

Third Sunday after Pentecost

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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.



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Confession and Absolution

Stand

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

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

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

- **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.** *Psalm 130:3-4*
- 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

- 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



It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,* to sing praises to your name, | O Most High;

The righteous flourish like the | palm tree* and grow like a cedar in | Lebanon.

They are planted in the house | of the LORD;* they flourish in the courts | of our God.

They still bear fruit in | old age;* they are ever full of | sap and green,

to declare that the LORD is | upright;*
he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness | in him.

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.

It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,* to sing praises to your name, | O Most High;

Ps. 92:12-15; antiphon: Ps. 92:1



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

Gloria in Excelsis



2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;

3 For You a-lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing— Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Reading from the Book of Concord

The Augsburg Confession Article VII, The Church

Our churches teach that one holy Church is to remain forever. The Church is the congregation of saints [Psalm 149:1] in which the Gospel is purely taught and the Sacraments are correctly administered. For the true unity of the Church it is enough to agree about the doctrine of the Gospel and the administration of the Sacraments. It is not necessary that human traditions, that is, rites or ceremonies instituted by men, should be the same everywhere. As Paul says, "One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all" (Ephesians 4:5-6).

Readings from Holy Scripture

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 17:22-24

²²Thus says the Lord GOD: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. ²³On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. ²⁴And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it."

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

Gradual

- P Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,
- **C** and his greatness is unsearchable.
- P On your wondrous works, I will meditate,
- **C** and I will declare your greatness.

Ps. 145:3, 5b, 6b

Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 5:1-10

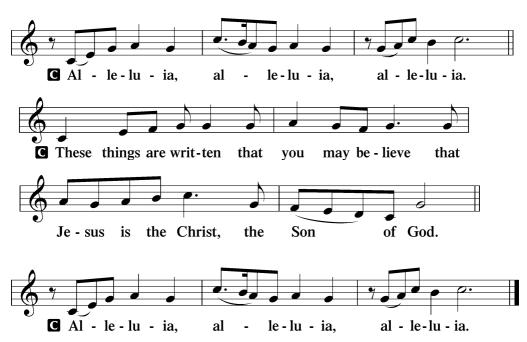
¹We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ²For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, ³if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. ⁴For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

⁶So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

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

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 26th chapter.
- **C** Glory to you, O Lord.

Holy Gospel Mark 4:26-34

²⁶[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. ²⁷ He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. ²⁸ The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ²⁹ But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

³⁰And he said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? ³¹ It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, ³² yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

³³With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. ³⁴He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

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

Sit



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Sermon "The Kingdom of God" Mark 4:26-34

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Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

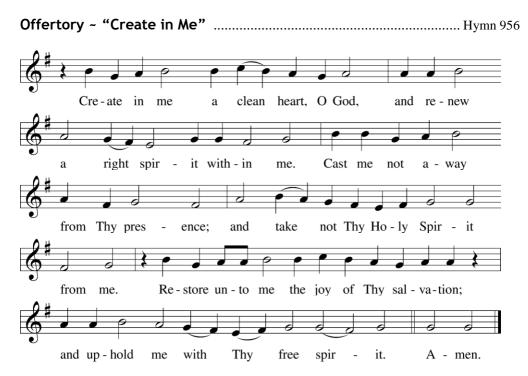
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

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.



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Graduation CHRIST LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Presentation of Diplomas

Mrs. Tamara Paulun, Director of Board of Education Mr. Neil Webb, Principal

Christ Lutheran School Class of 2021

- ~ Benjamin Liebich~
- ~ Samantha Witucki ~

2020 High School Graduates

Bridgman

Donnie Necas

2021 High School Graduates

Lakeshore

Aurelia Grace Davis Bradley Oeseburg

College Graduates

Phillip Cooper Southern Michigan College Associate in Applied Science

Nathan Gerken Florida State University PhD in Experimental Nuclear Physics

Chloe Kalinas University of Detroit Mercy - May, 2020 Bachelor's Degree in Nursing.

Prayer for the Graduates

Prayer of the Church

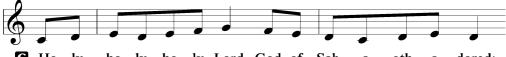
Service of the Sacrament

(Please see our Communion Statement in the announcements on Page 21).

Stand

- **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.
- 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:





⚠ Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san-na to the Lord;



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.

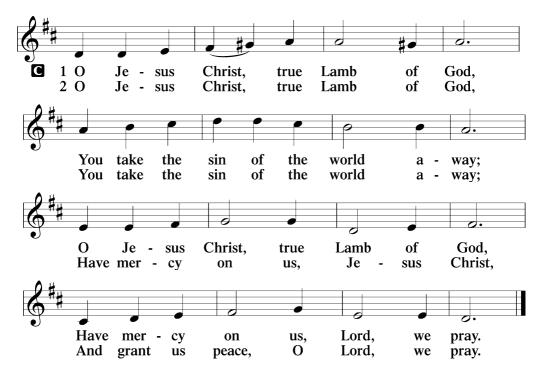
The Words of Our Lord

- 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

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

Agnus Dei



Sit



- Glorified, I shall anew
 With this flesh then be enshrouded;
 In this body I shall view
 God, my Lord, with eyes unclouded;
 In this flesh I then shall see
 Jesus Christ eternally.
- 6 Then take comfort and rejoice,
 For His members Christ will cherish.
 Fear not, they will hear His voice;
 Dying, they will never perish;
 For the very grave is stirred
 When the trumpet's blast is heard.

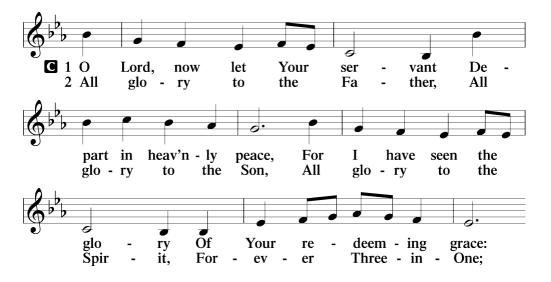
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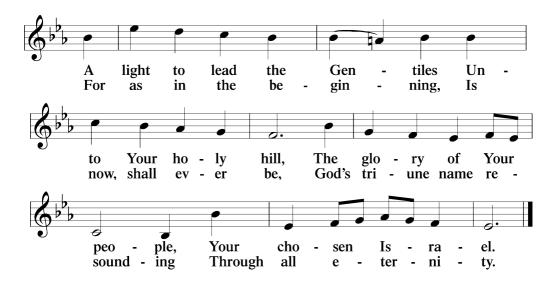
- Laugh to scorn the gloomy grave
 And at death no longer tremble;
 He, the Lord, who came to save
 Will at last His own assemble.
 They will go their Lord to meet,
 Treading death beneath their feet.
- 8 O, then, draw away your hearts
 From all pleasures base and hollow;
 Strive to share what He imparts
 While you here His footsteps follow.
 As you now still wait to rise,
 Fix your hearts beyond the skies!

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Stand

Canticle ~ Nunc Dimittis ~ Song of Simeon





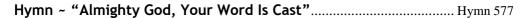
Post-Communion Collect

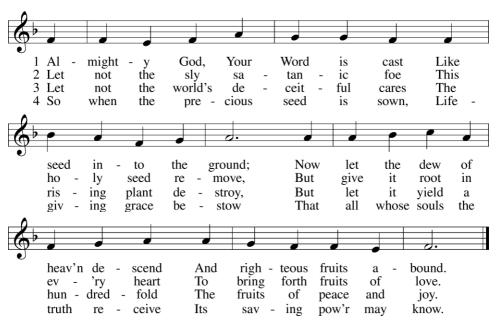
- **A** Let us pray.
- We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives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

Benedicamus and Benediction

- **A** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- The Lord bless you and keep you.

 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
- C Amen.





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+ Silent Prayer +

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SERVICE PARTICIPANTS:	
THE PREACHER & LITURGIST	
THE ORGANIST	Mark Steffens
THE ORGANIST (Thursday)	Mary Spaulding
ELDERS ON DUTY	(8:00) Delmar Lange, Dennis Kern
ELDERS ON DUTY	(10:45) Phillip Cole, Fred Pieplow
ELDER ON DUTY (Thursday)	Richard Wandel
ALTAR GUILD	Celeste Grau, Lori Brown
USHERS (8:00)	Mike Smith, Sr., - Captain, Bob Brunke,
	Chuck Schwanger, David Radtke, Tom Watson
USHERS (10:45)	Elliot Measel, Isaac Measel,

Christ Lutheran Church

Members who are ill, hospitalized or having surgery

Continued Prayers:

Amanda Clark	Deleigh McClintock	Kathy Karnik	Miro Virsik
Addie Scheffler	Denice McClintock	Laurie Ulmer	Nancy Duke
Amee Mantei	Dave Knuth	Laura Lesher	Mary Panzica
Connie Schmidt	Jean Mort	Laura Schornhorst	Nathan Gerken
Barbara Maul	Jim Walters	Ferny Rantz	

Family or friends who are ill, hospitalized or having surgery

Continued Prayers:

Aubrey Hamby – nephew of Dee Payovich

Austin Arndt – grandson of Linda Steinke

Carol Syring – daughter of Ken Vieregge

Cate Reed – granddaughter of Doris Beezley

Christian Young – friend of George Morgan

Ginger Nurkala – sister of Betty Spencer

Jim Russell – brother of Mark Russell

Keith Avery – friend of Ralph & Devona Dinges

Luke Strohacker - grandson of Chuck & Diane Strohacker

Marian Gerken – mother of Andy Gerken

Paula Hicks – niece of Dee Payovich

Phil Oberhaus - brother of Susan Jackemeyer

Taryn Schroder – sister of Tamara Paulun

William Maul – brother of Charlie Maul

Missionaries

Phillip Magness in West and Central Africa, Deaconess Caitlin Worden de Ramirez in the Dominican Republic and Rev. Roger James in the Philippines.

PRAYER REQUESTS – Each Sunday we offer prayers to those that are ill, hospitalized, or recovering from surgery. Since we are often unaware of the status of the friends and relatives for whom we pray in church, *prayers will be offered for up to one month. After that time the name will be transferred to and left on the Christ Times prayer page until we are asked to remove it.* Should the situation require a lengthier recovery time, please call the office to request the name be left on for an additional month. May God grant healing, comfort, peace, and teach us to rely on Him in times of need.

^{*} Our country, president, armed forces and all those who serve our country, including

^{*} Alex Root, Allison Blake, James Vieregge, USMC – grandson of Ken Vieregge, Joseph Schafer – nephew of Pastor Quardokus, Mitchell Carter – grandson of Bob Dixon.

Bulletin Announcements for June 13, 2021

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. Please take time to sign your name in our guest book and introduce yourself to the pastors before you leave. Feel free to take one of the visitor's bags located on the welcome center desk.

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 (Matthew 26:26-28) 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 (1 Corinthians 11:28-30) and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, (1 Corinthians 10:16-18) 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 one of the pastors.

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.

RECEIVED INTO GOD'S FAMILY through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism in the Thursday evening service is Bo Wayne Allen. Bo is the son of David & Kelcy Allen. His sponsors are Liz Ross and Daniel Hoyle.

ALTAR FLOWERS – The flowers on the altar today are dedicated to the Glory of God, in loving memory of Don Shembarger, given by Joan Shembarger.

2021 FLOWER CHART – The flower chart for 2021 is posted in the commons area. Be sure to sign up soon for the date you would like flowers given in memory or in honor of your loved ones. *The Altar Flower cost has just gone up to \$20.00* due to increases in flower and transportation costs. After the services, they are delivered to a shut-in or someone that is sick or hospitalized. Thank you!

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 2021 chart for radio broadcasts is now 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 remains \$150.00. *Be sure to sign up soon to secure the date you would like!*

Our service is being recorded today and will air next Sunday. This broadcast is dedicated to the Glory of God, in loving memory of Don Shembarger, given by Joan Shembarger

Our Local Lutheran Worship Service Broadcasts are now on WQYQ AM 1400 and 106.1 FM (Note: The call sign has changed from WSJM to WQYQ but the time and frequencies remain the same for our broadcast) on Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. The service also can be heard online at https://www.thenewqyq.com or with the TuneIn app on your device. To listen with Alexa say, "Alexa, play WQYQ." The service can be heard from anywhere in the country online.

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:

Glenn & Nancy Scowcroft
Dave & Cindy White
Connie Schmidt

Len & Faith Timm
Jeff & Karen Ziebart Family
Dean & Debra Tietz Family

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:



Phillip Magness serves the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in French-speaking countries in West and Central Africa (Togo, Guinea, Congo—Brazzaville, Côte d'Ivoire, Benin, Burkina Faso, Congo—Kinshasa and Burundi). As a sacred music educator, Phillip teaches hymns, psalms and spiritual songs—and develops the musicianship of song leaders so that they are better able to teach, share and nurture music for worship. Pray for Phillip as he serves in Africa, and ask God to keep him safe in his travels. Pray

for the students who come to learn these songs and how to teach them.

A VOTER'S MEETING IS BEING HELD TODAY BETWEEN SERVICES. PLEASE TRY TO ATTEND! A QUORUM IS NEEDED TO PASS THE UPCOMING BUDGET.

TUESDAY EVENING & WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS – Bible classes led by Pastor Measel are on break for the summer. Classes will resume at the beginning of September.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS WITH PASTOR QUARDOKUS HAS RETURNED – Bible class led by Pastor Quardokus is held on Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m. He is concluding the study of Mark. This study is in the middle of Holy Week. In the upcoming sessions the class will study Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter as recorded in the Gospel of Mark.

DINNER AND A MOVIE, Friday, June 25, 6:00 p.m. – Watch the Disney/Pixar movie "Ratatouille" while eating ratatouille (a French vegetable dish from the movie) or having spaghetti for those who prefer. Please sign up on the sheet in the commons area. A free-will donation will be taken.

ROCKET CAMP – **MONDAY, JULY 26** - A fun, fellowship, educational get together. We'll meet at school Monday July 26, 1:00 - 4:00 (Tuesday July 27 is the rain date). Cost is \$10, and you'll build a rocket and fire it twice (and keep the rocket). Open to 3rd grade thru adults (yes adults can come too!). Please call the church / school office, or put your name on the sign-up sheet, so that we order enough rockets (we will have a few extra for last minute attendees).

RUMMAGE SALE UPDATE – A date for the church rummage sale has been set! **The dates are Friday, July 23 & Saturday, July 24.** Rummage times will be set soon. Watch for updates in the church bulletin & "Christ Times." If you haven't yet sign up to volunteer, please do so soon!

ADULTS DINE OUT - It's time to get out again! Join us for some great food and fellowship at Papa Vino's on Friday, June 18th at 6:30 p.m. Please sign up on the sheet in the commons area. See you there!

ORGAN BENCH FUND – A fund has been established to acquire a new, more functional organ bench. The new bench would allow the ability to lower the level of the bench and will also have a back rest. Please give your donation to Christine in the office or to Mr. Steffens. You may also place a "designated offering" envelope marked "organ bench" in the offering plate. Thank you

USE AMAZON SMILE FOR FATHER'S DAY GIFTS - When you shop for Father's Day gifts at smile.amazon.com/ch/38-1572143, AmazonSmile will donate a portion of your eligible purchases to Christ Lutheran Church at no cost to you!"

BACK-TO-SCHOOL BAG SALE – Christ Lutheran School is planning a back-to-to school bag sale in August. The goal of this sale is to provide our school and local community with low cost back-to-school shopping. We are looking for donations of gently used or new clothing items in all children's sizes, new school supply items, backpacks and shoes. Any donations can be brought to my classroom. Please contact me with any questions. Thank you! Angie Webb (589-489-6320) or awebb@christstevensville.com

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, SAWYER, Part-Time Church Secretary Job Opening - Trinity Lutheran is seeking to fill the position of part time church secretary. The approximate hours are Monday-Friday, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm and can be somewhat flexible. Duties include preparation of Sunday worship bulletins, PowerPoint presentations, monthly newsletters, church records, and interacting with church leaders, members of the congregation and the general public. Ability to learn church related software such as Church Windows and Lutheran Service Builder is required. Our new secretary should be an active church member, able to multi-task, work well with others in the church office, maintain confidentiality and have the helpful, compassionate and pleasant heart of a servant. The secretary is accountable to the pastor.

Mark 4:34 – "He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything." How blessed we are to be His disciples! The Lord has indeed explained everything to us. He has told us all things plainly. Why then are we ever so foolish as to disobey His clear Word? Our fight against sin in the power of the Holy Spirit is truly a struggle. Therefore, let us receive the Lord's help in His Word and Sacraments, and let us fight the good fight of faith and grow up into His image.

Charting Our Course - Statistics from Last Week

Thursday Service:	<u>06/3/2021</u> 15		
Sunday: 8:00 A.M.	<u>06/06/2021</u> 118		
10:45 A.M.	<u>60</u>	Adult Bible Class	13
Total:	178	Weekday Classes	15
Streaming Views Sunday:	44		
Prior Week Total Budgeted R	Receipts		\$17,849

\$18,683

Average Weekly Budgeted Disbursements

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.



This Week at Christ Lutheran Church

Sunday, June 13	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Graduation Sunday Communion Worship Service Voter's Meeting Communion Worship Service	
Monday, June 14	7.00		
Tuesday, June 15	7:00 p.m.	All Boards Meeting	
Wednesday, June 16 Thursday, June 17 Friday, June 18	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Bible Class Worship Service	
Saturday, June 19			
Sunday, June 20	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Worship Service Bible Class Worship Service	



The office remains open throughout the summer. However, due to summer vacations, we do recommend that you call prior to coming over to ensure the person you have business with is in.

For security purposes the church & school doors are locked during the summer hours.

Please use the doorbell to the left of the school doors and the office staff will open the doors for you.

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.

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