

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 16, 2020

Announcements:

Pastoral Act: *Wedding:* On Saturday, August 15th JoAnn Petersen and James Polfliet were united in marriage. We pray God blesses them in their new life together.

Sign Up Early: As you know, in love, we are trying to follow the suggested guidelines for safe return to worship life at Christ Lutheran. That means that we are only able to seat 50% capacity in the sanctuary. One of the reasons we ask that you register for the service you will be attending is so that we don't have more than we can safely seat at any given service. For example, last week as of 6:30 Saturday evening there were 26 people signed up for the early service. The next morning the number of people who registered was up to 54. The total counted for that service was 60. That's great that that many people were in worship but the concern was that we were very close to maxing out our capacity number and could have been short in our count of wine for communion. So, if at all possible, please try and register by Friday evening. We understand that sometimes plans change, and that's fine, but in general we hope you can comply with this request. Thanks!!

CLGO: It's short notice but we plan on holding the 22nd Annual Christ Lutheran Gold Outing – CLGO on Sunday, August 23 at Savannah Oaks in Lynd. First tee time is scheduled for 1:00 PM. This year our mulligan money will be going to the organ fund. I think we will be just fine with people just "showing up" by 12:30, but if you know for sure that you will be golfing and could call or text pastor at 828-3333 that would be great. For those who would like, and feel comfortable doing so, we will grab a bite to eat at the outdoor patio at Brau Brothers after the round. Cost is \$20 for 9 holes and a cart.

Offerings: For those who are able to continue to give an offering, you can mail it (use the self-addressed envelope in your offering packet) to the Church office, 500 Village Drive. We also strongly encourage you to consider using the e-giving option. You can find a link to this on our website.

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Closing Hymn #332

Psalm 42-43

Refrain: Blessed are they who hope, who hope in the Lord.

As the deer pants for streams of water,* so my soul pants for you, O God.
My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.* Where can I go and meet with God?
Why are you downcast, O my soul?* Why so disturbed within me?
Put your hope in God,* for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.

Refrain: Blessed are they who hope, who hope in the Lord.

Send forth your light and your truth, let them guide me;*
let them bring me to the place where you dwell.
Then will I go to the altar of God, my joy and my delight.*
I will praise you with the harp, O God, my God.
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.

Refrain: Blessed are they who hope, who hope in the Lord.

Hymns:

#735 "Speak, O Lord"

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you To receive the food of your Holy Word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us All your purposes for your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes In the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail, Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time, That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises, And by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, as your Church is built And you fill the earth with your glory.

HYMN #353 "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

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 Father's word of peace.

Praise the one who blessed the children With a strong, yet gentle, word;
Praise the one who drove out demons With the 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.

Let us praise the Word incarnate, Christ, who suffered in our place;
Jesus died and rose victorious That we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness, Seeing what our God has done;
Let us praise the true Redeemer, Praise the one who makes us one.

HYMN #768 "How Firm a Foundation"

How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said
Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?

"Fear not! I am with you. Oh, be not dismayed;
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose
I will not, I will not, desert to his foes.
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake!

"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
My grace all-sufficient shall be your supply.
The flames will not hurt you; I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

HYMN #332 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

Go, my children, with my blessing, Never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are my own.
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing - You are my own.

Go, my children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, What I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story; Here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.

Go, my children, fed and nourished, Closer to me;
Grow in love and love by serving, Joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you; Here his tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, Joyful and free.

I the Lord will bless and keep you And give you peace;
I the Lord will smile upon you And give you peace;
I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, my children; I will keep you And give you peace.

Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 55:1-5: “Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and your soul will delight in the richest of fare. Give ear and come to me; hear me, that your soul may live. I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful love promised to David. See, I have made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander of the peoples. Surely you will summon nations you know not, and nations that do not know you will hasten to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has endowed you with splendor.”

Romans 8:35-39: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it is written: “For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.” No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Matthew 14:13-21: When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick. As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.” Jesus replied, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.” “We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,” they answered. “Bring them here to me,” he said. And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.