# 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 TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST + October 13, 2024 +

# "What Must I Do?"



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:**

"He that humbleth himself shall be exalted. Many are the mans which men make use of to come to a union with God; such as readings, and other external exercises of religion. But in truth, next to that true, living faith which purifies the soul from the love of the creatures, there is no better or easier method than that of humility. This, however, does not consist in words, or in any external behavior; but is seated in the bottom of the soul, so that the man upon all accounts, both natural and spiritual, reckons and esteems himself as nothing." –Johann Arndt, *True Christianity*, Bk. III, Ch. 5

# 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**

## Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

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# **CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

Please stand. 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

**INTROIT: BEATUS VIR** 

Psalm 112:3–6; Ant. Ps. 112:1



Praise the Lord! Blessèd is the man who | fears the Lord,\* who greatly delights in his com- | mandments!

#### Wealth and riches are | in his house,\* and his righteousness endures for- | ever.

Light dawns in the darkness for the | upright;\* he is gracious, merciful, and | righteous.

#### It is well with the man who deals generous- | ly and lends;\* who conducts his affairs with | justice.

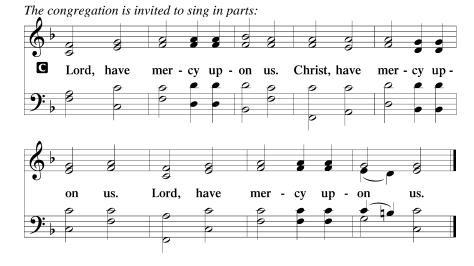
For the righteous will nev- | er be moved;\* he will be remembered for- | ever.

### 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.

Praise the Lord! Blessèd is the man who | fears the Lord,\* who greatly delights in his com- | mandments!

### Kyrie

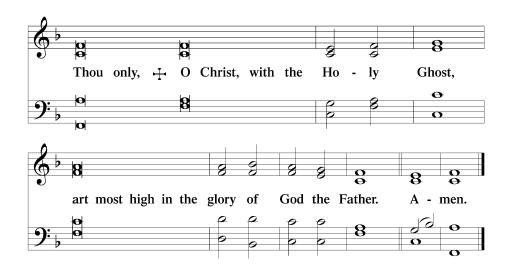
Mark 10:47



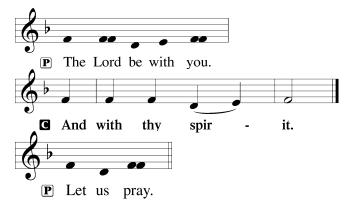
#### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

The congregation is invited to sing in parts: 8 00 g 0 P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward 8 0 0  $\infty$ We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee, men. θ Ο 8 ο 0 0 0 O o 8 00 8 8 9 8  $\infty$ we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. Θ 0 ρ 00 8 0 O 5 0 8 0 O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. θ 0 0 O 10 0 0 00 8 0 0 O Lord, the only - begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; Θ 8 0 00 0 O 6





SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



▶ Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### **OLD TESTAMENT**

Seek the LORD and live. lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel, O you who turn justice to wormwood and cast down righteousness to the earth! They hate him who reproves in the gate, and they abhor him who speaks the truth. Therefore because you trample on the poor and you exact taxes of grain from him, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not dwell in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions and how great are your sinsyou who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate. Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time, for it is an evil time. Seek good, and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, as you have said. Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph. This is the Word of the Lord. A

**C** Thanks be to God.

#### GRADUAL



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

Hebrews 3:12-19

Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. As it is said,

"Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion."

For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

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

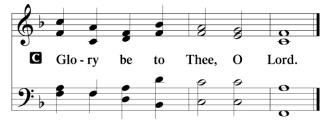
**C** Thanks be to God.





#### HOLY GOSPEL

■ The Holy + Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.



As [Jesus] was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.'" And he said to him, "Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth." And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

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



Please be seated

OFFICE HYMN Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower #694 SERMON What Must Be Done

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.

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

#### After each petition of the prayer:

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

For comfort, health, and recovery: David Clement, Marie Ferderer & Child, Alex Kates, Tom Nielson, Cindy Niemann, Sherri Smith, Kelsi Stinson, Eloise Springer, Nicole Tatum, Donny Thomas, Leslie Thomas, David Zavoina, Terry Ziegler;

For those who are ill or distressed: Jenalee Adams, Blair Alford, Layne Bagley, Shirley Bagley, W.L. Bagley, Sarah Bowman, 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, George Fields, 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, Lesley Tatum, Nicole Tatum, Donny Thomas, Leslie Thomas, Nikki Vines, Leonard Watson, Dana Weaver, Cynthia Widlitze, 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

This week's prayer family: Charles Cowards and his loved ones.

Please be seated

### OFFERING

Please stand

#### **OFFERTORY**

Psalm 51:10-12

The congregation is invited to sing in parts:



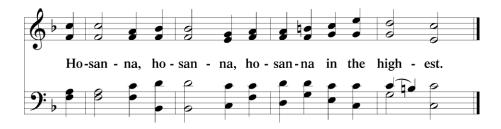
# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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

**P** 

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

*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."





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	
Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me	#683
Jesus Loves Me	#588
Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness	#563

Please stand following distribution of communion

### **NUNC DIMITTIS**



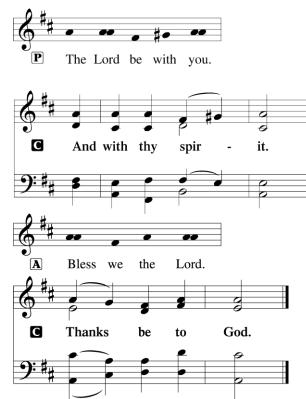


### **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

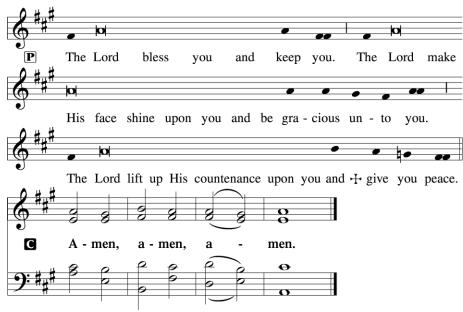
A We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You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



SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS



**BENEDICTION** 



**CLOSING HYMN** 

Jesus, Lead Thou On

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Serving Today: Celebrant: Rev. George Fields Acolyte: Nathan Hansford Interpreter: Denee Smith Altar Guild: Sabrina Goodlett

Elder: Eric Held Organist: Sister Sara Cantor: Emily Held

**Remembering Our Loved Ones:** During the celebration of **All Saints' Day on Sunday, November 3,** 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. Altar Guild Meeting: Ladies of the Altar Guild, it is time for our Fall meeting! Come at **5:00 p.m. this Thursday** to refresh on notes for the coming festival season and to meditate upon the things of God. If you are curious and want to know what the Altar Guild is all about, contact Sister Sara!

Readings for next Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, the Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost: Introit Ps. 103:20-22; Psalm 91; Daniel 10:10-14, 12:1-3; Revelation 12:7-12; Matthew 18:1-11.

### This week at Christ Lutheran Church: October 13 – October 19

Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	5:00 p.m.	Altar Guild Meeting
Friday	6:30 a.m.	Bible & Breaky @ Broadstreet
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School for All Ages
·	10:30 a.m.	<b>Divine Service – Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost</b>

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