



# THRIVING FAMILY WORSHIP















# In Our Prayers



# REJOICING

# **ASKING**

We praise God for our six confirmands as they confirm their baptismal faith and continue forward with the Holy Spirit's promised presence. We ask for God's blessing and guidance on our congregation's call meeting for our first grade teacher position on May 16.

We rejoice that our Easter offering allows us to partner with Su Refugio to provide one hundred thousand meals for hungry families in Paraguay, Peru, and Argentina. Kim Huth's mother, Donna Pietzek, had leg bypass surgery last week that failed, which resulted in a partial leg amputation surgery. Pray for complete healing.

# CALLING

# **SERVING**

We pray for all health care workers: doctors, nurses, paramedics, EMTs, and home and hospice health care providers, that they would be the hands and feet of Jesus as they care for patients.

We pray for the ministry of Child Beyond,
International as they lift children and
families out of poverty in Guatemala. We
pray that the cooking ovens provided by our
Christmas offering would keep families
healthy as they breathe cleaner air in their
homes.

#### **AS WE GATHER**

Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church! Today we continue the message series "Thriving Worship" as we focus on Holy Communion. Paul wrote today's scripture reading to correct abuses of Communion that were happening in the church in Corinth. His Spirit-inspired words are crucial to our understanding of the Lord's Supper, especially the real presence of Christ's body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine. Such teaching strengthens our faith and reminds us of the forgiveness which Jesus won for us by His sacrificial death on the cross.

Today at 8 a.m. worship, we also celebrate the rite of confirmation for six of our young people and pray God's blessings on their continued growth in faith. "For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes." (1 Corinthians 11:26)

#### **PRELUDE**

MORNING HAS BROKEN arr. OVID YOUNG

#### WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

#### OPENING HYMN

LSB 474, ALLELUIA, JESUS IS RISEN

Alleluia! Jesus is risen!
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, Heaven forever!
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!
Jesus is risen and we shall arise: give God the glory! Alleluia!

Walking the way, Christ in the center
Telling the story to open our eyes;
Breaking our bread, giving us glory:
Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise.
Jesus is risen and we shall arise: give God the glory! Alleluia!

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Jesus the vine, we are the branches; Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree; Heaven to earth, Christ to the people, Gift of the future now flowing to me. Jesus is risen and we shall arise: give God the glory! Alleluia!

Weeping, be gone; sorrow, be silent:
Death put asunder, and Easter is bright.
Cherubim sing: "O grave, be open!"
Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light.
Jesus is risen and we shall arise: give God the glory! Alleluia!

City of God, Easter forever,
Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,
River of life, saints and archangels,
Sing with creation to God the I AM!
Jesus is risen and we shall arise: give God the glory! Alleluia!

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Leader: First Corinthians 11:28 says, "Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup." Let us examine our hearts and confess our sins in a moment of silence before God.

[Silence for personal confession]

Leader: Merciful Father,

People: We confess to You all our sins of thoughts, words, and actions. When we come together as a church, there are divisions among us. For the sake of Jesus, forgive our sins. Create pure hearts in us, that we may proclaim the death and resurrection of Jesus until He comes again. Amen.

Leader: First Corinthians 1:9 says, "God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." This fellowship brings us all the abundant blessings of God. By His grace, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

**1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-26** 

Reader: In First Corinthians, the eleventh chapter, Jesus teaches that He gives us His body and blood in the bread and wine of Holy Communion.

<sup>23</sup> For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, <sup>24</sup> and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." <sup>25</sup> In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." <sup>26</sup> For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### STATEMENT OF FAITH

**APOSTLES' CREED** 

People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**DCE CHERI SELANDER** 

#### **MESSAGE HYMN**

LSB 680, THINE THE AMEN, THINE THE PRAISE

Thine the amen Thine the praise alleluias angels raise
Thine the everlasting head Thine the breaking of the bread
Thine the glory Thine the story Thine the harvest then the cup
Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.

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Thine the life eternally Thine the promise let there be Thine the vision Thine the tree all the earth on bended knee Gone the nailing gone the railing gone the pleading gone the cry Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.

Thine the truly Thine the yes Thine the table we the guest Thine the mercy all from Thee Thine the glory yet to be Then the ringing and the singing then the end of all the war Thine the living Thine the loving evermore evermore.

Thine the kingdom Thine the prize Thine the wonder full surprise Thine the banquet then the praise then the justice of Thy ways Thine the glory Thine the story then the welcome to the least Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast at Thy feast.

Thine the glory in the night no more dying only light
Thine the river Thine the tree then the Lamb eternally
Then the holy holy celebration jubilee
Thine the splendor Thine the brightness only Thee only Thee.

#### **MESSAGE**

## COMMUNION: REAL PRESENCE FOR REAL LIFE PASTOR RICHARD BURKEY

#### **TRIO**

#### YES I WILL / BROKEN VESSELS

I count on one thing: the same God that never fails Will not fail me now, You won't fail me now In the waiting the same God who's never late Is working all things out, You're working all things out

Yes, I will lift You high in the lowest valley Yes, I will bless Your name Yes, I will sing for joy when my heart is heavy All my days, Oh, yes, I will

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Yes, I will lift You high in the lowest valley Yes, I will bless Your name Yes, I will sing for joy when my heart is heavy All my days, Oh yes, I will For all my days, Oh yes, I will

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind but now I see

Yes, I will lift You high in the lowest valley Yes, I will bless Your name Yes, I will sing for joy when my heart is heavy All my days, Oh yes, I will For all my days, Yes, I will

#### RITE OF CONFIRMATION

Abigail Cott
Yero Gemechu
Lauren Michelle Rabasco
Tenley Christine Sitze
Tatyanna Joy Stanley-Crosby
Leah McKae Yost
Proverbs 3:5-6
Isaiah 41:10
Jeremiah 29:11
Psalm 4:8
Romans 6:23
Joshua 1:9

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING**

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#### PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

People: 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.

#### 2 TIMOTHY 4:22; COLOSSIANS 3:1

#### PREFACE TO HOLY COMMUNION

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

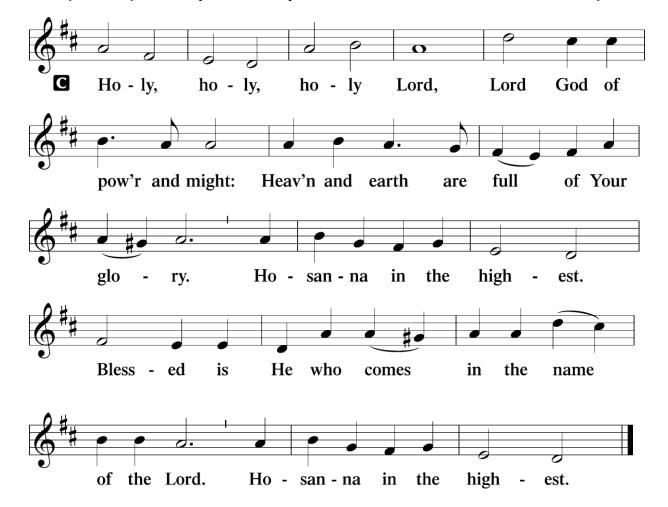
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.** 

Leader: It is truly good, right, and proper to give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, And most especially are we bound to praise You for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and

magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

#### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (SANCTUS)

#### **ISAIAH 6:3; MATTHEW 21:9**



#### **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**

#### 1 CORINTHIANS 11:26; MATTHEW 8:8

Leader: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim Your death, Lord Jesus, until You come in glory.

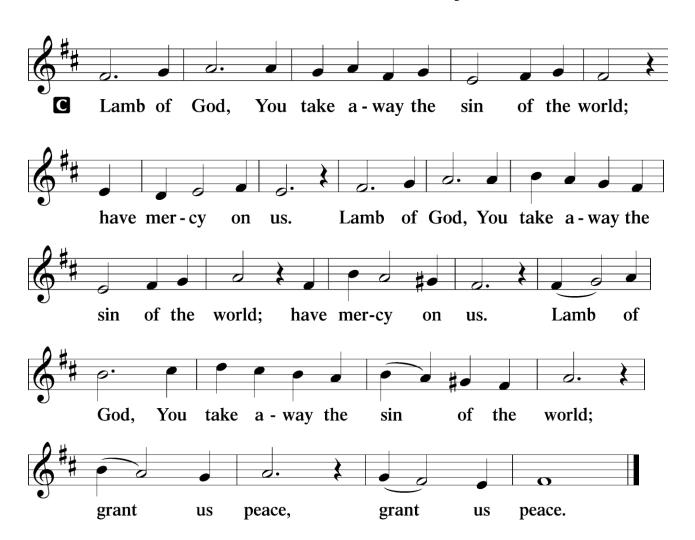
Leader: Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed

are those called to the Supper of the Lamb.

People: Lord, I am not worthy to receive You, but only say the word, and my soul shall be healed.

#### LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

#### **JOHN 1:29; 1 CORINTHIANS. 5:7**



#### **Prayer of Preparation**

As I prepare to receive Communion, Your most holy Body and Blood, deliver me from all my sins and from every evil. Enable me by Your Spirit to always abide in Your commandments, and allow me never to walk away from You. Amen.

#### What we believe about Holy Communion...

We believe in the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: One God, Three Persons. We believe that we are sinful, in need of grace, and want to do better. We believe, as Jesus said, that the bread and wine are truly and physically His body and His blood, which is the ultimate mystery of faith.

#### **BENEDICTION**

#### **DUET**

#### BREAD AND WINE, WINE AND BREAD, by JOHN CARTER

Bread and wine, wine and bread...simple things, as Jesus said. Wine and bread, bread and wine...simple things, and yet divine.

Eat this bread. When you do, eat His body giv'n for you. Break this bread. Hear Him say, "For your sins I died today."

Drink this wine. When you do, drink the blood He shed for you. Drink this wine, taste His pain. Heaven's loss, a sinner's gain.

Bread and wine, wine and bread...simple things, as Jesus said. Wine and bread, bread and wine...simple things, such simple things... Simple things, and yet divine.

#### CLOSING HYMN

#### LSB 922, 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.

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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.

#### **POSTLUDE**

#### **SONATINA IN F-MAJOR, L. BEETHOVEN**

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#### MESSAGE FROM GOD'S LIFE-BUILDING WORD

# THRIVING WORSHIP COMMUNION: REAL PRESENCE FOR REAL LIFE

May 2, 2021

**Introduction:** Thin Places

"For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes." (1 Corinthians 11:26)

- 1. Lord's Supper: Jesus forgives you.
  - 1 Corinthians 11:23-24 <sup>23</sup> For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, <sup>24</sup> and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is <u>for you</u>; do this in remembrance of me."

- Matthew 26:28 This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many <u>for the forgiveness of sins</u>.
- 2. Holy Communion: Jesus makes us one.
  - 1 Corinthians 11:25 In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in <u>remembrance</u> of me."
  - 1 Corinthians 10:16-17 <sup>16</sup> Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? <sup>17</sup> Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all share the one loaf.
- 3. Eucharist: Jesus graces our lives.
  - 1 Corinthians 11:24b, 25b, Do this ... Do this.
  - 1 Corinthians 11:26 For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Conclusion: Works Every Time.

Things I'd like to remember from this week's message:

## **G.P.S. - GROW, PRAY, STUDY GUIDE**

Get the weekly GPS on your computer/phone/etc. by going to the site: <a href="www.clcm-gps.com">www.clcm-gps.com</a>. You can also get automatic notifications by sending a text to 81010 with the text @clcm-gps, or by subscribing through Feedly.com (or any other RSS reader).

**Day 1:** Read *1 Corinthians 11:23-24*. For Martin Luther, those 2 words, "**for you**" were his favorite part of the words spoken in this meal. Luther realized the forgiveness promised for all in this meal was also specifically for him when he heard these words and received the body and blood of Christ by faith. What does it mean to you that when you receive the Lord's Supper, God's forgiveness is for you?

**Day 2:** Read *Matthew 26:28*. Every disciple at that first meal from Judas to Peter to Matthew, all were offered forgiveness. Every disciple that comes to this meal (including you and me) are all offered forgiveness. For this meal reminds us the price Jesus paid with His body and blood given on the cross. What sins do you need to confess today to hear God's Word of forgiveness for you?

**Day 3:** Read *1 Corinthians 11:25*. In Holy Communion, we remember God unites us together and that Jesus is with us. Where do you tend to forget Jesus' presence at work in your life? Where do you need to remember Him today?

**Day 4:** Read *1 Corinthians 10:16-17*. The Greek word for participation, *koinonia*, also means *fellowship*. In Holy Communion we gather together as one. When Christians eat the body and drink the blood of Christ, we more than remember. We are remembered. We re-connect with Jesus and each other. How does celebrating Holy Communion help you to re-member being one with Jesus and with His followers?

**Day 5:** Read *1 Corinthians 11:24-25.* "**Do this**" refers not only to what happens in this meal. *Do this* refers to how Jesus longs for us to live each day. We live with His grace. We live with His sacrificial love. We live to benefit others. We live empowered by Him, dependent by Him, loved by Him and loving others. What do you sense Jesus calling you to do today?

**Day 6:** Read *1 Corinthians 11:26*. Such a proclamation of who Jesus is, is not only for when we gather here around this table. Such a proclamation is meant to be shared throughout our lives. Each day when you eat, take time to be eucharistic. Instead of a "hurry up, let's eat" prayer, pray a prayer of thanksgiving. Pray with a heart filled with love for others. Make time to pray with thanksgiving today!

## **GOING DEEPER & NEXT WEEK**

**Book:** Learn more about thin places in *Wild Goose Chase: Reclaim the Adventure of Pursuing God* by Mark Batterson

Next Sunday: 1 Timothy 4:13 GOD'S WORD: KNOW THE GREAT STORY



## **SERVE @ HOME AND SERVE SUNDAY EVENT**

We are packing 100,000 meals as we partner with Su Refugio to feed hungry people in Peru through OneMeal, a program of Kids Around the World.

You can Serve @ home or participate at our Serve Sunday food packing event. For those that serve at home, you pick up supplies on May 14 and return them on May 16. Serve Sunday is May 16 from 11:30 to 2:30.

## WE WANT TO PRAY FOR YOU!

To share prayer requests, please send them to <a href="mailto:info@christlamesa.org">info@christlamesa.org</a>.

## **CALL MEETING**

On Sunday, May 16 Christ Lutheran Church Ministries will hold a brief congregational call meeting during both morning worship services to affirm the extension of a call to Tessa Lohman for the first grade position at Christ Lutheran School. Thank you to the search committee who diligently served in the process to find and affirm Tessa as the best candidate for Christ Lutheran School at this time.

### **INDOOR WORSHIP**

Recently the State of California and the San Diego Health Department released new guidelines that would allow places of worship to move indoors and allow singing with masks. For those of you who took the survey regarding your comfort level and vaccination status - thank you!

We are currently still working on some technology changes in the Sanctuary, but will keep you informed as to when we will be worshipping indoors.

## **VACCINATION LOCATIONS**

San Diego County is currently operating several vaccination sites throughout the area. Visit https://tinyurl.com/4ttfntkk to find a location near you.



Richard Burkey Senior Pastor



Travis Ferguson Pastor of Family Connections



**Dave Peterson** Visitation Pastor



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Kathy Johnson Administrative Accountant Worship and Music Assistant Administrative Assistant



Kim Voss



- Family Lounges for parents of infants/toddlers can be found at the rear of the sanctuary and on the second floor of the Courtyard next to the Gym.
- Room 101 is located on the first floor of the Courtyard.
- Music Rooms and Rooms 201-203 are located on the second level of the Courtyard.