# CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH





Rev. George Fields, Pastor 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 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST + June 2, 2024 +

"Eat, Drink, and Rejoice"



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:

"Now every week has seven days. Six of these God has given to us for work, and one for prayer, rest, and making reparations for our sins, so that on the Lord's Day we may atone to God for any sins we have committed on the other six. Therefore, arrive early at the church of God; draw near to the Lord and confess your sin to him, repenting in prayer with a contrite heart. Attend the holy and divine liturgy; finish your prayer and do not leave before the dismissal. Contemplate your master as he is broken and distributed, yet not consumed. If you have a clear conscience, go forward and partake of the body and blood of the Lord."

-An Unknown Greek, Sermon 6

# 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 Communion<sup>1</sup>, and that these are means by which He forgives our sins<sup>2</sup>, 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 meal<sup>3</sup>. 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 faith<sup>4</sup>, you are still welcome to come forward and cross your arms to indicate that you would like a blessing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:14-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Matthew 26:28; 1 John 1:7; 1 Peter 1:18-19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>1 Corinthians 11:28-32

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>1 Corinthians 10:17; 1 Corinthians 11:26

# **DIVINE SERVICE III**

## **PRESERVICE MUSIC**

The congregation may use this time for prayer and meditation.

# **OPENING HYMN**

# **O** Day of Rest and Gladness

**#906** 

# **CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

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.
- P 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

#### **INTROIT: NONNE DEO SUBIECTA**

Psalm 62 : 5-8 ; Ant. Psalm 62 : 1



For God alone my soul waits in | silence;\* from him comes my sal- | vation.

# For God alone, O my soul, wait in | silence,\* for my hope is | from him.

He only is my rock and my salvation, my | fortress;\* I shall not be | shaken.

## On God rests my salvation and my | glory;\* my mighty rock, my refuge | is God.

Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart be- | fore him;\* God is a refuge | for us.

# 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.

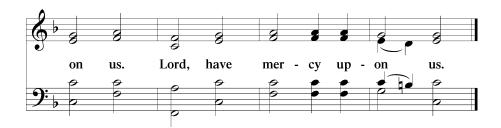
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# Kyrie

The congregation is invited to sing in parts:



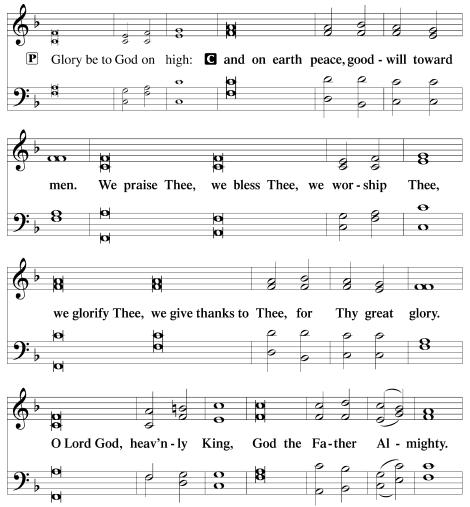
Mark 10:47



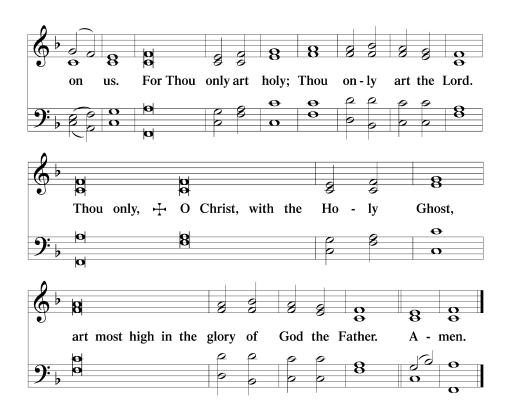
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Luke 2:14; John 1:29

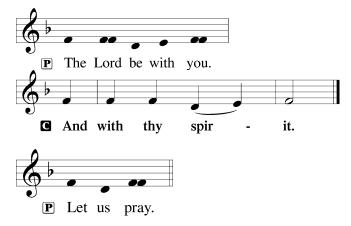
The congregation is invited to sing in parts:







SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



Eternal God, Your Son Jesus Christ is our true Sabbath rest. Help us to keep each day holy by receiving His Word of comfort that we may find our rest in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated

#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

"Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.""

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL



Great is the LORD, and greatly | to be praised,\* and his greatness is un- | searchable. On your wondrous works, I will | meditate,\* and I will declare your | greatness. Psalm 145:3, 5b, 6b

#### **EPISTLE READING**

#### 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

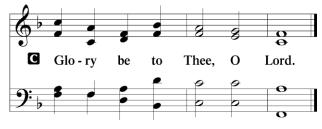
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## HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 2:23-28

**P** The Holy + Gospel according to St. Mark, the second chapter.



One Sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields, and as they made their way, his disciples began to pluck heads of grain.

And the Pharisees were saying to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: how he entered the house of God, in the time of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those who were with him?" And he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated

**OFFICE HYMN** 

#### Lord of All Hopefulness

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SERMON

Sweat

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) 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.

#### INSTALLATION OF CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS

Please stand

#### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

After each petition of the prayer:

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

*For comfort, health, and recovery:* Cheryl Bodkin, James Haughton, Jon Sandberg, Sherri Smith, Nicole Tatum;

For those who mourn: the family and friends of Earl Ray Chandler;

For those who are ill or distressed: Jenalee Adams, Layne Bagley, Shirley Bagley, W.L. Bagley, Sarah Bowman, Mimi Bradley, Deloris Brent, Martha Brown, Nathan Brown, Hunter Burkhalter, Wayne Burt, Bobby Carroll, James E. Cookston, Joan Cowards, Belinda Cowards-Gonzales, Robert (Andy) Evers, Tahlia Ferderer, Randy Fowler, Parker Haines, Dan Hansen, Tim Hansen, Faye Hartman, Valerie Henderson, Sharon Holleman, April Ann Hubmann, Joslyn Jones, Robert Kelly, Steve Kennedy, John Koster, Katelyn Lawing, Paul McCullough, Jerry McIntyre, Edlia Miller, Elaine Monaghan, Don Ochs, Deborah-Annette Ried, Jon Sandberg, Noah Schultz, Jonnie Pearl Smiley, Bob Smith, Sherri Smith, Deborah Springer, Gary Stoeckmann, Nicole Tatum, Donny Thomas, Leslie Thomas, Nikki Vines, Leonard Watson, Dana Weaver, Cynthia Widlitze, Carol Wright, Jimmy Wright, Marshall Wright, Barbara Zeigler;

For college and graduate students: Sara Fields;

For military servants and their families: Gabriel Escude, Glen Hansford, Holden Hathcock, Bill Nelson, Steven Tatum, John Weidner Jr.;

For foreign missionaries: especially Rev. Vance & Linda Becker;

This week's prayer family: Chuck Rubisoff and his loved ones.

Please be seated

OFFERING

Please stand

#### **OFFERTORY**

Psalm 51:10-12

The congregation is invited to sing in parts:



# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]



 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

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



## **AGNUS DEI**

The congregation is invited to sing in parts.



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	
Entrust Your Days and Burdens	#754
Be Still, My Soul, before the Lord	#771
Father Most Holy	#504

Please stand following distribution of communion

#### **NUNC DIMITTIS**





#### **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.

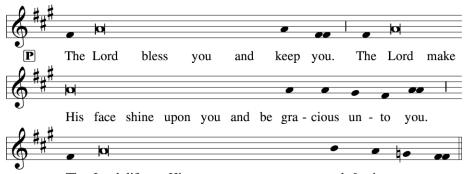


SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS



**BENEDICTION** 

*Numbers* 6:24–26



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



# CLOSING HYMN

#### Jerusalem the Golden

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Serving Today: Celebrant: Rev. George Fields

Acolyte: William Hansford Interpreter: Denee Smith Altar Guild: Margaret Haynes Elder: Keith Martin Organist: Sr. Sara Fields Cantor: Christa Kettler

Altar Flowers: This morning's altar flowers are given for the glory of God by the Fields in celebration of Elysia's baptismal anniversary.

**Quilting This Week:** Break out the thread and scissors! Our quilters will meet this Thursday and Friday at 9:00 a.m. And as long as you can tie a knot, you can quilt along! Join us this week for fabric and fellowship (and coffee!).

**VBS on the Horizon!** Join us this summer to dig deeper with Christ Lutheran's VBS! Come learn (and play!) with us this July 16-18, from 5-7 p.m. To sign up your children/grandchildren, or to volunteer or contribute, contact Krista Hansford at hansfords01@aol.com. In the meantime, stay tuned for more details!

**Readings for next Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, the Third Sunday after Pentecost:** Introit Ps. 28:7-9; Psalm 130; Genesis 3:8-15; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35. This week at Christ Lutheran Church: June 3 – June 9

Tuesday	6:15 p.m. Elders Meeting
Wednesday	9:30 a.m. LifeLight
Thursday	9:00 a.m. Quilting
Friday	6:30 a.m. Bible & Breaky
-	9:00 a.m. Quilting
Sunday	9:00 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
-	10:30 a.m. Divine Service – Second Sunday after Pentecost

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