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2nd Sunday after Pentecost ~ June 22, 2025 ~ 9:45 a.m.

THE SERVICE

BOLD lettering indicates a spoken response

Prelude

Announcements

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.

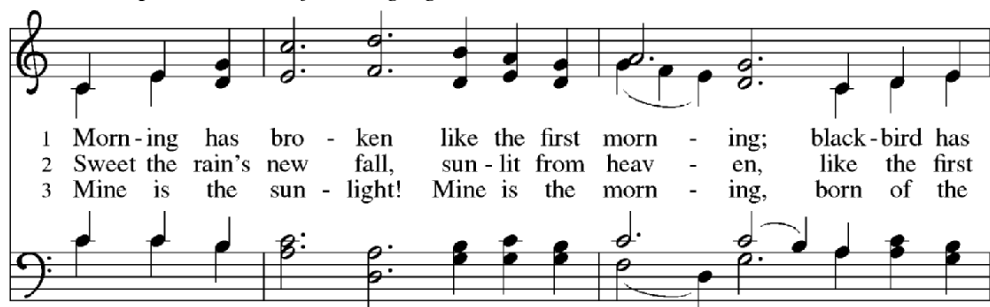
P: Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name.

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

Opening Song – Morning has broken

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Repeat verse 1 after singing verse 3



1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black - bird has
2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en, like the first
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the



spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet
one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry



morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

Prayer of the Day

P: O God our defender, storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us all from unbelief; through your Son, 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: Psalm 42

A: The First Lesson is Psalm 42. Let us read it responsively.

As a deer longs for flowing streams,
so my soul longs for you, O God.

²My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

When shall I come and behold the face of God?

**³My tears have been my food day and night,
while people say to me continually, “Where is your God?”**

**⁴These things I remember, as I pour out my soul:
how I went with the throng,
and led them in procession to the house of God,
with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving,
a multitude keeping festival.**

**⁵Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you disquieted within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.**

**⁶My soul is cast down within me;
therefore I remember you from the land of Jordan
and of Hermon, from Mount Mizar.**

**⁷Deep calls to deep at the thunder of your cataracts;
all your waves and your billows have gone over me.**

**⁸By day the LORD commands his steadfast love,
and at night his song is with me,
a prayer to the God of my life.**

**⁹I say to God, my rock, “Why have you forgotten me?
Why must I walk about mournfully
because the enemy oppresses me?”**

¹⁰As with a deadly wound in my body,
 my adversaries taunt me,
 while they say to me continually, “Where is your God?”
¹¹Why are you cast down, O my soul,
 and why are you disquieted within me?
¹²Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
 my help and my God.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson: Galatians 3:23-29

Baptism unites people not only with God but with other believers.

A: The Second Lesson is from the 3rd chapter of Galatians.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s offspring, heirs according to the promise.

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: Luke 8:26-39

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 8th chapter.



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

Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me”—²⁹for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” He said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. ³¹They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

³²Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹“Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

~ Pastor Amy

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Song – You are my hiding place

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You are my hiding place;
You always fill my heart with songs of deliverance.
Whenever I am afraid I will trust in you,
I will trust in you.
Let the weak say, “I am strong in the strength of the Lord.”

You are my hiding place;
You always fill my heart with songs of deliverance.
Whenever I am afraid I will trust in you,
I will trust in you.
Let the weak say, “I am strong in the strength of the Lord,
I will trust in you.”

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.

Sharing of God's Peace

We follow Jesus' direction in Matthew chapter 5 and make peace with each other before coming to the altar: Jesus said, "So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

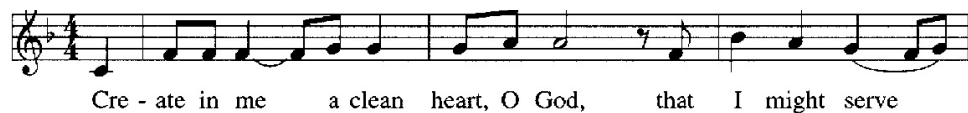
*The ministers and congregation greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these or similar words: **Peace be with you.***

Offering

Contemporary Worship Team

Offertory – Create in me

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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: take and eat; 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

Seek ye first

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Seek ye first the kingdom of God and it righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you; seek and you shall find;
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.

Man shall not live by bread alone,
But by every word that proceeds out from the mouth of God.
Allelu, alleluia.

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

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1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.

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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The musical score is written for a single voice on a treble clef staff. It consists of seven lines of music. The first line begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The first line of music corresponds to the first line of lyrics: 'Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,'. The second line of music corresponds to the second line of lyrics: 'give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.' The third line of music corresponds to the third line of lyrics: 'Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,'. The fourth line of music corresponds to the fourth line of lyrics: 'give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.' The fifth line of music corresponds to the fifth line of lyrics: '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'. The sixth line of music corresponds to the sixth line of lyrics: 'now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am'. The seventh line of music corresponds to the seventh line of lyrics: 'rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!'. The score ends with a double bar line.

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 – The trees of the field

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You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace,
And the mountains and the hills will break forth before you.
There'll be shouts of joy and all the trees of the field
Will clap, will clap their hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands.
The trees of the field will clap their hands.
The trees of the field will clap their hands,
While you go out with joy.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

Postlude

OPPORTUNITIES AT CHRIST LUTHERAN

Today

8:30-Traditional Worship

9:45 Summer Sunday School!

9:45-Contemporary Worship

11:00-Traditional Worship

6:00-9:30-Dinner, Bonfire & Movie

Monday-9:00-Quilters/Sewers

Tuesday-6:00-Contemporary Team Instrumental/6:30-Vocal

Thursday-8:00-12:30-Christ Lutheran Youth at Food Pantry

FUTURE MINISTRIES

Mon-June 30-9:00-Quilters/Sewers

Tues-July 1-2:00-Bible Study

6:00-Contemporary Team Instrumental/Vocal

Fri-July 4-Office Closed

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Next Sunday's Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

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Attendance last week:

Sunday Worship: 8:30-43; 9:45-64; 11:00-32

The flowers in the chancel vases have been presented to the Glory of the Lord and in loving memory of Max Griffith by Grace Griffith.

Interested in any of the following . . . one small dark wood church pew, the small wooden desk, and/or the window curtains located in the Fellowship Hall? First come, first served; you take them away (by July 6). Just let the church office or the pastors know. Thank you!

The July Worship Assistant List is available in the narthex

Check out the “Lost & Found” table in the fellowship hall. Items not claimed by July 6 will be donated to Goodwill.

Summer Sunday School for preschool through 5th graders **TODAY** at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Dinner, Bonfire & Movie Night . . . TONIGHT from 6:00-9:30. Join us for hot dogs cooked over the bonfire and bring a side or dessert to share. Then break out your chairs and blankets for “*The Prince of Egypt*” under the stars! Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Youth Community Service Event at the DuBois Area Food Pantry **THIS THURSDAY, June 26** from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for youth in 6th through 12th grades and their friends. Sign up today!

Baptism Event! On **Sunday July 13** - 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. 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 who would welcome this opportunity. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Amy or Pastor John.

Mark your calendars now for the family summer pool party, **Sunday, July 27** from 7:15-9:15 p.m. at the DuBois City Pool.

New Organ Donations. . . If you would like to contribute toward the new organ, pledge cards and donation envelopes are available by the organ pipe display in the narthex. They may be placed in the offering plate or left in the church office. Thank you!

Pentecost Season Devotions “I Just Wanna Be a Sheep!” are available in the narthex and can be downloaded from our website.

Mission of the Month: The North American Lutheran Seminary (NALS) The NALS is a confessionally Lutheran seminary that educates pastors for service in the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). If you would like to make a financial gift in support of The NALS, please use the pew envelopes, and write “NALS” in the “other” line. Please help support the future leaders of our Lutheran Church. Checks may be made payable to Christ Lutheran Church.

Food Pantry Items for June are Canned Chicken and/or Egg Noodles.