

AND THEY WERE ALL FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT. ACTS 2:4

The Day of Pentecost May 28, 2023 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



Divine Service Setting One, page 151

+ Confession and Absolution +

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

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

InvocationMatthew 28:19b; 18:20

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

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

Exhortation 1 John 1:8–9 151

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

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

Confession of Sins LSB 151

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Absolution [John 20:19–23] LSB 151

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 104:24, 27-28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text

- P Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,
- and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.
- P O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you made them all;
- **C** the earth is full of your creatures.
- P These all look to you,
- c to give them their food in due season.
- P When you give it to them, they gather it up;
- **C** when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.
- **P** When you send forth your Spirit, they are created,
- and you renew the face of the ground. 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 Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,
- and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.



Kyrie Mark 10:47 152

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

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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



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



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



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







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Salutation and Collect of the Day

"Salutation" is a word from Latin meaning, "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.



P Let us pray.

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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Old Testament Reading

Numbers 11:24-30

A The Old Testament Reading is from Numbers, chapter 11.

²⁴Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.

²⁶Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, "My lord Moses, stop them." ²⁹But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!" ³⁰And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

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

Epistle Acts 2:1–21

A The Epistle is from Acts, chapter 2.

¹When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." ¹²And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ¹⁵For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

17"And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams;

18 even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

19 And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

20 the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

²¹And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

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

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Alleluia and Verse

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



Holy Gospel John 7:37–39

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventh chapter.



³⁷On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. ³⁸Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water." ³⁹Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Apostles' 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 God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

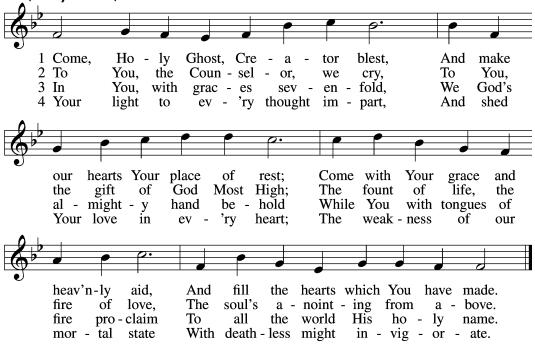
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Children's Message

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.





- 5 Drive far away our wily foe, And Your abiding peace bestow; With You as our protecting guide, No evil can with us abide.
- 6 Teach us to know the Father, Son, And You, from both, as Three in One That we Your name may ever bless And in our lives the truth confess.

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Sermon



△7 Praise we the Father and the Son And Holy Spirit, with them One, And may the Son on us bestow The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

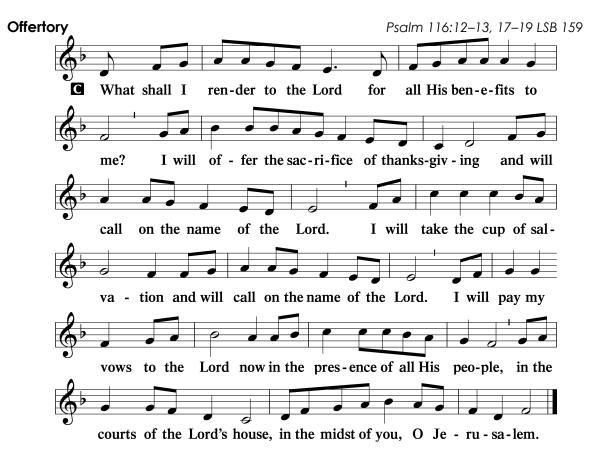
Offering

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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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

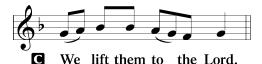
Preface

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

P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.

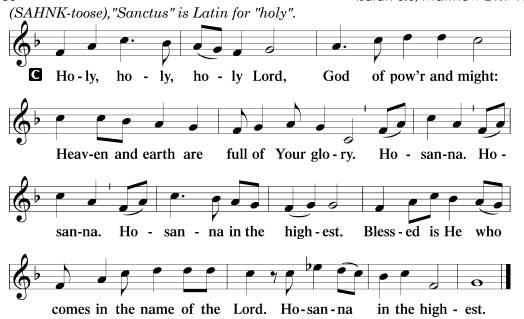


P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



Proper Preface (Full)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day the promised Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples. For all this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

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

C Amen.



- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + 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 John 20:19 163

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

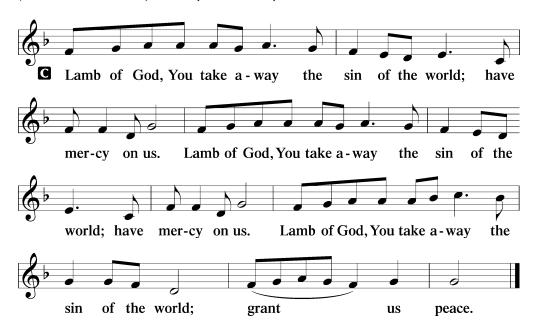
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.





Agnus Dei John 1:29 LSB 163

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



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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.





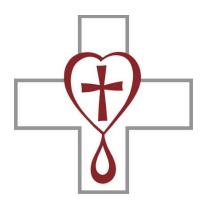
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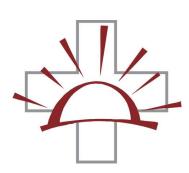


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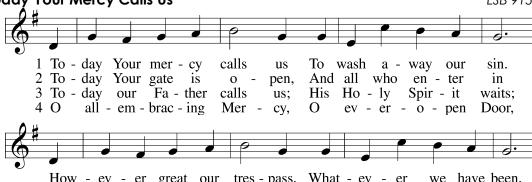
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How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been, Shall find a Fa - ther's wel - come And par - don for their sin. His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n-ly gates. What should we do with - out You When heart and eye run o'er?



long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way, How - ev - er The past shall for - got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv'n, be No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come: When all things seem a - gainst us. To drive us to de - spair.



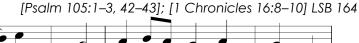
Your pre-cious blood can wash And make us us clean to - day. fu - ture grace be prom - ised, Α glo-rious crown in heav'n. oft have wan - dered, It Al - though we is our Fa - ther's home. We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

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Stand







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



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



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



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

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

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



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.

Benediction Numbers 6:24–26 166

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.



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-- Week at a Glance --

Sunday May 28th	9:15 am 4:00 pm	Worship Service w/ Communion Sunday School (children & adults) Jr. Youth (4th-6th grades) Youth Group (7th-12th grades) College/Young Adult Group (ages 18-25) Bible Reading Challenge – Q2 Prizes Available
Monday May 29th		Memorial Day
Tuesday May 30th		
Wednesday May 31st	7:00 pm	Pastor's Bible Study
Thursday June 1st	2:00 pm	Chair Aerobics
Friday June 2nd		
Saturday June 3rd	10:00 am	Men's Bible Study (Zoom)
Sunday June 4th	10:00 am 11:00 am	Outdoor Worship Service w/ Communion Church Picnic *There is NOT an indoor service at 8:00 AM or Sunday School at 9:15 AM on June 4th.

Celebrating

Birthdays: Kathryn H. (30th); Ellie A., Chas M. (31st); Chris G., Michael V. (2nd); Katlyn B., Casey F. (4th)

Baptism Birthdays: Darren C. (28th); Nola J. (31st); Logan A., Bryan B., Misty G., Matthew G., Kensleigh G., Lynn M., Heather N., Taylor S., Brian W. (1st); Travis B., Amelia H. (2nd); Emily B. (3rd)

Anniversaries: Eddie & Connie D. (28th); Nathan & Shiloh H. (31st);

Adult Sunday School Hour (9:15 am)

Romans (with Pastor Ben) – Schemm Family Life Center (Gym) God's Word for Today: 1, 2, & 3 John (Small Group) – Basement Meeting Room A Walk Through the Bible (Women's Group) – Meeting Room near Gym

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

Luke - Wednesdays at 7 PM - Basement

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study

We will be starting a new Wednesday morning Bible study group for women beginning June 7th at 10 AM. We will meet in the coffee lobby. We'll be using a brand-new study from CPH called "Leaning on Jesus." (Moms, we'd love to see you here – your kids can play in the gym while we meet!) Please let DCE Amanda know if you are interested so we can order enough books for everyone.

Voters' Meeting

All members are encouraged to attend a congregational voters' meeting on Sunday, June 11th at 11:45 AM (after worship services conclude). There will be a presentation from the Building Committee regarding the updated plans for the sanctuary renovation, and there will be a presentation from Pastor Ben and DCE Amanda with information about Lutheran education here at Christ and other opportunities moving forward.

Kansas District Pentecost Offering

For 26 years, LCMS Kansas District congregations have supported the growth of God's kingdom in Guinea and West Africa. Last year we celebrated the 25th Anniversary of this partnership and put forth the goal of raising \$25,000 for the new CLET-Guinea seminary. By God's grace, since the start of last year's offering over \$55,000 was raised for the seminary in Guinea!

Please consider participating in this year's Pentecost Offering, and supporting the great work being done in Guinea and West Africa. The offering will be used to continue supporting the seminary, as well as the provision of Lutheran education and resources to the people of Guinea and West Africa. To learn more or make a gift, visit our Guinea/West Africa webpage. If you would rather donate by mail, you can send a check with "Pentecost Offering" in the memo line to LCMS Kansas District, 1000 SW 10th Ave., Topeka, KS 66604.

Bible Reading Challenge

We're officially halfway through our challenge! If you are up to date on your reading calendar, please bring the 2nd quarter slip from the back page to church with you to pick up your prize! We have several varieties of sweets available in the coffee lobby for you. Please take one full size candy bar or a couple of the smaller sugar-free chocolates.

<u>Lifeline Pregnancy Center - Muffins for Missions/Life Grant Update</u>

Back in February, we held our Muffins for Missions Bake Sale, and raised \$1285 for Lifeline Pregnancy Center here in Topeka. The Kansas District LCMS matched our first \$1000, making a total of \$2285. We applied for the Synod's Life Match Grant, with the outcome to be determined in May... We finally heard back, and were awarded \$2000 in matching funds, making a total of \$4285 for Lifeline!

Lifeline is extremely thankful for all of the generosity and effort put forth, and they are determined to make this donation go as far as it can! They have an upcoming "Day of Giving" scheduled for June $21^{\rm st}$ – and are going to attempt to match OUR amount with additional donations from the community! If they are successful, that will be over \$8000 in funds raised for our local pregnancy center. What a blessing!

In celebration of this partnership, we have scheduled a service project at Lifeline for the morning of June 3rd. Meet at Lifeline Pregnancy Center (2041 SW McAlister Ave – near the 21st Street Baskin Robbins) at 10 AM that morning, and we will work for an hour or so helping them with various tasks at their office. Please let Amanda or Mel in the church office know if you would like to volunteer for this service project – we want to make sure we have enough tasks lined up for everyone who wants to help!

Outdoor Worship Service

Our second annual Outdoor Worship Service and Church Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 4th at 10:00 AM. This year, we will hold the worship service outside here on church grounds. Please bring your own chairs or seating. You may also bring canopies for shade, as long as they do not obstruct the view of those around you. The picnic will follow, using our gym for the meal and offering yard games and activities outside. Hot dogs and ice cold drinking water will be provided at the picnic – please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Please note: There will NOT be an indoor worship service at 8:00 AM or Sunday School classes at 9:15 AM that morning.

<u>Summer Sunday School – Helpers Wanted</u>

Do you have a Sunday or two when you would be willing to share an hour of your time this summer? We could use a few helpers for Summer Sunday School! DCE Amanda will have all the materials prepped and lead the group – we just need a few extra people to help out with crafts, snacks, and such. If interested, please contact the church office.

Vacation Bible School

Registration is open for VBS! Visit our website (christlcms.org/vbs) to sign up. VBS is for kids entering kindergarten through 5th grades, and youth in 6th grade and up are welcome to sign up as volunteers. Adult volunteers are also needed – please contact DCE Amanda if interested.

If you would like to donate supplies for VBS, please take a water drop from the display in the coffee lobby and bring the specified items back to church no later than June 4th. Thank you for supporting Christian education here at Christ!

June Fellowship Night – Potluck, Games, and Paint

WWF is on a break for the summer, but the food and fun will continue! Join us on Wednesday, June 21st for a potluck dinner at 5:30 PM, followed by your choice of games or an acrylic pour paint project (or both)! If you would like to participate in the painting craft, please sign up on the bulletin board in the coffee lobby or contact the church office – we need an approximate head count for supplies. All ages are welcome!

LCMS Summer Camp

Christian education doesn't stop at the end of the school year! If your child (K thru 12th Grade) will be attending LCMS summer camp, Christ will pay half of your registration fee (up to \$250) for member families. Contact DCE Amanda for more information.

Schaefer Scholarship – Application Deadline Extended to Monday, June 5th

The Margaret Schaefer Scholarship Fund continues to provide opportunities in Christian and Lutheran Education for students at Christ. Scholarships are now available for children and youth attending LCMS Summer Camps who demonstrate need beyond the funds set aside from our youth budget – visit our website (christlcms.org/schaefer) for application and more information.

Thank You

The family of Bernie Muhleisen would like to thank everyone who remembered him with prayers and cards during this difficult time. Your thoughtfulness was greatly appreciated. Sincerely, Duane and Deanna Schroeder

Remembered in our Prayers

Charlie P., 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), Vikki N., Matt N., Virginia C., Evelyn (mother of Sandy S.), Ted M., Garry N., Mark (Carol J.'s friend), Wayne B., David (Sondra K.'s son), Kim (friend of the Micheels), Dick H., Penny (Marty K.'s coworker's wife), Betty H., Dorothy (Wayne K.'s sister-in-law), Nick (Hannah M.'s cousin), Sharon H., Lila N., Darleen C., Kendra M., Brandon B., Dennis L., Bob H., Marsha S., James (father-in-law of Norlinda C.), 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 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.



Christ Lutheran Church Outdoor Worship Service and Church Picnic

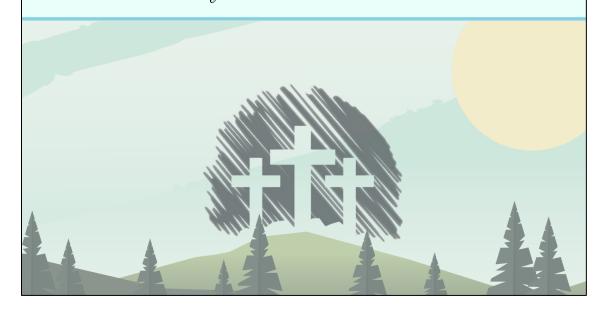
Sunday, June 4 10:00 am - worship: 11:00 am - picnic

This year our outdoor service will be here on church grounds.

Please bring your own chairs or seating.

Hot dogs and water will be provided at the picnic –

please bring a side dish or dessert to share..





Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Christ Lutheran Church (3509 SW Burlingame Rd.)

June 12-16, 9AM to Noon Free of charge!

-- Register Now -christlcms.org/vbs

Incoming K-5th Grade students can attend.

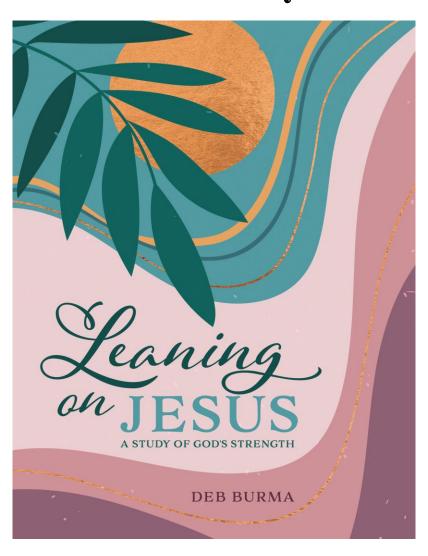
Youth entering 6th Grade and up can volunteer.

Adult volunteers also needed.

Contact DCE Amanda Adams with questions.

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study Begins June 7th - 10 AM

(Moms - your kids can play in the gym!)
Contact DCE Amanda is interested.



The Risen Lord Jesus Pours Out the Holy Spirit

The Lord took "some of the Spirit" that was on Moses "and put it on the seventy elders" of Israel (Num. 11:25), and they "prophesied in the camp" (Num. 11:26). In the same way, our risen Lord Jesus poured out His Holy Spirit at the Feast of Pentecost — the 50th day and the "Eighth Sunday" of Easter. When "a sound like a mighty rushing wind" and "tongues as of fire appeared" and rested on each of the 12 apostles, "they were all filled with the Holy Spirit" and proclaimed "the mighty works of God" (Acts 2:2–4, 11). The Lord Jesus grants this same Spirit to His Church on earth to proclaim Him glorified on the cross and risen victorious from the grave for us sinners. From His open heart, our crucified and risen Lord pours out His Holy Spirit in "rivers of living water" (John 7:38) and invites everyone who thirsts to come to Him and drink freely (John 7:37). Through this life-giving work of the Holy Spirit, we hear our pastors "telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God" (Acts 2:11), and "everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Acts 2:21).

Worship Attendance – Sunday, May 21st

8:00 AM - 75 10:30 AM - 57

Stewardship Corner

Budgeted Weekly Needs:	\$	8,945
Offerings Received - Week of 5/21	\$	6,835
Budgeted Needs (Jan-Apr 2023)	•	152,065
Offerings Received (Jan-Apr 2023)	\$	146,981

Acts 2:1 – "When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place." Pentecost is the Old Testament harvest festival, taking place around the time when the wheat and oats are ready to be brought in. Of course, this was an image and foreshadowing of the great harvest of humankind that God means to carry out through the preaching of His Word. God gives the seed, and God brings about the harvest. From first to last, in things temporal and things eternal, we stand only by His grace.

Acknowledgments