



**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2024**  
**19TH 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**

Someone who isn't part of Jesus' own circle is casting out demons in Jesus' name, and the disciples want him stopped. They appeal to Jesus, as Joshua did to Moses about the elders who prophesied without official authorization. Like Moses, Jesus refuses to see this as a threat. Jesus welcomes good being done in his name, even when it is not under his control. The circle we form around Jesus' word must be able to value good being done in ways we wouldn't do it, by people we can't keep tabs on.

**GATHERING**

**WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**

**CONFESSION**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Gracious God,  
**have mercy on us.**  
**We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**

**The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes.**

**In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves.**

**We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.**

**In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**PROCLAMATION OF FORGIVENESS**

## **GATHERING HYMN — ELW 424: *Ye Watchers and Ye Holy One***

- 1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,  
bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,  
raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!"  
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, pow'rs,  
archangels, virtues, angel choirs:  
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
  
- 2 O higher than the cherubim,  
more glorious than the seraphim,  
lead their praises: "Alleluia!"  
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,  
most gracious, magnify the Lord:  
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
  
- 3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,  
ye patriarchs and prophets blest:  
"Alleluia! Alleluia!"  
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,  
all saints triumphant, raise the song:  
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
  
- 4 O friends, in gladness let us sing,  
supernal anthems echoing:  
"Alleluia! Alleluia!"  
To God the Father, God the Son,  
and God the Spirit, Three in One:  
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## **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

### WORD

#### FIRST READING— NUMBERS 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

Soon the riffraff among them started complaining and whining, and Israelites said, “Who will give us meat to eat? We remember the fish we used to eat freely in Egypt, and the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic! But out here we’re wasting away; there is nothing here but manna for us to look at!”

Moses heard the people, family after family, wailing at the entrances of their tents, so much so that God’s anger flared up again. Moses was aggrieved, and said to God, “Why do you treat me this way? Are you so displeased with me that you must burden me with this whole nation? Was it I who conceived these people, was it I who gave birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them at your bosom, like a nurse with a baby at the breast, to the land that I swore to give to their ancestors?’ Where am I to find meat to give to these people, when they come to me weeping and saying, ‘Give us meat to eat’? I cannot carry this nation alone! The weight is too much for me. If this is how you will deal with me, just allow me this one favor and kill me now! Spare me from seeing such misery as this!”

God said to Moses, “Gather together seventy of your elders, those you know to be leaders and officials among the people. Have them come to the Tent of Meeting and take their place there with you. So Moses went and told the people what God had said. He gathered seventy elders and had them surround the Tent. God came down in a cloud and spoke to Moses. Taking some of the Spirit that was in Moses, God bestowed it on the seventy elders whom Moses had gathered there; and as the Spirit came to rest on them, they were seized with prophesying, and did not stop.

Now two other elders, one named Eldad and the other Medad, were not in the gathering but had stayed behind in the camp. They had been summoned to the tent, but had not gone; yet the Spirit came to rest on them also, and they prophesied in the camp. When a youth came running to tell Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp,” Joshua, ben-Nun, who from youth had been Moses’ aide, cried, “Moses, stop them!” But Moses answered, “Are you jealous for my sake? If only all of God’s people were prophets! If only God would bestow the Spirit on them all!”

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

## PSALM 19

1. The heavens a-bove de-clare the glo-ry of our God; and what his hands have  
made the skies pro-claim a - broad. Day af - ter day they pour forth speech, and  
night by night their know - ledge teach.

2. There is no language used  
Or any spoken word;  
No sound is made by them  
And yet their voice is heard.  
Throughout the world their voice resounds,  
Their words to earth's remotest bounds.

4. The perfect law of God  
Revives the soul of man;  
His statutes which are sure  
Make wise the simple one.  
The precepts of the LORD are right  
And fill the heart with great delight.

5. God's radiant commands  
Shed light on what we see;  
The fear of God is pure  
And lasts eternally.  
The standards of the LORD express  
His perfect truth and righteousness.

6. Of far more worth than gold—  
Than much pure gold—they are;  
Than honey from the comb,  
Than honey sweeter far.  
They warn the servant of the LORD;  
In keeping them is great reward.

7. Who can discern his faults?  
Forgive my hidden sin.  
Keep me from wilful deeds;  
May they not rule within.  
And then I shall be free from blame  
And guiltless of transgression's shame.

8. LORD, let the words I speak  
Be pleasing in your sight,  
And may my inmost thoughts  
Be in your judgment right.  
O LORD, you are a Rock to me;  
You have redeemed and set me free.

## SECOND READING— JAMES 5:13-20

Are any of you in trouble? Then pray. Are any of you in good spirits? Then sing a hymn of praise. Are any of you sick? Then call for the elders of the church, and have them pray over those who are sick and anoint them with oil in the name of Christ. And this prayer offered in faith will make them well, and Christ will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. So confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed.

The prayers of the just are powerful and effective. Elijah was human just like us, yet he prayed that it wouldn't rain, and it didn't rain for three and a half years. Then he prayed again, and the heavens gave rain and the earth produced its crop.

My siblings, if you should wander from the truth and another should bring you back, remember that whoever turns sinners from the error of their ways saves them from death and cancels a multitude of sins.

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

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*

Your word, O Lord, is truth;\* sanctify us in the truth.

### GOSPEL— MARK 9:38-50

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

John said to Jesus, “Teacher, we saw someone using your name to expel demons, and we tried to stop it since this person was not part of our group.”

Jesus said in reply, “Don’t try to stop it. No one who performs a miracle using my name can speak ill of me soon thereafter! Anyone who is not against us is with us. The truth is, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to the Messiah will certainly not go without a reward.

“Rather than make one of these little ones who believe in me stumble, it would be better to be thrown into the sea with a large millstone hung around your neck. “If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It would be better to enter Life crippled than to have hands and go into Gehenna, where the fire never goes out. If your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better to enter Life crippled than to have two feet and be thrown into Gehenna. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. It would be better to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes

and be drawn into Gehenna, where ‘the worm never dies and the fire never goes out.’

“Everyone will be salted with fire. “Salt is good. But if salt loses its flavor, how can you make it salty again? “Have salt in yourselves, and live in peace with one another.”

This is the Good news. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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## SERMON— MISTY LAMPSHIRE

### HYMN OF THE DAY— *Sois la Semilla* ("You are the Seed")

can be found in the new century hymnal #528

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

We pray for the people of God in all places. Shape our witness to the good news of Jesus that we joyfully share your transforming love with all whom we encounter. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for the healing of the earth. Renew oceans and seas, marshes and estuaries. Uphold the work of conservationists, oceanographers, and all who care for fragile ecosystems and habitats. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for peace and cooperation among local and global communities. Bless the efforts of community organizers, international aid workers, and all those who work for justice and peace around the world. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for all who are in any need. To all who grieve, bring consolation; to all who are weary or lonely, bring solace. By your grace, make your presence known among all who call to you for healing especially Karen, Julie, Sandy, Fred, George G., Maryann H., Evie D., Lysle and Ken, and Diane. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for caregivers: doctors and nurses, home health aides and counselors, and those who care for loved ones. Sustain them in their work and help us to build a health care system that supports all. Hear us, O God.  
**Your mercy is great.**

*What else do the people of God pray for?*

We give thanks for the saints who now rest in your eternal presence. In thanksgiving for their lives of faithful service and witness, we commend them to your loving care. Hear us, O God.  
**Your mercy is great.**

Everlasting God, you have wonderfully established the ministries of angels and mortals. Mercifully grant that as Michael and the angels contend against the cosmic forces of evil, so by your direction they may help and defend us here on earth, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God whom we worship and praise with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, now and forever. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
**Amen.**

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

## MEAL

*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

*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.*

### OFFERTORY MUSIC—



1 How shall I sing that maj - es - ty which an - gels do ad -  
2 En - light - en with faith's light my heart, in - flame it with love's  
3 How great a be - ing, Lord, is thine, which doth all be - ings



mire? Let dust in dust and si - lence lie; sing, sing, ye  
fire, then shall I sing and take my part with that ce -  
keep! Thy knowl - edge is the on - ly line to sound so



heav'n - ly choir. Thou - sands of thou - sands stand a -  
les - tial choir. They sing, be - cause thou art their  
vast a deep; thou art a sea with - out a



round thy throne, O God most high; ten thou - sand  
sun; Lord, send a beam on me; for where heav'n  
shore, a sun with - out a sphere; thy time is



times ten thou - sand sound thy praise; but who am I?  
is but once be - gun, there al - le - lu - ias be.  
now and ev - er - more, thy place is ev - 'ry - where.



## OFFERTORY PRAYER

### 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



## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

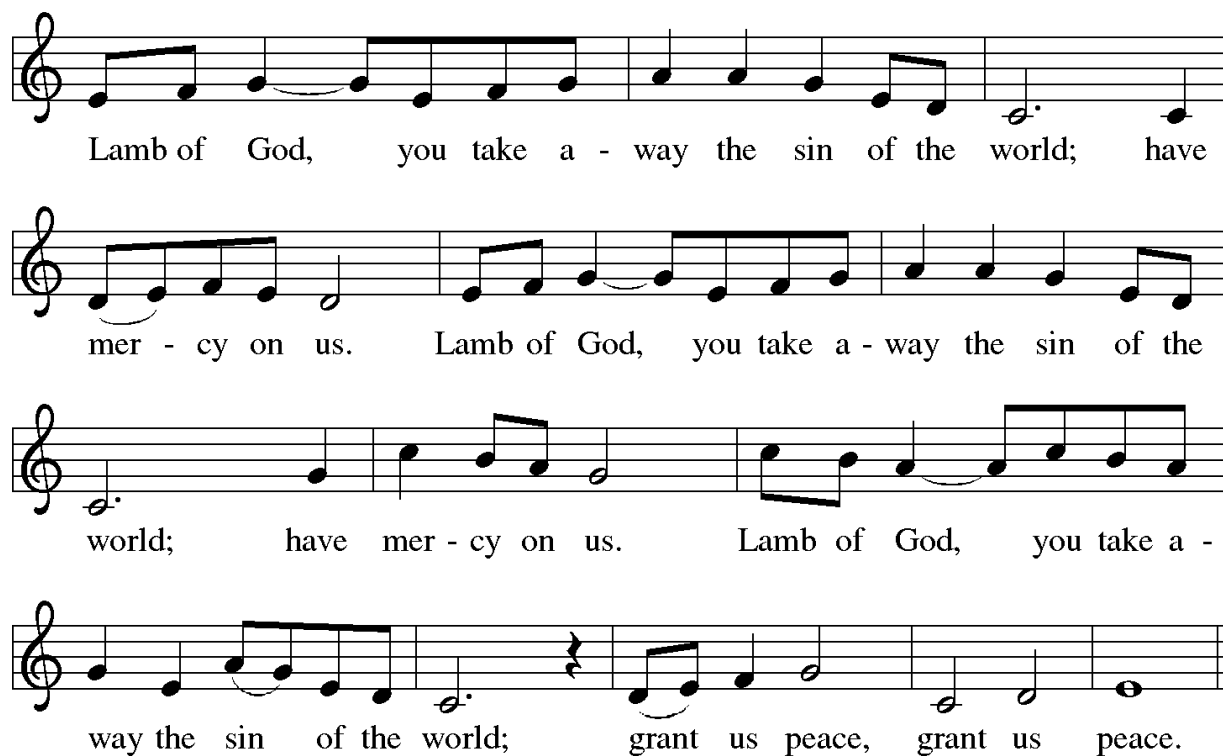
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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

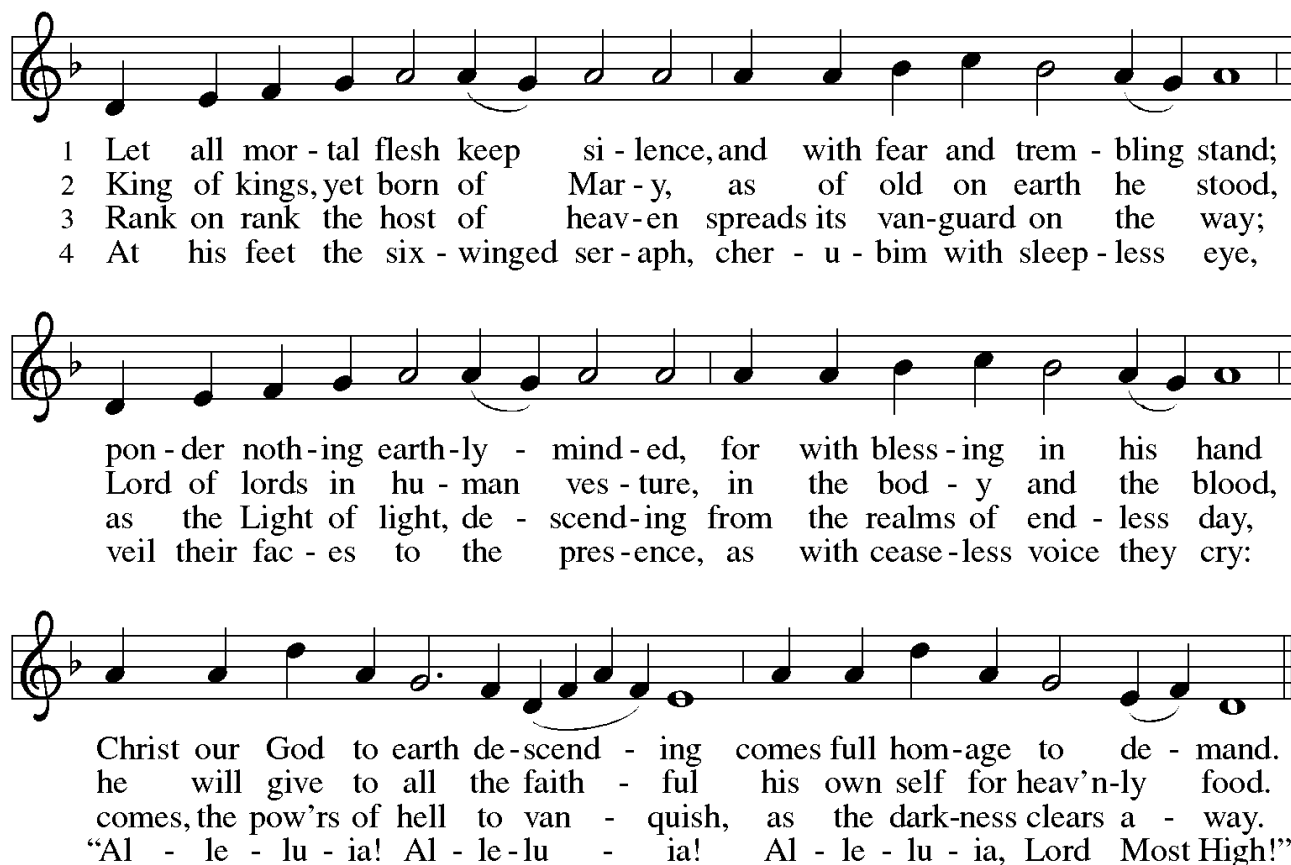
Jesus welcomes you to this table, Come, here is your God.

## AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION HYMN— ELW 490: *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and trem - bling stand;  
2 King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on earth he stood,  
3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van-guard on the way;  
4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph, cher - u - bim with sleep - less eye,  
pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand  
Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the bod - y and the blood,  
as the Light of light, de - scend - ing from the realms of end - less day,  
veil their fac - es to the pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry:  
Christ our God to earth de - scend - ing comes full hom - age to de - mand.  
he will give to all the faith - ful his own self for heav'n - ly food.  
comes, the pow'rs of hell to van - quish, as the dark - ness clears a - way.  
"Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

# SENDING

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BLESSING

God all mighty, God most merciful † bless you, keep you, and give you peace. **Amen.**

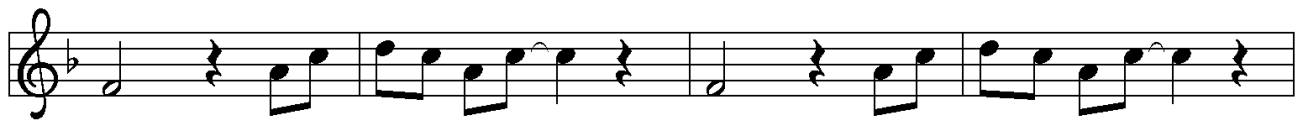
## SENDING HYMN— ELW 540, W&P 47: *Go, Make Disciples*



“Go, make dis - ci - ples, bap - tiz - ing them, teach - ing them.



Go, make dis - ci - ples, for I am with you till the end of time.



Go, be the salt of the earth. Go, be the light for the world.



Go, be a cit - y on a hill, so all can see that you're



serv - ing me. Go, make dis - ci - ples.”

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus. **Thanks be to God.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Handbell Rehearsals—Thursdays 7pm**

## 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**

7:00 PM– Handbell Rehearsal

### **Saturday**

6:00 PM Millenium AA Meeting

## PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP TODAY

**The Ministers:** The Congregation

**Presiding/Preaching:** Misty Lampshire

**Minister of Music:** Daniel Alley

**Guitarists:** George Fosselius & Randy Mayer

**Lector:** Elsa-Jennie

**Coffee Hour:**

**Usher:**

**Communion Set-up/Clean-up:**

**Worship Assistant:**

**Flowers:** Cordell

## PASTOR RON'S OFF WEEKS:

September 16th-29th

October 21st-27th

## PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

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

## 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

## 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](#).

**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](#).