Christ Lutheran Church & The Bridge Campus Ministry

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November 17, 2024 – 26th Sunday after Pentecost



SERVING TODAY: Presider/Preacher: Chad Huebner; Organist: George Weckman; Choir Director: Christian Yoder; Choir Accompanist: Donnalee Yoder; Pianist: Patricia Cambridge; Asst/Lector: Chad Kopenski; Live Stream: Sam Hanson; Time with Children: Puppets!; Ushers: Jim Sillery, Wanda Weinberg; Greeter: Karen Beverly; Acolyte: Eliza; Tray Server: Chris Snoddy

WELCOME

Here in Athens, in SE Ohio, we are occupying the traditional homeland of the Shawnee people. Before the Shawnee, this land was occupied by the Osage people, and by the Adena, Hopewell and Fort Ancient cultures.

CLC Choir PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be God. the one who forms us, the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

Amen.

Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin. Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

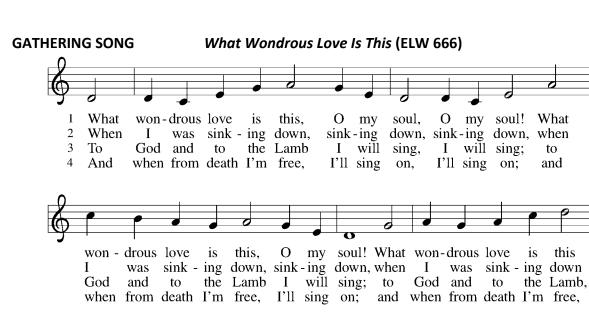
Beloved in Christ, God's justice stretches beyond all understanding. God's compassion is beyond compare. In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us. In + Christ, you are already and always forgiven. Amen.

Kyrie

(tune: My Father, How Long)

Leader sings parts marked "A"
Congregation sings parts marked "C"







that caused the Lord of bliss the dread-ful curse for my to bear be - neath God's righ-teous frown. Christ laid a - side his crown for my mil-lions join the theme, I will who is the great I AM, while I'llsing God's love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing



Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt.

Music: WONDROUS LOVE, W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

FIRST READING: Daniel 12:1-3

A reading from Daniel.

¹ "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ² Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³ Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25

A reading from Hebrews.

¹¹ Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹² But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," ¹³ and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." ¹⁴ For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [¹⁵ And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

¹⁶ "This is the covenant that I will make with them

after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts,

and I will write them on their minds,"

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

¹⁹ Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

¹⁷ he also adds.

¹⁸ Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Mark 13:1-8

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" ² Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

³ When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵ Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶ Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷ When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Built on a Rock (ELW 652)



- 1 Built on a rock the church shall stand, e ven when stee ples are
- 2 Sure ly, in tem ples made with hands God the Most High is not
- Christ builds a house of liv ing stones: we are his own hab i Yet in this house, an earth ly frame, Je sus the chil dren is
- 5 Through all the pass ing years, O Lord, grant that, when church bells are



fall - ing; crum-bled have spires in ev - 'ry land, bells still are dwell - ing— high in the heav'ns his tem - ple stands, all earth - ly ta - tion; he fills our hearts, his hum - ble thrones, grant - ing us bless - ing; hith - er we come to praise his name, faith in our ring - ing, man - y may come to hear your Word, who here this



chim-ing and call - ing— call - ing the young and old to rest, call-ing the tem-ples ex - cel - ling. Yet God who dwells in heav'n a - bove deigns to a - life and sal - va - tion. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their Sav - ior con-fess - ing. Je - sus to us his Spir - it sent, mak-ing with prom-ise is bring - ing: "I know my own, my own know me; you, not the



bide with us in love, mak - in midst will show his grace, bless-in us his cov - e - nant, grant - in world, my face shall see; my pea

mak - ing our bod - ies his tem - ple. bless-ings up - on them be - stow - ing. grant - ing his chil-dren the king - dom. my peace I leave with you. A - men."

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Carl Doving, 1867–1937, adapt. Music: KIRKEN DEN ER ET GAMMEL HUS, Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887 Text © 1958 Service Book and Hymnal, admin. Augsburg Fortress

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the whole world for all of creation, for every living creature; for plants and flowers, for animals and for fragile human beings. Gracious God, in your mercy, Hear our prayer. Let us pray for those who suffer, the sick and dying, for those alone or lonely, and for the loss that separates us from the love of the eternal God.

Gracious God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for the nations of the world for all people, for the land and water that sustains and renews life. Gracious God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for the leaders of nation and cities; May they remember to lean into you and to listen to and heed your words. Gracious God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Gracious God, protect those who have no place to live and no one to love them. Help them to know you, and to know love. Gracious God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We offer up our prayers of concern particularly for those we love: family, friends, and others.
Fill us with Your Spirit.
Gracious God, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

For all the blessings of this life we offer thanks, help us to have generous hearts and giving spirits. Help us to be your hands in the world. Gracious God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer. Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING - THANK YOU! YOUR GENEROSITY MAKES OUR MINISTRY POSSIBLE.

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OFFERTORY Dona Nobis CLC Choir

OFFERING SONG



- 1. Ac cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring To place up on your ta ble.
- 2. The vines were plant ed, seeds were sown. They grew in your good plea-sure.
- 3. Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares We lift in pray'r be fore you.



OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

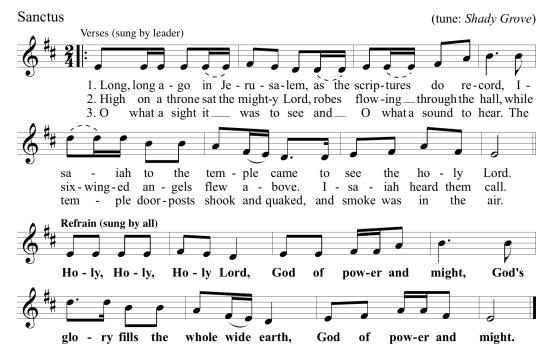
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God,

our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,

you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance...

...Through him all glory and honor is yours,

Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,

in your holy Church,

both now and forever.

Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

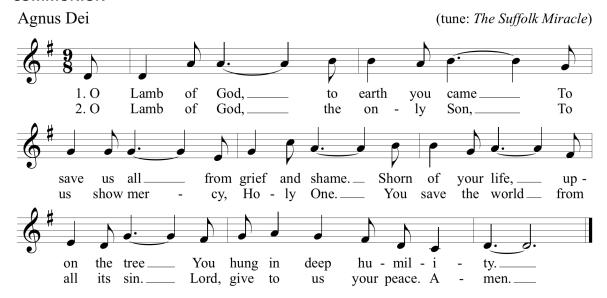
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

Thanks be to God.

(All are invited to the Lord's table. To receive communion come forward at the direction of the ushers and take a place at the altar rail. You may stand or kneel as you wish. You will first receive the bread and then may choose to receive either red wine or white grape juice by small glass, or by sipping wine from the chalice. If you choose a small glass you will place it in the empty tray carried by the acolyte. After receiving the bread and wine you will return to your seat. Tell the communion server if you need gluten free bread.)

COMMUNION



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING SONG

O God, Our Help in Ages Past (ELW 632)



- 1 O God, our help in a ges past, our hope for years to come,
- 2 Un der the shad ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se cure; 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame
- 3 Be fore the hills in or der stood or earth re ceived its frame, 4 A thou-sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,

short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing



- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all our years away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, still be our guard while troubles last and our eternal home.

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Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt. Music: St. Anne, William Croft, 1678–1727

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus Thanks be to God.