# Welcome to Worship!



November 9, 2025 ~ 9:45 a.m.

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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: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen

\* I will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord CCLI 1763436



\*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: God is our light and our salvation,

C: our refuge and our stronghold.

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

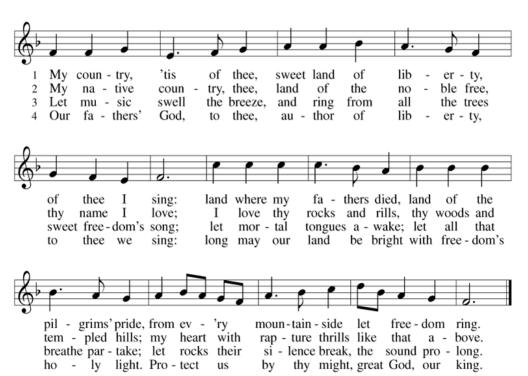
C: we praise your name, O God.

P: For with you is the fountain of life,

C: and in your light we see light.

## \* Opening Song – My Country Tis of Thee

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## \* Prayer of the Day

P: Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people to seek more eagerly the help you offer, that, at the last, they may enjoy the fruit of salvation; through our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: Amen

# WORD OF GOD

## Scripture Readings



## FIRST LESSON: Psalm 32:1-8 (read responsively) Bible p. #440

A: The First Lesson is from the 32<sup>nd</sup> Psalm.

L: Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

C: Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!

L: While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

C: For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

L: Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.

C: I said," I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

L: Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

C: You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### SECOND Lesson: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 Bible p. #961

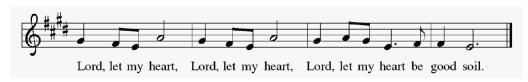
A: The Second Lesson is from the 1st Chapter of 2<sup>nd</sup>Thessalonians:

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of everyone of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring. To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



\*Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

Bible p. #854

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 19<sup>th</sup> Chapter.



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

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

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

Sermon

~ Pastor Amy

# **OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD**



#### AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM - RITE OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmand comes up on the last verse of the SERMON HYMN

#### **PRESENTATION**

Debbie Brubaker, our Council president, presents the candidate: This young man has been instructed in the Christian faith and desires to make public affirmation of his Baptism.

### Aaron David Eberly

P: We rejoice that you now desire to make public profession of your faith and assume greater responsibility in the life of our church and its mission in the world.

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH

- P: Brother in Christ: In Holy Baptism our Lord Jesus Christ received you and made you a member of his Church, where you have learned from his Word God's loving purpose for you and all creation. You have been nourished at his holy table and called to be witnesses to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Now, therefore, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize.
- P: Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

Confirmand: I do.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

#### Confirmand:

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

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

#### **Confirmand:**

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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

Confirmand: 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

#### THE PRAYERS

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

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

#### DECLARATION OF INTENT

P: You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,

to hear his Word and share in his supper,

to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,

to serve all people, following the example of our Lord Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

#### The confirmand answers:

# R: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me. PARENTS JOIN THEIR YOUTH AT THE ALTAR

PRAYER (The confirmand kneels.)

P: Let us pray. Gracious Lord, through water and the Spirit you have made this young man your own. You forgave him all his sins and brought him to newness of life. Continue to strengthen him with the Holy Spirit, and daily increase in him your gifts of grace: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

#### C: Amen

The ministers, council president and parents lay hands on Aaron's head:

P: Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in Aaron David the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm his faith, guide his life, empower him in his serving, give him patience in suffering, and bring him to everlasting life.

#### Each person answers: Amen

Those making affirmation and the whole congregation stand Debbie Brubaker: Through Baptism, God has made this brother a member of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus. Through affirmation of Baptism this day, he has received and accepted greater adult responsibility for his participation in the church. Together may we let our lights so shine before others that they see our good works and glorify our Father in heaven.

C: We rejoice at your confirmation and renew our promise to be with you fellow members of the body of Christ, children of the same heavenly Father & workers together in the kingdom of God.

A gift is presented.

## \* Sharing of God's Peace

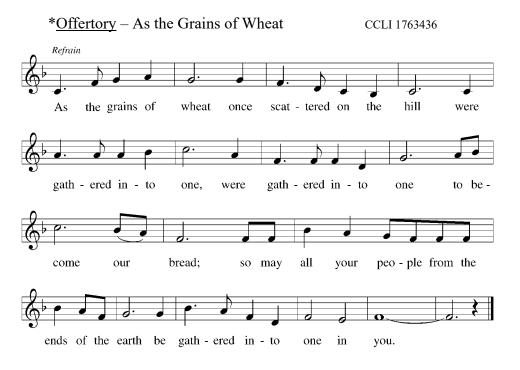
We follow Jesus' direction in Matthew chapter 5 and make peace with each other before coming to the altar: Jesus said, "So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled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



## \* Offertory Prayer

P: God, our Creator,

C: you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. With these gifts we bless you for your tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **HOLY COMMUNION**

## \* Communion Prayer

P: Come, all you beloved of the Lord, come and eat the food that He gives freely. Be filled again with the goodness of God.

C: Lord God, giver of all good things, we hear Your invitation, we see Your gifts of life and grace.

P: Come to the table of the Lord.

C: We come with our wounds and faults ready to eat and to drink. Our hearts are glad.

## \* Words of Institution

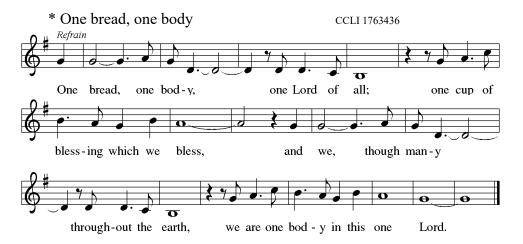
P: Yes, dear Lord our God, our hearts are truly glad. We are filled with thankfulness, because in Your great love You did not abandon us to sin and death, but in Jesus, You came to us, to rescue us, to restore us, and to give us new life. We remember the way that Jesus showed us this love: In the night 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: Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in Him.



## 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





## \* 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 - You're Worthy of My Praise CCLI 1763436 of\_ I will wor - ship. with all my\_\_\_\_ heart .. BIE F Bb Gm/F F my strength. will praise You with all of\_\_\_ Ep will seek You all days. I of. Bb BIE Gm/F will fol low all of\_ Your ways. C/E Bb Refrain I will give\_ You all my wor - ship\_\_\_ will give You F C/E Gm7 C all You a - lone\_ long. wor - ship,\_\_ my praise. Bb G<sub>m</sub>7 You a - lone thy. of. praise. wor my

\* <u>Prayer:</u> 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

\* <u>Blessing:</u> P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **C: Amen** 



#### \*DISMISSAL:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

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

#### + Calendar for this Week +

Mon-Nov 10: 9:00a-Quilters

6:00p Property

7:00p Veteran's Day Concert

**Tue-Nov 11:** 2:00p-Afternoon Bible Study

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

Wed-Nov 12: 6:45a Arrive at Church for Noah Bus Trip

Thu-Nov 13: 5:45p-Bell Choir

6:30p-Traditional Choir Practice

7:00p Evening Bible Study

Fri-Nov 14-15: 7:00p-3:00p Confirmation Youth Lock-in

Sun-Nov 16-Christ the King Sunday

Worship Attendance last week: 8:30a-60; 9:45a-66; 11:00a-35

#### + Upcoming Events & Monthly Ministries +

- \* NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY: Thanks to everyone who joined the directory photo sessions! We can't wait to see all your smiling faces in the new directory. Missed your session-You can still submit your own photo for a small fee of \$15! Reach out to Debbie, Joyce, or Linda for details.
- \* Poinsettia Order Forms: Now available in the Narthex. Order <u>due</u> <u>to church office by Sunday, Nov 30</u>. Cost \$10 each. Flowers can be picked up after the 10p Christmas Eve service. Honor your loved one(s) with your choice of red or white.
- \* Christmas Gifts for Food Pantry Clients: Select a paper ornament from the tree in the Narthex. Each tag provides information and \$5 gift ideas. Place unwrapped gifts under the tree by NOV 23 for the wrapping event.

- \*TODAY- Youthquake 2026 Early Bird Deadline!: Don't miss out! TODAY is the last chance for the early bird registration for Youthquake 2026! Check the bulletin board across from the sign-up sheets for details, or chat with Pastor Amy for more info!
- \*TODAY, 9:45a— Sunday School : Children ages 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade and youth helpers will gather in the fellowship hall, one room schoolhouse style. (November 16 family worship in the sanctuary.)
- \*NOV 10, 7p-8:30p- \* Veterans Day Concert: The DuBois Area Community Band and The Village Voices of Brockway proudly present "Let Freedom Sing." Join us here at Christ Lutheran Church for a special evening of music and patriotism! All are welcome—come celebrate and honor our veterans through the gift of song!
- \*NOV 12 6:45a-Arrive at church for Noah Bus Trip.

- \*Nov 23— FGift Wrapping & Brunch: Join us after services for light breakfast and to help wrap gifts for the DuBois Area Food Pantry.
- \*Dec 1, 10a-1p-Quilting Bee: All are welcome to join our Monday Morning Quilters to make quilts for those in need while enjoying good fellowship and brunch. Sign up on the bulletin board. See Abbey for details.
- \*DEC 6- Ring Bell for Salvation Army: Sign up on the bulletin board for 30 or 60 minute shifts to ring the bell outside Big Lots.

#### \* III SAVE THE DATES-LOOKING AHEAD:

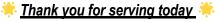
Dec 14-Christmas Caroling ~ Dec 19-Children's Christmas Play ~ Dec 21-Lessons & Carols ~ Christmas Eve Services 6p, 8p, & 10p

\*Available in Narthex! \*Our Daily Faith 5 Devos: "O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!" Psalm 107:1. Hard copies are in the narthex and can be downloaded from our website. Let's open our Bibles and read God's word together.

\*November Mission of the Month: DuBois Area Food Pantry: This month's Mission of the Month supports the DuBois Area Food Pantry, which provides essential food and care to local individuals and families in need. You can help by bringing non-perishable, in-date food items to the church, with a special collection on Sunday, November 23. Monetary gifts may be given using a pew envelope marked "Food Pantry" or by check made payable to Christ Lutheran Church. Together, we can share Christ's love by feeding our neighbors in need.

\*November Food Pantry Items: Whole Kernel Corn & Cream Style Corn

♥ The flowers in the chancel vases today are presented to the Glory of the Lord and in sacred remembrance of all veterans, honoring their faithful service and sacrifice this Veteran's Day by Chuck Allen. ♥



Ushers: Carrie & OJ Witherite
Lector: OJ Witherite
Communion Assistants: Jessica Deasey & Janet Peterson

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER ~ November 9, 2025

#### Shut-in & Nursing Home Members & Friends:

Linda Berry ~ Paul Bojalad ~ Edie Brown ~ Karen Deasey ~ Gary Froelich ~ Jeannine Fye ~ Nora Gelnett ~ Mary Jo Gomes ~ George Kramer Sr. ~ Hazel Kriner ~ Jim Norwood ~ Geneva Roberts ~ Hazel Salada ~ Gary Salada ~ Emily Schindley ~ Betty Swanson ~ Shirley Williams

#### Those Serving in the Military:

Davey Aughenbaugh ~ Luke Cardellino ~ Cory Good ~ Lyndsey Good ~ Abby Fritz ~ Josh Lanzoni ~ Tyler Lenkerd ~ Paul McCurdy ~ Justin Neeper ~ Mike O'Harrow ~ Wesley Russell ~ Caleb Shields ~ Colton Shields ~ Jacey Wells ~ Chuckie White

#### **Long Term Prayer Requests:**

Abby ~ Ron Abrams ~ Carla Adamson ~ Drew Albert ~ Chuck Allen ~ Patti Allen ~ Debbie Anderson ~ Tia Angeletti ~ Jim August ~ Austin Family ~ Stephanie Barnett ~ Julie Baun ~ Dona Bean ~ Sandy Bender ~ Pat Biss ~ Larry Bosco ~ Bryson ~ Little Eleanor Bundy ~ Ray Bush ~ CinDee Byer ~ Gary Campbell ~ Deb Clark ~ Louise Cramer ~ Bill Deitman ~ Carol DeLarme ~ Rick Delp ~ Jack Dennison ~ Cheryl DeSantis ~ Brad Dodd ~ Candy Douthit ~ Patrick Droddy ~ Jamie Dungey ~ Mia Edwards ~ Emily ~ Ruben Ellis ~ Krista Evans ~ Denise Faulkrod ~ Tim Fuller ~ Lee Gelnett ~ Leah Gelnett ~ Beth Giese ~ Bryson Gray ~ Greg & Family ~Arnold Gregory ~ Jim Haag ~ Pat Hamlin ~ Dennis Harris ~ Jackie & Bill Hartman ~ Eric Hazuda ~ Brenda Hickman ~ Larry Hickman ~ Bruce Hiles ~ Nancy Hoover ~ Little Carter Horn ~ Gabby Horner ~ Dick & Bev Hudson ~ Vicki Jacklin ~ Lincoln Johnston ~ Cheryl Jones ~ Baby Ben K. ~ Lorraine Kakula ~ Jim Kearney ~ Tish Keen ~ Eli Keim ~ Dave Kness ~ Richard Kolcun ~ Jim Kriner ~ Carol Lawson ~ Cindy & Tom Leete ~ Doug Leidl ~ David Leonard ~ Anne Lettrich ~ Rick Lieber ~ Nancy Lilja ~ Brandon Lokesak ~ Mark M. ~ Karen Markievich ~ Mark Markievich ~ Emily Marshall ~ Marti ~ Mason Martin ~ Barbara Martini ~ Terie McBride ~ Rebecca McCartney ~ Keymo McKay ~ Shea McKinney ~ Walt Michalak ~ Bob Mickey ~ Bob Moline ~ Steve Moore ~ Brenda & Brett Mortimer ~ Gail Nissley ~ Jim Nellis ~ Debbie Newell ~ Joy Norwood ~ Mary & Christian Olrich ~ Joyce Opper ~ Karen Ordog ~ Francie Page ~ Stacy Park ~ Linda Peterson ~ Barb Phleger ~ Mary Ann Piccirillo ~ Kristin Plotner ~ Morgan Pope ~ Mike Poulliot ~ Deb & Bill Presnar ~ Liz Preston ~ Nancy R. ~ Cal Ratcliff ~ Scott Reinard ~ Heidi Riley & Family ~ Elaine Russel ~ Marie Russell ~ Brianne Sage ~ Sara ~ Joe Shaffer ~ Molly Shaffer ~ Ann Simbeck ~ Greg Smeal ~ Terri Smouse ~ Ellen Sneddon ~ Tim Spencer ~ Little Faith Spicher ~ Little Levi Spickler ~ Karen Sprague ~ Ruth Sutphin ~ Dathan Swanson ~ Steven Sykes ~ Pat Teats ~ Diane Thomson ~ Karen Tobasco ~ Vickie Trisoline ~ Evelyn Vandervort ~ Eric Waldeck ~ Mary Lou Waldeck ~ Dr. Rod Wall ~ Jean Waltenbaugh ~ Gail Walter ~ Wanda Ward ~Laura Wascovich ~ Melissa Wayne ~ Chloe Welder ~ Donald Wells ~ Shirley Wells ~ Joyce Whaling ~ Tammy Winters ~ Art Whitmore ~ Will ~ Becky Yasick ~ Nora Yasick ~ Charles Yonushonis ~ Jerry Zimmerman

#### **Short Term (Four Week) Prayer Requests:**

David Radaker

To add or remove from this list, call the church office at 814-371-2470.

