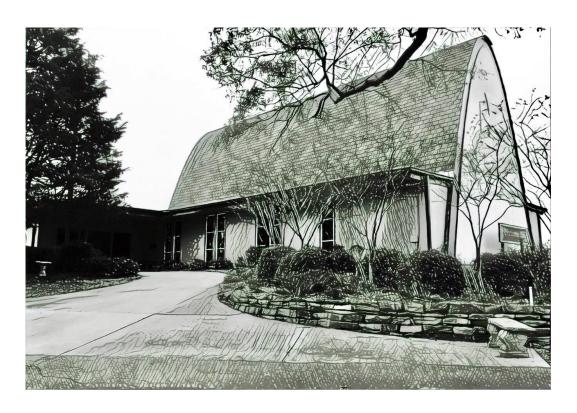
CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH





Rev. George Fields, Pastor Sr. Sara 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

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THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT + March 13, 2022 +

"Behold, Your House Is Forsaken"



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:

"It was prophetic that Moses had given the Israelites the order to offer their sacrifices in one single place—there to offer the lamb in sacrifice and there to accomplish an image of the redemption. Herod did not kill the Lord with the infants in Bethlehem, nor did the Nazarenes when they hurled him down from the mountain, since it was not possible for him to die outside Jerusalem. For it cannot be that a prophet should perish outside Jerusalem. Take note that although it was Jerusalem that killed him, nevertheless Herod and Nazareth were united with regard to his death, and vengeance will be required both for his death. [By this is meant that, though only the Jews in Jerusalem directly killed Jesus, all mankind nonetheless is guilty of the crime]"

-St. Ephrem the Syrian, Commentary on Tatian's Diatessaron

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.

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

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

³ 1 Corinthians 11:28-32

⁴ 1 Corinthians 10:17; 1 Corinthians 11:26

DIVINE SERVICE II

PRESERVICE MUSIC

The congregation may use this time for prayer and meditation.

OPENING HYMN

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

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CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

PSALM: CUM INVOCAREM, EXAUDIVIT

Psalm 4: Ant. Psalm 4:8



In peace I will both lie | down and sleep;* for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in | safety.

Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness! You have given me relief when I was in distress.*

Be gracious to me and | hear my prayer!

O men, how long shall my honor be turned | into shame?*
How long will you love vain words and seek | after lies?

But know that the LORD has set apart the godly | for himself;* the LORD hears when I | call to him.

Be angry, and | do not sin;*
ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be | silent.

Offer right sacri- | fices,* and put your trust | in the LORD.

There are many who say, "Who will show us some good?*

Lift up the light of your face upon us, O LORD!"

You have put more joy | in my heart* than they have when their grain and | wine abound.

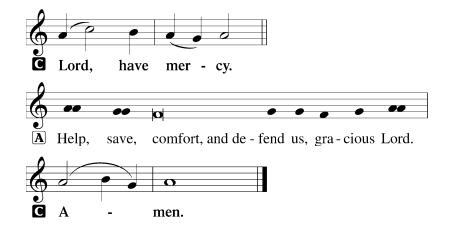
In peace I will both lie | down and sleep;* for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in | safety.

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.

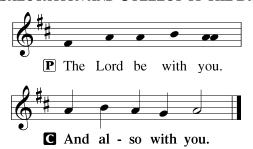
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KYRIE Mark 10:47





SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



P Let us pray.

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 26:8-15

And when Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, "You shall die! Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD,

saying, 'This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant'?" And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears."

Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, "The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears."

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

GRADUAL Hebrews 12:2



[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,* the founder and perfecter | of our faith,

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame,* and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

EPISTLE Philippians 3:17-4:1

Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

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

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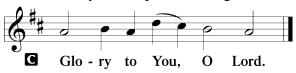
- P Oh give thanks to the Lord, for | he is good,* for his steadfast love endures for- | ever! Who can utter the mighty deeds | of the Lord,* or declare | all his praise?
- © Blessed are they who observe | justice,*
 who do righteousness | at all time!
 Remember me, O Lord, when you show favor to your | people;*
 help me when you | save them.

Please stand

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 13:31-35

P The Holy

→ Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.



At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you."

And he said to them, "Go and tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.' O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated

- 1 I love Your kingdom, Lord, The place of Your abode,The Church our blest Redeemer saved With His own precious blood.
- 2 Beyond my highest joyI prize its heav'nly ways,Its sweet communion, solemn vows,Its hymns of love and praise.
- 3 I love Your Church, O God, Your saints in ev'ry land, Dear as the apple of Your eye And graven on Your hand.
- 4 For them my tears shall fall; For them my prayers ascend; For them my cares and toils be giv'n Till toils and cares shall end.

5 Sure as Your truth shall last,To Zion shall be giv'nThe brightest glories earth can yieldAnd brighter bliss of heav'n.

SERMON

The City Which Kills

Please stand

NICENE CREED

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)

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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)
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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: Lord, in Your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

For comfort, health, and recovery: Peggy Burns, Kenton Dodge, John David Calhoun, David Entrekin, Michele (Cookston) Fowler, Sandra Landers, Danley Lomax, Peggy Lucky, Cathy McDonald, Leslie Thomas, John Walker, Terry Ziegler;

For those who mourn: the family and friends of Judy Engelbrecht, Jane Marsh;

For those who are ill or distressed: Stan Acey, Jenalee Adams, 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, John Koster, Sandra Landers, Katelyn Lawing, Peggy Lucky, Paul McCullough, Jerry McIntyre, Jerry McMahan, Edlia Miller, Elaine Monaghan, Don Ochs, Mildred Odom, Deborah-Annette Ried, Jon Sandberg, Noah Schultz, Johnnie Pearl Smiley, Bob Smith, Sherri Smith, Deborah Springer, Leonard Watson, Dana Weaver, Cynthia Widlitze, Carol Wright, Jimmy Wright, Marshall Wright, Barbara Zeigler;

Us men means all people.

For college and graduate students: Sara Fields, 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: especially those serving in Spain;

This week's prayer family: Nancy Tatum and her loved ones.

Please be seated

OFFERING

Please stand



SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. 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 Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



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 Matthew 6:9-13

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 \(\frac{1}{2}\) us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

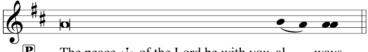
Matthew 26:26-28

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 John 20:19



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



AGNUS DEI John 1:29



Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

All who are members in good standing of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and have introduced themselves to the pastor are welcome to partake of the Holy Communion at Christ Lutheran. If you have not spoken to the 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

Not All the Blood of Beasts	#431
On My Heart Imprint Your Image	#422
Wide Open Stand the Gates	#639

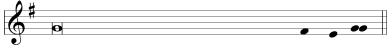


POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

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.



BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24-26



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.



CLOSING HYMN

Jerusalem the Golden

#672

Elder: Eric Held

Organist: Sr. Sara Fields

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Serving Today:

Celebrant: Rev. George Fields

Acolvte: Miles Agent **Interpreter:** Denee Smith

Cantor: Carol Yenish Altar Guild: Nancy Teal **Lenten Vespers:** Join us throughout this penitential season as we gather weekly to

meditate upon the Passion of Our Lord. Vespers will be held on Wednesday nights at 7:00.

Lenten Dinners: Throughout our sojourn in Lent, we will gather at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays for food and fellowship before weekly Vespers. A sign-up sheet is now available on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall for all who would like to help provide food for the mid-week dinners. Thank you in advance for your loving service and contribution. Thank you!

Ladies' Night Day Out: Get ready this month for some fancy dining at Table 100 in Flowood (100 Ridge Way)! Join us to relax and repast on **Saturday, March 19, at 11:30 a.m.** Due to the restaurant's rules for reservations, we *must* know a headcount by **Tuesday, March 15**; please RSVP to Sabrina Goodlett at sabrinagoodlett@comcast.net as soon as you know whether you can come. Thank you, and see you there!

Indoor Work Day: Roll up your sleeves for an *indoor* work day on **Saturday, March 26**th. We will begin our deep clean at 8:00 a.m. and conclude with lunch at noon. If you would like to pitch in before the day of, contact Mary Atchley at gmatchley@comcast.net. See you there!

Readings for next Sunday, March 20th, the Third Sunday in Lent: Introit Ps. 5:4-8; Psalm 85; Ezekiel 33:7-20; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9.

This week at Christ Lutheran Church: March 14 – March 20

Wednesday 5:00 p.m. Lent Catechesis for Confirmands

6:00 p.m. Lenten Dinner

7:00 p.m. Lenten Vespers

Friday 6:30 a.m. Bible Study @ Christ Lutheran, Breakfast @ Broadstreet

Saturday 11:30 a.m. Ladies' "Night" Out

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages

10:30 a.m. Divine Service – The Third Sunday in Lent



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