



**Sunday - June 14, 2026**  
**Third 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 Chochochenyo.*

**INTRODUCTION**

In the second episode of the Abrahamic legends, the Lord promises what seems impossible: the old and barren Sarah will bear the son Isaac. Jesus sends out the disciples as laborers into the harvest. In baptism we too are anointed for ministry, sharing God's compassion with our needy world. From the Lord's table we go forth to proclaim the good news, to heal the sick, and to share our bread with the hungry.

**PRELUDE**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever. **Amen.** Let us confess our sin to God.

Compassionate God, **we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

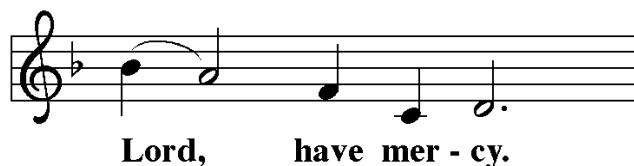
Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love. **Amen.**

## **GATHERING- ELW 843: Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness**

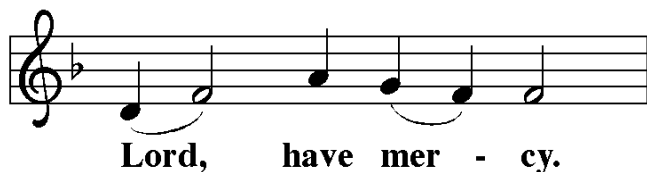
- 1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness  
with a liberating light;  
praise the One who frees the pris'ners,  
turning blindness into sight.  
Praise the One who preached the gospel,  
healing ev'ry dread disease,  
calming storms and feeding thousands  
with the very bread of peace.
- 2 Praise the One who blessed the children  
with a strong yet gentle word;  
praise the One who drove out demons  
with a piercing, two-edged sword.  
Praise the One who brings cool water  
to the desert's burning sand;  
from this well comes living water  
quenching thirst in ev'ry land.
- 3 Praise the one true love incarnate:  
Christ, who suffered in our place;  
Jesus died and rose for many  
that we may know God by grace.  
Let us sing for joy and gladness,  
seeing what our God has done.  
Praise the one redeeming glory;  
praise the One who makes us one.

### **KYRIE**

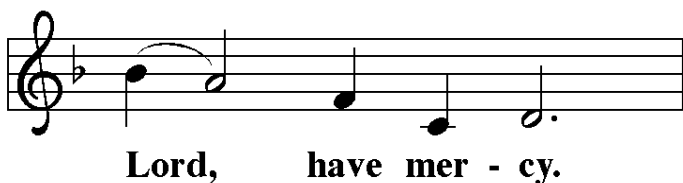
*In peace, let us pray to the  
Lord.*



*For the peace from above,  
and for our salvation, let us  
pray to the Lord.*



*For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.*



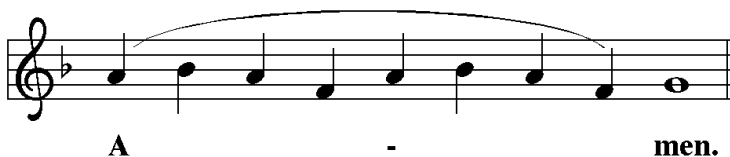
Lord, have mer - cy.

*For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.*



Lord, have mer - cy.

*Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.*



A - men.

## **GLORIA**



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



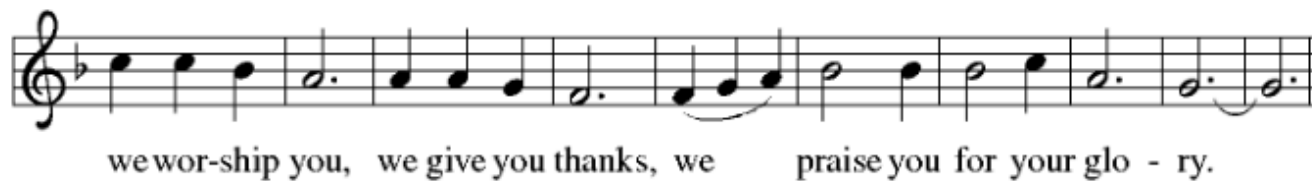
to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - mighty God and Fa-ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:



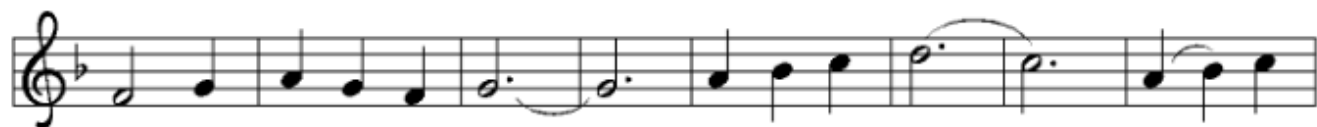
have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right



hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

3 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

*Final refrain*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est.

A - men, a - men, a - men.

**FIRST READING: Genesis 18:1-15 [21:1-7]**

<sup>1</sup>The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup>He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground. <sup>3</sup>He said, “My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup>Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. <sup>5</sup>Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” <sup>6</sup>And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah and said, “Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.” <sup>7</sup>Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. <sup>8</sup>Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them, and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

<sup>9</sup>They said to him, “Where is your wife Sarah?” And he said, “There, in the tent.” <sup>10</sup>Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. <sup>11</sup>Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. <sup>12</sup>So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I be fruitful?” <sup>13</sup>The LORD said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh and say, ‘Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?’ <sup>14</sup>Is anything too wonderful for

the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.”  
<sup>15</sup> But Sarah denied, saying, “I did not laugh,” for she was afraid. He said, “Yes, you did laugh.”

[ <sup>21:1</sup> The LORD dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did for Sarah as he had promised. <sup>2</sup> Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. <sup>3</sup> Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. <sup>4</sup> And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. <sup>5</sup> Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. <sup>6</sup> Now Sarah said, “God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me.” <sup>7</sup> And she said, “Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age.”]

*Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.*

### **PSALM 116**

*I love the Lord, because my voice  
and my prayers he did hear.*

*I, while I live, will call on him,  
who bowed to me his ear.*

*I'll of salvation take the cup,  
on God's name will I call:  
I'll pay my vows now to the Lord  
before his people all.*

*Dear in God's sight is his servants' death.  
Your servant, Lord, am I;  
Your servant sure, your handmaid's son:  
my bands you did untie.*

*Thank off'rings I to thee will give,  
and on God's name will call.  
I'll pay my vows now to the Lord  
before his people all;*

*Within the courts of God's own house,  
within the midst of thee,  
O city of Jerusalem.  
Praise to the Lord give ye.*

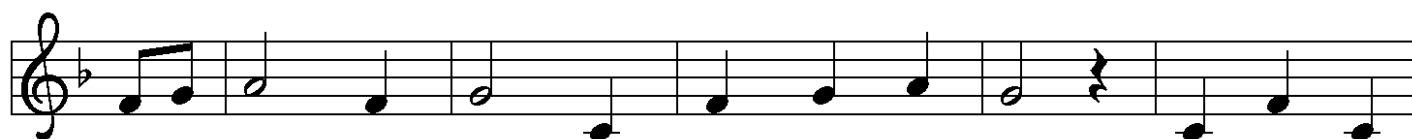
## **SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-8**

<sup>1</sup> Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup> through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup> And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup> For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup> But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

*Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.*

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le - lu - ia.



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



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

## **GOSPEL: Matthew 9:35—10:8 [9-23]**

The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O God.**

<sup>35</sup> Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup> therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

<sup>10:1</sup> Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup> These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee and his brother John; <sup>3</sup> Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup> Simon the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

<sup>5</sup> These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Do not take a road leading to gentiles, and do not enter a Samaritan town, <sup>6</sup> but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup> As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ <sup>8</sup> Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse those with a skin disease; cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. [<sup>9</sup> Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, <sup>10</sup> no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff, for laborers deserve their food. <sup>11</sup> Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. <sup>12</sup> As you enter the house, greet it. <sup>13</sup> If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. <sup>14</sup> If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. <sup>15</sup> Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

<sup>16</sup> “I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. <sup>17</sup> Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues, <sup>18</sup> and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the gentiles. <sup>19</sup> When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you at that time, <sup>20</sup> for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. <sup>21</sup> Sibling will betray sibling to death and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, <sup>22</sup> and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup> When they persecute you in this town, flee to the next, for truly I tell you, you will not have finished going through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”]

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

**SERMON** Pr. Dee

## HYMN OF THE DAY: *Every Word*



1. O God of truth all you fore - told, no pow'r can sway, no trial o'er -  
2. Je-sus your voice, al-might - y balm, it wakes the dead, the waves it  
3. To-mor-row's cares are in your hand, you will pro - vide each day's de -



throw; from age to age it stands un - moved, all you have sworn you sure-ly  
calms; my life you lived, your life you gave, three days of si - lence in the  
mands; In you we have our ev' - ry need, you ne'er for - sake, help us be -



do. Of old your voice did pierce the dark, through bar - ren  
grave. Then came the morn, the emp - ty tomb, our sins are  
lieve. O God com - plete what you've be - gun, sus - tain us



wombs and har-dened hearts: "Fear not, for I shall be with  
paid, our hope re - newed; You call to us, we rise with  
till our race is run; through life and death, oh bring us



you," your ev'-ry word proves e - ver true. Praise the one whose pro-mi-ses are  
you, your ev'-ry word proves e - ver true.  
through, till ev'-ry word proves e - ver true.



"Yes, a - men!" You a - lone, your faith - ful - ness will ne - ver end. We will



stand se - cure, for your ways are sure. O God, your e - v'ry word is true.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

God of freedom, you ransomed Israel from slavery to be a holy people. As we observe Juneteenth this coming week, free us also to be a people who proclaim your liberating love. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

God of creation, you call all the earth to make a joyful noise to you. Let us join the chorus of the natural world in proclaiming your glory. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

God of the nations, you sent Jesus as peace for all of humankind. Bring an end to war and conflict, bring hope to places devastated by destruction, and sustain those who advocate for peace. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

God of grace, you pour hope and love into our hearts in times of shame and doubt. Protect those experiencing housing insecurity. Uplift anyone struggling with hopelessness, illness, or other worries especially for Karen, Fred, George G., Maryann H., Evie D., Diane, Carla, Laurie & John P., Scott F., Radwan Omer on the death of his brother Abubayduh, and the family and friends of Julie D. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

God of all, you call your children to serve in a plentiful harvest. Give us the wisdom to know how best to serve our local community and our neighbors. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

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

God of faith, we give thanks for (*Macrina, Basil the Great, Gregory of Nyssa, Gregory of Nazianzus, and all*) the saints who earnestly seek you. Guide us as we seek to follow those who have led your church. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

### **OFFERTORY-To Do Your Will is My Desire**

*To do your will is my desire. To live in you is my delight. To spread your love through all the earth, to find in you the joy of life.*

*You know my ways, the paths I strayed which I believed were hid from sight. Yet, your light shined on my wayward path, you drew me back from pain and strife*

*You know me well, my wand'ring ways because you walked with me all my days. I once was blind, 'till I saw your light. Your healing grace showed me your face.*

### **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 their unending hymn:

# SANCTUS

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly  
Lord God of hosts. Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo -  
ry. 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 in the high -  
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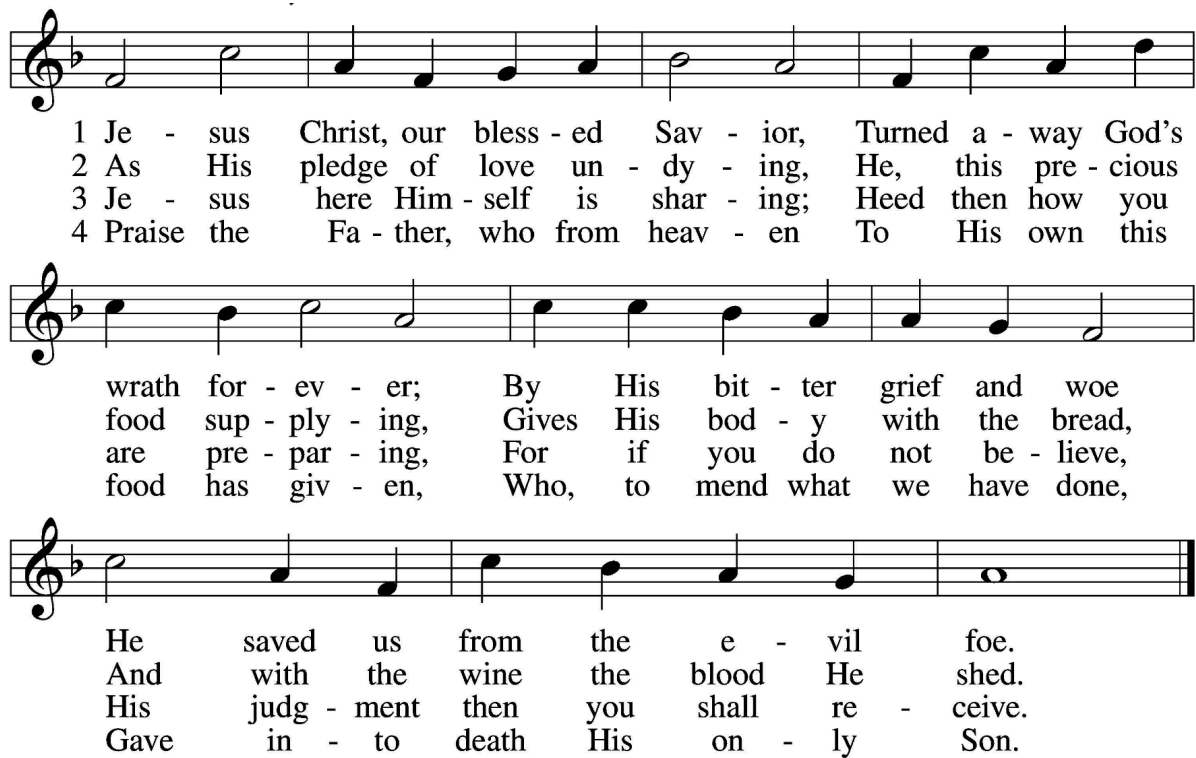
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## AGNUS DEI



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

## COMMUNION HYMN-LSB 627 *Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior*



1 Je - sus Christ, our bless - ed Sav - ior, Turned a - way God's  
2 As His pledge of love un - dy - ing, He, this pre - cious  
3 Je - sus here Him - self is shar - ing; Heed then how you  
4 Praise the Fa - ther, who from heav - en To His own this  
wrath for - ev - er; By His bit - ter grief and woe  
food sup - ply - ing, Gives His bod - y with the bread,  
are pre - par - ing, For if you do not be - lieve,  
food has giv - en, Who, to mend what we have done,  
He saved us from the e - vil foe.  
And with the wine the blood He shed.  
His judg - ment then you shall re - ceive.  
Gave in - to death His on - ly Son.

5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken  
That this food is to be taken  
By the sick who are distressed,  
By hearts that long for peace and rest.

6 Agony and bitter labor  
Were the cost of God's high favor;  
Do not come if you suppose  
You need not Him who died and rose.

7 Christ says: "Come, all you that labor,  
And receive My grace and favor:  
Those who feel no pain or ill  
Need no physician's help or skill.

8 "For what purpose was My dying  
If not for your justifying?  
And what use this precious food  
If you yourself were pure and good?"

9 If your heart this truth professes  
And your mouth your sin confesses,  
You will be your Savior's guest,  
Be at His banquet truly blest.

10 Let this food your faith so nourish  
That its fruit of love may flourish  
And your neighbor learn from you  
How much God's wondrous love can do.

**SENDING HYMN- God Has Work For Us To Do**



1. Till all the jails are emp - ty and all the bel - lies  
 Till age and race and gen - der, no long - er se - pa -  
**2. In te - ne - ment and man - sion, in fac - t'ry, farm, and**  
**In class - room, church, and of - fice, in shops, or on the**  
 3. By sit - ting at a bed - side to hold pale, trem - bling  
 By pray - ing through our do - ing, and sing - ing though we



filled,  
 - rate,  
**mill,**  
**street,**  
 hands,  
 fear,  
 1. Till no - one hurts or steals or lies, and  
 Till pul - pit, press, and po - li - tics are  
**2. in board room and in bil - liard hall, in**  
**in e - v'ry place where peo - ple thrive, or**  
 3. by speak - ing for the po - wer - less a -  
 by trust - ing that the seed we sow will



no more blood is spilled  
 free of greed and hate  
**wards where time stands still.**  
**stave, or hide, or meet.**  
 - gainst un - just de - mands.  
 bring God's har - vest near:



God, has work for us to do, God has



work for us to do Till God's will is done and all things are made new,



God has work for us, work for us to do.

**DISMISSAL**

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news! **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE: "A Place of Our Own"- Randy Mayer**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

<p><b>Participating in Worship</b> <b>Presiding/Preaching:</b> Pr. Dee Emmert <b>Minister of Music:</b> Daniel Alley <b>Guitarists:</b> George Fosselius &amp; Randy Mayer <b>Lector:</b> Pete <b>Communion Set-up/Clean-up:</b> <b>Worship Assistant:</b> Christine <b>Flowers:</b> George G <b>Coffee Hour:</b></p>	<p><b>Happening This Week at CLC</b> <b>Today</b> 9 AM Choir Rehearsal 10 AM CLC Worship <b>Monday</b> 9 AM- 3:00 PM Senior Center 7 PM- 8:30 PM The Scouts <b>Tuesday</b> 7 PM Lady AA Meeting <b>Saturday</b> 6 PM Millennium AA Meeting <b>Next Sunday</b> 9 AM Choir Rehearsal 10 AM CLC Worship</p>
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### **PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:**

Diane L. Lysle P. Mike S. The Vale Community Robin & Wendy George F. Louise O., Lucas, and El Cerrito High School Jimmy D. Vince	Laurie P. Carolina S. Karen H. Fred W. Chad B. TJ B. Carla L. Mark Thelma & Mike G.	Chris Phil C. Scott F. Radwan and the friends and family of Abubayduh The family and friends of Julie Dienstein
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