

Christ Lutheran Church

October 20, 2024

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHOOSES

Listening

WE ARE A COMMUNITY OF FAITH THAT WELCOMES

All are welcome at Christ Lutheran Church. We emphasize grace, forgiveness, and the reality that God is love. The teachings and example of Jesus call us to love one another and to be an inclusive and affirming community for people of every culture, race, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, relationship status, family makeup, and spiritual background. No matter what challenges you're facing – physical, mental, spiritual, economic, emotional, moral, or otherwise – we invite you to experience God's grace with us. There is a place for you here.

THE IN-PERSON CLC ESSENTIALS

Restrooms are in the Narthex and in the Education Building.

The **Nursery** is available from 9:15 a.m. through the end of the late service.

Attendance Registration Cards are located in the pew racks. We ask everyone in attendance, visitors and members, to fill out a card and drop it in the offering plate as it is passed.

Audio Receivers for the hearing impaired are available in the Narthex.

THE VIRTUAL CLC ESSENTIALS

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

Proclaim the Glory of the Lord - Kellner

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (10:30 a.m.) *God Cares for You* - Laurence
I Am Growing - Hudson & Russell
Angelicus Choir

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

LITANY OF LISTENING

God, who so graciously speaks to us and is present to us,

Help us to be present to you, and to your people.

We confess that we are distracted and noisy people.

We confess that we have avoided quieting ourselves before you.

We confess that we've been afraid of what you might say to us.

We confess that we are often so busy speaking that all we hear is our own opinions.

We turn now to you, knowing that you are love,

And that love is what you are always telling us,

Even when you are gently correcting us.

We need gentle correction now.

We confess that we have not listened to our neighbors.

We confess that we have not made time and space to hear their stories and concerns.

We confess that we have allowed our differences to put us off.

We confess that by not engaging, we have stifled love.

Show us how to listen attentively,

And to love our neighbors near and far.

Show us how to open our ears and hearts

To those of different cultures, races, backgrounds, belief systems.

Show us how to embody the mission of Christ:

To prepare a great banquet and invite everyone to feast.

May we make space in our lives to hear your voice and do your good work.

May we know your voice.

May we overcome our fears of shame, and our reluctance to experience awkward moments.

May we follow the promptings of your Spirit without hesitation.

May our hearts be big enough to hold the stories we hear. Be near to us as we do the work of quieting our souls,

That we may listen and learn from those around us. Amen.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE

(At this time we invite you to write down on the provided slips of paper one moment you received the gift of being heard or offered the gift of listening. If you desire, bring your paper forward and drop it in the well of kindness, located at the front of the sanctuary. Our prayer throughout this season is that our small acts of kindness would well up into a massive wave of justice, love, and compassion for our neighbors and for the sake of the whole world.)



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Creator God, we ask you to come close and remind us of our belovedness as your children, for we are feeling distant. Open our eyes to the beauty and pain we all contain, and invite us to “do unto others” in ways that build up your kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. **Amen.**

The congregation may be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 53:4-12

Pew Bible/Old Testament page #683

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:1-10

Pew Bible/New Testament page #220

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC (10:30 a.m.)

Jesus in the Morning - arr. by Jeff Reeves
This Little Light Of Mine - arr. by John R. Paradowski
 Gloria Choir

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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

The holy gospel according to Mark, the tenth chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Mark 10:35-45

Pew Bible/New Testament page #47

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation may be seated.

SERMON

Deacon Darcy Mittelstaedt
Bishop's Associate for Leadership and Lifelong Faith Formation

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

ELW #712

(8:30 a.m. service continues on page 9 with the Prayers of the People.)

INSTALLATION OF DEACON LISA DIANA AS MINISTER OF WORD AND SERVICE (10:30 a.m.)

PRESENTATION

The assembly stands as able.

Having been authorized by the church to install Deacon Lisa Diana, our co-worker in the gospel, as Minister of Mission & Outreach, I now ask for certification of this call.

A representative of the calling body addresses the presiding minister.

After prayerful deliberation, we, of Christ Lutheran Church have called Deacon Lisa Diana to serve as a minister of word and service in the position of Minister of Mission & Outreach. I present Deacon Lisa and this letter certifying the call.

The representative gives the presiding minister the letter certifying that the call has been received and accepted. The representative moves aside, and the assembly is seated.

ADDRESS AND QUESTIONS

The presiding minister addresses the minister of word and service.

Our Lord, who came among us as a servant, calls us to faith and a life of loving service to our neighbor. You come among us as one called and set apart for the ministry of word and service, a gift from God to inspire us to love and service to Christ.

A reading from Mark: Jesus said, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.” (*Mark 10:42-43, 45*)

A reading from Romans: As in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness. (*Romans 12:4-8*)

A reading from First Peter: Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. (*1 Peter 4:10-11*)

The presiding minister addresses questions to the minister of word and service.

Deacon Lisa, in the presence of this assembly will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you carry out this ministry in accordance with the holy scriptures and with the confessions of the Lutheran church and in harmony with the constitutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures and faithful in your use of the means of grace?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Trusting in God's care, will you witness to Jesus Christ in word and deed, pray for God's people, seek to grow in love for those you serve, strive for excellence in your skills, and adorn the gospel of Jesus Christ with a godly life?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you give faithful witness in the world, that God's love may be known in all that you do?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

The assembly responds: **Amen.**

The assembly stands as able.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

People of God, will you receive Deacon Lisa into this ministry as one called and sent to serve all people in Christ's name?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for Deacon Lisa? Will you help and honor her in carrying out this ministry? In all things, will you strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

The presiding minister addresses the minister of word and service.

Deacon Lisa Diana, the ministry of Minister of Mission and Outreach is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

PRAYER

Let us pray. Merciful God, as your beloved Son cared for those who were troubled, brought healing and wellness the sick, and bound up the broken-hearted, so you have called Deacon Lisa to offer aid to the suffering and forgotten in our world. Make your servant wise in using knowledge and skill, diligent in ministering to those in need, and compassionate in all service. In the midst of her ministry, make Deacon Lisa a faithful witness to the hope of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

The newly installed deacon may kneel as the presiding minister proclaims God's blessing.

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will, working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.

Amen.

The deacon stands.

The presiding minister may address the assembly with these or similar words.

People of God, I present to you Deacon Lisa, your Minister of Mission & Outreach. Let us welcome Deacon Lisa in the name of Christ.

The congregation is invited to kneel as able.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for those in need, within our own community and throughout the world. We give thanks to God for the many blessings bestowed upon us. Our petitions end with "God of Grace," and the congregation responds: "hear our prayer."

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

The congregation may be seated.

MEAL

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:30 a.m.) *Assurance* - Beck
Sanctuary Choir

OFFERING

Christ Lutheran designates 20% of your Sunday offerings to our benevolence partners who make a direct impact on the lives of people in our world who need it most. See page two for more information on giving virtually from your phone or go to clcab.org.

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

OFFERTORY HYMN *What Does the Lord Require of You*

What does the Lord re-quire of you? What does the Lord re-quire of you? To seek
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jus-tice and love kind-ness and walk hum-bly with your God.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray together. O God, blessed are you, for you are the source of every gift within creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve our neighbor and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING & EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Indeed, we give thanks to you as we gather around your table to remember what true relationship means. All your children are invited to this table where everyone's voice is heard.

You unleashed your creative power, and a world blossomed. You bestowed upon every living thing life and breath, color and movement, dignity and purpose.

Holy are you and blessed is your son, Jesus. To those who were imprisoned by status, law, illness, poverty, gender, age, and disease, he said, "your belief has set you free. You are a child of God." He invited disciples, friends, and strangers alike to his table.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Holy Spirit, transform this meal and transform this body so that we might be free to love without condition, invite without hesitation, go without reservation, and proclaim our faith in you to all the world! **Amen!**

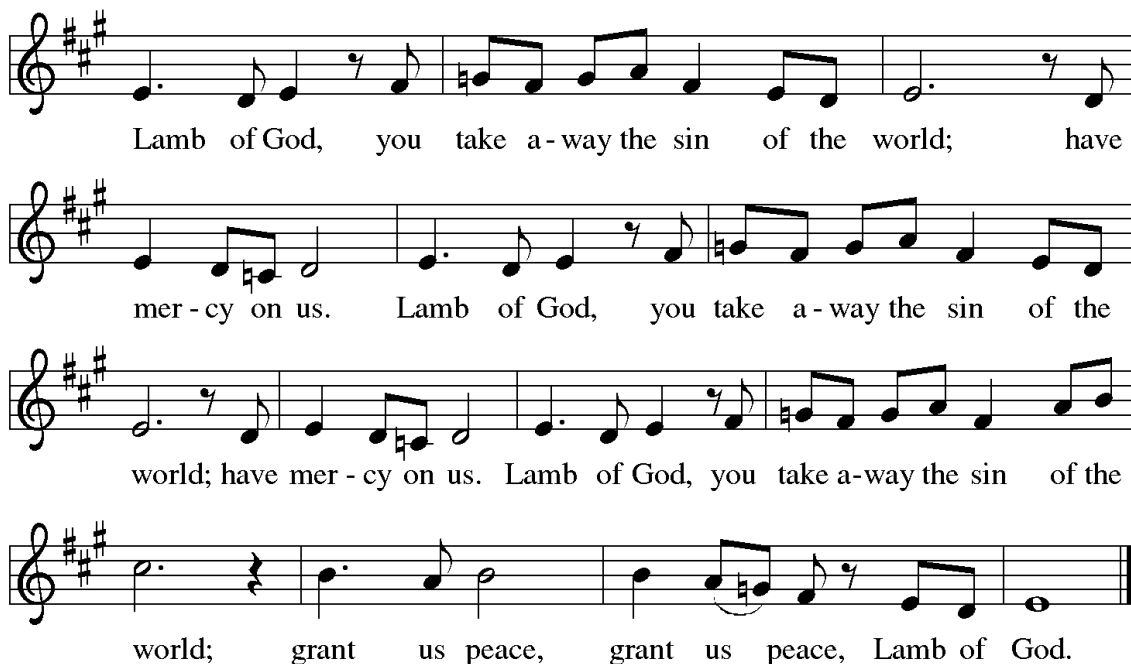
Holy Spirit, transform this meal and transform this body so that we might be free to love without condition, invite without hesitation, go without reservation, and proclaim your hope to all the world! **Amen!**

LORD'S PRAYER

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

The congregation may be seated.

LAMB OF GOD



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, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

DISTRIBUTION

Two thousand years ago Jesus ate with sinners and those whom others scorned. He still does. None of us is worthy, except by God's grace. No matter what you have done or what your present condition, Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin, and who seek to live in peace with one another.

The gathered faithful have a choice to commune at the front of the sanctuary by intinction or in their seats with individual communion packets available at the entrance to the sanctuary. With intinction, the bread is placed in your hand for you to dip in the wine. Anyone who is unable to come forward may indicate to an usher that you wish to receive communion from a minister where you are seated. Gluten-free wafers are found on the small table next to the usher stand for anyone who needs them.

COMMUNION (10:30 a.m.) *Come to the Table of the Lord* - Albrecht & Althouse
Sanctuary Choir

COMMUNION

He Comes to Us as One Unknown

ELW #737

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray together. Holy God, **you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Listen, God Is Calling

ELW #513

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Exhortation of Praise - Smith

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Preaching Minister
Presiding Ministers

Assisting Ministers
Lectors
Acolyte

8:30 a.m.

Deacon Darcy Mittelstaedt
Pastor Leslie Price
Pastor Howard Stendahl
James Ehler
Michael Fischer

10:30 a.m.

Deacon Darcy Mittelstaedt
Pastor Leslie Price
Pastor Howard Stendahl
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THANK YOU

Our heartfelt thanks to our faithful volunteer, Mary Overstreet, for the beautiful banners which adorn our Sanctuary, and to John Malitz, who donates the time of his employees at Malitz Construction to regularly take down and put up these artistic installations which enhance our worship.

TODAY

- 9:30 a.m. - Preschool - 7th Graders meet upstairs in the education building in their designated classroom.
- 9:30 a.m. - Faith University - join Pastor H for reflections on the topic, “The Politics of Jesus,” Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 a.m. - Primrose Corner - casual Adult Education, Primrose House
- 9:30 a.m. - Lucy Circle, Parlor
- 10:30 a.m. - Installation Service for Deacon Lisa Diana, reception in the CrossWay after the late service
- 11:45 a.m. - Wonder Women, Quarry Restaurant
- 5:00 p.m. - Oktoberfest, CLC Courtyard and Fellowship Hall

THIS WEEK

Monday, October 21

Money Counters, Parlor

Tuesday, October 22

• 9:00 a.m.

Quilters, Primrose House

• 6:00 p.m.

Liturgical Planning Meeting, Fellowship Hall

• 7:00 p.m.

Read Through the Bible via zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2461346872> or 346-248-7799

Wednesday, October 23

• 5:30 p.m.

Gloria Choir, Sanctuary

• 5:30 p.m.

Angelicus Choir, Children’s Chapel

• 6:00 p.m.

Spanish Intermediate Conversational Class, Parlor

All are invited to the
Installation Service of
Deacon Lisa Diana
as Minister of Mission & Outreach

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SUNDAY **OCTOBER** **10:30 A.M.**
2024

Reception in the CrossWay immediately following the late service

FAITH UNIVERSITY

Today, 9:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Join Pastor H for reflections on the topic, "The Politics of Jesus." As we approach a controversial election season, we will examine biblical teachings from Jesus that were considered radical during his earthly ministry . . . that would likely receive the same response today. "Treat the people's needs as holy" and "expose the workings of oppression" sound like political statements as Jesus challenged the established order of his time.

LUCY CIRCLE

Today, 9:30 a.m. CLC Parlor

Ladies, you're invited to join the Lucies to discuss "*The Amen Effect*" by Rabbi Sharon Brous – an essay that looks at the difficult conversations that can heal our broken hearts. Grab a cup of coffee and join us. This is a friendly, welcoming small group that is always open to new members. If you'd like a copy of the essay, please contact Jan Norris.



OKTOBERFEST

OCT **20** 2024

CLC COURTYARD & FELLOWSHIP HALL

5-7 P.M.

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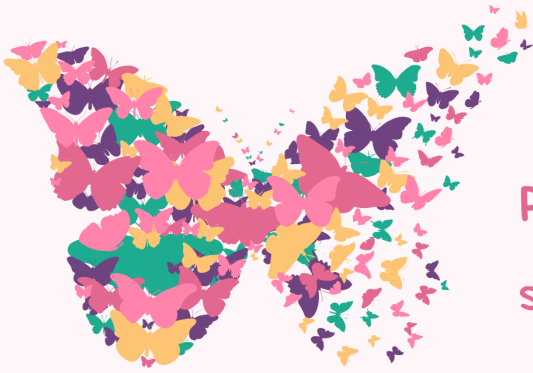
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READ THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR GROUP

Tuesday, October 22, 7:00 p.m. on Zoom (Every Other Tuesday)

This group regularly meets every other Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. The class is led by Pastor H. Anyone can join, even if you haven't read along with us yet or may be behind. Join in for good conversation and company. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2461346872> .



All Congregation
Service Project
Plaza de Paz Meal Kits
Sunday, October 27, 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship Hall

This will be a fun and faith-filled intergenerational service opportunity, where we can be witnesses of compassion and grace. Please join us as we pack these kits.



Blessing
of the Quilts

Sunday, October 27
8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Council Member Installation

Jeff Timm - Treasurer

&

Congregational Leader Thank You

Adam Braaten - Treasurer

Sunday, October 27 during the 10:30 a.m. worship service
Reception following in the CrossWay

TRUNK OR TREAT



Wear your best costume on October 27, 5 - 7 p.m.
Join us in the Primrose Parking lot for fun games, prizes,
and 'trunks' decorated with fun themes!





All Saints Sunday

November 3
During Both Worship Services

Contact the church office to submit a name of someone you love who has died in the past year.



Remembering all lives of our loving friends and families who passed away.

Celebrate the Memories

Dia De Los Muertos



Bring Pictures and Mementoes of your Beloved to share

Sunday, November 3
Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m.

CONGREGATIONAL FORUM

Sunday, November 10, 9:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall

The Congregation Council, Property Team, and a newly formed Capital Advance Team invite you to gather for a congregation-wide conversation about our aging Education Wing and Fellowship Hall. A quick tour of these spaces (including the upstairs of the Education Wing) reveals the obvious – that these buildings are no longer simply dated but in need of significant repair . . . lighting, HVAC, electrical, windows, cosmetic, and other structural and modernization upgrades.

Both spaces have sustained significant water damage during severe rains, and the Fellowship Hall additionally suffers from a deteriorating foundation. While we have made repairs as needed, the buildings reflect their age. Years of vibrant ministry, education, celebrations, and memories in these spaces have taken their toll. The Council, Property Team, and Campaign Advance Team, as dedicated and faithful leaders of our church, have considered several potential pathways to address these facility issues. Before making any firm decisions on which pathway to take moving forward, they would very much like an opportunity to hear from each of you.

These leaders recognize that we are a strong and thriving congregation, approaching 100 years in ministry together! Their vision is to prepare us for another 100 years of ministry in this place. They know that each member and visitor at Christ Lutheran has a unique voice and perspective to share, and they invite each of you to contribute to our vision for Christ Lutheran's future.

Please join us on November 10, when we will present a brief overview of some of our options to address these property concerns. At this meeting, we will be grateful to hear your thoughts so that we may make wise, prudent decisions as we move forward, working together as a church family.

If you are interested in sharing your thoughts but are unable to be at the Forum on November 10, please reach out to a Campaign Advance Team Member, Property Team Member, or Council Member (all listed below) to share your perspective. If you need contact information for any of these individuals, please call the church office.

Congregation Council

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