

# SUNDAY AUGUST 4TH, 2024 11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



**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.** 

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.

#### INTRODUCTION

Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.

## **GATHERING**

#### **WELCOME**

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

God, our provider,

help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

share.
We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.
We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.
Where else can we turn?
Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.
Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. Amen.

# **GATHERING HYMN** — ELW 647: Glorious Things of You Are Spoken



#### **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.** 

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

# WORD

# FIRST READING-EXODUS 16:2-4, 9-15

<sup>2</sup>The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

<sup>4</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

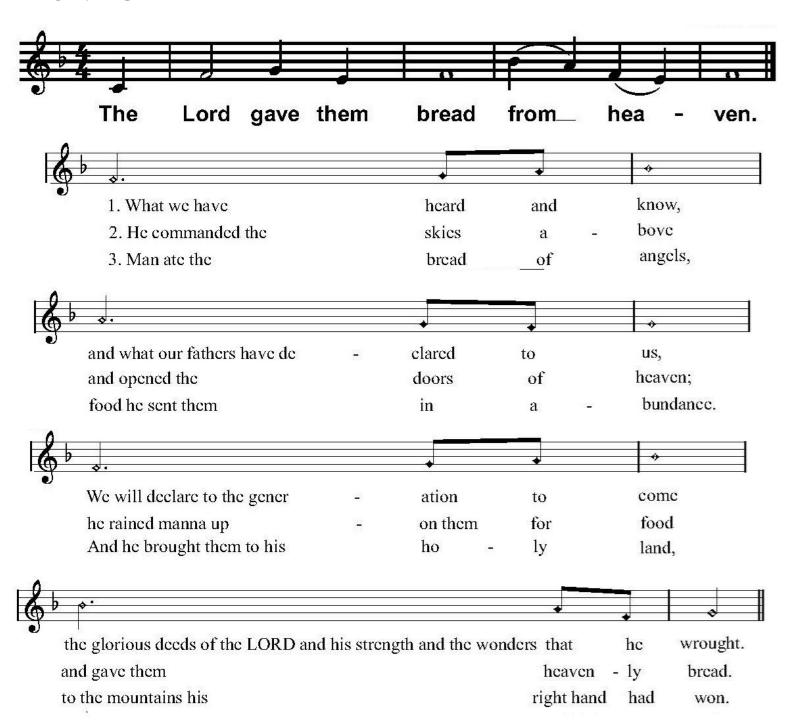
<sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" <sup>10</sup>And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>The LORD spoke to Moses and said, <sup>12</sup>"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup>When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup>When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

"Word of God, Word of Life." Thanks be to God.

Thanks be to doub





#### SECOND READING—EPHESIANS 4:1-16

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

<sup>7</sup>But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup>Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;

he gave gifts to his people."

<sup>9</sup>(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup>The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup>until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. <sup>14</sup>We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. <sup>15</sup>But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup>from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

"Word of God, Word of Life." Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### GOSPEL-JOHN 6:24-35

The Gospel according to... Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>24</sup>When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

<sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." <sup>30</sup>So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? <sup>31</sup>Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" <sup>32</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." <sup>34</sup>They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

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

# HYMN OF THE DAY— ACS 966: Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

Loaves were broken, words were spoken by the Galilean shore.Jesus, Bread of life from heaven, was their food forevermore.

# Refrain

By your body broken for us, by your wine of life outpoured, Jesus, feed again your people. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

- Loaves were broken, words were spoken in a quiet room one night.
  In the bread and wine you gave them,
  Christ, you came as Light from Light. *Refrain*
- Loaves are broken, words are spoken, as in faith we gather here.Jesus speaks across the ages:"I am with you; do not fear!" *Refrain*
- 4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us in your name to share bread for which the millions hunger, words that tell your love and care. *Refrain*

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

O Wise One, your wisdom has been present in this world since its beginning. Pour out your wisdom into the hearts of the whole church, especially the newly baptized, lay leaders, deacons, pastors, and bishops. Merciful God, **receive our prayer**.

Holy God of all creation, you are the source of all life. Where the sun blazes hard and strong, bring a gentle breeze. In the places experiencing the cold of winter, bring your warmth. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Compassionate God, help government leaders of this world unite for peace and justice. Humble all who hold authority, that power is directed toward a more just society. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

Bread of life from heaven, you feed us. Fill all who hunger with needed nutrition and open our hearts to eliminate hunger in this world. May we see a day when all are fed. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

O Wisdom of truth, help us to understand your will for the church. Be with congregations experiencing transition, redevelopment, and the exciting yet frightening path of newness. May your wisdom be found at every step. Merciful God, **receive our prayer**.

What else do the people of God pray for?

Redeeming God, we give you thanks for the lives and witness of your saints now departed. Bring your beloved into eternal glory, opening wide the gates to the heavenly banquet. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping. 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 MUSIC—** Con Cinco Panes





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With five loaves and two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed them before the Lord. And the disciples distributed them to the people, They sated their hunger. Everyone ate.

- 1. When Jesus heard the news, he went away from there, walked to a place far from the people, but the people found out and followed him too. Jesus had compassion: everyone came to him.
- 2. Desperate with hunger, the people retreated. "You are my disciples, offer him something to eat." To the command that God gave, they responded sadly: "Five loaves and two fish are the only food left for us."
- 3. May our works reflect the presence of the Lord. Let us imitate his goodness, love and compassion. Let us help the hungry and those in need with the example that He gave, by multiplying the bread.

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. 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.

#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. Our father...

### 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

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.



## SENDING

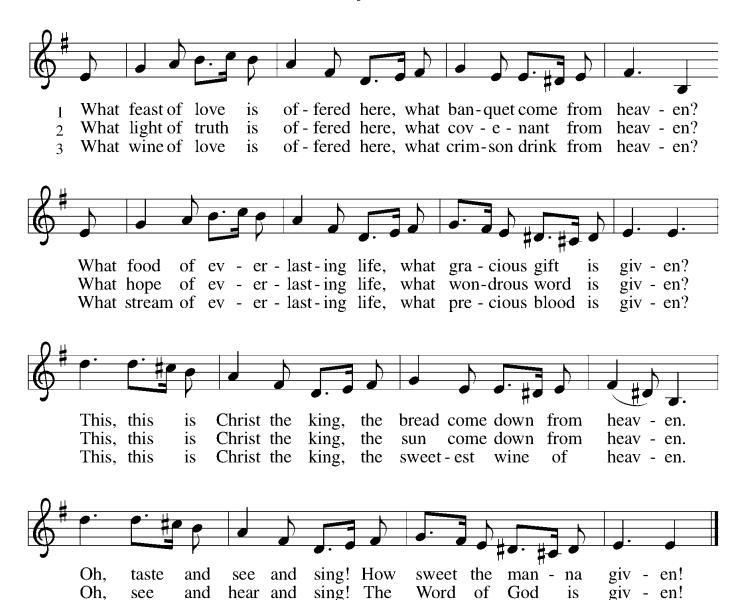
#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Community Announcements

#### **BLESSING**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever. **Amen.** 

**SENDING HYMN—** ELW 487: What Feast of Love



#### DISMISSAL

Oh,

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Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. Thanks be to God.

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#### **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 <u>Facebook page</u>.

Online Bulletins: Bulletins for each worship service are available online every week. To download a copy, go to the church website and visit our <u>Bulletins page</u>.

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 Tieku 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

#### Saturday

6:00 PM Millenium AA Meeting

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

August 17th 11am— Marty Schaefer Memorial, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Concord, CA

Save the Date: August 25th- outdoor joint

worship-more information to come.

Save the Date: Sept 14th—Pastor Ron's

Installation

## **PASTOR RON'S OFF WEEKS:**

August 26th-Sept 1st Sept 16th-22nd

# PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:

Julie D.	George G.	Barbara LM
Mike and Liz S.	Philip Y.	Robin
Chad B.	Maryann H.	Will K.
TJ Baar	Heidi	George & Cindy
The Vale	Jan	F.
Community	Roz	Ken R.& Lysle P
Robin & Wendy	Pat	Family and
Sandy Z.	Duwayne	friends of Michael H.
Carolina S.	Joan	Family and
Orlando G.	Pastor Doris Ng	friends of Carol F. Family and friends of Rev. Marty Schaefer
Karen H.	Evie D.	
Laurie P.	Dee	
Fred	Anna	
Molly B.	Brook	inary condition
Mark M.	Jerome S.	

# PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP TODAY

The Ministers: The Congregation

Presiding/Preaching: Pr. Ron Valadez

Minister of Music: Daniel Alley

Guitarists: George Fosselius & Randy Mayer

Lector: Amy T.

**Coffee Hour:** 

Usher:

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

**Worship Assistant:** 

Flowers: Flower Ministry

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