

# **Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church Welcomes You**



**October 7, 2021 – 7:00 P.M.  
October 10, 2021 – 8:00 & 10:45 A.M.**

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**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 8<sup>th</sup> grade**

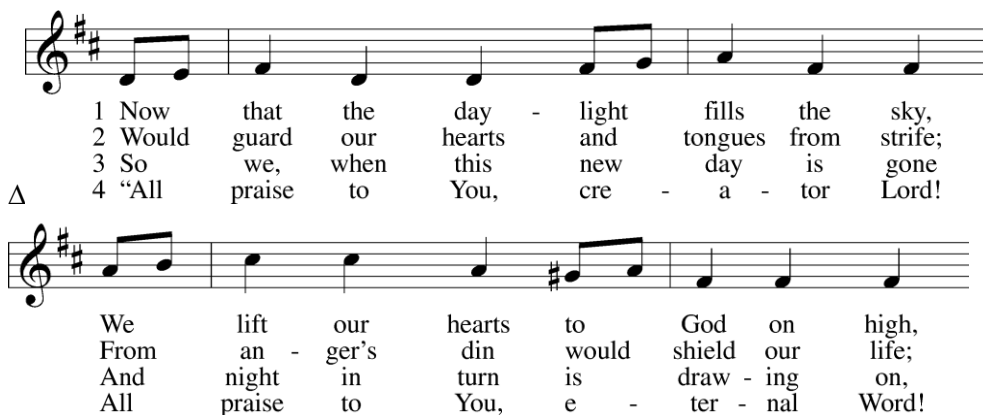
## Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

### As We Gather

The entire human race is profoundly and desperately religious. From the dim beginnings of our history right up to the present day, there is not a man, woman, or child of us who has ever been immune to the temptation to think that the relationship between God and humanity can be repaired from our side, by our efforts. Whether those efforts involve creedal correctness, cultic performances, or ethical achievements – or whether they amount to little more than crassly superstitious behavior – we are all, at some deep level, committed to them. If we are not convinced that God can be conned into being favorable to us by dint of our doctrinal orthodoxy, or chicken sacrifices, or the gritting of our moral teeth, we still have a hard time shaking the belief that stepping over sidewalk cracks, or hanging up the bath towel so the label won't show, will somehow render the Ruler of the Universe kindhearted, softheaded, or both.

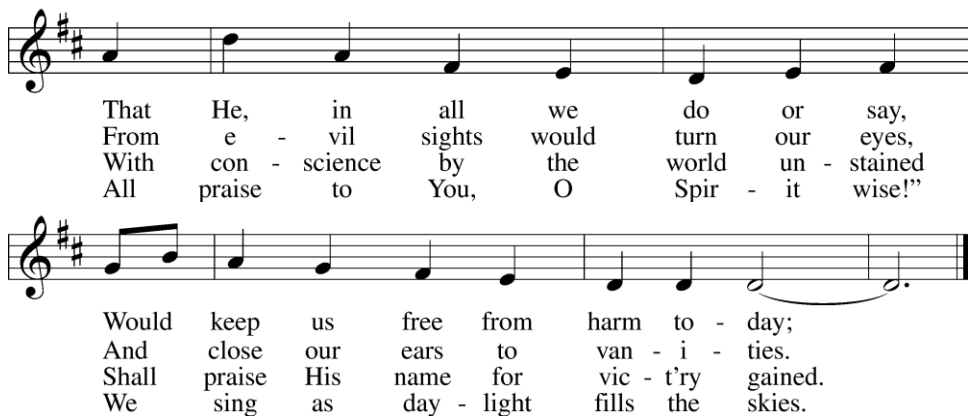
But the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is precisely Good News. It is the announcement, in the death and resurrection of Jesus, that God has simply called off the game – that He has taken all the disasters religion was trying to remedy and, without any recourse to religion at all, set them to rights by Himself. (Robert Farrar Capon, *The Parables of Grace*, 28-29)

### Hymn ~ “Now That the Daylight Fills the Sky” (Thursday & 8:00)..... Hymn 870



1 Now that the day - light fills the sky,  
2 Would guard our hearts and tongues from strife;  
3 So we, when this new day is gone  
4 "All praise to You, cre - a - tor Lord!

We lift our hearts to God on high,  
From an - ger's din would shield our life;  
And night in turn is draw - ing on,  
All praise to You, e - ter - nal Word!



That He, in all we do or say,  
From e - vil sights would turn our eyes,  
With con - science by the world un - stained wise!  
All praise to You, O Spir - it

Would keep us free from harm to - day;  
And close our ears to van - i - ties.  
Shall praise His name for vic - t'ry gained.  
We sing as day - light fills the skies.

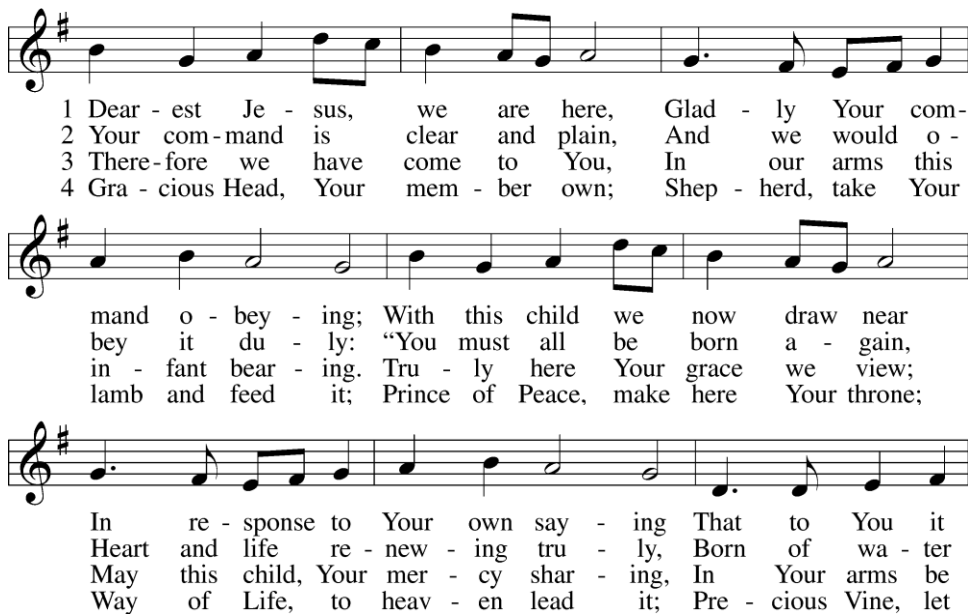
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## Hymn ~ “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here” (10:45 a.m.)..... Hymn 592

Stanzas 1-4



1 Dear - est Je - sus, we are here, Glad - ly Your com -  
2 Your com - mand is clear and plain, And we would o -  
3 There - fore we have come to You, In our arms this  
4 Gra - cious Head, Your mem - ber own; Shep - herd, take Your

mand o - bey - ing; With this child we now draw near  
bey it du - ly: “You must all be born a - gain,  
in - fant bear - ing. Tru - ly here Your grace we view;  
lamb and feed it; Prince of Peace, make here Your throne;

In re - sponse to Your own say - ing That to You it  
Heart and life re - new - ing tru - ly, Born of wa - ter  
May this child, Your mer - cy shar - ing, In Your arms be  
Way of Life, to heav - en lead it; Pre - cious Vine, let



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# The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

**\*\*Miles Thomas Moneta\*\***

*(10:45 service)*

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

**Holy Baptism** .....Page 268

**Hymn ~ “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here”** (10:45 a.m.) ..... Hymn 592  
 Stanzas 5

5 Now into Your heart we pour  
 Prayers that from our hearts proceeded.  
 Our petitions heav’nward soar;  
 May our hearts’ desires be heeded!  
 Write the name we now have given;  
 Write it in the book of heaven!

*(Thursday & 8:00 a.m. service continues here.)  
 (10:45 service continues with the Introit.)*

# Confession and Absolution

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

*Stand*

**Invocation** .....Page 151

*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** 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



Praise the LORD! Blessèd is the man who | fears the LORD,\*  
who greatly delights in his com- | mandments!

**Wealth and riches are | in his house,\*  
and his righteousness endures for- | ever.**

Light dawns in the darkness for the | upright;\*  
he is gracious, merciful, and | righteous.

**It is well with the man who deals generous- | ly and lends;\*  
who conducts his affairs with | justice.**

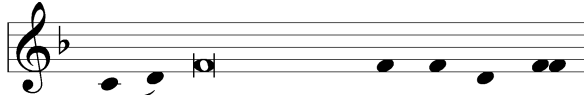
For the righteous will nev- | er be moved;\*  
he will be remembered for- | ever.

**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.**

Praise the LORD! Blessèd is the man who | fears the LORD,\*  
who greatly delights in his com- | mandments!

*Ps. 112:3 –6; antiphon: Ps. 112:1*

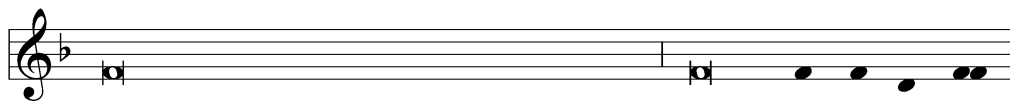
## Kyrie



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



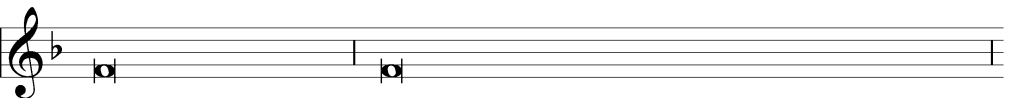
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



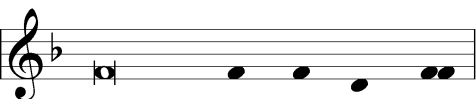
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



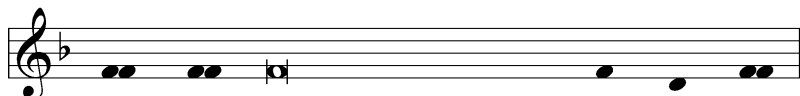
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

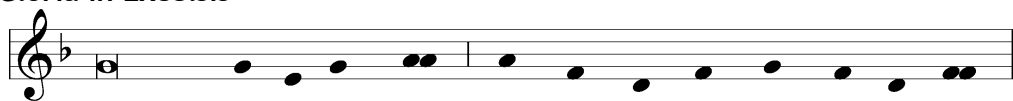


**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## Gloria in Excelsis



**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,  
 You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,  
 in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al - so with you.

### Collect of the Day

**P** Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

# Reading from the Book of Concord

*(An Explanation of What We Teach as Lutherans.)*

*Luther's Large Catechism  
The First Commandment 1-3;*

You shall have no other gods.

<sup>1</sup> What this means: You shall have Me alone as your God. What is the meaning of this, and how is it to be understood? What does it mean to have a god? Or, what is God? <sup>2</sup> Answer: A god means that from which we are to expect all good and in which we are to take refuge in all distress. So, to have a God is nothing other than trusting and believing Him with the heart. I have often said that the confidence and faith of the heart alone make both God and an idol. <sup>3</sup> If your faith and trust is right, then your god is also true. On the other hand, if your trust is false and wrong, then you do not have the true God. For these two belong together, faith and God [Hebrews 11:6]. Now, I say that whatever you set your heart on and put your trust in is truly your god.

## Readings from the Holy Scriptures

### Old Testament Lesson

**Amos 5:6-7, 10-15**

<sup>6</sup>Seek the LORD and live,  
lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph,  
and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel,  
<sup>7</sup>O you who turn justice to wormwood  
and cast down righteousness to the earth!

<sup>10</sup>They hate him who reproves in the gate,  
and they abhor him who speaks the truth.

<sup>11</sup>Therefore because you trample on the poor  
and you exact taxes of grain from him,  
you have built houses of hewn stone,  
but you shall not dwell in them;  
you have planted pleasant vineyards,  
but you shall not drink their wine.

<sup>12</sup>For I know how many are your transgressions  
and how great are your sins—  
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,  
and turn aside the needy in the gate.

<sup>13</sup>Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time,  
for it is an evil time.

<sup>14</sup>Seek good, and not evil,  
that you may live;  
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,  
as you have said.

<sup>15</sup>Hate evil, and love good,  
and establish justice in the gate;  
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,  
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Gradual

**P** He will command his angels concerning you

**C** to guard you in all your ways.

**P** Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**C** and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

*Ps. 91:11; 103:1*

### Epistle Lesson

### Hebrews 3:12-19

<sup>12</sup>Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. <sup>13</sup>But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. <sup>14</sup>For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. <sup>15</sup>As it is said,

“Today, if you hear his voice,  
do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”

<sup>16</sup>For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? <sup>17</sup>And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? <sup>18</sup>And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? <sup>19</sup>So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Verse

**P** Alleluia. Bear one another's burdens,

**C** and so fulfill the law of Christ. Alleluia.

*Mark 9:5b*

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse



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

**Mark 10:17-22**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>17</sup>As [Jesus] was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>18</sup>And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. <sup>19</sup> You know the commandments: ‘Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.’” <sup>20</sup>And he said to him, “Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth.” <sup>21</sup>And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, “You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup>Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ**

# Hymn ~ Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower” ..... Hymn 694



1 Thee will I love, my strength, my tow - er; Thee will I  
 2 Thee will I love, my life, my Sav - ior, Who art my  
 3 I thank Thee, Je - sus, Sun from heav - en, Whose ra - diance  
 4 O keep me watch - ful, then, and hum - ble; Per - mit me

love, my hope, my joy. Thee will I love with all my  
 best and tru - est friend. Thee will I love and praise for -  
 hath brought light to me; I thank Thee, who hast rich - ly  
 nev - er - more to stray. Up - hold me when my feet would

pow - er, With ar - dor time shall ne'er de - stroy. Thee will I  
 ev - er, For nev - er shall Thy kind - ness end. Thee will I  
 giv - en All that could make me glad and free; I thank Thee  
 stum - ble, And keep me on the nar - row way. Fill all my

love, O Light di - vine, So long as life is mine.  
 love with all my heart— Thou my Re - deem - er art!  
 that my soul is healed By what Thy lips re - vealed.  
 na - ture with Thy light, O Ra - diance strong and bright!

5 Thee will I love, my crown of gladness;  
 Thee will I love, my God and Lord,  
 Amid the darkest depths of sadness,  
 And not for hope of high reward,  
 For Thine own sake, O Light divine,  
 So long as life is mine.

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**Sermon**  
**“Always More”**  
**Mark 10:17-22**

*Stand*

**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  $\text{✠}$  of the world to come. Amen.

*(You may be seated if necessary.)*

Prayer of the Church

Sit

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.*

*(We request all who are present to sign the attendance book that is at the end of your row.  
Please pass this on to the person next to you.)*

Offertory ~ “O God of God, O Light of Light” ..... Hymn 810

The musical score is written for a single voice part on a five-line staff. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is simple and hymn-like, consisting of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The hymn concludes with a double bar line.

1 O God of God, O Light of Light, O Prince of Peace and  
King of kings: To You in heav-en's glo - ry bright The song of  
praise for - ev - er rings. To Him who sits up - on the throne,  
The Lamb once slain but raised a - gain, Be all the glo - ry  
He has won, All thanks and praise! A - men, a - men.

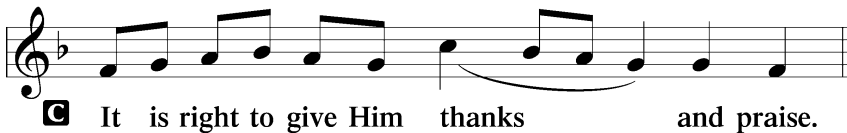
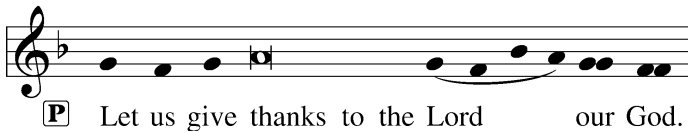
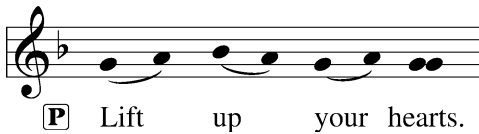
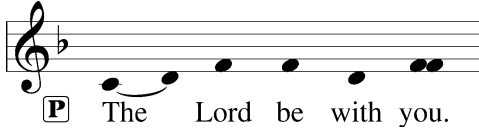
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# Service of the Sacrament

*(Please see our Communion Statement in the announcements on Page 23.)*

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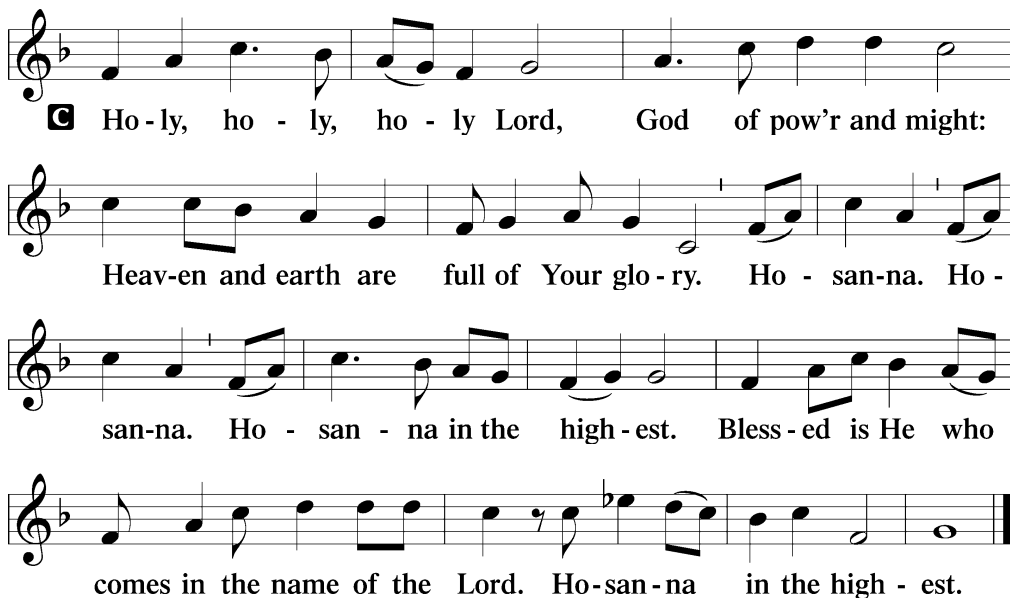
## Preface



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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



## Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** 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.

## Lord's Prayer

**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  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

**P** 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  $\text{✠}$  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

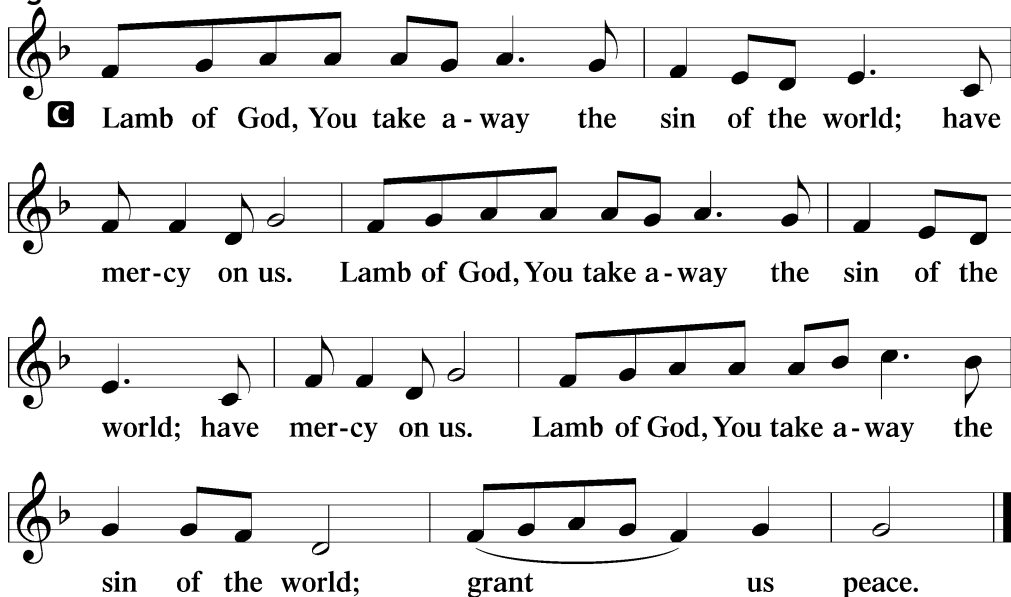


**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

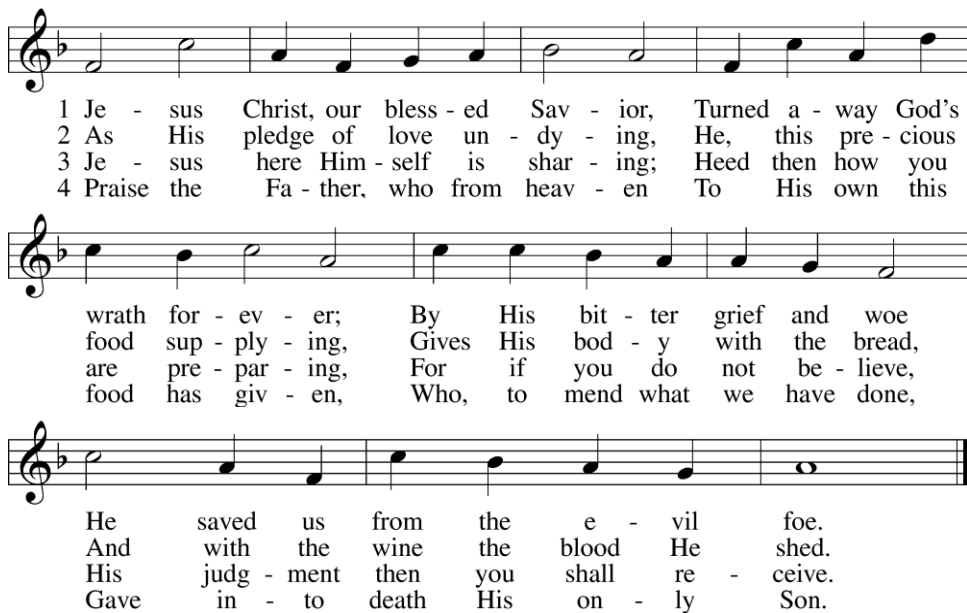
## Agnus Dei



**C** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Sit*

## Distribution Hymn ~ "Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior" ..... Hymn 627



1 Je - sus Christ, our bless - ed Sav - ior, Turned a - way God's  
2 As His pledge of love un - dy - ing, He, this pre - cious  
3 Je - sus here Him - self is shar - ing; Heed then how you  
4 Praise the Fa - ther, who from heav - en To His own this  
wrath for - ev - er; By His bit - ter grief and woe  
food sup - ply - ing, Gives His bod - y with the bread,  
are pre - par - ing, For if you do not be - lieve,  
food has giv - en, Who, to mend what we have done,  
He saved us from the e - vil foe.  
And with the wine the blood He shed.  
His judg - ment then you shall re - ceive.  
Gave in - to death His on - ly Son.

- 5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken  
That this food is to be taken  
By the sick who are distressed,  
By hearts that long for peace and rest.
- 6 Agony and bitter labor  
Were the cost of God's high favor;  
Do not come if you suppose  
You need not Him who died and rose.
- 7 Christ says: "Come, all you that labor,  
And receive My grace and favor:  
Those who feel no pain or ill  
Need no physician's help or skill.
- 8 "For what purpose was My dying  
If not for your justifying?  
And what use this precious food  
If you yourself were pure and good?"
- 9 If your heart this truth professes  
And your mouth your sin confesses,  
You will be your Savior's guest,  
Be at His banquet truly blest.
- 10 Let this food your faith so nourish  
That its fruit of love may flourish  
And your neighbor learn from you  
How much God's wondrous love can do.

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*Stand*

### Post-Communion Canticle ~ "Thank the Lord"



☐ 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.



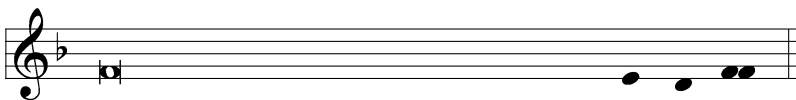
## Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray.

**A** 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.

## Benediction



**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.

Hymn - "How Wide the Love of Christ" ..... Hymn 535



1 How wide the love of Christ! It knows not class or race But  
2 How long the love of Christ! Its pa - tience will not cease Un -  
3 How high the love of Christ! Be - yond all thought it soars, And  
4 How deep the love of Christ, De - scend - ing to a cross! He  
5 All praise to You, O Christ, For love whose depth and height, Whose



holds our one hu - man - i - ty With - in its broad em - brace.  
til this bro - ken world is bound In ev - er - last - ing peace.  
yet up - on our pass - ing lives Un - mea - sured mer - cy pours.  
bears with - in His wound - ed hands All hu - man pain and loss.  
length and breadth fill time and space With end - less life and light!

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+ Silent Prayer +

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SERVICE PARTICIPANTS:	
THE PREACHER & THE LITURGIST.....	Rev. Martin P. Measel
THE ORGANIST.....	Mark Steffens
THE ORGANIST (Thursday).....	Mary Spaulding
ELDERS ON DUTY (8:00).....	Mike Jackemeyer, Andrew Copi
ELDERS ON DUTY (10:45)).....	Glenn Scowcroft, Fred Pieplow
ELDER ON DUTY (Thursday) .....	Richard Wandel
ALTAR GUILD .....	Rosemarie Castonguay, Christine Quardokus
USHERS (8:00) .....	Steve Huycke – Captain, Tom Ulmer, John Schulz
.....	Mike Essig, Chuck Dinges Matthew Starkey, Andrew Gerken
USHERS (10:45) .....	Tom Drews, Tim Drews – Co-captains, Bob Wolfanger,
.....	Don Mensinger, Harry Steffen

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

Amanda Clark	Barbara Maul	Laura Leshner
Addie Scheffler	Dave Knuth	Miro Virsik
Amee Mantei	Jean Mort	Nancy Duke
Nathan Gerken	Kathy Karnik	Ferny Rantz
	Joseph Klupp	

**Family or friends who are ill, hospitalized or having surgery*****Continued Prayers:*****Aubrey Hamby** – nephew of Dee Payovich**Austin Arndt** – grandson of Linda Steinke**Karol Syring** – daughter of Ken Vieregge**Cate Reed** – granddaughter of Doris Beezley**Grace Gerken** – niece of Andrew & Terri Gerken**Jim Russell** – brother of Mark Russell**Keith Avery** – friend of Ralph & Devona Dinges**Kevin Schmidt** – nephew of Sharon Lowmaster**Maria Young** – friend of Mary Spaulding**Marian Gerken** – mother of Andy Gerken**Nancy Gerald** – daughter of Gerry & Wilma Malinasky**Paula Hicks** – niece of Dee Payovich**Phil Oberhaus** – brother of Susan Jackemeyer**Taryn Schroder** – sister of Tamara Paulun**William Maul** – brother of Charlie 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,**Joseph Schafer** – nephew of Pastor Quardokus, **Mitchell Carter** – grandson of Bob Dixon, **Matt Weiss**, nephew of Fred & Jeanne Huff**Missionaries**

Rev. Herb and Markie Burch in Belize, Deaconess Caitlin Worden de Ramirez in the Dominican Republic, and Rev. Roger James in the Philippines.

## *Bulletin Announcements for October 10, 2021*

**WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS.** We are pleased to have you join us as we gather to receive God's gifts – the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation – which God promises to give us in His Holy Word and Sacraments. If you are visiting, please introduce yourself to those around you and to the pastors. Pastor Measel is also available to address any questions you might have about what we teach and practice. Please join us again soon. If you are visiting, please take time to sign your name in our guest book and take a visitor bag.

**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 10:45 service is Miles Thomas Moneta. Miles is the son of Alex & Sarah Moneta. His sponsors are T.J. Moneta & Shauna Schut.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – The flowers on the altar today are dedicated to the Glory of God, in honor of Lance & Vicki Rausch on the occasion of their 26<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. The flowers are also on the occasion of the baptism of Miles Thomas Moneta, given by great-grandparents, Joe & Nancy Judkins.

**2021 FLOWER CHART** – The flower chart for 2021 is posted in the commons area. If you would like to give altar flowers on a particular Sunday in memory of loved ones or to recognize a special occasion such as a birthday or anniversary of family or friends, please sign up for the date you would like. The cost of altar flowers is \$20.00. After the services, they are delivered to a shut-in or someone that is sick or hospitalized. Thank you!



**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** – *The 2021 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 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, given in  
loving memory of Barbara Whitwam, by David Whitwam.*

***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.thenewqvyq.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](http://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 & Kristy Sandmann Family  
Jennifer Steffens  
Tim & Ferny Rantz Family

Sam & Diane Satkoski Family  
Joanne Ciboch  
Kevin & Anita Weich 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:*



Rev. Herb and Markie Burch serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Belize, Central America. From Belize, they support other Lutheran ministries in Central and South America. Herb travels to several preaching stations throughout Belize where he preaches, coaches pastoral candidates and teaches adults and children about the Christian faith through Luther's Small Catechism. Pray for Herb and Markie as they serve in Belize. They seek prayers for common sense, wisdom, creative problem-solving skills, good health, sustained vigor and continued opportunities to share the Gospel with people desperate to learn about Jesus. Let us give thanks that Herb and Markie are serving in this part of the world.

**THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS WITH PASTOR QUARDOKUS** - Bible class led by Pastor Quardokus is held on Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

**TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY** - Luther notes, Romans is St Paul's clearest systematic declaration of the Gospel. For that reason, Romans is one of the most popular NT books to study. Classes are held on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. and Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.

**"SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS"** - Our congregation is considering offering a free, one day, 2-hour seminar, for those persons who have suffered the loss of a loved one. "Surviving the Holidays," offers tips for getting through the holidays, help for grieving children, & other insightful topics. You can view a short video clip on the seminar, "Surviving the Holidays," at [www.griefshare.org/holidays](http://www.griefshare.org/holidays) on your phone or computer. The seminar would be offered via zoom in November. Date and time will be announced, pending interest in the seminar. We are currently gauging our congregation's interest. Please text or email to let me know if you might be interested! Becky Russell at 269-429-8770.

**ANGEL GOWNS** are gowns made from donated wedding dresses and made to fit babies who die at birth. The donated wedding dresses are disassembled, then we cut the fabric into gowns in various sizes (1-10 lbs.). The gowns are distributed to 12 local hospitals to be given to the parents who have lost their baby. The volunteers who do this wish to show the parents their heartfelt care and love for them during their time of loss. We also include a message that God cares for them. We are in NEED of women to help sew the gowns together. It takes about one and one half hours to complete one gown. Or, if you wish to cut fabric so others can sew that would be very helpful. If you are interested or wish to help sew, please contact Betty Spencer at 429-6080.

**CHRIST LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S CHAPEL MISSION IS COMPLETE!** - CLS has met the goal of packing 20 bags of school supplies for Lutheran World Relief. Thank you to all who donated!

**PTL CARAMEL APPLE FUNDRAISER** Christ Lutheran's PTL will soon be taking orders for caramel apples just in time for holiday gift giving. Look for more information coming soon!

**ADULTS DINE OUT** – An A.D.O. will be held on Friday, October 29 at 6:30 p.m. at LakeHouse Restaurant, St. Joseph. Reservations are needed. Be sure to sign up on the sheet on the table in the commons area

**CHICKEN DINNER AT TRINITY LUTHERAN, GLENDORA, OCTOBER 20** - Trinity Lutheran's Ladies League & Thrivent is sponsoring a chicken dinner on Wednesday, October 20. Pick up times are 4:30-5:30 p.m., 5:30-6:15 p.m. & 6:15-7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$12.00 for adults, \$6.00 for children 4-12, ages 3 and under are free. For tickets, call Carolyn Schmaltz at 422-1311.

**7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT ON OCTOBER 31!** Join Christ Lutheran School's PTL for a community outreach event in our parking lot between 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Decorate your car or pull up a chair and share some treats with our neighbors. We are accepting individually wrapped candy to hand out for Trunk-or-Treat. Donations can be put in the marked boxes by the display case or in the church narthex. Thank you! If you would like to help or have questions, contact Laura Hildebrand 269-815-5242.

**LWML MISSION GRANT FOR OCTOBER - Healing the Invisible Wounds of War through Horses** Maine is among the list of “least churchd” states in the nation. It has only three LCMS churches in the entire state and has only five Veteran Administration Chaplains. Deaconess Kim Slininger was called to Hope Lutheran Church to reach out to the extensive veteran and military community in the Bangor area. Deaconess Kim is herself a disabled veteran, and the Spirit Warrior program is an extension of her ministry. Spirit Warrior is a program that addresses the need to provide pastoral/diaconal care using horses, to those who have stood in the face of evil and have returned. Current traditional therapy does not address the care of the spirit. Many veterans/service members want to connect with God and theological discussions take place while caring for the horses. This grant will provide funding for 58 veterans to go through the program.

**CHRIST PTL LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER** – The Christ Lutheran PTL is looking for a person willing to head the pie sale for the 2022-2023 school year. No experience necessary! Must be willing to coordinate getting the supplies and volunteers and will also be responsible for supervising the assembly of the pies and of the sale. If you have any questions, contact Tabatha Winter (269) 326-2526.



**A delicious brunch of french toast casserole, sausage, fruit and pastries will be served next Sunday between services. Please don't miss this opportunity to show Pastor & Jill Measel and their family our love and gratitude for their faithful service. Sign up on the sheet in the commons area. (There will be no bible class next Sunday). A freewill offering will be taken for the food.**

**Hebrews 3:18-19 – “And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.”** Unbelief leads to disobedience – that is, every sin expresses the opposite of faith. True and living faith guides us into the Lord's way and the Lord's plan. And when we fall into sin it's because we are not trusting the Lord's goodness and provision.

# Charting Our Course – Statistics from Last Week

<u>Thursday Service:</u>	<u>09/28/2021</u>		
	23		
<u>Sunday:</u>	<u>10/03/2021</u>		
	8:00 A.M.	80	
	10:45 A.M.	<u>62</u>	Adult Bible Class 22
Total:	142		Weekday Classes 67
<u>Streaming Views Sunday:</u>	87		

Prior Week Total Budgeted Receipts	\$32,940
Average Weekly Budgeted Disbursements	\$18,572



## This Week at Christ Lutheran Church

Sunday, October 10	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Communion Worship Service Bible Class Communion Worship Service
Monday, October 11	7:00 p.m.	<i>All Boards Meeting</i>
Tuesday, October 12	7:00 p.m.	Bible Class
Wednesday, October 13	9:30 a.m.	Bible Class
Thursday, October 14	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Bible Class Worship Service
Friday, October 15	.	
Saturday, October 16		
Sunday, October 17	8:00 a.m. <i>9:30 a.m.</i> 10:45 a.m.	<i>Contemporary</i> Worship Service <i>Pastor Appreciation Brunch</i> Worship Service