

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church



Graduation SUNDAY

Divine Service One Worship Service

Thursday, May 28, 2026 @ 7PM

Sunday, May 31, 2026 @ 8AM & 10:45AM

4333 Cleveland Ave, Stevensville, MI 49127

Sunday Services @ 8AM & 10:45AM

Sunday Bible Class 9:30AM

Thursday Evening Service at 7PM

Christian Day School: PreK – 8th Grade

Holy Trinity | Graduation Sunday

The Athanasian Creed

Early in the fourth century, a North African pastor named Arius began teaching that Jesus Christ was not truly God but rather the first of creation. The Church responded decisively in A.D. 325 with a statement of faith (The Nicene Creed), which confesses what the Bible says that Jesus is, in fact, truly God. Toward the end of the fifth century, another creed was written that describes further the mystery of the Trinity. This creed is named for Athanasius, who stood up for Christ against the attack of Arius upon Jesus' divinity.

The Athanasian Creed proclaims the teachings of the Bible and the universal Christian or *catholic* faith concerning God as He has revealed Himself to us as the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, the One we know as the Holy Trinity. The true church of all times and all places has confessed this faith. More than 15 centuries later, the church continues to confess this truth, confident that the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, has given Himself for our salvation.

-The Athanasian Creed is found on pages 319 & 320 of the hymnal.

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.

Opening Hymn

“Holy, Holy, Holy” Hymn 507



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,
 On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.
 Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826
 Tune: John B. Dykes, 1823–76
 Text and tune: Public domain

Confession and Absolution

Stand

Invocation

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.

Matthew 28.19b; [18:20]

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.

1 John 1:8-9

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.

[John 20:19-23]

C Amen.

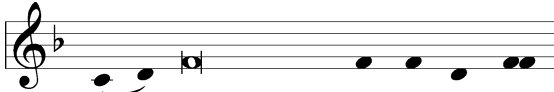
Service of the Word

Introit



- P** Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided | Unity.*
Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mer- | cy to us.
- C** **I have set the Lord always be- | fore me;***
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be | shaken.
- P** Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being re- | joices;*
my flesh also | dwells secure.
- C** **For you will not abandon my soul | to Sheol,***
or let your holy one see cor- | ruption.
- P** You make known to me the | path of life;*
in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.
- C** **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
- P** Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided | Unity.*
Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mer- | cy to us.

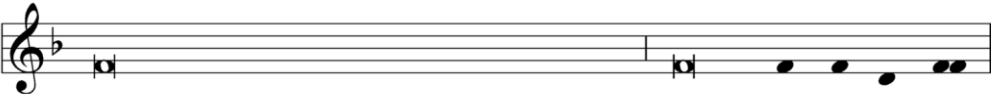
Kyrie



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.



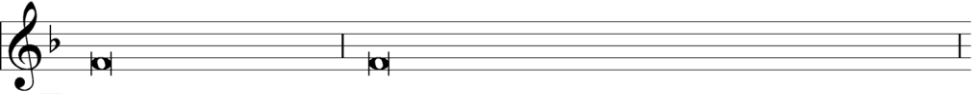
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



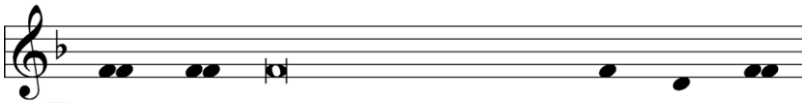
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C A - men.

"This is the Feast"

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9

Refrain



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Women 1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
Men 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

Women 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to

Men 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Reading from the Book of Concord

An explanation of what we believe as Lutherans.

The Augsburg Confession, Article I, God, 1-4.

Our churches teach with common consent the decree of the Council of Nicaea about the unity of the divine essence and the three persons is true. It is to be believed without any doubt. God is one divine essence who is eternal, without a body, without parts, of infinite power, wisdom, and goodness. He is the maker and preserver of all things, visible and invisible. Yet there are three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These three persons are of the same essence and power. Our churches use the term *person* as the Fathers have used it. We use it to signify, not a part or quality in another, but that which subsists of itself.

Readings from Holy Scripture

Old Testament

Genesis 1:1—2:4a

¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

³And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶And God said, “Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. ⁸And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹And God said, “Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

¹¹And God said, “Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth.” And it was so.

¹²The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴And God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” And it was so.

¹⁶And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰And God said, “Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds

fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens.” ²¹So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²And God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds.” And it was so. ²⁵And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

²⁷So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

²⁸And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” ²⁹And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. ³¹And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

^{2:1}Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ²And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

⁴These are the generations
of the heavens and the earth when they were created,

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 Lesson

Acts 2:14a, 22–36

¹⁴Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . . ²²“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know—²³this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵For David says concerning him,

“I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;
²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
my flesh also will dwell in hope.
²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One see corruption.
²⁸You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

²⁹“Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. ³⁴For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

“The Lord said to my Lord,
Sit at my right hand,
³⁵until I make your enemies your footstool.’

³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

P This is the Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia

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.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter

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

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Athanasian Creed

Part 1

P Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the **catholic* faith.

C **Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.**

P And the catholic faith is this,

C **that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.**

P For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.

C **But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.**

P Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:

C **the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;**

P the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

C **the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.**

P And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,

C **just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.**

P In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;

C **and yet there are not three Almightyies, but one Almighty.**

P So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

C **and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.**

P So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

C **and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.**

P Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord,

C **so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.**

[*Note: The word *catholic* here does not indicate The Roman Catholic Church which is written with an uppercase “C”. Here *catholic* is used in its original sense of “universal” or “the whole Christian Church.”]

Sit

Hymn of the Day

"Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest" Hymn 498



1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, Cre - a - tor blest, And make
 2 To You, the Coun - sel - or, we cry, To You,
 3 In You, with grac - es sev - en - fold, We God's
 4 Your light to ev - 'ry thought im - part, And shed



our hearts Your place of rest; Come with Your grace and
 the gift of God Most High; The fount of life, the
 al - might - y hand be - hold While You with tongues of
 Your love in ev - 'ry heart; The weak - ness of our



heav'n - ly aid, And fill the hearts which You have made.
 fire of love, The soul's a - noint - ing from a - bove.
 fire pro - claim To all the world His ho - ly name.
 mor - tal state With death - less might in - vig - or - ate.

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

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

Text: attr. Rabanus Maurus, 776–856; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–78, alt.
 Tune: Geistliche Lieder aufs new gebessert, 1533, Wittenberg, ed. Joseph Klug
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Sermon
"The Nature of God"
Thursday, Pastor Measel

Sermon
"The Life & Love of God"
Sunday, Seminarian Matthew Machemer

Stand

- P** The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.
- C** **The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.**
- P** The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.
- C** **Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.**
- P** And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;
- C** **but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.**
- P** Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.
- C** **But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.**
- P** Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.
- C** **He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:**
- P** perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;
- C** **equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.**
- P** Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:
- C** **one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;**
- P** one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.
- C** **For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,**
- P** who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,
- C** **ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**
- P** At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.
- C** **And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.**
- P** This is the *catholic faith;
- C** **whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

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Prayer of the Church | You may be seated if necessary.

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.
Scan the QR code to set-up automatic giving*



Offertory

"What Shall I Render"

What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of-fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv-ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru-sa-lem.



Presentation of Diplomas

Mrs. Tamara Paulun, *Director of Board of Education*

Mr. Neil Webb, *Principal*

Landon Ackerman

Hugo Bargren

Aubrey Cochran

Carter DeJong

Charlie Loeffler

Micah Necas



Michigan Lutheran High School Graduate(s)

Allie Leshner



St. Joseph High School Graduate(s)

Kale Silcox



University of Michigan Graduate(s)

Elliot Measel




Prayer for the Graduates

Service of the Sacrament


(Please see our Communion Statement in the announcements on Page 20.)

Stand


Preface



P The Lord be with you.



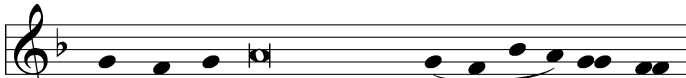
C And al - so with you.




P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.



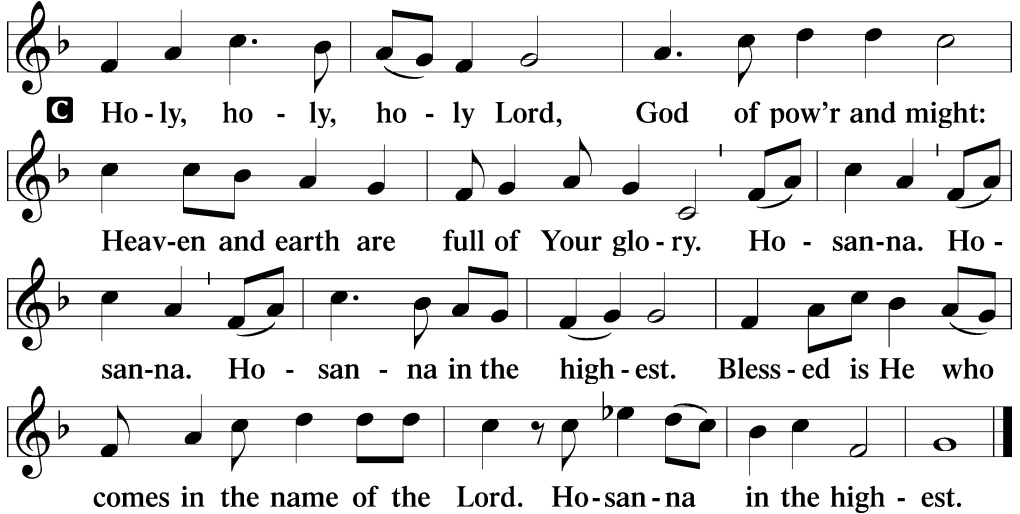
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, who with Your only begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in person and the Unity in substance, of majesty coequal. 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



C 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.

Distribution Hymn

“Father Most Holy”..... Hymn 504



1 Fa - ther most ho - ly, mer-ci - ful, and ten - der; Je - sus, our
2 Trin - i - ty bless - ed, u - ni - ty un - shak - en, Good-ness un -
3 Mak - er of all things, all Thy crea-tures praise Thee; All for Thy
△ 4 Lord God Al - might - y, un - to Thee be glo - ry, One in three



Sav - ior, with the Fa - ther reign - ing; Spir - it of com - fort,
bound - ed, ver - y God of heav - en, Light of the an - gels,
wor - ship were and are cre - at - ed; Now, as we al - so
per - sons, o - ver all ex - alt - ed! Glo - ry we of - fer,



ad - vo - cate, de - fend - er, Light nev - er wan - ing;
joy of those for - sak - en, Hope of all liv - ing,
wor - ship Thee de - vout - ly, Hear Thou our voic - es.
praise Thee and a - dore Thee, Now and for - ev - er.

Text: Latin, c. 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867–1936, alt.
Tune: Antiphoner, 1681, Paris
Text and tune: Public domain

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.



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



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

Stand

Closing Hymn

“Glory Be to God the Father”Hymn 506



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to
2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each
3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the
4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of



God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:
spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,
Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;
an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!



Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,
Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,
Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,
Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,



glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!
glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!
glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!
glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

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+ Silent Prayer +

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ELDER(S) ON DUTY (8AM | 10:45AM) Delmar Lange, Fred Huff | Andrew Gerken, Mike Reinschreiber
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USHERS (8AM) Bob Appelget, Andy Copi, Paul Jackemeyer, Bob Eisenman
USHERS (10:45AM) Dale Zombory, Phil Cole

Matthew 28:19–20 – “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.” Behold the threefold Name of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We are baptized into this Name. We have been made a part of God’s family. Now, we are called to live in harmony with our new family, to be godly and live in God’s image. As God is loving, kind and generous, so are we all called to be.

THE LORD’S SUPPER is celebrated 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 own detriment (*1 Corinthians 11:28-30*) and because Holy Communion is a confession of faith which is confessed at this altar, (*1 Corinthians 10:16-18*) any whom are not members, not yet instructed, or whom hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked to first speak with the pastor.

THE FRONT PEW ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE SANCTUARY is reserved during communion services for those whom have physical difficulty approaching the altar for communion. Communion services are held the second and fourth Sunday of each month. Please be seated in this pew if you want the pastor to bring you communion.



MEMORY VERSE

**Put on then, as
God’s chosen ones,
holy and beloved,
compassionate
hearts, kindness,
humility, meekness,
and patience.**

COLOSSIANS 3:12



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Church News!

Greetings and welcome to all! Families and friends, visitors from far and near are all welcomed in the name of Christ. Let us join with hearts and hands, bodies and spirits in worshipping the Creator of us all - with rejoicing! If you are visiting, please sign our guest book located on the *welcome* center desk.

FLOWER CHART – Consider honoring a family member or special occasion by sponsoring Sunday altar flowers (\$40) using the Flower Chart located in the church commons. The bouquets are later delivered to shut-in members or individuals on our prayer list.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP – Christ Lutheran records two radio broadcasts per month. Consider sponsoring a broadcast for \$150.00 to share with a family member or friend. Be sure to sign-up in order to secure a specific date! Our *Local Lutheran Worship Service Broadcasts* are now on **WSJM 94.9 FM on Sunday mornings from 8AM – 9AM**. The services can also be heard by visiting www.wsjmsports.com and clicking on *listen live*.

Our service was recorded last Sunday and will air next Sunday.

This broadcast is dedicated to the glory of God,

In honor of Gregg & Sandy Shunkwiler's 50th Anniversary (6/5/76).

Given by Gregg & Sandy Shunkwiler.

THE PRAYER OF A RIGHTEOUS MAN IS POWERFUL AND EFFECTIVE.

We remember the following Missionary in our prayers this week:



The Rev. Chris (Beijing, China) and Dr. Jenny (Taipei, Taiwan) Yang serve the Lord through the LCMS in Asia, based in Taiwan. The Yangs are returning to the mission field in Asia, where Chris previously served as a church planter from 2015 to 2018. In his current role, he provides Word and Sacrament ministry in Taiwan and supports theological education and Mandarin-speaking ministry across the region. He received a bachelor's degree in engineering from Tsinghua University, Beijing, and a master's degree in computer science and mathematics from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill. He has been working with Chinese mission and ministries, especially with students and young adults, since 1997. Jenny received her bachelor's degree from Taipei National University of the Arts and her master's degree from the Eastman School of Music at the University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y. She also earned a Doctor of Musical Arts (D.M.A.) degree in violin performance from the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. Jenny has worked as a music teacher in various schools and studios, and she homeschooled their two sons, Jonathan and David. She also translates and edits English-language Lutheran materials into Mandarin Chinese for the Evangelical Lutheran Mission Society for the Chinese.

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASS REMINDER – Both Tuesday & Wednesday bible classes have wrapped up for the summer! Classes will resume after Labor Day.

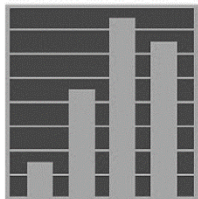
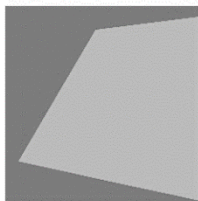
SUMMER HOURS – **Beginning Monday, June 1st** the office is open from **9am to 1pm Monday – Thursday, closed Fridays**. Due to vacations and summer projects we advise everyone to call ahead to be sure someone is here to help you!

CLS SEEKING 2ND GRADE TEACHER – Mrs. Heather Steffens will be transitioning to our Middle School where she will be the homeroom teacher for our 5th & 6th grades. This means we are looking for a 2nd grade teacher to join our ministry here at CLS. If you know a good candidate, please let Mr. Webb know (269-429-7111).

SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER - Supporting Michigan's 2026 *Miss Amazing Representative*, Deleigh McClintock! Join us **Saturday, June 6th from 4-9pm** here at Christ Lutheran for an evening for a hearty spaghetti dinner with friends and neighbors as we raise funds for the journey to the *Miss Amazing National Summit*. Your support helps celebrate the empowerment for girls and women with disabilities. Bid on a variety of exciting items and experiences generously donated by our local community businesses. Come hungry and leave inspired! All proceeds go directly toward national competition travel and registration fees.

SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING – **Sunday, June 7 at 9:15am** will be a Special Voters' meeting to approve the next fiscal year budget. June 7 at 9:15am. We need a quorum to approve the budget and install the new board heads.

MOVIE NIGHT – Join us **Sunday, June 14th at 3PM** in the *all purpose room* to watch "The Chosen." Hope to see you there!



CHURCH CLERK'S REPORT

<i>Weekly Services</i>	Attendance	
Thursday 05/21/26	7PM	11
Sunday 05/24/26	8AM	84
<i>Online Attendees: 36</i>	10:45AM	65
Tuesday Bible Class	05/19/26	11
Wednesday Bible Class	05/20/26	21
Thursday Bible Class	05/21/26	21
Sunday Bible Class	05/24/26	23
<i>*Week of 05/24/26 total budgeted receipts</i>	\$11,637.00	
<i>YTD Contributions</i>	\$803,433.73	
<i>YTD Budget</i>	\$813,461.54	
<i>YTD Over Under</i>	\$-10,027.81	
<i>Weekly Budgeted Plate & General Fund Memorials</i>	\$17,307.69	
<i>Over Under</i>	\$-5,670.69	

	Sunday, May 31 <i>Holy Trinity</i> Graduation Sunday	8AM 9:30AM 10:45AM	Communion Worship Service Bible Class Communion Worship Service
	Monday, June 1 Tues, June 2 Wed, June 3	Summer Office Hours: M-Th 9-1pm	
Thursday, June 4	10AM 7PM	Bible Class Worship Service	
Friday, June 5			
Saturday, June 6			
Sunday, June 7 <i>Second Sunday after Pentecost</i>	8AM 9:15AM 10:45AM	Worship Service Special *BUDGET* Voters' Meeting Worship Service	



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