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3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost ~ June 9, 2024 ~ 9:45 a.m.

## THE SERVICE

**BOLD** lettering indicates a spoken response

Prelude / Announcements

Blessing of Quilts and Flood Buckets

## GATHERING

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the Father, and the +Son, and the Holy Spirit, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen**

P: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P: God of love and forgiveness,

**C: We confess to you and to one another that we fall far short of your expectations. We have not responded well to your gracious act of dying on the cross for our forgiveness. We have neglected you, and have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are a sinful people. Please free us from the guilt and power of our sinfulness. Please help us see more clearly your love for us, and respond appropriately. Amen**

P: Purely by God's grace, through Jesus on the cross, all your sins are forgiven. Now may you be strengthened daily to believe in Jesus and to live the joy and freedom his forgiveness brings.

**C: Amen**

Glorify thy name

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Father, we love you, we worship and adore you,  
Glorify thy name in all the earth;  
Glorify thy name, glorify thy name,  
Glorify thy name in all the earth.

Greeting:

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

**C: Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us, and we are His people, the sheep of His pasture.**

P: Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name.

**C: For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations.**

Opening Song – I will call upon the Lord

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I will call up-on the Lord who is wor-thy to be



praised. So shall I be saved from my en - e - mies.



I will call up - on the Lord. The



Lord liv-eth, and bless-ed be the Rock, and let the God of my sal -



va - tion be ex - alt - ed. The Lord liv - eth, and bless - ed be the Rock,



and let the God of my sal - va - tion be ex - alt - ed.

Prayer of the Day

P: O God, the strength of those who hope in you: Be present and hear our prayers; and, because in the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, so that in keeping your commandments we may please you in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

# WORD OF GOD

## Scripture Readings



Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.



Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.

## First Lesson: Genesis 3:8-15

*Immediately after Adam and Eve eat the forbidden fruit, they hide from God. Neither takes responsibility for their sin, instead blaming each other, the snake, and even God. The curse on the snake was understood as a messianic prophecy by the early church, who associated Eve's "offspring" with Christ.*

A: The First Lesson is from the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter of Genesis.

[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.<sup>9</sup> But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?"<sup>10</sup> He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself."<sup>11</sup> He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"<sup>12</sup> The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate."<sup>13</sup> Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate."<sup>14</sup> The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and hers;  
he will strike your head,  
and you will strike his heel.”

A: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1

*Earthly life is transitory and cannot compare with the eternal home God has prepared for us. So we do not despair no matter what life might bring because we know that as God raised Jesus from the dead, He promises to bring us into eternal life.*

A: The Second Lesson is from the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> chapters of 2 Corinthians.

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—“I believed, and so I spoke”—we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

<sup>5:1</sup>For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

A: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**



Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

Gospel: Mark 3:19b-35

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.



Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

Then [Jesus] went home; <sup>20</sup>and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

<sup>28</sup>“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”—<sup>30</sup>for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

<sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” <sup>33</sup>And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

~ Pastor John

## OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

### Song – They’ll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, We are one in the Lord,  
We are one in the Spirit, We are one in the Lord,  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.  
    And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
    Yes they’ll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand,  
We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand,  
And together we’ll spread the news that God is in our land.  
    And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
    Yes they’ll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other, We will work side by side,  
We will work with each other, We will work side by side,  
And we’ll guard each one’s dignity and save each one’s pride.  
    And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
    Yes they’ll know we are Christians by our love.

All praise to the Father, From whom all things come,  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one.  
    And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
    Yes they’ll know we are Christians by our love.

### Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
    creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
    He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
    and born of the virgin Mary.  
    He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
    was crucified, died, and was buried.  
    He descended into hell.  
    On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

*The Pastor will offer prayers for the whole Church, the nations, those in need, the parish, and special concerns.*

*Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:*

P: . . . Lord, in your mercy.

**C: Hear our prayer.**

P: +Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.



Offertory – Create in me

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Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, that I might serve



you; cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, that



I might be re - newed. So fill me and



heal me, and bring me back to you. Cre -



ate in me a clean heart, O God, that I might serve you.

Offertory Prayer

P: Merciful Father,

**C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

# HOLY COMMUNION

## Communion Prayer

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: We are so grateful God that you welcome us to this table.

**C: We have done nothing to earn your gifts,**

P: we cannot claim to deserve your favor,

**C: but in your mercy, you welcome us freely.**

**We lift our hearts in thanksgiving.**

## Words of Institution

P: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. For this we give you thanks. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith in this holy supper.

**C: Amen. Come Lord Jesus.**

P: In the night in which He was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his disciples saying: this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink saying: this cup is the new covenant in my blood shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen**

Invitation to Communion

P: This is the true bread which came down from heaven and gave life to the world. Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

One bread, one body

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*Refrain*

One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of  
bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y  
through-out the earth, we are one bod-y in this one Lord.

## The Meal

*Please receive the bread and wine as the pastor speaks the words:*

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*The communicant may say: "Amen."*

## MUSIC AS WE SHARE COMMUNION

Broken for me

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*Refrain:* Broken for me, broken for you;  
The body of Jesus broken for you.

He offered his body, he poured out his soul;  
Jesus was broken that we might be whole. *Refrain*

Come to my table and with me dine;  
Eat of my bread and drink of my wine. *Refrain*

This is my body given for you;  
Eat it, rememb'ring I died for you. *Refrain*

This is my blood . . . I shed for you;  
For your forgiveness, making you new. *Refrain*

Broken for me, broken for you;  
The body of Jesus broken for you.

Here is bread

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Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here. *Refrain*

*Refrain:* In this bread there is healing,  
In this cup is life forever.  
In this moment, by the Spirit,  
Christ is with us here.

Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Jesus here. *Refrain*

Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
We'll proclaim till he come Jesus crucified. *Refrain*

### Post Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you  
and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen**

Post Communion Canticle – Give thanks

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Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,



give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.



Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,



give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.



And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am



rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And



now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am



rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

Prayer

P: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C: Amen**

# SENDING

## Blessing

P: May you be strengthened with the power of God, + the love of Jesus, and the help of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

Closing Song – Go in peace and serve the Lord

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*Sing 3 times*

Go in peace and serve the Lord.  
God is calling you today.  
God and tell gospel news ev'rywhere.  
Go in peace and serve the Lord.  
God is calling you today  
To bring truth and love to ev'ry nation.

## Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God**

## Postlude

### OPPORTUNITIES AT CHRIST LUTHERAN

**Today**-Blessing of Quilts and Flood Buckets

8:30-Traditional Worship

9:45-Contemporary Worship

11:00-Traditional Worship

**6:30-Mission Trip Prep Event**

**Monday**-9:00-Quilters/Sewers

6:00-Property

**Tuesday**-2:00-Bible Study

6:00-Contemporary Team Instrumental/Vocal

## FUTURE MINISTRIES

**Sun-June 16**-2:00-Mission Trip Group departs

**Mon-June 17**-9:00-Quilters/Sewers

**Tues-June 18**-2:00-Bible Study

6:00-Contemporary Team Instrumental/Vocal

**Wed-June 19**-9:00 PM-Mission Trip Group returns

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Next Sunday's Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

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**Attendance last week: Sunday Worship: 8:30-43; 9:45-107; 11:00-32**

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The flowers in the chancel vases have been presented to the Glory of the Lord and in honor of their 42<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary on June 12 by Linda & Darwin London.

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**Blessing of Quilts and Flood Buckets *TODAY*** at all services.

**The over 100 beautiful quilts on display *TODAY*** have been made by our Monday Morning Quilters. We thank our quilters for their dedicated service in creating them. These quilts will be taken to the NALC Disaster Response Warehouse by the Mission Trip participants. Anyone is welcome to join them on Monday mornings; please take a card from the basket in the narthex for more information.

**Flood Buckets for NALC Disaster Response . . .** Thanks to all who donated supplies and money for flood buckets. Tonight the Mission Trip participants will complete the assembly of 40 buckets!

**“Some give by going, others go by giving!”** On Sunday, June 16, twenty youth and adults from Christ Lutheran will head off on the Mission Trip and their work at the NALC Disaster Response Warehouse and Retreat Center. We appreciate all your donations and prayers. **Today and next Sunday** there will be a long poster of our specific prayer concerns in the narthex. Take a look – then fill out a “post-it prayer concern” to take home; be sure to sign the poster by your prayer concern or participant too! Thank you for supporting our youth and for your prayers!



**Summer Sunday School: Summer Games 2024.** As the world gets ready for the Olympic Games this summer, we will also bring the games to SCS. *“Training to Win”* is the June theme! Let the games begin and join us on **Sunday June 23 at 9:45!**

**Youth Community Service Event** at the DuBois Area Food Pantry **Thursday June 27** from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for youth in 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades and their friends. More info on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Sign up today!

**Pentecost Season Devotions: The Christian Life: Sit, Walk, Stand** are available in the narthex and can be downloaded from our website.

**Mission of the Month: NALC Disaster Response.** This spring, tornado outbreaks have occurred in many areas throughout the United States, causing massive devastation and loss of life. NALC Disaster Response provides resources for responding rapidly when domestic natural disasters occur; to enable those affected to begin the rebuilding process. To make a monetary donation to this effort, please use the pew envelopes, and write *“Disaster Response”* in the “other” line. Checks may be made payable to Christ Lutheran Church. Thank you.

**Baptism Event!** On **Sunday July 21** from 6 to 8 p.m. our congregation will hold a Baptism Event for parents whose children are not yet baptized and for adults and youth who desire to be baptized. The Bible tells us that God’s gifts – forgiveness, life and salvation – are ours through Baptism. At this event, we will make those gifts available to children, adults and youth who are not yet baptized. We want them to receive these gifts because we know our gracious heavenly Father freely offers them. The event will begin with an hour of education, questions and answers on Baptism followed by a Baptismal Service.

*What can you do to help?* While our pastors will send out some invitations, we know that you know other families and individuals who would welcome this opportunity. We ask you to extend the invitation! On the table in the narthex are two invitations – one for families with infants and young children and the other for adults or youth. Please pick up one or more and take them to a friend, family member, or neighbor. If you have any questions or would like to help with the event, please contact Pastor Amy or Pastor John.