

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church

“BELIEVE
ME THAT

**I AM IN
THE FATHER
AND THE FATHER
IS IN ME,**

OR ELSE BELIEVE ON
ACCOUNT OF THE
WORKS THEMSELVES.”

JOHN
14:11,
ESV

Divine Service One Worship Service

Thursday, May 7, 2026 @ 7PM

Sunday, May 10, 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

Sixth Sunday in Easter

As We Gather

On Mothers' Day it is important for us to remember that God has established the family. He has given the gift of mothers. We especially thank God for the gift of Christian mothers who have the wisdom to raise their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Today we remember God's Word in the Fourth Commandment: "Honor your father and your mother." *What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them. – *Pastor Quardokus*

Opening Hymn

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven".....Hymn 793



1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; To His feet your
Choir 2 Praise Him for His grace and fa - vor To His peo - ple
Choir 3 Fa - ther-like He tends and spares us; Well our fee - ble
4 An - gels, help us to a - dore Him; You be - hold Him



trib - ute bring; Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
in dis - tress; Praise Him still the same as ev - er,
frame He knows; In His hand He gent - ly bears us,
face to face; Sun and moon, bow down be - fore Him,



Ev - er - more His prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia,
Slow to chide and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia,
Res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia,
All who dwell in time and space. Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in His faith - ful - ness.
al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet His mer - cy flows.
al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

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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.

C Amen.

[John 20:19-23]

Service of the Word

Thursday Service

Introit



- P** Your word is a lamp | to my feet*
and a light | to my path.
- C** **Forever, O | Lord, your word***
is firmly fixed | in the heavens.
- P** Your faithfulness endures to all gener- | ations; *
you have established the earth, and it | stands fast.
- C** **By your appointment they | stand this day,***
for all things are your | servants.
- P** If your law had not been | my delight,*
I would have perished in my af- | fliction.
- C** **I will never forget your | precepts,***
for by them you have giv- | en me life.
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** Your word is a lamp | to my feet*
and a light | to my path.

Ps. 119:89–93; antiphon: Ps. 119:105

Sunday Service | Christus Choir | Choir All verses | **Refrain Congregation**

Introit (*1st Refrain: Choir; C on repeat immediately*) Hymn 556

¹Praise | the LORD!* Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²I will praise the LORD as long | as I live;* I will sing praises to my God while I have my | being.

³Put not your trust in | princes,* in a son of man, in whom there is no sal- | vation.

⁴When his breath departs he returns | to the earth;* on that very day his plans | perish.

⁵Blessèd is he whose help is the God of | Jacob,* whose hope is in the | LORD his God,

⁶who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is | in them,*
who keeps faith for- | ever;

⁷who executes justice for | the oppressed,* who gives food to the | hungry.

I will praise the LORD as long | as I live;* I will sing praises to my God while I have my | being.

The LORD sets the prisoners free; ⁸the LORD opens the eyes | of the blind.*

The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the | righteous.

⁹The LORD watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the | fatherless,*
but the way of the wicked he brings to | ruin.

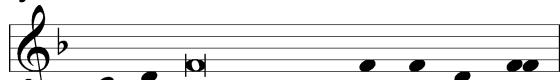
¹⁰The LORD will reign for- | ever,* your God, O Zion, to all generations. | Praise the LORD!

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.

I will praise the LORD as long | as I live;* I will sing praises to my God while I have my | being.

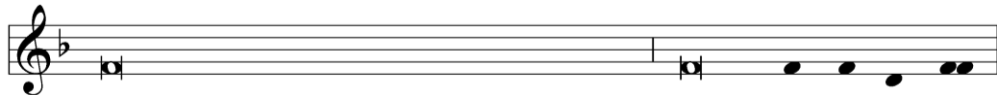
Kyrie



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



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



G 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.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



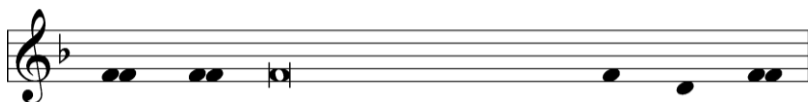
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



G 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. O God, the Giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Reading from the Book of Concord

An explanation of what we believe as Lutherans.

Luther's Large Catechism

The Fourth Commandment, pg. 105-107

To the position of fatherhood and motherhood God has given special distinction above all positions that are beneath it: He does not simply command us to love our parents, but to honor them. Regarding our brothers, sisters, and neighbors in general, He commands nothing more than that we love them [Matthew 22:39; 1 John 3:14]. In this way He separates and distinguishes father and mother from all other persons upon earth and places them on His side. For it is a far higher thing to honor someone than to love someone, because honor includes not only love, but also modesty, humility, and submission to a majesty hidden in them. Honor requires not only that parents be addressed kindly and with reverence, but also that, both in the heart and with the body, we demonstrate that we value them very highly, and that, next to God, we regard them as the very highest. For someone we honor from the heart we must also truly regard as high and great.

Readings from Holy Scripture

First Lesson

Acts 17:16-31

¹⁶Now while Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, "What does this babblers wish to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities"—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting?" ²⁰For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean." ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

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²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for

“‘In him we live and move and have our being’;
as even some of your own poets have said,

“‘For we are indeed his offspring.’

²⁹Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

P This is the word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

P Christ has risen from the dead.

C **[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor,**

P He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

C **he has put all things under his feet.**

adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6

Epistle Lesson

1 Peter 3:13–22

¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness’ sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God’s will, than for doing evil.

¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰because they formerly did not

obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

P This is the word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia

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

Holy Gospel

John 14:15-21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁵[Jesus said:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

¹⁸"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Children's  MESSAGE

“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” (Stanzas 1, 6–10) Hymn 556



1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re - joice, With ex - ul - ta - tion
6 The Son o - beyed His Fa-ther's will, Was born of vir - gin
7 To me He said: “Stay close to Me, I am your rock and
8 “Though he will shed My pre-cious blood, Me of My life be -



spring - ing, And with u - nit - ed heart and voice And ho - ly
moth - er; And God's good plea - sure to ful - fill, He came to
cas - tle. Your ran - som I My - self will be; For you I
reav - ing, All this I suf - fer for your good; Be stead - fast



rap - ture sing - ing, Pro - claim the won - ders God has done, How
be my broth - er. His roy - al pow'r dis - guised He bore; A
strive and wres - tle. For I am yours, and you are Mine, And
and be - liev - ing. Life will from death the vic - t'ry win; My



His right arm the vic - t'ry won. What price our ran - som cost Him!
ser - vant's form, like mine, He wore To lead the dev - il cap - tive.
where I am you may re - main; The foe shall not di - vide us.
in - no - cence shall bear your sin, And you are blest for - ev - er.

9 “Now to My Father I depart,
From earth to heav'n ascending,
And, heav'nly wisdom to impart,
The Holy Spirit sending;
In trouble He will comfort you
And teach you always to be true
And into truth shall guide you.

10 “What I on earth have done and taught
Guide all your life and teaching;
So shall the kingdom's work be wrought
And honored in your preaching.
But watch lest foes with base alloy
The heav'nly treasure should destroy;
This final word I leave you.”

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Sermon
“If...then...”
John 14:15-21

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 ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

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*

Online 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.

Service of the Sacrament

(Please see our Communion Statement in the announcements on Page 18.)

Stand

Preface

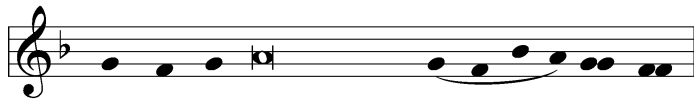
P The Lord be with you.

G 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; And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, 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

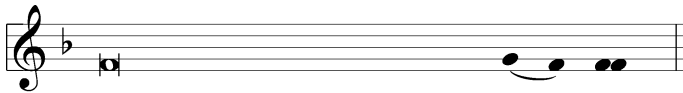
C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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 $\cdot\text{I}$ 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 $\cdot\text{I}$ 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.

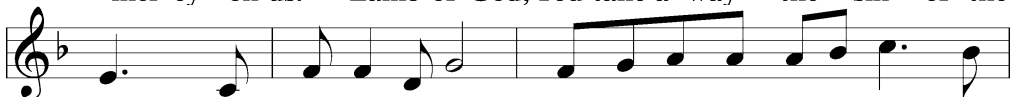
Agnus Dei



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, Thy Boundless Love to Me” Hymn 683



1 Je - sus, Thy bound - less love to me No thought can reach, no
2 O grant that noth - ing in my soul May dwell, but Thy pure
3 This love un - wea - ried I pur - sue And daunt - less - ly to
4 In suf - f'ring be Thy love my peace, In weak - ness be Thy



tongue de - clare; U - nite my thank - ful heart to Thee,
love a - lone; Oh, may Thy love pos - sess me whole,
Thee as - pire. Oh, may Thy love my hope re - new,
love my pow'r; And when the storms of life shall cease,



And reign with - out a ri - val there! Thine whol - ly, Thine a -
My joy, my trea - sure, and my crown! All cold - ness from my
Burn in my soul like heav'n - ly fire! And day and night, be
O Je - sus, in that fi - nal hour, Be Thou my rod and



lone I am; Be Thou a - lone my con - stant flame.
heart re - move; My ev - 'ry act, word, thought be love.
all my care To guard this sa - cred trea - sure there.
staff and guide, And draw me safe - ly to Thy side!

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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

Post-Communion Collect

P O God, the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank you that for his sake you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament, and we ask you not to forsake your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled to serve you constantly; 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.

Closing Hymn

“We Know That Christ Is Raised”.....Hymn 603



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
2 We share by wa - ter in His sav - ing death.
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.



Em - braced by death, He broke its fear - ful hold;
Re - born, we share with Him an Eas - ter life
The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the Church of God.



And our de - spair He turned to blaz - ing joy.
As liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ.
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.



Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!

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+ Silent Prayer +

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USHERS (10:45)..... Dale Zombory, Phil Cole

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

*Rejoice in hope,
be patient in
tribulation,
be constant
in prayer.*

ROMANS 12:12



Prayers

Members who are ill, hospitalized or having surgery

Amee Mantei	Dave Knuth	Klaus Nixdorf
Andrea Nystuen	Eleanor Hoge	Linda Drews
Barbara Maul	Faith Timm	Norma Priebe
Barb Rodgers	Ferny Rantz	Pat Hutter
Carol Bonczkowski	Ginny Drews	Ralph Dinges
Cindy White	Jean Keehn	Roger Seely
Connie Schwanger	Joseph Klupp	Susan Jackemeyer
		Ted Froehlich

Family or friends who are ill, hospitalized or having surgery

Addie Horstman - <i>sister of Mary Spaulding</i>	Karol Syring - <i>daughter of Ken Vieregge</i>
Allee Bauer - <i>granddaughter of Keith & Debbie Yeske</i>	Liam Pugh - <i>grandson of Paula Benner</i>
Austin Arndt - <i>grandson of Linda Steinke</i>	Lissa Dehring - <i>niece of Joyce Totzke</i>
Barb Lange - <i>friend of Thelma Szoke</i>	Matt Jones - <i>friend of Chad Hartman</i>
Betty Neer - <i>mother of Terri Gerken</i>	Melvin Machemer – <i>son of Ellen Machemer</i>
Chris Watson - <i>son of Tom & Marie Watson</i>	Mike Szoke – <i>nephew of Thelma Szoke</i>
Christian Myers - <i>son of friend of Thelma Szoke</i>	Nancy Gerald – <i>daughter of Jerry & Wilma Malinasky</i>
Erin Sage - <i>friend of Thelma Szoke</i>	Phil Oberhaus - <i>brother of Susan Jackemeyer</i>
Ethan White - <i>friend of Elliot Measel</i>	Penny Haldy - <i>mother of Andrea Dunn</i>
Grant Plath - <i>friend of Joann Ciboch</i>	Reece Clark - <i>grandson of Walt & Diane Clark</i>
Heidi Bowie - <i>daughter of Irene Klupp</i>	Robert Laird - <i>son-in-law of Jerry & Wilma Malinasky</i>
Jenny, Micah & Elijah Krupp – <i>daughter & grandsons of Mike & Susan Jackemeyer</i>	Ron Szweda – <i>brother of Kathryn Robinson</i>
Joe Lhotka - <i>Judy Jackemeyer's grandson</i>	Tamara Metz – <i>sister-in-law of Dennis & Lyla Metz</i>

Our country, president, armed forces and all those who serve our country, including **Allison Blake**, **James Vieregge** USMC, **Joseph Schafer** – nephew of Pastor Quardokus, **Matt Weiss**, nephew of Fred & Jeanne Huff, **Ethan Rieck** – nephew of David & Laura Geyer.

Zebulon Pappenfuss – fiancé of Sarah Jackemeyer.

Raven & Rachel Strefling - nephew (& wife) of Amy Strefling-Gorske
Seminarian **Matthew Machemer** – grandson of Ellen Machemer.

Missionaries

The Rev. Jonathan Anderson in Panama and Rev. Jason & Emily Groth in Belize.

PRAYING FOR MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION

Glenn & Nancy Scowcroft
Roger & Pamela Seely
Dave & Liz Sellke

Joan Shembarger
Gregg & Sandy Shunkwiler
Scott & Anna Silcox Family

Church News!

Happy Mother's Day! Let us thank God for our families and pray that all family members may grow close in love and respect for one another. May all church families also be mindful that we are indeed "members one of another" (Ephesians 4:25). 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*.

Radio Broadcast

Our service is being recorded today and will air next Sunday.

This broadcast is dedicated to the glory of God,

In loving memory of our parents.

Given by Wayne & Cora Herrman.



THE PRAYER OF A RIGHTEOUS MAN IS POWERFUL AND EFFECTIVE.

We remember the following Missionary in our prayers this week:



The Rev. Jonathan Anderson (Greer, SC) serves the Lord through the LCMS as a missionary in Panama. In this role, Jonathan preaches the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the local people, while supporting the established congregations in the area and helping to plant new Lutheran churches. He earned his bachelor's degree in economics from Clemson University (2009), his MBA in international business from the University of South Carolina (2011), and his Master of Divinity (2024) and Master of Sacred Theology in Systematic Theology (2025) from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. Before becoming a missionary, Jonathan worked in construction project management, industrial services management, acquisition integration and Lean facilitation. He was a vicar at Trinity Lutheran Church in Norman, Okla., from 2022 to 2023. In his free time, he enjoys reading, hiking, traveling and spending time with family and friends. Pray for Jonathan as he serves in Panama by asking God to give him safety and good health as he travels and proclaims the Word of God. May God grant him wisdom and strength as he serves the Lord in this new location, learning a new language and culture.

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASS REMINDER – Pastor Measel continues his mid-week bible classes focusing on the book of Micah. This class will run through the end of May.

****LAST ONE!**** **SUNDAY SCHOOL TOPIC THIS WEEK [UNIT 3 | LESSON 2]** – “A Prayer Lesson” is the title of this week’s Bible lesson. With Jesus’ disciples, we, too, implore, “lord, teach us to pray” (Luke 11:1). Jesus teaches His disciples – and all humankind – the prayer used throughout the Church to this day. Jesus follows His instruction with a parable illustrating how our heavenly Father unfailingly hears all our prayers. As a family, challenge one another to recite the Lord’s Prayer from memory.

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).

LADIES LEAGUE DINNER EVENT – Ladies League is hosting its annual dinner event on **Wednesday, May 13th at 5pm** at the *D’Agostinos Navajo Bar and Grille* in Bridgman. All ladies are invited! Please be sure to sign-up on the form in the commons. Hope to see you there!

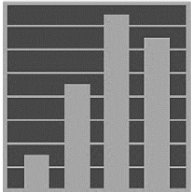
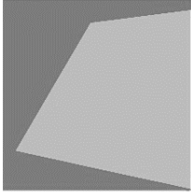
MEN’S NETWORK – YOU’RE INVITED! Join us for food, fellowship and discussion of issues affecting today’s men from a Lutheran Christian perspective. We meet the third Saturday of the month, so join us **Saturday morning May 16th at 8AM** in the Ministry Center at Trinity Lutheran St. Joe. Contact Fred Pieplow (269-369-2081) for more information.

CHRIST LUTHERAN’S SOCIAL MEDIA – Do you have an event you want Christ Lutheran to promote on our Facebook page or our Instagram? Please feel free to email clcoffice@christstevensville.com with your event (garage sale, etc.) details. Thank you!

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.

www.christ-luth.blogspot.com – Looking for a bulletin from a month ago? Archived Christ Times? Or unable to find our online streaming service?! Check out our blogspot as it has a wealth of information!





CHURCH CLERK'S REPORT

Weekly Services

Attendance

Thursday 04/30/26	7PM	20
Sunday 05/03/26	8AM	86
Online Attendees: 27	10:45AM	70
Tuesday Bible Class	04/28/26	12
Wednesday Bible Class	04/29/26	22
Thursday Bible Class	04/30/26	25
Sunday Bible Class	05/03/26	33
<i>*Week of 05/03/26 total budgeted receipts</i>		\$15,563.00
<i>YTD Contributions</i>		\$751,817.73
<i>YTD Budget</i>		\$761,538.46
<i>YTD Over Under</i>		-\$9,720.73
<i>Weekly Budgeted Plate & General Fund Memorials</i>		\$17,307.69
<i>Over Under</i>		-\$1,744.69

HAPPY
Mother's Day

Sunday, May 10 <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	8AM 9:30AM 9:30AM 10:45AM	Communion Worship Service Bible Class Sunday School Communion Worship Service
Monday, May 11	6PM	All Boards Meeting
Tues, May 12	10AM-Noon 7PM	Grief Share Bible Class
Wed, May 13	9:30AM 7PM	Bible Class Confirmation Questioning 
Thursday, May 14 <i>Ascension of our Lord</i>	10AM 7PM	Bible Class Worship Service
Friday, May 15		
Saturday, May 16		
Sunday, May 17 <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i> Confirmation Sunday 	8AM 9:15AM 9:30AM 10:45AM	*Contemporary* Worship Service VOTERS' MEETING **LAST** Sunday School Worship Service



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