CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH





Rev. Dr. James R. Holowach, Pastor Rev. George N. Fields, Pastor Sr. Sara E. Fields, Deaconess Divine Service Each Week with Holy Communion: 10:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages: 9:00 a.m. 4423 I-55 North, Jackson, MS 39206-6102 – (601) 366-2055 www.christlutheranjacksonms.org

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST + October 18, 2020 +

"To God the Things That Are God's" Matthew 22:21



We welcome our members and guests to Christ Lutheran today, and pray God's richest blessings upon you during this time of worship!

All members and our guests are asked to complete the worship attendance pads which can be found on each pew. Guests are also asked to sign the guest register found in the Narthex. We are so glad to have you worshiping with us today!

LARGE PRINT worship folders are available at the usher stand at the back of the nave.

WELCOME:

Scripture testifies in Genesis 1:27 that man was made in the image and likeness of God. What else was this image and likeness other than that man was created with wisdom and righteousness so that he could apprehend and reflect God? Mankind was given the gift of knowing God, fearing God, and being confident in God (Apol. II:18). However, original sin is a complete absence or lack of the created state of hereditary righteousness, or of God's image. So now, since the fall, a person inherits an inborn wicked disposition and inward impurity of heart, an evil lust and tendency. We all by disposition and nature inherit from Adam a heart, feeling, and thought that are inclined directly against God and His chief commandments (FOC:I:11-12). But, "while it is true that man has lost this image through sin... yet it remains true that it can be again acquired through the Word of the Holy Ghost (Luther). For "if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come (2 Cor 5:17)."

THE LORD'S SUPPER

In preparation for reception of the Lord's Supper (*Holy Communion*), it is important that we review and understand what the Bible teaches regarding this sacrament:

The Bible teaches that Jesus gives us His very body and blood along with bread and wine in Holy Communion¹, and that these are means by which He forgives our sins², and strengthens us for daily living, and draws us into closer fellowship with Him and other believers. The Bible also teaches us to examine ourselves prior to receiving the meal³. For those receiving Holy Communion, examine yourself with these questions:

Do I believe that I am a sinner and I am sorry for my sins?

Do I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my personal Savior?

Do I believe that Christ's true body and blood are present in this holy meal for my forgiveness?

Do I truly intend with the help of God to correct my sinful life?

According to Christ's Word in the Holy Scriptures, and in confession with the true Christian faith, at Christ Lutheran we observe the practice of closed communion. We believe that all who commune must confess the same holy faith, as Holy Scripture teaches. Since one's church affiliation indicates an individual's confession of faith, we ask that only those who have been instructed in the above teaching **and** are confirmed members of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod commune. If you have not been instructed in this teaching on Holy Communion, are in doubt, or hold a different confession of faith⁴, you are still welcome to come forward and cross your arms to indicate that you would like a blessing.

¹Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:14-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23

²Matthew 26:28; 1 John 1:7; 1 Peter 1:18-19

³1 Corinthians 11:28-32

⁴1 Corinthians 10:17; 1 Corinthians 11:26

DIVINE SERVICE III

PRESERVICE MUSIC

The congregation may use this time to pray and meditate.

OPENING HYMN

Evening and Morning

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CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.
- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- **C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

PSALM: CANTATE DOMINO

Psalm 96:1-9; Ant. Psalm 96:9



Worship the LORD in the splendor of | holiness;* tremble before him, | all the earth!

Oh sing to the LORD a | new song;* sing to the LORD, | all the earth!

Sing to the LORD, | bless his name;* tell of his salvation from | day to day.

Declare his glory among the | nations,* his marvelous works among all the | peoples!

For great is the LORD, and greatly | to be praised;* he is to be feared a- | bove all gods.

For all the gods of the peoples are worthless | idols,* but the LORD made the | heavens.

Splendor and majesty are be- | fore him;* strength and beauty are in his sanctu- | ary.

Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the | peoples,* ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength!

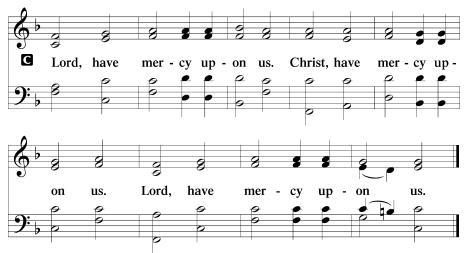
Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!

- Worship the LORD in the splendor of | holiness;* tremble before him, | all the earth!
- 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.

Worship the LORD in the splendor of | holiness;* tremble before him, | all the earth!

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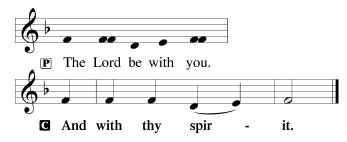
Luke 2:14; John 1:29

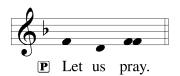
The congregation is invited to sing in parts, which can be found on LSB page 187.





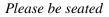
SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY





▶ O God, the protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





OLD TESTAMENT READING

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed: "I will go before you and level the exalted places, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places, that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me. I am the LORD, and there is no other. besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me,

Isaiah 45:1-7

that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other.

- I form light and create darkness, I make well-being and create calamity, I am the LORD, who does all these things.
- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Psalm 91:11; 103:1



He will command his angels con- | cerning you* to guard you in | all your ways. Bless the LORD, | O my soul,* and all that is within me, bless his | holy name!

EPISTLE READING

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

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

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

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HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-22

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

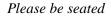


Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk.

And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.





Please stand

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C I believe in one God, (Rom 10:10; Deut 6:4) the Father Almighty, (Mt 6:9; Ex 6:3) maker of heaven and earth (Gen 1:1; Jn 1:1) and of all things visible and invisible. (Col 1:16) And in one Lord Jesus Christ, (Rom 10:9) the only-begotten Son of God, (Jn 3:16; Mt 16:16) begotten of His Father before all worlds, (Jn 1:2) God of God, Light of Light, (Jn 17:22; Jn 8:12; Jn 1:1) very God of very God, (Col 2:9) begotten, not made, (Jn 1:2) being of one substance with the Father, (Jn 10:30) by whom all things were made; (Heb 1:2; Jn 1:3) who for us men and for our salvation (1 Tim 2:4: Rom 3:23) came down from heaven (Jn 6:41: Lk 15:20) and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary (Lk 1:34-35) and was made man: (Jn 1:14) and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. (Mk 15:25; Jn 19:16-18) He suffered and was buried. (Jn 19:1-3; Lk 23:53) And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures (1 Cor 15:4; Lk 24:6) and ascended into heaven (Acts 1:9) and sits at the right hand of the Father. (Acts 7:55) And He will come again with glory (Mt 26:64) to judge both the living and the dead, (Acts 10:42; Mt 3:12) whose kingdom will have no end. (2 Pt 1:11) And I believe in the Holy Spirit, (Jn 14:26; Gen 1:2; Acts 2:38) the Lord and giver of life, (Gen 1:2; Jn 3:6) who proceeds from the Father and the Son, (Jn 15:26) who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, (Mt 3:16-17) who spoke by the prophets. (Eze 11:5) And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, (1 Pt 2:5; Eph 2:19-22) I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, (Eph 4:5) and I look for the resurrection of the dead (1 Cor 15:35-49; 1 Thess 4:13-18) and the life + of the world to come. (Mk 10:29-30: Mt 10:40-42)

Amen. (Ps 106:48)

Us men means all people.

Christian: the ancient text reads "catholic," meaning the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of Christian doctrine

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition of the prayer:

Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord, **People: Lord, have mercy.**

For comfort, health and recovery: Alyson Behel Moody, Joseph Nunnery, Sylvia Taylor;

For those who are ill or distressed: Stan Acey, Jenalee Adams, Kimberly Airhart, Layne Bagley, Rose Bagley, Shirley Bagley, W.L. Bagley, Sarah Bowman, Mimi Bradley, Richard Bradley, Deloris Brent, Martha Brown, Nathan Brown, Tina Burke, Wayne Burke, Paula Burkhalter, Bobby Carroll, Arthur Collins, James E. Cookston, Joan Cowards, Belinda Cowards-Gonzales, Robert (Andy) Evers, Michele Rae Fowler, Randy Fowler, Parker Haines, Dan Hansen, Paul Hansen, Tim Hansen, Valerie Henderson, Sharon Holleman, Beth Jarratt, Elaine Johnson, Joslyn Jones, Steve Kennedy, Arlene Kleinschmidt, Eleanor Koster, John Koster, Sandra Landers, Katelyn Lawing, Peggy Lucky, Paul McCullough, Jerry McIntyre, Jerry McMahan, Mark Millard, Edlia Miller, Mark Miller, Elaine Monaghan, Lindberg Moore, Jerry Mutter, Don Ochs, Mildred Odom, Deborah-Annette Ried, Elmira Roever, Jon Sandberg, Noah Schultz, Johnnie Pearl Smiley, Bob Smith, Sally Smith, Sam Schneider, Sherri Smith, Deborah Springer, MariLyn Unger, Betty Venator, Leonard Watson, Cynthia Widlitze, Carol Wright, Jimmy Wright, Marshall Wright, Barbara Zeigler;

For college and graduate students: Jake Everly, Sara Fields, Jonathan Kettler, Roselynn Nelson, Will Nelson;

For military servants and their families: Gabriel Escude, James (Glen) Hansford, Holden Hathcock, Christopher Martin, William Nelson, Steven Tatum, John Weidner Jr.;

For foreign missionaries: David and Shelee Warner;

This week's prayer family: Laura Rawson and her loved ones.

Please be seated

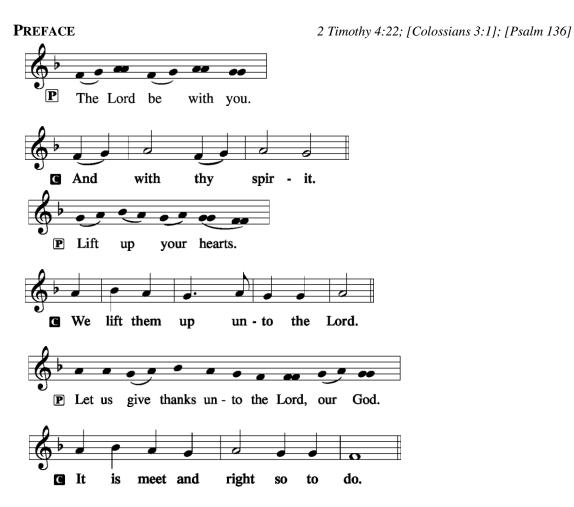
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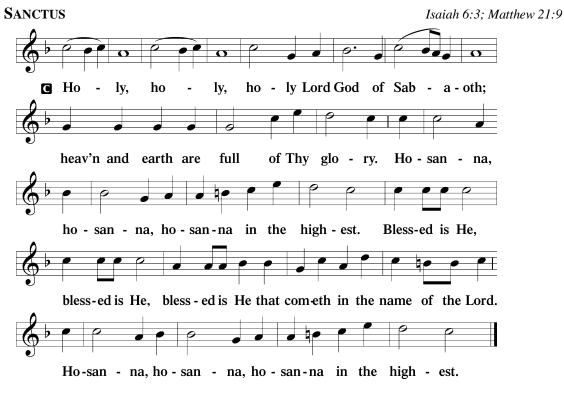
The congregation is invited to sing in parts:



SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



 It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

 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.



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 + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI \mathbf{P} The peace $\mathbf{+}$ of the Lord be with you always. C A men. **AGNUS DEI** John 1:29 The congregation is invited to sing in parts. **8**: Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the С 0 sin of the Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that world. have mer-cy up - on us. O

Matthew 26:26–28

John 20:19



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DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

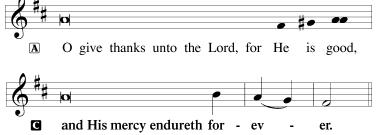
All who are members in good standing of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and have introduced themselves to one of the pastors are welcome to partake of the Holy Communion at Christ Lutheran. If you have not spoken to a pastor, but would like to receive the Lord's blessing, you may still come to the rail and kneel, crossing one arm over the other in the shape of an 'X'. This symbolizes that one is marked by the cross and Triune name of Almighty God.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

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Please stand following distribution of communion

NUNC DIMITTIS Luke 2:29-32 O 0. Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in С peace ac-O cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, Ο $\overline{\mathbf{0}}$ which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy O peo-ple Is ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and O the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning, to 0 is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A-men. THANKSGIVING



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

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



SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

P The Lord be with you.



P Bless we the Lord.



BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN O Christ, Our Hope, Our Hearts' Desire #553

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Acolyte: Emily HeldLiturgist: Rev. George Fields
Organist: Sr. Sara FieldsInterpreter: Cathy Brown
Ushers: Allen Goodlett, Eric Held; Bruce Bodkin, Jonathan Kettler

Altar Flowers: This morning's altar flowers are given for the glory of God by Justin Alderson in memory of Richard Alderson.

Remembering our Loved Ones: During the celebration of the **Feast of All Saints** on **Sunday, November 1,** we shall remember our loved ones who have died. The list from last year is posted in the Church Narthex (entryway). Please add names of those baptized Saints who have *died in the faith* during the *past year* whom you would like to have remembered in the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed.

Readings for next Sunday, October 25th, the Feast of the Reformation:

Introit Ps. 34:1-2, 11, 22; Psalm 46; Revelation 14:6-7; Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36.

This week at Christ Lutheran Church: October 12 – October 18

Thursday	9:30 a.m.	LifeLight: Revelation (Session 3)
Friday	6:30 a.m.	Bible Study @ Christ Lutheran, Breakfast @ Broadstreet
-	6:30 p.m.	Divine Service – The Feast of the Reformation
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	Divine Service – The Feast of the Reformation
·	6:30 p.m.	Journey through the Scriptures



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