

Welcome to Worship!



14th Sunday after Pentecost
September 14, 2025 ~ 9:45 a.m.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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THE SERVICE

BOLD lettering indicates a spoken response

* Please stand as you are able

Prelude

Welcome & 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

* Let there be praise

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Let there be praise, let there be joy in our hearts.

Am Am⁷ Dm Dm/F EbM Eb Csust C



Sing to the Lord, give God the glo - ry. glo ry.

F C/E F Dm Dm/F Gm Gm² Gm C



Let there be praise, let there be joy in our hearts.

Am Am⁷ Dm Dm/F GmF/A Bb F/C C7 F



For-ev - er-more let his love fill the air, and let there be praise.

* 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 – My Life is In You

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$\text{♩} = 160$ C/D G D/G G D/G G D/G Em D/E Em D/E Em D/E

My life is in You, Lord, _ my strength is in You, Lord, _ my

5 C D/C C D/C C G/D Last time to Coda D C/D

hope is in You, Lord, _ in You, _ it's in _ You. My

9 D C D/C C D/C G/B G G/B

You. I will praise You _ with all of _ my life, _ I will

14 C D/C C D/C G/B G G/B

praise You _ with all of _ my strength; _ With

18 D $\text{A}^{7\text{sus}}/\text{E}$ $\text{D/F}\sharp$ G E $\text{B}^{7\text{sus}}/\text{F}\sharp$ $\text{E/G}\sharp$ Am Am/G

all of _ my life, with all of _ my strength.

22 F Am^7/E D^{sus} D C/D D.S. al Coda

All of my hope is in You. _ My

26 D C/D G

You, in You. _

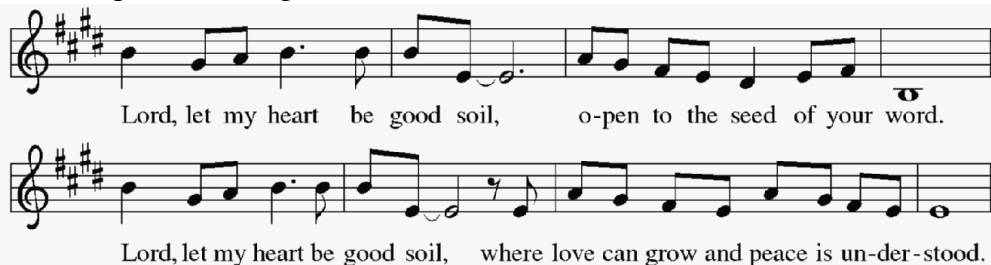
* Prayer of the Day

P: O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of your grace, that, pursuing what you have promised, we may share your heavenly glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

WORD OF GOD

Scripture Readings



FIRST LESSON: Exodus 32:7-14

Bible p. 69

While Moses is on Mount Sinai, the people grow restless and make a golden calf to worship. Today's reading shows Moses as the mediator between an angry God and a sinful people. Moses reminds God that the Israelites are His own people, and boldly asks for mercy for them.

A: The First Lesson is from the 32nd chapter of Exodus.

⁷ The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; ⁸ they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' "

⁹ The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰ Now let me alone so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, and of you I will make a great nation." ¹¹ But Moses implored the LORD his God and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people,

whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹² Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³ Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, ‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.’ ” ¹⁴ And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND Lesson: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Bible p. 963

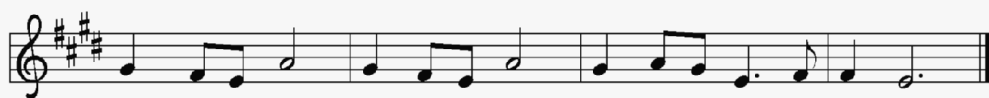
The mercy shown to Paul, who once persecuted the church, is evidence that even the most unworthy may become witnesses to the grace of God.

A: The Second Lesson is from the 1st chapter of Timothy.

¹² I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³ even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴ and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶ But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience as an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷ To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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 15:1-10**

Bible p. 850

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 15th chapter.



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

¹ Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] ² And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” ³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.’ ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. ⁸ “Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

~ Pastor John

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* Song – Jesus Loves Me

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Je-sus loves me! This I know, For the Bi-ble tells me so;
Lit-tle ones to Him be-long; They are weak, but He is strong.

Yes, Je-sus loves me! Yes, Je-sus loves me!
Yes, Je-sus loves me! The Bi-ble tells me so.

Jesus loves me! This I know, As He loved so long ago,
Taking children on His knee, Saying, “Let them come to Me.”

Yes, Je-sus loves me! Yes, Je-sus loves me!
Yes, Je-sus loves me! The Bi-ble tells me so.

Jesus loves me still today, Walking with me on my way,
Wanting as a friend to give Light and love to all who live.

Yes, Je-sus loves me! Yes, Je-sus loves me!
Yes, Je-sus loves me! The Bi-ble tells me so.

Jesus loves me! He who died Heaven’s gate to open wide;
He will wash away my sin, Let His little child come in.

Yes, Je-sus loves me! Yes, Je-sus loves me!
Yes, Je-sus loves me! The Bi-ble tells me so.

* 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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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.

Chords: C⁷_{sus}, C⁷, F, C/E, C/D, Dm, Dm/C, Gm, F/A, C, F, Am⁷, Dm⁷, Am⁷, Dm⁷, Gm⁷, Gm/D, C⁷_{sus}, C⁷, F, C/E, C/D, Dm, Dm/C, Gm, F/A, C, F

* 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 be seated*)

Our Lord Jesus is the host at this supper. It is for all who wish to experience the forgiveness Jesus offers. Therefore, Jesus invites all of us to receive Him in this meal.

For those at home or taking communion at their seat, 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."

If you desire to receive communion up front, please come forward via the center aisle. As the pastor and communion assistant give the bread and wine, they say these words to each communicant:

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

The communicant may say: "Amen."

MUSIC AS WE SHARE COMMUNION

Simple Gifts

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'Tis the gift to be sim-ple, 'tis the gift to be free. 'Tis the
gift to come down where we ought to be. And when we find our-selves in the
place just right, 'Twill be in the val - ley of love and de-light.
When true sim-ple-ci-ty is gained. To bow and to bend we shan't be a-sham'd. To
turn, turn will be our de-light, Till by tur-ning, tur-ing we come round right.

Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc - tu - ar - y, pure and

3
ho - ly, tried and true; With thanks - giv - ing, I'll be a

6
liv - ing sanc - tu - ar - y for You.

*** Post Communion Blessing**

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

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– We are Marching in the Light of God CCLI 1763436



Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -
We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the



nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',
light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
we are march - ing in the light of God.



Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) oo
We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) oo



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
we are march - ing in the light of God.



Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) oo
We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) oo



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
we are march - ing in the light of God.

Additional stanzas: 2) We are dancing... 3) We are praying... 4) We are singing...

***DISMISSAL:**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

***POSTLUDE:**

Please join us for fellowship and refreshments
in the fellowship hall following worship.

OPPORTUNITIES AT CHRIST LUTHERAN

Today

8:30a-Traditional Worship

9:45a-Contemporary Worship & Sunday School

11:00a-Traditional Worship

3:00p-Organ Dedication

FUTURE MINISTRIES

Mon-Sep 15: 9:00a-Quilters

Tue-Sep 16: 2:00p-Bible Study

5:30p-Council Meeting

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

Thur-Sep 18: 6:30p-Traditional Choir Practice

7:00p-Bible Study

Fri-Sep 19: YOUTH 5th Quarter Event after the Football Game

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Next Sunday's Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Attendance last week:

Sunday Worship: 8:30-52; 9:45-72; 11:00-45

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The flowers in the chancel vases have been presented to the Glory of the Lord and in honor and celebration of our new organ dedication by Donna & Jeff Bush.

***Pentecost Season Devotions: “Reading through Genesis, Part Two:** Genesis 12-35, God, Abraham, Isaac & Jacob.” Hard copies are in the narthex and can be downloaded from our website. Let’s open our Bibles and read God’s word together!

***TODAY-Sunday, September 14 at 3 p.m. our organ dedication service and celebration!** Everyone is welcome to this glorious and festive afternoon of music. Reception in Fellowship Hall to follow.

***TODAY-SUNDAY SCHOOL KICKOFF!** Sunday school will begin this morning **at 9:45 a.m.** Children age 3 through 5th grade and youth helpers will gather in the fellowship hall, one room schoolhouse style. There will be class today and September 28. We encourage parents to bring their children to worship on September 21 and help them to use the bulletin and participate as they are able.

***New Bible Study group begins Thursday, September 18,** from 7p to 8p in the Fellowship Hall led by Nate Weber. We will be meeting every other Thursday. Study begins with the Gospel of Mark. All are invited to attend.

***YOUTH Jr/Sr High 5th Quarter Event! Friday, September 19th:** After the football game!!! Join us for pizza, snacks, and games! For more details see Abbey Weber. →Sign-up sheet posted in the Narthex.

***First Confirmation Event of the School Year--Sunday, September 21,** 6:00-7:30 p.m. →Sign-up sheet posted in the Narthex.

***First Sr. High Brunch of the School Year--Sunday, September 28,** after the 9:45 a.m. service. →Sign-up sheet posted in the Narthex.

***FAMILY EVENT: FALL BONFIRE--Saturday, October 4th**
At 5:30 p.m. Join us for dinner around the bonfire, music, and kids’ activities! →Sign-up sheet posted in the Narthex.

***It’s time for a NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY and it won’t be complete without you!** Photos will be taken Wednesday thru Friday October 22-24 from 2 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Saturday October 25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. **Sign up now--online at UCDIR.com by clicking “Photography Session Sign-up”. Use code: pa1200 and password: photos. Sign-ups will also be available before and after worship services beginning September 21.**

***Bus Trip to see Noah at Sight & Sound-Wednesday November 12.**

Morning departure from DuBois with lunch at the Shady Maple smorgasbord restaurant. The show is at 3 p.m. The cost includes transportation, lunch and show ticket is *estimated* to be \$160 per person, depending on the number of people that sign up. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Friends are welcome. **SIGN UP TODAY.**

***New Organ Donations.** . . If you would still 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!

***September Mission of the Month: Pentz Run Youth Services:** This group home and emergency shelter provides services for adolescent males and females, ages 10 through 17. The purpose of the program is to provide a safe, secure, nurturing environment for youth that require short or long-term alternatives to family living. If you would like to contribute, please use a pew envelope and write “Pentz Run” in the “other” line. Checks may be made payable to Christ Lutheran Church.

Food Pantry Items for September are CORNED BEEF and/or VEGETABLE BROTH.

USHERS: Brad Finalle & Zayden Preston

LECTOR: Lisa Blasky

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Lisa Blasky, Debbie Finalle

Restrooms are in the back hall directly behind the lobby; a family restroom is located in the education wing on the far end of the building.

An **unstaffed nursery** is available during worship services and is located just off the lobby. Worship services can be heard through overhead speakers.

If you desire a pastoral visit or wish to share information, please call the pastors at the church office – 814-371-2470.

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