

***Time After Pentecost
Holy Communion***

June 26, 2022

9:30 a.m. Worship

**Christ Lutheran Church
Cottonwood, Minnesota**



Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church.

We are grateful to God you are here.

We pray that you will feel the Spirit and welcome of this faith community,
and we look forward to seeing you again!

“We have no good apart from God. That makes Jesus’ call to follow him an invitation to freedom. This is freedom to revel in the Spirit’s fruit: love, joy, peace, and patience. This is freedom to not be imprisoned by anything that would keep us from the fullness of the life God has given us. This is the path of life.”

(adapted from Sundays and Seasons, Augsburg Fortress, 2021)

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome here.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor: This is the day that the Lord has made,

All: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Please rise in body or spirit.

Image from Sundays and Seasons

OPENING WORDS OF FAITH

based on Psalm 16

P: O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

All: My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.

P: I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

All: I have set the Lord always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

P: My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

All: For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.

WORDS OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: We gather in the name of the Father, †the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may confess your son, receive your forgiveness and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence for a time of self-reflection)

P: Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

All: Amen. Thanks be to God.

GATHERING HYMN

“Gather Us In”

ELW# 532

(You will find the hymns in the red hymnal under the chair in front of you.)

GREETING

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

All: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Sovereign God,

All: ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM FOR MCCOY MAILEN PRINGLE

PROFESSION OF FAITH – THE APOSTLES’ CREED

P: Let us profess our faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin and confess the faith of the church.

Do you believe in God the Father?

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All: I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

BAPTISMAL WORDS OF WELCOME

All: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Please be seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

¹⁵Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram.

¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

¹⁹So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. ²⁰He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" ²¹He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

L: Word of God, Word of Life

All: Thanks be to God

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what "You shall love your neighbor as

yourself.” ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. ¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

L: Word of God, Word of Life
All: Thanks be to God

Please rise in body or spirit.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *“O Jesus, I Have Promised”*
Stanza 1 ELW# 810

GOSPEL READING Luke 9:51-62

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the ninth chapter.
All: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁵¹When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, “Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?” ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.” ⁵⁹To

another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶²Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

P: The Gospel of the Lord
All: Praise to you, O Christ

Please be seated.

MESSAGE

Pastor Janel Kuester

HYMN OF THE DAY *"O Jesus, I Have Promised"*

ELW# 810

Please rise in body or spirit.

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

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

All: And also with you.

Please share a verbal peace with one another.

Please be seated.

THANKSGIVING

We respond in gratitude for God's never-failing love and mercy.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

OFFERING AND MUSIC

Thank you for your generosity.



Please rise in body or spirit.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Let us pray: Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds of sin and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

All: Amen.

PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE

The congregation responds to the prayer petitions with, “hear our prayer.”

LORD’S PRAYER

All: 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

Please be seated.

SENDING

God sends us in mission to the world.

SENDING BLESSING

P: The God of peace, Father, † Son and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you and show you the path of life this day and always.

SENDING HYMN

“Now Thank We All Our God”

ELW# 840

SENDING WORDS

L: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

All: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

— Thank You For Serving This Sunday, June 26, 2022 —

Ushers: Pete Lavin, Larry Isaackson, David Roe, Brian Velde, Heather Velde, Kendra Velde, and Morgan Velde

Musician: Nikolas Hartke

Lector and Assisting Minister: Linda Magnuson

PA: Shawn Myers and Jonathan Olson

Video Camera: Sidnee Olson and Erik Lundberg

Altar Care: Pat Hinz and Carolyn Olson

Counting: Tracy Sterner and OPEN

This Week's Calendar

Today, Sunday, June 26, 2022 Time After Pentecost

Fellowship Time before and after Worship

9:30 am Worship with Pringle Baptism

7:00 pm Fellowship Fun Night - church backyard

Tuesday, June 28, 2022

7:15 pm Christian Education Meeting

Next Sunday, July 3, 2022 Time After Pentecost

Fellowship Time before and after Worship

9:30 am Worship

Worship on Cable TV Channel 180

Due to the storm damage at the Senior Citizen Center and the lack of power to the building, in which houses the local cable station equipment, we are currently not able to broadcast the worship services at this time. Please let the church office know if we can provide you with a DVD copy to watch at home.

Enjoy Gardening



The Prayer Garden behind the church could use a little TLC. *Could this be you?* Please contact the church office if you have some interest in leading or being a part of a team of folks who would water, weed, trim back or even share some perennials. This is a space several people come, sit and pray.

**Fellowship Fun Night
Sunday, June 26 7-9 p.m.
At Christ Lutheran Church Yard
For all ages – children are welcome**

Is anyone else missing hanging out together in fellowship time? Be sure to mark the evening of June 26 for this first “Fellowship Fun Night” of the summer. The evening will be filled with the following opportunities of being in fellowship and fun together on the church property facing the lake.

Bonfire Pit and a S’mores Bar – come and enjoy
The Classic, The Nutty Buddy and The
Grasshopper.

Picnic Tables available for a place to sit down and
enjoy catching up – or bring your own lawn
chair.

Outdoor Games: Bean Bag Boards, Horseshoes, Giant Jenga, Yardzi,
Tenzi Dice, Ladder Ball, Frisbee Golf or Bocce Ball to name a few.



Christ in Our Home Devotional Books Available

The July - September 2022 Christ in Our Home devotional books are available for pick up now. You will find them in the back of the sanctuary. Both large and regular print are available.



An invitation from Pastor Janel (PJ):

If you are **interested in church membership** or know someone interested, please call PJ at the church office 507 423 5100 or her cell phone 651 726 4003. Email is: pstrjanel@gmail.com

Prayer Requests

The Apostle Paul reminds us in Philippians 4:6-7 to, “*Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*” Your prayers are a gift to those requesting them, and encouragement for one another as we experience challenges, sorrows, or thanksgivings of any kind.

Health Concerns, as well as Others In Our Hearts and On Our Minds:

Jill Boehne	Posy Jackson	Grant Johnson
Teri Kemmer	Zoey Orth	Lloyd Powell
Benjamin (Kit M’s grandchild to be born)		

All those dealing with illness, addictions, depression, cancer, hunger, homelessness, unemployment, and any challenges in their lives. Pray for the people of Ukraine and Russia.

Independent Living/Assisted Living/Care Center Residents/Homebound:

Irene Evers, Betty Lovsness, Howard and Jody Mohr, Donna Neuharth, Bobby Olson, Sonny and Ione Olson, Laurie Pickthorn, Steve Pederson, Margaret Rewerts, Jim Runholt

Families of our Congregation:

JeRae Freiborg and Brenton Johnson and
Hunter and Beckett Freiborg
Ryan, Kayla, Nolan, Tate, and Madden Fromm

Grieving Family: The family of Gerald Willis (Grandfather of Samantha Judovsky)

Workers in Other Countries, Missionaries, and Local Congregation Missions.

*Robin’s Nest Children’s Home, Jamaica, Kikatiti Secondary School, Tanzania
World Mission Prayer League (WMPL)*

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