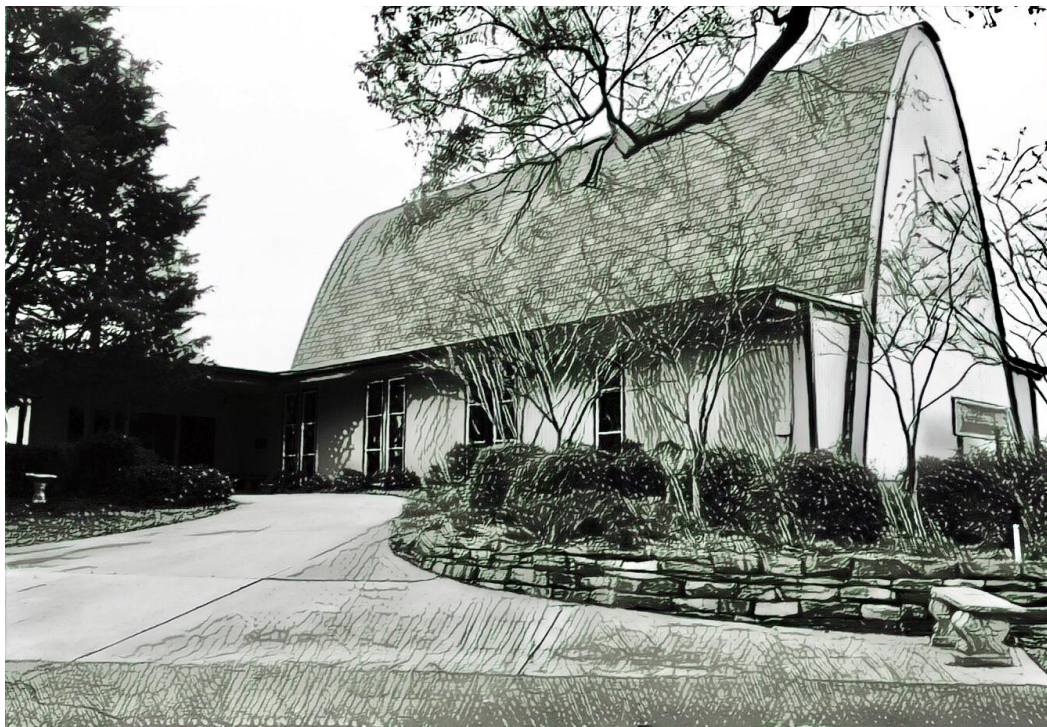


# CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH



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# THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

+ November 10, 2024 +

## *“Her Whole Life”*



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 worshipping with us today!*

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

### **WELCOME:**

“She had but a grain of mustard seed, but she put her leaven in the measures of flour; and, tempering her confession of the Father and of the Son with the grace of the Holy Spirit, cast her two pennies into the treasury. All the substance that she had, all her possessions she offered in the two testaments of her faith. These are the two seraphim which glorify the Trinity with threefold song and are stored among the treasures of the Church. They are like the two legs of the tongs by which live coal is caught up to cleanse the sinner’s lips.”

–St. Jerome, *To Furia*

# 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.

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

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

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

<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

**All Depends on Our Possessing**

**#732**

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

*Please stand. 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: CONFITEMINI DOMINO

*Psalm 107:1-2, 41-42; Ant. Ps. 107:8*



Let them thank the LORD for his | steadfast love,\*  
for his wondrous works to the chil- | dren of men!

**Oh give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good,\*  
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever!**

**Let the redeemed of the LORD | say so,\*  
whom he has redeemed from | trouble.**

He raises up the needy out of af- | fliction\*  
and makes their families | like flocks.  
The upright see it | and are glad,\*  
and all wickedness | shuts its mouth.

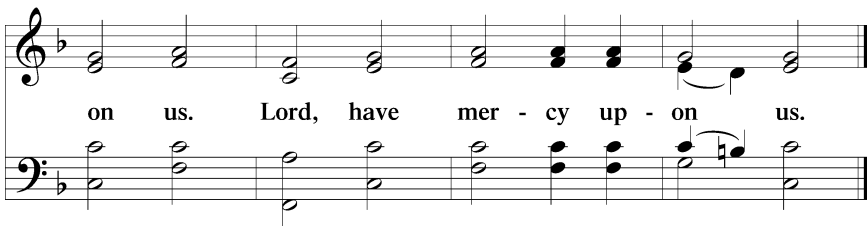
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Let them thank the LORD for his | steadfast love,\*  
for his wondrous works to the chil- | dren of men!

## KYRIE

*Mark 10:47*

*The congregation is invited to sing in parts:*



# GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

*The congregation is invited to sing in parts:*

**P** Glory be to God on high: **G** and on earth peace, good - will toward

men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only - begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.

Thou only, † O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

**P** Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Grant us so firmly to believe in Your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** A - men.





## EPISTLE

*Hebrews 9:24-28*

For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand*

## ALLELUIA




**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Mark 12:38-44*

**P** The Holy ✝ Gospel according to St. Mark, the twelfth chapter.

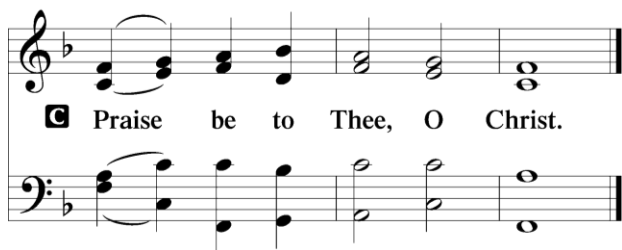


**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

In his teaching [Jesus] said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, who devour widows’ houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And he called his disciples to him and said to them, “Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

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



*Please be seated*

**OFFICE HYMN**

**The Temple Rang with Golden Coins**

**#787**

**SERMON**

*The Widow & Two Coins Given*

*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: Let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

*For comfort, health, and recovery:* **Blair Alford, Marie Ferderer & Child, Mary O’Gwynn, Lily Smith, Sherri Smith, Eloise Springer, Nicole Tatum, Donny Thomas, Leslie Thomas;**

*For those who mourn:* the family and friends of **Gerald Jones;**

*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, 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 Widlitz, 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;**

*For foreign missionaries*

*This week’s prayer family:* **Cecelia Dorsey** and her loved ones.

*Please be seated*

## OFFERING

*Please stand*

# OFFERTORY

Psalm 51:10-12

The congregation is invited to sing in parts:

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

## PREFACE

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



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.



**P** 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:

## SANCTUS

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
✠ bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

## LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

**P** *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.*

**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the  
glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## 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

The musical score for 'Pax Domini' is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of three staves. The first staff is a single melodic line for the voice. The second and third staves are piano accompaniment, with the second staff in treble clef and the third in bass clef. The lyrics are: 'The peace of the Lord be with you always.' The word 'men.' is written below the piano accompaniment in the second measure.

### AGNUS DEI

John 1:29

*The congregation is invited to sing in parts.*

The musical score for 'Agnus Dei' is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves. The first two staves are for the first part of the congregation, and the last two staves are for the second part. The lyrics are: 'O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that'.



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*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**

**No Temple Now, No Gift of Price**

**#530**

**How Can I Thank You, Lord**

**#703**

**Take My Life and Let It Be**

**#783**

*Please stand following distribution of communion*

# NUNC DIMITTIS

Luke 2:29-32

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -

The first system of musical notation for 'Nunc Dimittis'. It consists of a treble and a bass staff. The treble staff begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and then a quarter note B4. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines.

cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

The second system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the melody with a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and then a quarter note B4. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

The third system of musical notation. The treble staff features a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and then a quarter note B4. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

The fourth system of musical notation. The treble staff has a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and then a quarter note B4. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

The fifth and final system of musical notation. The treble staff has a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and then a quarter note B4. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men.

### THANKSGIVING

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**B** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

### 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.



**C** A - men.

### SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



**A** Bless we the Lord.

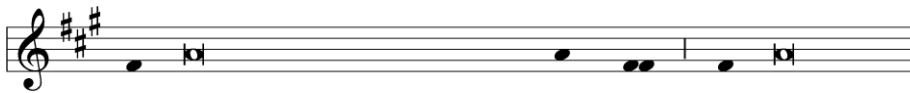


**C** Thanks be to God.

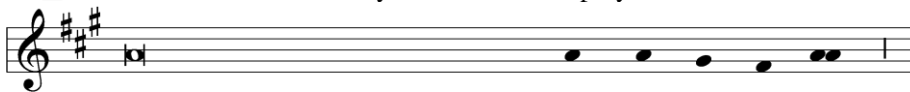


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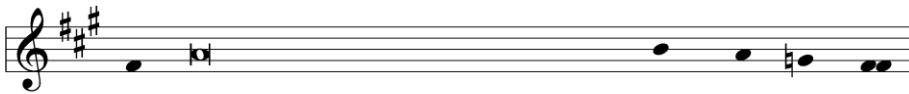
*Numbers 6:24-26*



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



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



**C** A - men, a - men, a - men.



## CLOSING HYMN

## Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus

#529

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### Serving Today:

**Celebrant:** Rev. George Fields

**Acolyte:** William Hansford

**Interpreter:** Denee Smith

**Altar Guild:** Nancy Teal

**Elder:** Keith Martin

**Organist:** Sister Sara

**Cantor:** Rush Agent

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

**Directory Update:** It's time for our annual directory update! A draft is located on the narthex table for you to kindly **review your information** by **November 24<sup>th</sup>** and pencil in edits as needed. If all is correct, put a checkmark next to your name. Thank you!

**Christmas Choir:** The festival season of the Church year is almost here – and we know what that means: Christmas is coming! Come sing with us as we prepare for Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols; Christmas choir rehearses **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.** until Christmas. Ask Sister Sara for more details!

**Christmas Recital:** Calling all musicians! It is time to start practicing up, because the Christ Lutheran Christmas Recital is coming on **Saturday, January 4!** If you are interested in participating, email Sister Sara at [sistersara@christlutheran.jacksonms.org](mailto:sistersara@christlutheran.jacksonms.org). All ages and levels are welcome!

**Readings for next Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, the Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost:** Introit Ps. 48:11-14; Psalm 16; Daniel 12:1-3; Hebrews 10:11-25; Mark 13:1-13.

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*This week at Christ Lutheran Church: November 11 – November 17*

**Tuesday 6:15 p.m.** Council Meeting  
**Wednesday 7:00 p.m.** Choir Rehearsal  
**Friday 6:30 a.m.** Bible & Breaky @ Broadstreet  
**6:15 p.m.** Elders Meeting  
**Sunday 9:00 a.m.** Sunday School for All Ages  
**10:30 a.m. Divine Service – Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**



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