

SUNDAY AUGUST 11TH, 2024 12TH 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

Jesus says that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. In Ephesians Paul tells us what this life Jesus gives us looks like, this life we live as those marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit in baptism. We live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. The whole purpose of life is giving yourself for the other.

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

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.

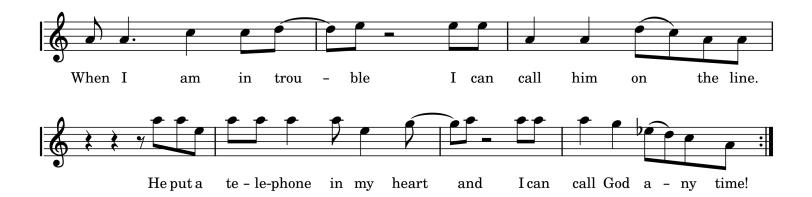
We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

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 — *Elijah Rock*





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

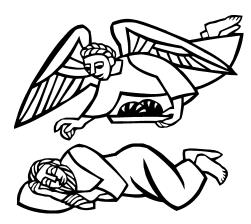
Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

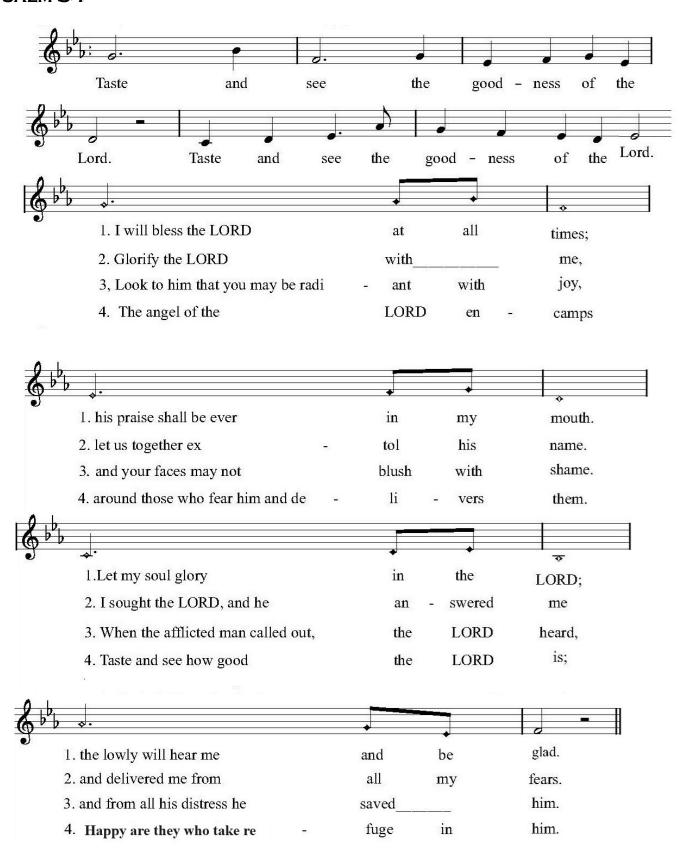
FIRST READING- 1 KINGS 19:4-8

Elijah went a day's journey into the desert and came to a broom tree, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. "I have had enough, O God," he said. "Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel of God touched him and said, "Get up and eat." He looked around, and there near his head was a cake of bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate the cake and drank the water and then lay down again. The angel of God came back a second time and touched him and said, "Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you." So, he got up and ate and drank some more. Strengthened by that food, he traveled for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

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



PSALM 34



SECOND READING—EPHESIANS 4:25-5:2

Therefore, let's have no more lies. Speak truthfully to each other, for we are all members of one body. When you get angry, don't let it become a sin. Don't let the sun set on your anger, or you will give an opening to the devil. You who have been stealing, stop stealing. Go to work. Do something useful with your hands, so you can have something to share with the needy. Be on your guard against foul talk. Say only what will build others up at that moment. Say only what will give grace to your listeners. Don't grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, all rage and anger, all harsh words, slander and malice of every kind. In place of these, be kind to one another, compassionate and mutually forgiving, just as God has forgiven you in Christ. Try, then, to imitate God as beloved children. Walk in love as Christ loved us, and offered himself in sacrifice to God for us, a gift of pleasing fragrance.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL-JOHN 6:41-51

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

The Temple authorities started to grumble in protest because Jesus claimed, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They kept saying, "Isn't this Jesus, son of Mary and Joseph? Don't we know his mother and father? How can he claim to have come down from heaven?" "Stop your grumbling," Jesus told them. "No one can come to me unless drawn by God, who sent me—and those I will raise up on the last day. It is written in the prophets: 'They will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard God's word and has learned from it comes to me. Not that anyone has seen God—only the one who is from God has seen God. The truth of the matter is, those who believe have eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate manna in the desert, but they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, and if you eat it you'll never die. I myself am the living bread come down from heaven. If any eat this bread, they will live forever; the bread I will give for the life of the world, is my flesh."

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

SERMON-PR. RON

HYMN OF THE DAY— Bread for the World



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.

Reignite the prayer of the church. By your Spirit, root your church around the globe in prayer and spiritual practices. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

We rely on the goodness of your creation in everything we do. We pray for trees that offer shade and for our fellow creatures that depend on the trees for shelter and food. Sustain the work of all who advocate for forests and wilderness areas. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Guide our leaders and nations with a spirit of justice and mercy. Let no evil come out of our mouths, but rather let us extend grace. We pray for our enemies. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Sustain feeding ministries and organizations such as ELCA World Hunger and our local food pantries especially GRIP. We work and pray for a day when hunger is no more. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for this congregation and for all who are gathered. Be present among anyone who cannot be with us today. Be with all who are hurting, grieving, or ill especially Karen, Julie, Sandy, Fred, George G., Maryann H., Evie D., the family and friends of Michael H., the family and friends of Carol F, and the family and friends of Rev Marty Schaefer. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

What else do the people of God pray for?

We remember the saints who have gone before us in faith. Trusting in the promise of the resurrection, we find hope in your communion of saints of all times and all places. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping. Amen.

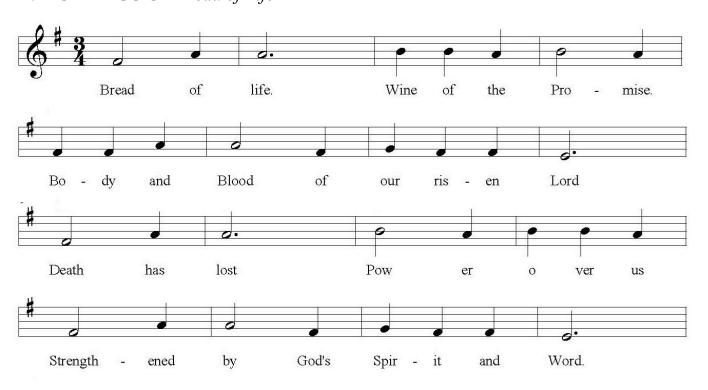
PASSING OF THE PEACE

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— *Bread of Life*



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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.

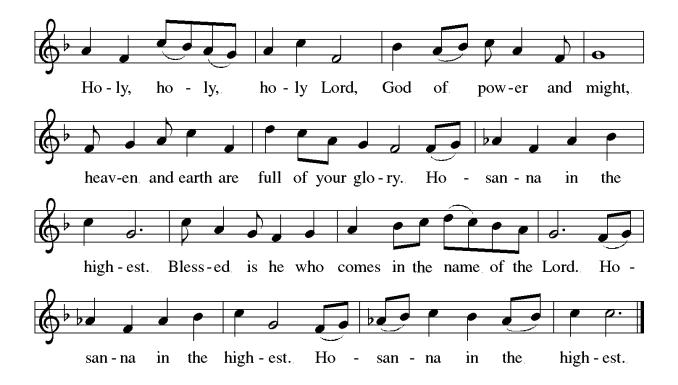
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

SANCTUS



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

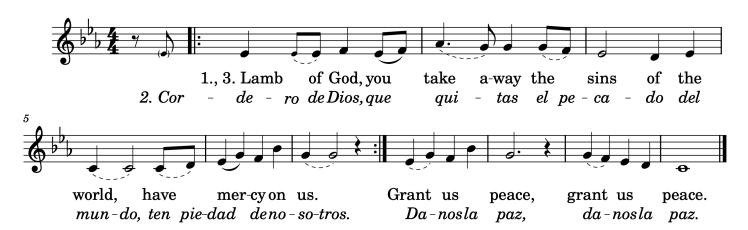
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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!

AGNUS DEI



COMMUNION HYMN— LSB 625 Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread



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 535: Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

Refrain

Hallelujah! We sing your praises, all our hearts are filled with gladness. Hallelujah! We sing your praises, all our hearts are filled with gladness. *Repeat*

- Christ the Lord to us said:
 I am wine, I am bread,
 I am wine, I am bread,
 give to all who thirst and hunger.
 Repeat stanza, then sing refrain
- 2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt, strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joyful gospel. Repeat stanza, then sing refrain

DISMISSAL

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

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

August 22nd-6pm GRIP Sandwich Making

Save the Date: August 25th—outdoor joint

worship- more information to come.

Save the Date: Sept 14th– Pastor Ron's

Installation

Sunday

10:00AM CLC Worship 12:00PM Good Table Worship

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT CLC

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

PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP TODAY

The Ministers: The Congregation

Presiding/Preaching: Pr. Ron Valadez

Minister of Music: Daniel Alley

Guitarists: George Fosselius & Randy Mayer

Lector:

Coffee Hour: Cordell B.

Usher:

Communion Set-up/Clean-up:

Worship Assistant:

Flowers: Flower Ministry

DON'T FORGET YOUR OFFERING

For nearly two thousand years, churches across the globe have collected a weekly offering for God's work in the world. In addition to paying our staff and utilities, these monies also go toward feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, caring for the ill, and natural disaster work, in partnership with Lutherans around the world.

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

PASTOR RON'S OFF WEEKS:

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

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</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 Bulletins page.