

CHRIST



LUTHERAN
CHURCH

SUNDAY APRIL 21ST, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



OUR MISSION: God calls us to live and share the amazing love and grace of Jesus Christ with all people.

Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church. Christ Lutheran Church is a *Reconciling in Christ* congregation that welcomes all. May God bless us in Word and Sacrament, music and community in our worship today. The service is complete in this bulletin. The spoken responses are **bolded text**. During your time at church today we recommend that you please wear a mask and practice social distancing, even if you have been vaccinated. Hand sanitizer and masks are available for all who wish to use them.

We acknowledge that our building of worship is built upon the territory of xučyun (Huichin), the unceded land stewarded by the Ohlone people who speak to their Creator and loved ones in the language of Chochenyo.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
the wellspring of grace,
our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism,
let us give thanks for what God has done for
us.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the
beginning

your voice thundered over the deep
and water became the essence of life.

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.
The ark carried your creation through the
flood into a new day.

Miriam led the dancing as your people
passed through the sea
into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official

entered your boundless baptismal life.

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At the river your beloved Son was baptized
by John

and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and
resurrection

you opened the floodgates of your
reconciling love,

freeing us to live as Easter people.

We rejoice with glad hearts,

giving all honor and praise to you,
through the risen Christ, our source of living
water,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and
forever.

Amen.

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GATHERING HYMN — *Set Your Hearts on Higher Things*

Set your heart on the high-er gifts, — on the things that come from your Mak-er in heav-en.

These three gifts are all that re-main: faith, hope and love, and the great-est is love.

1. If I speak with the tongues of the liv - ing, and of an - gels,
 2. And if I un - der - stand ev - 'ry mys - t'ry, hav - ing wis - dom,
 3. And if I should re - nounce all my rich - es, feed the hun - gry,

1. but speak with - out love, I am on - ly
 2. but think with - out love, had I faith — to
 3. give o - ver my life; with - out love — my

To Refrain

1. brass with - out song, an emp - ty noise on the wind.
 2. scat - ter the hills, — I am noth - ing at all.
 3. prof - it is loss, my car - ing finds no re - ward.

GREETING

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

KYRIE

Refrain

Ky-ri-e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
 hun - gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam - i - ly; for
 wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Refrain

HYMN OF PRAISE- *This is the Feast of Victory of our God*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-



lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. lu - ia.



Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.
 gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

D.C.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING—PROVERBS 19:10-19

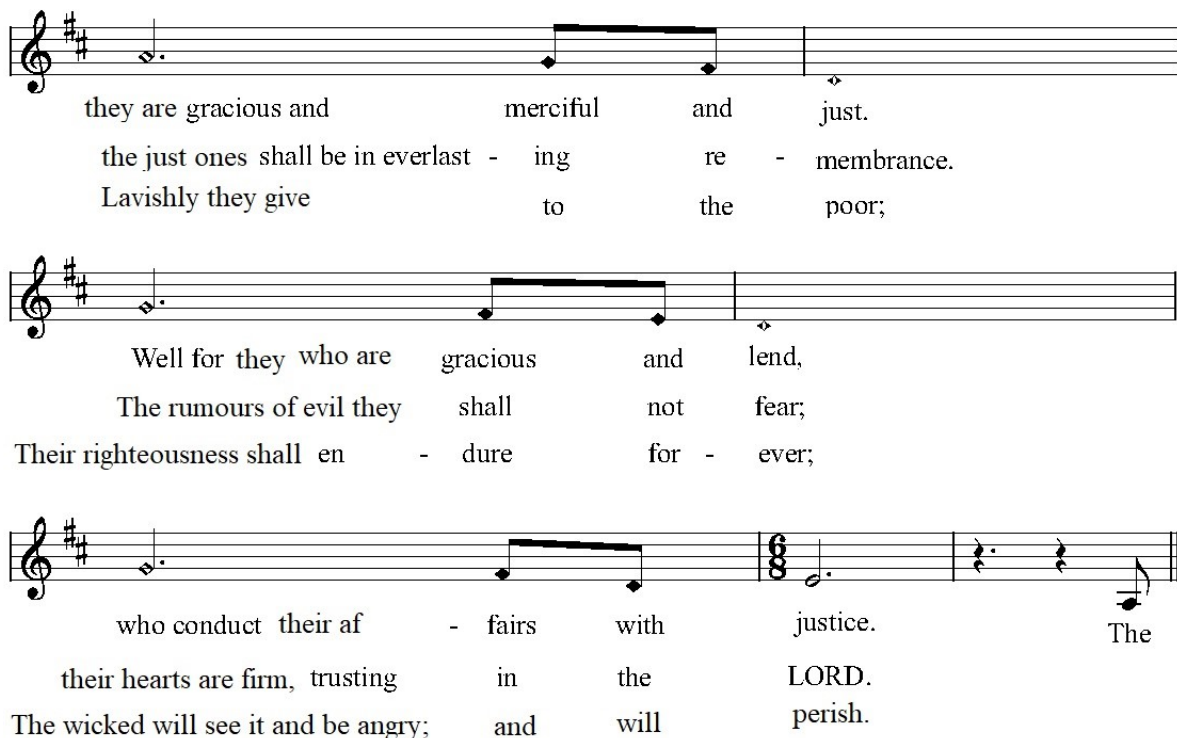
- It is not fitting for a fool to live in luxury—
how much worse for a slave to rule over princes!
- ¹¹ A person's wisdom yields patience;
it is to one's glory to overlook an offense.
- ¹² A king's rage is like the roar of a lion,
but his favor is like dew on the grass.
- ¹³ A foolish child is a father's ruin,
and a quarrelsome wife is like
the constant dripping of a leaky roof.
- ¹⁴ Houses and wealth are inherited from parents,
but a prudent wife is from the LORD.
- ¹⁵ Laziness brings on deep sleep,
and the shiftless go hungry.
- ¹⁶ Whoever keeps commandments keeps their life,
but whoever shows contempt for their ways will die.
- ¹⁷ Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the LORD,
and he will reward them for what they have done.
- ¹⁸ Discipline your children, for in that there is hope;
do not be a willing party to their death.
- ¹⁹ A hot-tempered person must pay the penalty;
rescue them, and you will have to do it again.

“Word of God, Word of Life.” **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 112

The light shines. The light shines in dark - ness to the up
right, to the up - right. The

1. Light shines through the darkness for the up - right;
2. They shall never be moved;
3. their hearts are steadfast; they shall not fear.



they are gracious and merciful and just.
the just ones shall be in everlasting remembrance.
Lavishly they give to the poor;

Well for they who are gracious and lend,
The rumours of evil they shall not fear;
Their righteousness shall endure forever;

who conduct their affairs with justice. The
their hearts are firm, trusting in the LORD.
The wicked will see it and be angry; and will perish.

SECOND READING— 1 CORINTHIANS 13 AND THE GIFT OF LOVE

13 If I speak in the tongues^[a] of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ² If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast,^[b] but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

⁸ Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. ¹¹ When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. ¹² For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

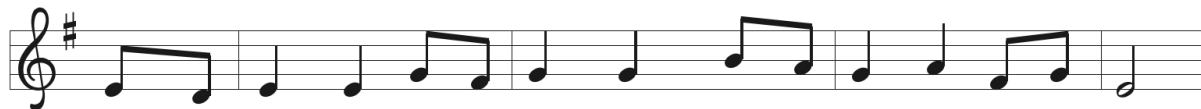
¹³ And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



1 Christ is liv - ing! Gone with sor - row! Tears and ter - ror, be no more.
2 For if Christ is not a - ris - en there is noth - ing to be - lieve.



Death and grave, you now are noth - ing; Christ is free of ev - 'ry pow'r.
Je - sus' prom - ise is ac - comp - lished: "Since I live, you too shall live."



Why then seek the liv - ing Sav - ior in the haunts of death and fear?
Dust we are, to dust re - turn - ing, but in Christ we are re - stored.



Christ is ris - en! Shout the good news so that all the world may hear.
Doubt dis - pel - ling, claim the tri - umph: Je - sus is the liv - ing Lord!

GOSPEL—MATTHEW 25: 31-46 THE SHEEP AND THE GOATS

The Gospel According to... **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³¹ "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. ³² All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

³⁴ "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶ I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

³⁷ "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? ³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹ When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

⁴⁰ "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

⁴¹ "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.'

⁴⁴ "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?'

⁴⁵ "He will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'

⁴⁶ “Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”
 The Gospel of the Lord... **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON—MARYANN HANNER

HYMN OF THE DAY— ELW 725: When the Poor Ones



1 *Cuan-do el po-bre na-da tie-ne y aún re-par-te,*
 1 When the poor ones, who have noth-ing, still are giv-ing;
 2 When com-pas-sion gives the suf-f'ring con-so-la-tion;
 3 When our spir-its, like a chal-ice, brim with glad-ness;
 4 When the good-ness poured from heav-en fills our dwell-ings;



cuan-do al-guien pa-sa sed y a-gua nos da,
 when the thirst-y pass the cup, wa-ter to share;
 when ex-pect-ing brings to birth hope that was lost;
 when our voic-es, full and clear, sing out the truth;
 when the na-tions work to change war in-to peace;



cuan-do el dé-bil a su her-ma-no for-ta-le-ce:
 when the wound-ed of-fer oth-ers strength and heal-ing;
 when we choose love, not the ha-tred all a-round us:
 when our long-ings, free from en-vy, seek the hum-ble:
 when the strang-er is ac-cept-ed as our neigh-bor:

Refrain / Estribillo



Va Dios mis-mo en nues-tro mis-mo ca-mi-nar;
 We see God, here by our side, walk-ing our way;



va Dios mis-mo en nues-tro mis-mo ca-mi-nar.
 we see God, here by our side, walk-ing our way.

2 *Cuando alguno sufre y logra su consuelo,* 3 *Cuando crece la alegría y nos inunda,*
cuando espera y no se cansa de esperar, *cuando dicen nuestros labios la verdad,*
cuando amamos, aunque el odio nos rodee: *cuando amamos el sentir de los sencillos:*
 Estribillo Estribillo

4 *Cuando abunda el bien y llena los hogares,*
cuando alguien donde hay guerra pone paz,
cuando "hermano" le llamamos al extraño:
 Estribillo

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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 OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

Shepherding God, gather your church whenever we wander from you and one another. Empower our church in ministries around the world to worship and serve alongside global companions as equal partners and coworkers in the gospel. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Nurturing God, preserve the health of biomes and ecosystems. Inspire scientists, researchers, conservation organizations, and all people entrusted with the task of caring for creation, that we may be better stewards of the world around us. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, lead nations and communities to share resources, cooperate in solving conflicts, and listen to the wisdom of Indigenous peoples. Help all those with power to share it and to use such power for good. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, protect the very young and the very old, those living without housing, victims of domestic abuse, and all who live with chronic illness or compromised immune systems. Guide communities to actively care for people who are vulnerable. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, help this and all communities of faith to listen for your voice. Call us away from things that distract us from following you. Invite us to more deeply love and serve people who are lonely, isolated, and on the margins. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

What else do the people of God pray for?

Living God, we give thanks for our ancestors in faith. Strengthen us to share the good news in our own day. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.
Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

Those worshipping online who wish to join in communion are invited to prepare elements at this time.
For those in person—The white juice in the center rim is non-alcoholic, the red on the outside is wine.
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... We praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord
God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho -
san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

With this bread and cup... as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection... Grace our table with your presence. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us... burning with justice, peace, and love. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Raise us up as the body... burning with justice, peace, and love. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones... blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as 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

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

COMMUNION HYMN— *Heaven Shall Not Wait*



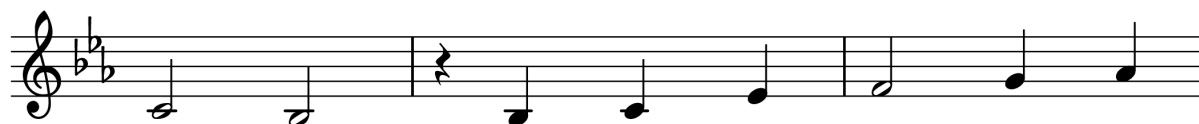
1 Heaven shall not wait for the poor to lose their pa-tience,
2 Heaven shall not wait for the rich to share their for-tunes,
3 Heaven shall not wait for the dawn of great i - de - as,



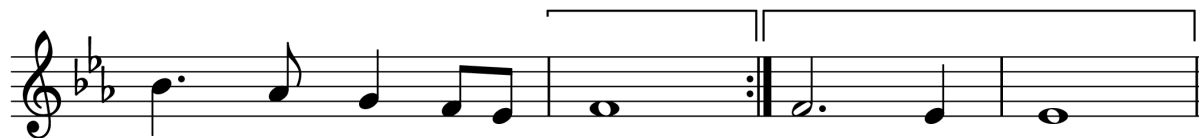
the scorned to smile, the de-spised to find a
the proud to fall, the e - lite to tend the
thoughts of com - pas - sion di - vorced from cries of



friend: Je-sus is Lord; he has cham-pioned the un-
least: Je-sus is Lord; he has shown the mas-ter's
pain: Je-sus is Lord; he has mar - ried word and



want - ed; in him in - jus - tice con -
priv - ilege: to kneel and wash ser - vants'
ac - tion; his cross and com - pa - ny



fronts its time - ly end.
feet be - fore they feast.
make his pur - pose plain.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Announcements

BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!** The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN— ELW 482: *I Come with Joy*



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in
fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

WORSHIP FROM HOME!

Join us and invite friends and neighbors to our Sunday worship service!

Facebook Livestream: Every Sunday morning there will be a video livestream of worship available on our church [Facebook page](#).

Online Bulletins: Bulletins for each worship service are available online every week. To download a copy, go to the church website and visit our [Bulletins page](#).

And Don't Forget Your Offering: Thank you for your continued financial support of Christ Lutheran. It is very much appreciated. Options for giving include bringing offerings in person, mailing checks, or giving electronically with Tithely. For the latter, simply click the "Giving" tab on the church website. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Amy Tiekou at 510-290-2125

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT CLC

Sunday

10:00AM CLC Worship

12:00PM Good Table Worship

Monday

9:00-3:00 Senior Center

6:00-9:00 PM Irma's De Chico

Tuesday

7:00 PM Lady AA Meeting

Thursday

6:00 PM GRIP Sandwich making

7:00 PM Hand bell Ensemble Practice

Saturday

6:00 PM Millenium AA Meeting

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:

Julie D.	Marty S.	Joan
Mike and Liz S.	Molly B.	Pastor Doris Ng
Chad B.	Scott & Carol F.	Evie D.
TJ Baar	Mark M.	Dee
The Vale Community	George G. Philip Y.	Anna Elsa-Jennie B.
Robin & Wendy	Maryann H.	Friends and family of Roberta B.
Sandy Z.	Michael H.	
Carolina S.	Heidi	Friends and family of Shirley C.
Orlando G.	Jan	
Karen H.	Roz	
Laurie P.	Pat	Friends and family of Ted E.
Fred	Duwayne	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Clean Up date TBD

April 25th— 6pm GRIP Sandwich Making

Choir Practice— All are welcome! 9-9:30am
April 28th, May 12th, May 19th.

May 19th— Choir performance at Worship

June 7th-9th— Synod Assembly.
Registration open!

PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP TODAY

The Ministers: The Congregation

Presiding/Preaching: Pr. Dee Emmert

Minister of Music: Daniel Alley

Guitarists: George Fosselius & Randy Mayer

Lector: Diane L

Coffee Hour:

Usher:

Communion Set-up/Clean-up: Carla L.

Worship Assistant:

Flowers: Flower Ministry

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