Eighth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, August 4, 2019



Christ Lutheran Church

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The Mission of Christ Lutheran Church is to help all people know Jesus as their Savior and grow in relationship with Him.

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DIVINE SERVICE: Setting Four

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION and ABOLUTION

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

INTROIT

Ps. 49:7–8, 13–14a, 15; antiphon: Ps. 49:1–2

P: Hear this, all peoples! Give ear, all inhabitants of the world, both low and high, rich and poor together!

C: Truly no man can ransom another, or give to God the price of his life, for the ransom of their life is costly and can never suffice.

- P: This is the path of those who have foolish confidence; yet after them people approve of their boasts.
- C: Like sheep they are appointed for Sheol; death shall be their shepherd.
- P: But God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol, for He will receive me.
- C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P: Hear this, all peoples! Give ear, all inhabitants of the world, both low and high, rich and poor together!



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



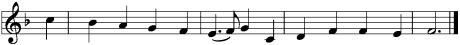
- 2 To You, O sole-be got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
- 3 For You a lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way. For - ev - er and for - ev - er. Be wor-shiped and a - dored:



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing-Have mer - cv us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt on You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high-God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. "A-men!" our glad In

SALUTATION AND COLLECT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O Lord, grant us wisdom to recognize the treasures You have stored up for us in heaven, that we may never despair but always rejoice and be thankful for the riches of Your grace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-26

² Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. ¹² I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³ And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven. It is an unhappy business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. ¹⁴ I have seen everything that is done under the sun, and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind. 18 I hated all my toil in which I toil under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me, ¹⁹ and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰ So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, 21 because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²² What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun? ²³ For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation. Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity. ²⁴ There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, ²⁵ for apart from Him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? ²⁶ For to the one who pleases Him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner He has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

¹ If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. ⁵ Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷ In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸ But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹ Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA and VERSE



P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 12th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." ¹⁴ But He said to him, "Man, who made Me a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵ And He said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." ¹⁶ And He told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷ and he thought to himself, What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' ¹⁸ And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." ²⁰ But God said to him, Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹ So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and

I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN "Consider How the Birds Above"......Tune: LSB 839

- 1 Consider how the birds above Feed day by day with carefree ease— Does God not keep them in His love? Are we not worth much more than these?
- 2 The lilies grow, they do not toil; How fair is their fragility—
 If God clothes these, which quickly spoil, Will He not clothe both you and me?
- 3 Set not your heart on food or drink, Nor be weighed down by worldly care; About such things the godless think, Yet never thank the Lord in prayer.
- 4 Be on your guard against all greed, For life is more than what we own. Our Father knows our ev'ry need Before our needs to us are known.
- 5 Be not afraid to suffer loss
 Of all the things for which you pray,
 For He who faced for you the cross
 Will give you strength to live each day.
- Seek first God's reign, His boundless grace, His holy name in all you do:
 Christ first and last in ev'ry place; All else will then be given you.

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SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

GATHERING OF THE OFFERINGS

★ SACRAMENT

If you are a confirmed member of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation, we invite you to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of an LCMS congregation and would like to come forward with your family and friends during the distribution, please place your hands over your heart and you will receive a blessing.

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally.

Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

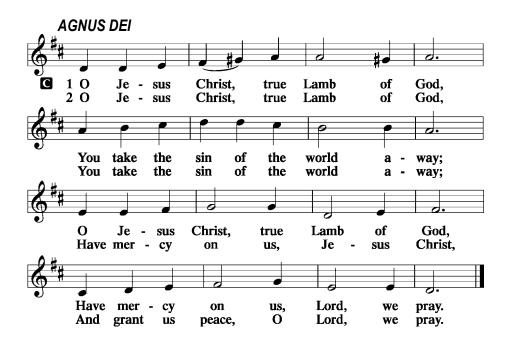
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

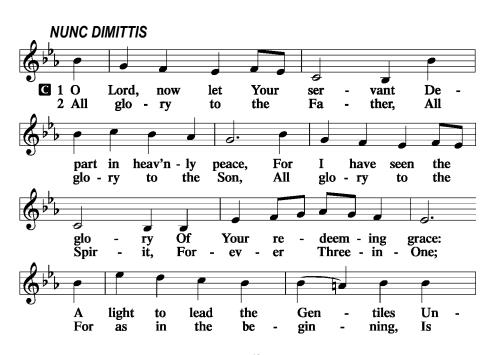
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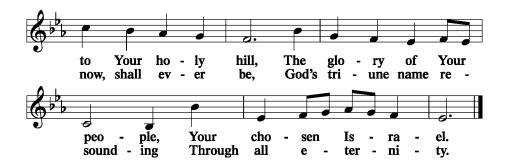
P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.



DISTRIBUTION HYMN "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"...... LSB 618





POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

HYMN "Seek Ye First"LSB 712

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THIS WEEK AT CLC — (8/4/19 - 8/11/19)

Sunday: Worship/HC, 9:00am; Christian Education, 10:30am

Thursday: Worship/HC, 6:30pm

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OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE (Week ending July 28, 2019)

General & Building Funds: \$4043.00; Blessings: \$13.00; Memorial

Fund: \$10.00

Attendance: Thursday: 11; Sunday: 115

CLC ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUESTS AND VISITORS: We are glad you are here! We invite you to join us for fellowship following the service. Bathrooms are located upstairs on each end of the fellowship/Bible study area.

A DOOR OFFERING will be taken next week (Thurs. Aug. 9 and Sun. Aug. 11) to assist Bailey Piepenburg with expenses for her mission trip to Honduras.

CLC BLOOD DRIVE: Have you ever thought of donating blood as being a good steward of your time and talent? For those of you that are physically able, I urge you to thank the Lord for your good health by donating blood on Tuesday, August 13 from 3:30 - 6:00pm in the lower level of the church. Walk-ins are always welcome. Save a life, donate blood!

FOOD FOR THE BODY donations for this month have been taken to The Neighbors Place. Thank you for donating the non-perishable food items.

"LIFE QUOTES" from Lutherans For Life

"[L]et us consider how we can encourage one another, how we can help one another in these times in which we are overcome, how we can spur one another on to love and to good works, how we can gather together, not neglecting one another in meeting together but instead gathering in the presence of God, encouraging one another as we wait for that Day to finally appear." Rev. Dr. Tony Cook, Lutheran Hour Ministries – (www.lutheransforlife.org)