latin for "peace of the Lord" (John 20:19).

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

#### **Agnus Dei**

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

John 1:29 LSB 210



#### Distribution

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.



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1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love! 2 All Thy works with joy sur-round Thee, Earth and heav'n re-flect Thy rays,

△ 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un-fold like flow'rs be-fore Thee, Prais-ing Thee, their sun a - bove. Stars and an-gels sing a-round Thee, Cen - ter of un-bro-ken praise. Well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean-depth of hap-py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a-way. Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, Flow-'ry mead-ow, flash-ing sea, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spir - it, Foun-tain-head of love di-vine:



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day. Chant-ing bird, and flow - ing foun-tain Call us to re - joice in Thee. Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy-ful, we by grace are Thine!

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5 Evil world, I leave thee;
Thou canst not deceive me,
Thine appeal is vain.
Sin that once did blind me,
Get thee far behind me,
Come not forth again.
Past thy hour,
O pride and pow'r;
Sinful life, thy bonds I sever,
Leave thee now forever.

6 Hence, all fear and sadness!
For the Lord of gladness,
Jesus, enters in.
Those who love the Father,
Though the storms may gather,
Still have peace within.
Yea, whate'er
I here must bear,
Thou art still my purest pleasure,
Jesus, priceless treasure!

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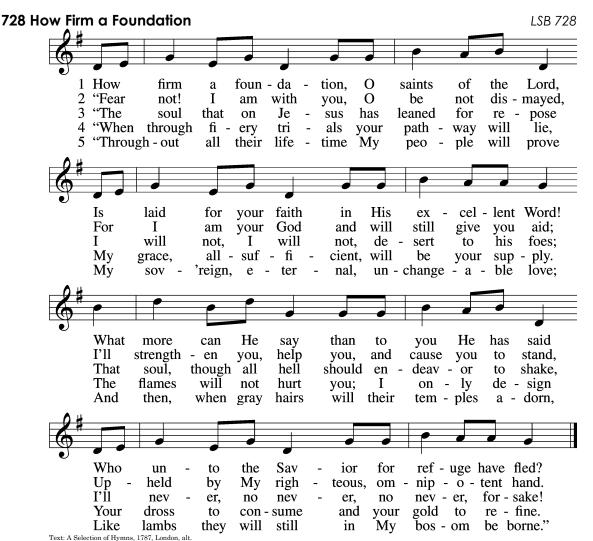
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Nunc Dimittis

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.

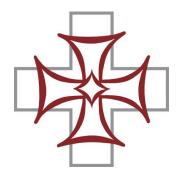
- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### **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.



#### Serve the Lord with Gladness

- (1) "Serve the Lord with gladness!"
  It is He alone
  Who redeemed us sinners,
  Guides us as His own
  To enjoy the blessings
  Of His love and grace,
  Will at last in glory
  Meet us face to face.
  Onward, then, for Jesus!
  Let this be our aim:
  "Serve the Lord with gladness!"
  Glorify His name.
- (2) "Serve the Lord with gladness!"
  He gave us command
  To proclaim His Gospel
  Now in every land
  So that fellow sinners
  May, like us, be blest.
  Leading them to Jesus,
  We can serve Him best.
  Onward, then, for Jesus!
  Let this be our aim:
  "Serve the Lord with gladness!"
  Glorify His name!
- (3) "Serve the Lord with gladness!"
  There's no greater joy
  Than to serve the Master,
  Work in His employ.
  As we build His kingdom
  Angels, too, rejoice
  Over every sinner
  Brought to hear His voice.
  Onward, then, for Jesus!
  Let this be our aim:
  "Serve the Lord with gladness!"
  Glorify His name!

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--Written by Prof. Ernest Lewerenz

# -- Week at a Glance --

Sunday		Worship Service w/ Communion		
October 2nd	9:15 am	Sunday School (children & adults)		
		LWML Sunday		
Monday October 3rd				
		Pastor Ben @ Conference		
Tuesday October 4th				
		Pastor Ben @ Conference		
Wednesday	4:00 pm	Confirmation		
October 5th	5:30 pm	WWF		
	7:00 pm	Choir		
Thursday	2:00 pm	Chair Aerobics		
October 6th				
Friday				
October 7th				
		Pastor BenVacation		
Saturday	10:00 am	Men's Bible Study (Zoom)		
October 8 <sup>th</sup>				
		Pastor BenVacation		
Sunday	8:00 & 10:30 am	Worship Service		
October 9th		Sunday School (children & adults)		
		Pastor BenVacation		

#### **Celebrating**

**Birthdays:** Derek H. (2<sup>nd</sup>); Lily S. (3<sup>rd</sup>); Brecken D., Katie K., John W. (5<sup>th</sup>); Jordan B., Alesia P. (6<sup>th</sup>); Donna B., Benjamin F. (7<sup>th</sup>); Liz J. (8<sup>th</sup>); Erika S. (9<sup>th</sup>)

 $\textbf{Baptism Birthdays:}\ \ Jon\ B.,\ Kailey\ C.,\ Randy\ H.,\ Kimberly\ S.\ (1^{st});\ Jennifer\ G.,\ Greta\ J.,$ 

Hannah M. (7th); Lewis B. (9th)

Anniversaries: Wylie & Ann-Marie B. (4th)

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

Tree of Life (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  $6^{th}$  grade) — Upstairs Education Wing Youth ( $7^{th}$ - $12^{th}$  grades) — Basement Youth Room

#### Pastor's Midweek Bible Study

The Book of Daniel – Thursdays at 7 PM – Basement (This class does NOT meet on the first Thursday of each month.)

#### Stewardship Month

October is Stewardship Month. Please prayerfully consider your gifts to Christ and His Church. Pledge forms are available at the back of the sanctuary or can be downloaded from our website (christlems.org/giving).

#### 2022 Kansas District Reformation Offering

It's time for the annual Kansas District Reformation Offering, which supports the Rev. Eugene Schmidt Memorial Mission Fund. The Schmidt Memorial Mission Fund *helps fund mission outreach right here in Kansas*, including church revitalization, church planting and specialized ministries (campus, rural and small town, urban, deaf, and ethnic). If you'd like to contribute to this special offering, you can donate online through the Kansas District website. Click the red "Donate" button and select "Reformation Offering" from the dropdown menu on the payment page. You may also send a check with "2022 Reformation Offering" in the memo line to LCMS Kansas District, 1000 SW 10<sup>th</sup> Ave., Topeka, KS, 66604-1104. We're grateful for your support as we work together to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the state!

#### **Worship Service Update**

Our worship services on Sunday, October  $9^{th}$  will not offer Holy Communion, as Pastor Ben will be out of town that day.

#### **Youth & Young Adult Groups**

Our Youth/Jr. Youth and College/Young Adult groups will NOT be meeting on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. All are invited to join us at Gary's Berries on Friday the 14<sup>th</sup>, and the College/Young Adult group has their Pasta Bar on Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Load the Truck**

LWML will be loading a truck with donations for Orphan Grain Train on Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> from 9 AM to noon here at Christ. If you're able to assist with some moderate to heavy lifting, we would love some helpers!

#### Gary's Berries - Tickets Available Now

Join us for an evening of fellowship at Gary's Berries on Friday, Oct. 14th! Advance tickets are \$11 each and include a campfire meal of hot dogs, chips, drinks, and s'mores. We will be at the same location on site as last year, with plenty of seating. (You must purchase an advance ticket for the \$11 price – tickets on site will be full cost.)

If paying online through Vanco, please scroll to the very bottom of the listed funds and select "Gary's Berries Tickets." (We'll leave the tickets in your church mailbox.) For cash/check, please purchase tickets from the church office. Please note that Gary's Berries is now cashless, so any additional purchases made on site will require a credit/debit card or mobile payment. This does <u>not</u> affect how you purchase your advance tickets for the event.

#### Young Adults – Pasta Bar

Just like unrinsed spaghetti noodles, friends stick together! College students and young adults are invited to Christ for a pasta bar on Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM. This event is free of charge. Young adults from our neighboring Topeka LCMS congregations are encouraged to attend, and friends are welcome!

#### **Volunteering at Harvesters**

Anyone ages 8 and up can volunteer with us for a couple of hours at Harvesters on Tuesday, October 18th at 5:30 PM. We will be sorting food donations and preparing boxes to be given away to those in need. RSVP to Amanda Adams.

#### **Trunk or Treat**

We need your trunk! If you would like to decorate your vehicle and hand out goodies at our Trunk or Treat on Saturday, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, please sign up on the bulletin board in the coffee lobby. (And if you'd like to volunteer but need a little help on the decorations, just contact the church office – we're happy to assist!)

Additionally, if you would like to donate candy for the trunk or treat, please drop off treats using the box in the coffee lobby by Sunday, Oct.  $23^{\rm rd}$ .

#### **Red Cross Blood Drive**

Our next blood drive will be on Friday, October 21st. To make your life-saving appointment call 800-RED-CROSS or visit online (www.redcrossblood.org).

#### **Reformation Potluck**

Join us after worship (around 11:45 AM) on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> for a potluck! Bring a dish to share. German foods are encouraged, but your family favorites are always welcome. No "Diet of Worms" required!

#### **Trivia Night**

Join us for trivia night on Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. Doors open at 6 PM, trivia starts at 6:30 PM. Suggested donation of \$10 per person – sign up in the coffee lobby. Thank you for supporting Christ Youth!

#### **TLS Matching Gift Opportunity!**

Two generous donors have come forward to bless the ministry of TLS and are willing to match donations up to \$20,000! We are excited for this opportunity and what it could provide for our school. Gifts can be made either by mail or online. If by check, make payable to Topeka Lutheran School, 701 SW Roosevelt St., Topeka KS, 66606; or if online, check the TLS website for the Vanco link. Every donation matters and counts! How much can you give?

#### **Recycle Aluminum Cans for TLS**

Recycle your empty soda cans and raise money for Topeka Lutheran School! Stop by 18th and Gage (across the street south of Faith Lutheran Church) and look for the recycling "house" on the north end of the parking lot (by the old CYC building). Slide open the top of the house and drop in your aluminum cans. A generous friend of TLS has offered to stop by weekly and deliver the cans to a local scrap and recycling center, with the cash received benefitting Topeka Lutheran School.

#### **Volunteers Needed at TLS**

TLS is looking for some help. We are looking for bus drivers to drive for various school field trips, as well as volunteers that wouldn't mind helping out in various classrooms. If you're interested or know someone that might be able to help, feel free to call the TLS office at 785-357-0382 or contact Principal Kyle Johnson (johnson@topekalutheran.org).

#### **TLS Sunday**

On Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, we welcome the students and staff of Topeka Lutheran School and their families, as they will be joining us for worship that morning. TLS Students in grades K-3 will sing during our 8 AM service. TLS students in grades 4-8 will sing during our 10:30 AM service. Principal Kyle Johnson will be speaking during Pastor Ben's class at 9:15 AM. All students are encouraged to attend Sunday School classes based on their grade level. Thank you for your continued support of Christian and Lutheran education here in Topeka! Please continue to keep both TLS and the Jr. Wildcats daycare in your prayers.

#### TLS Carnival - Thank You

The TLS PTL carnival was a huge success and we thank the many volunteers who worked the concessions and games, those who provided sweet treats, the PTL officers who organized the event, and the many TLS and CYC families who came out and enjoyed the afternoon! Thank you all for your support of TLS PTL!

#### Enchilada Sale at Calvary Lutheran – ORDER DEADLINE TODAY!

Calvary's 100+ year old organ needs major work so we can use it for many years to come — all sales will go toward this effort. Beef enchiladas will be sold by the dozen only and cost is \$30 per dozen (due on pickup). If you would like to place an order, please call Calvary's office at 785-286-1431. Orders must be turned in by Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Pickup will be at Calvary (4211 NW Topeka Blvd.), in the Fellowship Hall, on Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM to noon and from 1-2 PM (enter through north basement door). Orders must be picked up this date as there is no freezer room to store them. Orders not picked up will be offered for sale to others.

#### Bell Choir Festival at Prince of Peace Lutheran

Prince of Peace will be hosting a Bell Choir Festival on Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Rehearsals will be held all morning, with a concert that is open to the public at 2:30pm. Contact their church office for more information.

#### **MOPS Group at Faith Lutheran**

Hey, moms! You are invited to join the MOPS group at Faith Lutheran Church (1716 Gage Blvd). They meet Wednesday evenings from 6-7 PM and on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays of each month from 9 AM to 11 AM. The acronym MOPS stands for "Mothers of Preschoolers," but the group has expanded to include expectant mothers up to moms with school-aged children (K-12). Visit https://www.mops.org/groups/faithlutheranmops for more information.

#### New Pastor Installation at St. John's Ev. Lutheran – TODAY!

All are welcome to attend a vespers service on Sunday, October  $2^{nd}$  at 2:00 PM at St. John's Ev. Lutheran (Topeka) for Pastor Wright's installation at their church. God's blessings to Pastor Wright, his family, and the congregation at St. John's as they begin this new chapter together.

#### **Thank You**

Thank you for all of your cards and continued prayers for Wayne's health. We appreciate each and every one. -- Wayne & Linda Bradley

#### **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), 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., Garry N., Mark (Carol J.'s friend), Wayne B., Sue (Mel L.'s mother), David (Sondra K.'s son), Kim (friend of the Micheels), Dick H., Galen H., Penny (Marty K.'s coworker's wife), Diane (Bessie T.'s cousin), Betty H., Connie D., Sammi (Carol J.'s friend's granddaughter), Burnell M., Brian G., Amber (Carol J.'s niece), 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 Jr. Wildcats. 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 true treasure of the church is the most holy gospel of the glory and grace of God."

> MARTIN LUTHER Thesis 62 of the 95 Theses

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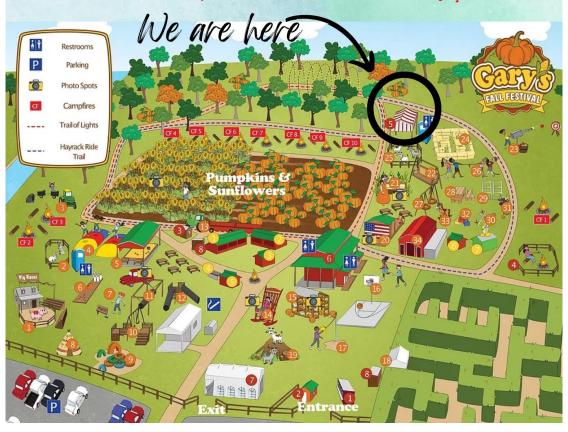
# Christ Lutheran at Gary's Berries Friday, October 14th

Tickets: \$11 each (includes campfire meal)

\*\*You MUST have an advance ticket for the \$11 price. \*\*

Join us for hot dogs and s'mores, and then explore the farm.

Please note that Gary's Berries is now cashless -- any additional purchases made on site will require credit/debit card or mobile payment.





DRIVE-THRU

TRUNK OR TREAT

SATURDAY, OCT. 29TH

1:00 - 3:00 PM

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH 3509 SW BURLINGAME RD. TOPEKA, KS

DRIVE THROUGH OUR PARKING LOT TO SEE ALL OF THE DECORATED TRUNKS.

WE'LL BRING THE TREATS TO YOU!

COME AS YOU ARE, OR DRESS UP IN YOUR FAVORITE COSTUME.

NON-CANDY AND ALLERGY-FRIENDLY OPTIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE.



The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is an official auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has affirmed each woman's identity as a child of God and her relationship with Jesus Christ. As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

#### Worship Attendance - Sunday, September 25th

8:00 AM -- 72 10:30 AM -- 70

# **Stewardship Corner**

Budgeted Weekly Needs:	\$ 8,337
Offerings Received – Week of 9/25	\$ 5,105
Budgeted Needs (Jan-Aug 2022 )	\$ 289,024
Offerings Received (Jan-Aug 2022)	281,890
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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.