Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church Welcomes You



July 30, 2020 – 7:00 P.M. August 2, 2020 – 8:00 & 10:45 A.M.

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church & School 4333 Cleveland Avenue, Stevensville, MI 49127 Phone: (269) 429-7222 – Church (269) 429-7111 - School www.christ-luth.org Sunday Services: 8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Class: 9:30 a.m.. Thursday Evening Service at 7:00 p.m. Christian Day School: Preschool through 8th grade

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As We Gather:

Compassion is an attribute of Jesus as He heals and releases from bondage. Compassion is the motive for the miracle. Miracles show that the inbreaking messianic reign of God is one of grace. Miracles testify to the presence of God for salvation. (Arthur Just, Luke Commentary)

- Now that the daylight fills the sky, We lift our hearts to God on high, That He, in all we do or say, Would keep us free from harm today;
- 2 Would guard our hearts and tongues from strife; From anger's din would shield our life; From evil sights would turn our eyes, And close our ears to vanities.
- So we, when this new day is gone
 And night in turn is drawing on,
 With conscience by the world unstained
 Shall praise His name for vict'ry gained.
- 4 "All praise to You, creator Lord! All praise to You, eternal Word! All praise to You, O Spirit wise!" We sing as daylight fills the skies.

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Hymn ~ "Baptized into Your

Name Most Holy" (Thursday) Hymn 590

Stanzas 1-3



The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Addison Jean Dunn

(Thursday service)

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

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Stanzas 4

(Thursday service continues with the Introit.) (Sunday service continues here.)

Confession and Absolution

Stand

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

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
 Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,Who made heaven and earth

(Psalm 124:8)

If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
 But with You there is forgiveness: therefore You are feared.

But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared. (Psalm 130:3-4)

E Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, and call upon Him in prayer and praise, 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.
(Luke 18:13)

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

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His Sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the H Son and of the Holy Spirit. (John 20:19-23)

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

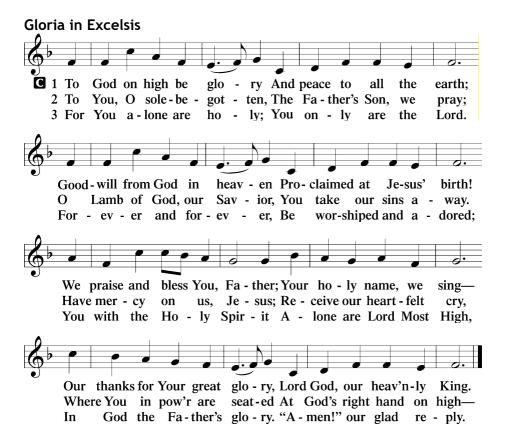


Oh give thanks to the Lord; call up- | on his name;* make known his deeds among the | peoples! He spread a cloud for a | covering,* and fire to give | light by night. They asked, and he | brought quail,* and gave them bread from heaven in a- | bundance. He opened the rock, and water | gushed out;* it flowed through the desert like a | river. For he remembered his holy | promise,* and Abraham, his | servant. So he brought his people | out with joy,* his chosen ones with | singing. Glorv be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen. Oh give thanks to the Lord; call up- | on his name;* make known his deeds among the | peoples

Ps. 105:39-43; antiphon: Ps. 105:1



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



Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

Collect of the Day

P Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Reading from the Book of Concord

Luther's Small Catechism The Lord's Prayer, The Fourth Petition

Give us this day our daily bread.

What does this mean? God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

What is meant by daily bread? Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

Readings from Holy Scripture

Old Testament Reading

¹"Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.
²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.
³Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

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Isaiah 55:1-5

⁴Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

P This is the Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowl- | edge of God!*

How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable | his ways!

For from him and through him and to him are | all things.*

To him be glory forever. | Amen.

Rom. 11:33. 36

Epistle Reading

Romans 9:1-5

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit—²that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. ⁵To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

P This is the Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

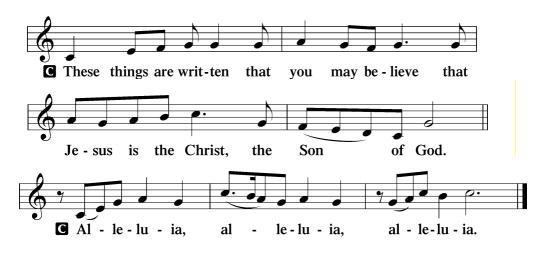
P Alleluia. Man ate of the bread of the angels;

C he sent them food in abundance. Alleluia.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse





Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 14th chapter
 Glory to You, O Lord.

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Mathew 11:28

Sit

1	Lord, 'tis not that I did choose Thee; That, I know, could never be; For this heart would still refuse Thee Had Thy grace not chosen me. Thou hast from the sin that stained me Washed and cleansed and set me free And unto this end ordained me, That I ever live to Thee.
2	It was grace in Christ that called me, Taught my darkened heart and mind; Else the world had yet enthralled me, To Thy heav'nly glories blind. Now I worship none above Thee; For Thy grace alone I thirst, Knowing well that, if I love Thee, Thou, O Lord, didst love me first.
3	 Praise the God of all creation; Praise the Father's boundless love. Praise the Lamb, our expiation, Priest and King enthroned above. Praise the Spirit of salvation, Him by whom our spirits live. Undivided adoration To the great Jehovah give.

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Hymn ~ "O Living Bread from Heaven" (Sunday) Hymn 642

O living Bread from heaven, How well You feed your guest! The gifts that You have given Have filled my heart with rest. Oh, wondrous food of blessing, Oh, cup that heals our woes! My heart, this gift possessing, With praises overflows.

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My Lord, You here have led me To this most holy place And with Yourself have fed me The treasures of Your grace; For You have freely given What earth could never buy, The bread of life from heaven, That now I shall not die.

You gave me all I wanted; This food can death destroy.
And You have freely granted The cup of endless joy.
My Lord, I do not merit The favor You have shown,
And all my soul and spirit Bow down before Your throne.

Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened With heav'nly food, while here
My course on earth is lengthened, To serve with holy fear.
And when You call my spirit To leave this world below,
I enter, through Your merit, Where joys unmingled flow.

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Sermon "Miraculous Work" Matthew 14:13-21

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Apostles' Creed

С	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.

Gathering of Our Tithes and Sacrificial Offerings

There will be no passing of the offering plates. Please place your offering in the plates in the narthex.

Offertory ~ "Create in Me"	' (Sunday)	Hymn 956
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1	Create in me a clean heart, O God,
	and renew a right spirit within me.
	Cast me not away from Thy presence;
	and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
	Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;
	and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

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You may be seated if necessary.

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

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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.

Benedicamus and Benediction

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P	The Lord bless you and keep you.
	The Lord make His face shine on you
	and be gracious to you.
	The Lord look upon you with favor and $+$ give you peace
С	Amen.

You may be seated if necessary.

 Father, we thank Thee who hast planted Thy holy name within our hearts.
 Knowledge and faith and life immortal Jesus, Thy Son, to us imparts.
 Thou, Lord, didst make all for Thy pleasure, Didst give us food for all our days,
 Giving in Christ the Bread eternal; Thine is the pow'r, be Thine the praise. Watch o'er Thy Church, O Lord, in mercy, Save it from evil, guard it still,
Perfect it in Thy love, unite it, Cleansed and conformed unto Thy will.
As grain, once scattered on the hillsides, Was in this broken bread made one,
So from all lands Thy Church be gathered Into Thy kingdom by Thy Son.

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+ Silent Prayer +

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THE PREACHER & LITURGIST	Rev. Martin P. Measel
THE ORGANIST	
THE ORGANIST (Thursday)	Laurie Ulmer
ELDERS ON DUTY	
ELDER ON DUTY (Thursday)	
ALTAR GUILD	Christine Quardokus, Rosemarie Castonguay
USHERS (8:00)	Craig Klein – Captain, Matthew Mast, Bob Appelget,
	Andrew Copi, Paul Jackemeyer, Ron Hungerford
USHERS (10:45)	Dale Zombory - Captain, Chuck Schwanger,
	Phillip Cole, Glenn Scowcroft, Vince Virsik, Scott Dine

The August issue of the Christ Times is available today by the church mailboxes.

Large Print Bulletins & Portals of Prayer are available from an usher. Portals of Prayer in large print are available to those in need of them. Please contact the office and a copy will be placed in your mailbox each quarter.

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Christ Lutheran Church and School Christ's People Proclaiming Christ's Love

The following safety precautions will be followed for at least a month, (perhaps longer as conditions require):

- Please maintain social distancing (6 feet apart front and back, and side to side), only use every other pew and maintain 6' between family units.
- Please use hand sanitizer upon entering and exiting.
- We will not pass the plate or attendance books. Offering plates located by the entrance.
- Everything will be in the bulletin, no need for the hymnal. Keep the bulletin or recycle it.
- Face masks encouraged (but not required).
- Communion will be continuous style, so that people can maintain 6' between family units. This would be explained in an opening announcement.
- People will be dismissed by the ushers a couple of pews at a time, to prevent congestion. Please wait to be dismissed.
- We request that people not congregate in the narthex (take a donut to-go and head home). If you'd like to talk please talk outside in the parking lot while still maintaining 6' separation.
- Bible study will continue online only through mid-July.
- The pews / door handles / bathrooms will be cleaned in-between services.
- If you are sick or have any symptoms of any illness, please stay home.
- ♦ If you are vulnerable, or feel uncomfortable coming back, feel free to remain home as long as necessary until you're comfortable. We will continue to post the video of our Sunday service, and offer private communion on Thursdays at 10:30, 1:30, and 8pm.

Thank you for being considerate of your neighbor.

Pastor Measel, Pastor Yeager, Board of Elders

Prayers

Christ Lutheran Church

Members who are ill, hospitalized or having surgery

Continued Prayers:

	t Jim Walters	Miro Virsik
leigh McClinto	ck Laura Lesher	Nancy Duke
nice McClinto	ck Laura Schornhor	st Ron Sortland
Dave Knuth	Leni Weisser	Ron Szoke
Ferny Rantz	Mary Panzica	Sally Knuth
nice McClinto Dave Knuth	ck Laura Schornhor Leni Weisser	rst Ron Sortlan Ron Szoke

Family or friends who are ill, hospitalized or having surgery

Continued Prayers: Aubrey Hamby – nephew of Dee Payovich Austin Arndt – grandson of Linda Steinke Bill Bunte – cousin of Mary Spaulding Bruce Wurdeman – brother of Diane Strohacker Chris Dunn - nephew of Thelma Szoke Gertrude Kuehn – mother of Debbie Tietz Grace Gerken – niece of Andrew & Terri Gerken Karyn Peterson – mother of Kim Alles Paula Hicks – niece of Dee Payovich Phil Oberhaus – brother of Susan Jackemeyer Taryn Schrader – sister of Tamara Paulun William Maul – brother of Charles Maul

* Our country, president, armed forces and all those who serve our country, including * Alex Root, Allison Blake, James Vieregge, USMC – grandson of Ken Vieregge.

For the family of Arlene Dinges.

For Nick Phillips & Lyndsey Shembarger who will be married on Saturday, August 9.

Missionaries

Deaconess Caitlin Worden de Ramirez in the Dominican Republic and Rev. Roger James in the Philippines.

Bulletin Announcements for August 2, 2020

WARM GREETINGS AND LOVE IN CHRIST are extended to all members and guests. We trust that you will experience the warmth of Christian fellowship, the inspiration of worship and the peace that comes from an awareness of God's presence. If you are visiting or attending our church for the first time, please stay after worship and give us the pleasure of meeting you.

RECEIVED INTO GOD'S FAMILY through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism in the Thursday evening service is Addison Jean Dunn. Addison is the daughter of Ryan and Andrea Dunn. Her sponsors are Tom and Laurie Ulmer.

ALTAR FLOWERS – The flowers on the altar today are dedicated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Alan Schmaltz, given by Bob & Sandy Dixon.

2020 FLOWER CHART – The flower chart for 2020 is posted in the commons area. Be sure to sign up soon for the date you would like flowers given in memory or honor of your loved ones. The **Altar Flowers** are \$15.00. After the services, they are delivered to a shut-in or someone that is sick or hospitalized. Thank you!

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE BACK PEWS IN THE SANCTUARY ARE RESERVED FOR FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN.

THE NURSERY IS AVAILABLE for your children 3 years of age or younger. You are welcome to take your child or children into the nursery and watch the service from there. Please do not leave your child unattended.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP – The *2020* chart for radio broadcasts is posted in the commons area. Christ Lutheran records two radio broadcasts per month. This will give our members more opportunities for sponsorship. Please consider sponsoring a broadcast (you could share it with a family member or friend.) The cost is \$150.00 per broadcast.

Our service was recorded last Sunday and will air today. This service is dedicated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Gladys Schadler, given by Mike & Terrie Smith

Our Local Lutheran Worship Service Broadcasts are on WSJM AM 1400 and 106.1 FM (note frequency change) on Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. The services also can be heard by going to <u>www.wsjmsports</u> and clicking on "listen live." The service can be heard from anywhere in the country. **WORSHIP** ANEW is a 30-minute traditional Lutheran worship service, broadcast weekly to nourish the souls of those who cannot attend church in a traditional setting. Watch on Sundays at 11:00 am on WHME-TV 46 [FBC] or watch online at any time at www.worshipanew.org/onlineviewing.

THE PRAYER OF A RIGHTEOUS MAN IS POWERFUL AND EFFECTIVE.

(*James 5:16*) As caring Christians, please remember the following members of Christ Lutheran in your prayers this week:

Jackie Mast Family Rev. Martin & Jill Measel Family Bruce & Susan Bittenbender Family Donald & Cecilia Pinne Walter & Diane Clark Mark & Kathy Stone

We will be praying for these members during our worship services today. Each week we ask you to remember a different group of members in your daily prayers.

We remember the following Missionary in our prayers this week:



Sarah Kanoy serves the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in East Africa, based in Moshi, Tanzania. In her role as a registered nurse, she teaches Community Health Evangelism (CHE) lessons to emerging health leaders in the village. The lessons cover topics such as preventing malaria, basic hygiene, women's health, nutrition and many more. Each lesson also includes sharing the Gospel and an

invitation to the local Lutheran church. Sarah finds joy training these leaders and encouraging them as they share the information with others in their communities. Sarah also works with Mercy Medical Teams that proclaim the Gospel while providing health care to underserved populations in East Africa. Pray for Sarah as she serves in East Africa. Ask God to continue to give her joy and strength as she shares the Gospel while she teaches and provides health care. Pray that God blesses her with confidence and ease in speaking Swahili daily. Thank God for the emerging CHE leaders and their excitement to teach others. Pray that God would use these leaders and the CHE lessons to improve the health of many communities and to grow His church.

PRESCHOOL AIDE POSITION OPEN - Christ Lutheran School is looking for a Preschool Aide for the 2020-2021 school year. Contact Principal Neil Webb at <u>nwebb@christstevensville.com</u> or Amy Cole at <u>acole@christstevensville.com</u> for more details.

CHRIST LUTHERAN SCHOOL LOOKING FOR DONATIONS – The school will have some needs looking forward to the opening in the fall. We need donations of the following: Bottled Water, Masks, & Clorox wipes. Donations may be dropped off near the nursery.

CLS LOOKING FOR HELPFUL ANGELS - We have been working very hard to prepare for face to face instruction in the fall. As things become clear regarding the requirements of the state, we find ourselves in need of some special volunteers. Our "Back to School" committee is seeking some Angels in our midst to help out in the fall as we return to face to face instruction. These "CLS Angels" would be trained in the proper use of Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) and help with the following: cleaning surfaces during the lunch hour, delivering meals to the classrooms & other various similar duties. If you or someone you know would like to help out in this way, please contact Mr. Webb at nwebb@christstevensville.com or Mrs. Cole at acole@christstevensville.com. Thank you!

Matt. 14:17-18 – "They said to him, 'We have only five loaves here and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' "When the disciples held on to the five loaves and two fish, that's exactly what they had. But when they handed them over to the Lord, the multitudes were fed. Apart from Jesus all we do and all we have is nothing. But, in Jesus, all we do and have is blessed to be used by the Lord for His gracious work.

Charting Our Course - Statistics from Last Week

Thursday Service		7/23/2020		
		18		
Sunday 8:00	0 A.M.	<u>7/26/2020</u> 68		
	5 A.M.	<u>55</u>	Adult Bible Class	
Total:		141	Weekday Classes	
Prior Week Total Budgeted Receipts				\$13,641
Average Weekly Budgeted Disbursements			\$18,379	

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Christ Lutheran Church now has a BLOG, this is a way to see activities and information about the church and to provide links to video links and bulletins.

https://christ-luth.blogspot.com/ or

CLCBlog

Please share this blog with your friends and family.



This Week at Christ Lutheran

Sunday, August 2	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Worship Service Zoom Bible Class Worship Service
Monday, August 3		
Tuesday, August 4		
Wednesday, August 5		
Thursday, August 6	10:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Private Communion Private Communion Worship Service Private Communion
Friday, August 7	4:30 p.m.	Wedding Rehearsal
Saturday, August 8	4:00 p.m.	Shembarger/Phillips Wedding
Sunday, August 9	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Communion Worship Service Zoom Bible Class Communion Worship Service

Christ's Mission Christ's Ministry Christ's People

Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church

We are sincerely thankful that the Lord has led you to worship with us today. We pray that in our liturgy, in our hymns and in our sermon that you will see Jesus Christ, the Savior who died on the cross for the sins of the world. We pray that you will hear Jesus call all nations to repent of their sins. We pray that you will receive the forgiveness of sins won by Christ on the Cross. We believe that through faith this forgiveness transforms us from self-centered lives to lives of service.

If you are use to "praise" style worship, the historic liturgy may be unfamiliar and somewhat strange to you. Our form of worship has its roots in the earliest days of the church.

The word "liturgy" means service. Our worship is called the "Divine Service." In the Divine Service our Lord is the Lord who serves. We understand worship in this way:

"Our Lord serves us today through His holy Word and Sacraments. Through these means, He comes among us to deliver His forgiveness and salvation, freeing us from our sins and strengthening us for service to one another and to the world. At Holy Baptism, He puts His name upon us, pours His Holy Spirit into our hearts, and rescues us from sin, death, and the devil. Through Holy Absolution, He pronounces His forgiveness again and again. With His holy Word, written in Scripture and preaching into our ears, He daily proclaims His abiding love for us through all the joys and sorrows of life in this world. In His Holy Supper, He gives us His own body and blood to eat and drink as a priceless gift to nourish and strengthen us in both body and soul"

Lutheran Service Book vii.

If some of the historic words that we use in worship are new to you, please look at page xxiv of Lutheran Service Book for a glossary. As you learn more about the ancient worship of the Church, you will learn to cherish it as Christians have throughout the centuries. If you have questions about anything that you have seen or heard today, please feel free to contact one of our pastors.