

THY WORD IS A LAMP UNTO MY FEET AND A LIGHT UNTO MY PATH.

PSALM 119:105



The Third Sunday of Pentecost Graduation Service

PRAYER FOR OUR GRADUATES

O God, Source of all abiding knowledge, through Word and Spirit you both enlighten the minds and sanctify the lives of those whom you draw to your service. Therefore look with favor upon the graduates of Christ Lutheran School, high schools and colleges that they may apply themselves with ready diligence to your will and faithfully fulfill their service according to your purpose; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Hymn ~ “Word of God, Come Down on Earth” Hymn 545

- 1 Word of God, come down on earth,
Living rain from heav’n descending;
Touch our hearts and bring to birth
Faith and hope and love unending.
Word almighty, we revere You;
Word made flesh, we long to hear You.

- 2 Word eternal, throned on high,
Word that brought to life creation,
Word that came from heav’n to die,
Crucified for our salvation,
Saving Word, the world restoring,
Speak to us, Your love outpouring.

- 3 Word that caused blind eyes to see,
Speak and heal our mortal blindness;
Deaf we are: our healer be;
Loose our tongues to tell Your kindness.
Be our Word in pity spoken,
Heal the world, by sin now broken.

4 Word that speaks God's tender love,
One with God beyond all telling,
Word that sends us from above,
God the Spirit, with us dwelling,
Word of truth, to all truth lead us;
Word of life, with one bread feed us.

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Stand

Confession and Absolution

The Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

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

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **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.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **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.**

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

Ps 56:3-4, 10-11; Antiphon Ps. 56:13



For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from | falling,*
that I may walk before God in the | light of life.

When I | am afraid,*

I put my | trust in you.

In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not | be afraid.*
What can flesh | do to me?

In God, whose | word I praise,*

in the Lord, whose | word I praise,

in God I trust; I shall not | be afraid.*

What can man | do to me?

Glory 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.

For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from | falling,*
that I may walk before God in the | light of life.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, because Your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of Your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in Your eternal love; 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 First Commandment*

You shall have no other gods.

What does this mean?

We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.

*Luther's Small Catechism
The Second Commandment*

You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.

*Luther's Small Catechism
The Third Commandment*

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

Readings from Holy Scripture

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 20:7-13

⁷O LORD, you have deceived me,
and I was deceived;
you are stronger than I,
and you have prevailed.
I have become a laughingstock all the day;
everyone mocks me.

⁸For whenever I speak, I cry out,
I shout, "Violence and destruction!"
For the word of the LORD has become for me
a reproach and derision all day long.

⁹If I say, "I will not mention him,
or speak any more in his name,"
there is in my heart as it were a burning fire
shut up in my bones,
and I am weary with holding it in,
and I cannot.

¹⁰For I hear many whispering.
Terror is on every side!
"Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"
say all my close friends,

watching for my fall.

“Perhaps he will be deceived;
then we can overcome him
and take our revenge on him.”

¹¹But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior;
therefore my persecutors will stumble;
they will not overcome me.
They will be greatly shamed,
for they will not succeed.

Their eternal dishonor
will never be forgotten.

¹²O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous,
who sees the heart and the mind,
let me see your vengeance upon them,
for to you have I committed my cause.

¹³Sing to the LORD;
praise the LORD!
For he has delivered the life of the needy
from the hand of evildoers.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Great is the LORD, and greatly | to be praised,*
and his greatness is un- | searchable.
On your wondrous works, I will | meditate,*
and I will declare your | greatness.

Ps. 145:3, 5b, 6b

Epistle Reading

Romans 6:12-23

¹²Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, ¹⁸and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

“The Seed Is the Word of God” (8:00)..... Healey Willan
Jennifer Steffens, Soloist

The Seed Is the Word of God.
 That which fell on the good ground are they –
 which in an honest and good heart,
 having heard the Word, keep it and bring forth fruit with patience.

Stand

Alleluia.....Page 156

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
 words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 10:5a, 21-33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, . . . ²¹“Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²²and you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

²⁴“A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

²⁶“So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³²So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn - “Lord of Our Life”Hymn 659

1 Lord of our life and God of our salvation,
Star of our night and hope of ev’ry nation:
Hear and receive Your Church’s supplication,
Lord God Almighty.

- 2 See round Your ark the hungry billows curling;
 See how Your foes their banners are unfurling
 And with great spite their fiery darts are hurling,
 O Lord, preserve us.
- 3 Lord, be our light when worldly darkness veils us;
 Lord, be our shield when earthly armor fails us;
 And in the day when hell itself assails us,
 Grant us Your peace, Lord:
- 4 Peace in our hearts, where sinful thoughts are raging,
 Peace in Your Church, our troubled souls assuaging,
 Peace when the world its endless war is waging,
 Peace in your heaven.

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Sermon
"Freedom !?"
Romans 6:12-23

Apostles' Creed Page 158

**☐ 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.*

Prayer for the Church

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.**

Graduation CHRIST LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Presentation of Diplomas

Mrs. Suellen Klein, Director of Board of Education

Mr. Neil Webb, Principal

Christ Lutheran School Class of 2019

~ Jared Deweerd ~

~ Isaac Measel ~

~ Isaiah Webb ~

~ Jacob Webb ~

2019 High School Graduates

Bridgman

Alexandria Mast

Donnie Necas

Lakeshore

Clayton Drews

Michigan Lutheran

Abby Harris

Olivia Webb

St. Joseph

Amanda Allred

Andrew Cole

Phillip Cooper

Joshua Terry

College Graduates

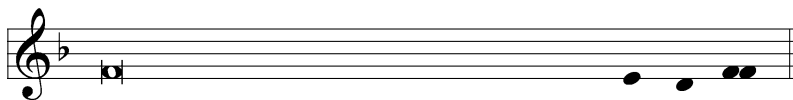
Natalie Strefling
Lake Michigan College
Associate in Science

“Now Are Ye Light in the Lord” (8:00)..... Healey Willan
Jennifer Steffens, Soloist

Now are ye light in the Lord; walk as the children of light.
For the fruit of the Spirit is in all
goodness and righteousness and truth.

Prayer for the Graduates

Benediction Page 166



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.



C A - men.

Sit

Hymn ~ “If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee”Hymn 750

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee
And hope in Him through all thy ways,
He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee,
And bear thee through the evil days.
Who trusts in God's unchanging love
Builds on the rock that naught can move.

2 What can these anxious cares avail thee,
These never-ceasing moans and sighs?
What can it help if thou bewail thee
O'er each dark moment as it flies?
Our cross and trials do but press
The heavier for our bitterness.

3 Be patient and await His leisure
In cheerful hope, with heart content
To take whate'er thy Father's pleasure
And His discerning love hath sent,
Nor doubt our inmost wants are known
To Him who chose us for His own.

4 God knows full well when times of gladness
Shall be the needful thing for thee.
When He has tried thy soul with sadness
And from all guile has found thee free,
He comes to thee all unaware
And makes thee own His loving care.

5 Nor think amid the fiery trial
That God hath cast thee off unheard,
That he whose hopes meet no denial
Must surely be of God preferred.
Time passes and much change doth bring
And sets a bound to ev'rything.

6 All are alike before the Highest;
'Tis easy for our God, we know,
To raise thee up, though low thou liest,
To make the rich man poor and low.
True wonders still by Him are wrought
Who setteth up and brings to naught.

7 Sing, pray, and keep His ways unswerving,
 Perform thy duties faithfully,
 And trust His Word; though undeserving,
 Thou yet shalt find it true for thee.
 God never yet forsook in need
 The soul that trusted Him indeed.

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+ Silent Prayer +

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SERVICE PARTICIPANTS:

THE PREACHER & LITURGIST	Rev. Martin P. Measel
THE ORGANIST (8:00).....	Mark Steffens
THE ORGANIST (10:45).....	Nicholas Quardokus
THE ORGANIST (Thursday).....	Laurie Ulmer
ELDERS ON DUTY	(8:00) Charlie Maul (10:45) Volunteer
ELDER ON DUTY	(Thursday) Richard Wandel
ALTAR GUILD	Deb Appelget, Karen Ziebart
USHERS (8:00)	Mike Smith, Sr., - Captain, Bob Brunke,
.....	Chuck Schwanger, David Radtke, Tom Watson
USHERS (10:45)	Jeff Oeseburg, Brad Oeseburg, Andrew Measel, Elliot Measel

Salvation Outline

1. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life." (**John 3:16**)
2. "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." (**Rom 3:23**)
3. "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (**Rom 6:23**)
4. "But God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (**Rom 5:8**)
5. "For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures." (**1 Cor 15:3-4**)
6. "Then he brought them and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' And they said, 'Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.'" (**Acts 16:30-31**)
7. "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast." (**Eph 2:8-9**)

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

Members who are ill, hospitalized or having surgery*Continued Prayers:*

Amanda Clark	Deleigh McClintock	Jim Walters	Miro Virsik
Addison Dunn	Denice McClintock	Kayla Matheny	Nancy Duke
Addie Scheffler	Dave Knuth	Laura Leshner	Richard Wandel
Bea Rudlaff	Ellen Machermer	Laura Schornhorst	Ron Szoke
Connie Schmidt	Ferny Rantz	Leni Weisser	Sally Knuth
Dave White	Harry Jaeger	Mary Panzica	

Family or friends who are ill, hospitalized or having surgery*Continued Prayers:***Aubrey Hamby** – nephew of Dee Payovich**Austin Arndt** – grandson of Linda Steinke**Bruce Wurdeman** – brother of Diane Strohacker**Chris Dunn** - nephew of Thelma Szoke**Marilyn Barz** – mother of Dan Barz**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

* **Brian Root, Alex Root, Allison Blake, James Vieregge**, USMC – grandson of Ken Vieregge.**Missionaries**

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

Bulletin Announcements for June 21, 2020

WE WELCOME YOU THIS DAY AS WE HONOR OUR FATHERS! Our fathers have such a profound influence on our lives - we owe them so much! As we do that, may we also seek to hear from our heavenly Father. God, our heavenly Father, has changed our lives for the better. We hope that you will feel His presence here as we honor Him in our worship. If you are visiting or attending our church for the first time, please join us again.

ALTAR FLOWERS – The flowers on the altar today are dedicated to the Glory of God and in honor of Andrew & Terri Gerken on the occasion of their 32nd wedding anniversary. The flowers are also in loving memory of Judy Vieregge, given by Ken Vieregge.

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!

THE FRONT PEW ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE SANCTUARY is reserved during communion services for those that have physical difficulty approaching the altar for communion. Communion services are held the second and fourth Sunday of each month. Please be seated in that pew if you would like the pastor to bring communion to 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 Don Shembarger, given by Joan Shembarger.*

*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 www.wsjmsports 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:

John Pankratz

Lucille Grau

Tim & Alyssa Judkins Family

Loretta Olmstead

Gerry & Jane Kabelman Family

Joan Nozicka

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.

THE CHRIST LUTHERAN RUMMAGE IS POSTPONED AT THIS TIME. We are hoping for an all clear in August. We will make that decision in late July, when we hopefully know more! We will keep you posted!

THRIVENT LIVING GENEROUSLY - As the Christian community comes together to pray for, and reach out to, the victims of the flooding, Thrivent is mobilizing its financial resources and members to help those in need. Thrivent members and others interested in learning ways to help with the recovery efforts are encouraged to visit www.thriventfinancial.com/member-network/great-lakes/impact-info/. Thank you for your support. Your commitment to living generously is appreciated.

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

Rom. 6:13 – “Present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.” Everything we have – even our own existence, our very selves – is a gift from God to be used for His purposes. God has called you to be His own and has given you tasks to perform in home, church, and society. How will you serve Him today?

Prior Week Total Budgeted Receipts

\$22,589

Average Weekly Budgeted Disbursements

\$18,379



This Week at Christ Lutheran

Sunday, June 21	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	<i>Graduation Sunday & Father's Day</i> Worship Service Zoom Bible Class Worship Service
Monday, June 22		
Tuesday, June 23	.	
Wednesday, June 24		
Thursday, June 25	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, June 26		
Saturday, June 27		
Sunday, June 28	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Communion Worship Service Zoom Bible Class Communion Worship Service