

**Sunday - June 28, 2026**  
**6th 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**

The welcome of baptism is for all God's children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today's gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of cold water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God's merciful welcome.

**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-I Come Broken, Just As I Am



1. Just as I am with - out one plea but that — Thy  
2. Just as I am and wait - ing not to rid — my



blood was shed for me, and — that Thou bidst — me come to  
soul of one dark blot. To — Thee whose blood — can cleanse each



Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.



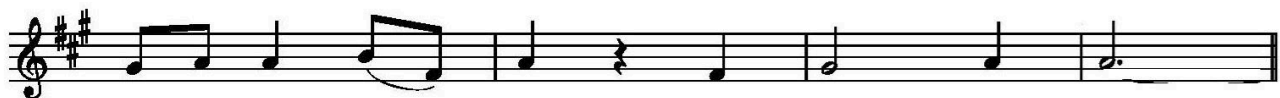
I come bro - ken to be mend-ed. I come wound-ed to be



healed. — I come des-p'rate to be res-cued. I come emp - ty to be filled. — I come



guilt - y to be par-doned by the blood of Christ, the Lamb. And I'm wel-comed with



o - pen arms, praise — God, just as I am.

## KYRIE

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



Lord, have mer - cy.

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



Lord, have mer - cy.



*Refrain*



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.

*Refrain*



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.

### **FIRST READING: Genesis 12:8-21**

<sup>8</sup> The child [Isaac] grew and was weaned, and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. <sup>9</sup> But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. <sup>10</sup> So she said to Abraham, “Cast out this slave woman with her son, for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.” <sup>11</sup> The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son.

<sup>12</sup> But God said to Abraham, “Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. <sup>13</sup> As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.” <sup>14</sup> So Abraham rose early in the morning and took bread and a skin of water and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

<sup>15</sup> When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. <sup>16</sup> Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot, for she said, “Do not let me look on the death of the child.” And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. <sup>17</sup> And God heard the voice of the boy, and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven and said to her, “What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid, for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. <sup>18</sup> Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.”

<sup>19</sup> Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. She went and filled the skin with water and gave the boy a drink.

<sup>20</sup> God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness and became an expert with the bow. <sup>21</sup> He lived in the wilderness of Paran, and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

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

## **PSALM 86**



1. Hear my prayer, O Lord, and an-swer me; I am poor and  
2. You, O Lord, are good and for-giv - ing; give ear to my



need - y. Save my life, for You are the on - ly God;  
prayer. Teach Your way so that I may walk in Your truth;



for to You I cry. — You, O Lord, are full of mer - cy.  
fix my heart to fear You.



Gra - cious are You, O God. — Slow to an - ger, a - bound-ing in



faith-ful-ness; turn to me, de - liv - er me. Save me in Your love.

## **SECOND READING: Romans 6:12-23**

<sup>12</sup> Do not let sin reign in your mortal bodies, so that you obey their desires. <sup>13</sup> No longer present your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. <sup>14</sup> For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

15 What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! 16 Do you not know that, if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? 17 But thanks be to God that you who were slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted 18 and that you, having been set free from sin, have become enslaved to righteousness. 19 I am speaking in human terms because of your limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and lawlessness, leading to even more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, leading to sanctification.

20 When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. 21 So what fruit did you then gain from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. 22 But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the fruit you have leads to sanctification, and the end is eternal life. 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. *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 10:40-42**

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

[Jesus said to the twelve:] 40 “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. 41 Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous,

42 and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

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

**SERMON** Pr. Dee

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** *God We Gather As Your People*



1 God, we gath - er as your peo - ple to raise our song a -  
Oh, we sing for all the chil - dren, that one day they be

2 Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear and  
God, we're work - ing for the fu - ture when chil - dren far and



bove, and we dare to claim the prom - ise of your love.  
free; and we sing for gen - er - a - tions yet to be,

shame, so a - fraid of who they are and whom they love.  
wide can . . . live their lives with dig - ni - ty and pride.



Though the day may not yet be here, we  
that they nev - er have a rea - son to

May the mes - sage now be ban - ished that your  
As they grow in strength and stat - ure, may they



trust it soon will be, when your chil - dren will be free.  
doubt that they are blest. May they, in your love, find rest.

love is for the few; may their faith in you re - new.  
join us hand in hand, as a - gainst all hate we stand.

*Refrain*



Oh, may our hearts and minds be o - pened, fling the church doors o - pen



wide. May there be room e - nough for ev - 'ry - one in - side.



For in God there is a wel - come, in God we all be -  
long. May that wel - come be our song.

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

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

Faithful God, establish your church to offer welcome and proclaim your peace. Nourish us so we can proclaim your hope to the world. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Creator God, bring life to places experiencing drought, deforestation, and pollution. Help us to cultivate and care for the natural world around us. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Loving God, bring an end to conflict and division. Sustain the work of prophets in our time, and work through world leaders to foster understanding, justice, and peace. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Provider God, give your children what they need physically, emotionally, and spiritually. We pray especially for Karen, Fred, George G., Maryann H., Evie D., Diane, Carla, Laurie & John P., Scott F., Kim M., and the family and friends of Julie D. Bless caregivers as they show God's hospitality through their generous service. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Living God, lead us from death to life. Inspire new ministries and endeavors, renew established ones, and strengthen our welcoming presence to our neighbors. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

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

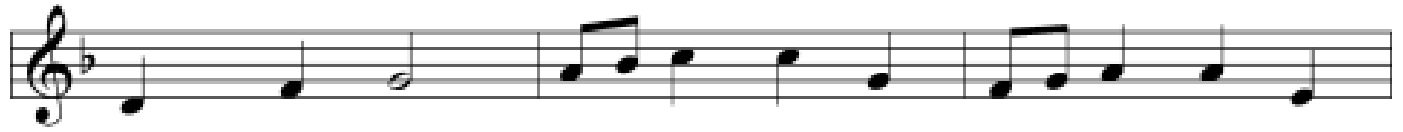
Eternal God, we remember the faithful departed of this community and of the wider church and world. We give thanks for saints of all times and places. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

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

**OFFERTORY - Father Welcomes**



Fa - ther wel - comes all His chil - dren To His fam - 'ly



through His Son. Fa - ther giv - ing His sal - va - tion,



Life for - ev - er has been won.



1 Lit - tle chil - dren, come to Me, For My king - dom  
2 In the wa - ter, in the Word, In His prom - ise,  
3 Let us dai - ly die to sin; Let us dai - ly



is of these. Life and love I have to give,  
be as - sured: Those who are bap - tized and be - lieve  
rise with Him. Walk in the love of Christ our Lord.



Mer - cy for your sin.  
Shall be born a - gain.  
Live in the peace of God.

**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 -  
est. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na  
in the high - est.

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.**

**COMMUNION HYMN- UMH 616: Come, Sinners, To the Gospel**

1. Come, sin-ners, to the gos - pel feast, let ev - ery  
2. Do not be - gin to make ex - cuse; ah! do not  
3. Come and par - take the gos - pel feast, be saved from  
4. See him set forth be - fore your eyes; be - hold the  
5. Ye who be - lieve his rec - ord true shall sup with

soul be Je - sus' guest. Ye need not one be  
you his grace re - fuse; your world - ly cares and  
sin, in Je - sus rest; O taste the good - ness  
bleed - ing sac - ri - fice; his of - fered love make  
him and he with you; come to the feast, be

left be - hind, for God hath bid all hu - man-kind.  
plea - sures leave, and take what Je - sus hath to give.  
of our God, and eat his flesh and drink his blood.  
haste to em - brace, and free - ly now be saved by grace.  
saved from sin, for Je - sus waits to take you in.

## 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

## 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> <b>Communion Set-up/Clean-up:</b> <b>Worship Assistant:</b> Christine <b>Flowers:</b> Cordell <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. Kim M. The family and friends of Julie Dienstein
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