

Worship

August 10, 2025 | 10:00 AM
9th Sunday after Pentecost



Christ the Servant
LUTHERAN CHURCH

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Whether you are a long-time member or a first-time guest, your presence is a blessing to us!
Scan the QR code with your smartphone on the seat in front of you or below if you'd like to...








Let us know you are worshipping today
Request prayers or share your care needs
Explore upcoming ministries and RSVP
Respond with generosity and give to our mission and ministry

TO THOSE WITH YOUNG ONES

We embrace all the wiggles and giggles that the youngest in our midst might make!
The noise of children is the sound of a church that is full of life and is welcome here!

Here are some helpful tips:

-  If they need a break, take it!
There is a room just past the bathrooms where little ones can play, parents can relax, and the service can still be heard.
-  Let them pick out activities from the Activities Cart!
They can go back to it as much as needed!
-  Sit where your children can easily see what is happening.
-  Sing and respond loudly! Children learn by copying you.
-  Explain the parts of worship and teach them how to use the hymnal.

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NAME: _____ PHONE: _____ DATE: _____

EMAIL: _____ I'D LIKE TO RECEIVE WEEKLY EMAIL UPDATES: ☐ YES

PRAYER REQUEST: _____

☐ PUBLIC ☐ PRAYER TEAM ONLY ☐ PRIVATE

HOW LONG WOULD YOU LIKE US TO HOLD THESE IN PRAYER?

☐ 1 WEEK ☐ 2 WEEKS ☐ 3 WEEKS ☐ 1 MONTH ☐ UNTIL OTHERWISE NOTIFIED

**Please stand as you are able*

Bold responses are spoken/sung by the congregation

PRELUDE

Piece
Lisa Schoepfle, flute

Jacques Ibert

WELCOME

***HYMN – *Shine, Jesus, Shine* (#671)**

***CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

When we offer God our confession, we join the beautiful work of reconciliation, which begins with our reconciling with God. Trusting in our Partner in grace, let us make our confession, first in silent prayer.

Gracious and loving God,
**open our hearts so that we are able to admit to you the fullness of our lives
that which is beautiful and good,
and that which is hurtful and hateful.**

**We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do.
We love with condition.
We judge and condemn.
We cast the first stone and keep the logs in our own eyes.
We do not turn to You as the source of our healing.**

Forgive us, we pray.

**Forgive our sin and empower us to be imitators of Christ in all that we do.
Amen.**

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. **Amen.**

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please greet each other with the peace of Christ!

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

God the Maker

The Porter's Gate

We bring our time, we bring our trea - sure, _____
We bring our gifts, we bring our po - wer, _____
Though our hearts are weak from fail - ure, _____

3 we lay them down be - fore Your throne. You will make them some - thing
place them in Your sov - reign hand. You will take what we have
bro - ken dreams and failed at - tempts, show us that in ev - 'ry

6 grea - ter, _____ more than we could e - ver know. Glo - ry be to God,
gi - ven, _____ You will use it for Your plan.
sea - son, _____ You will fill our emp - ti - ness.

9 the Ma - ker, _____ glo - ry be to God, _____ Cre - a - tor, _____ Take our

13 time, use our trea - sure, _____ turn them in - to some - thing grea - ter: _____

16 glo - ry be to God, _____ the Ma - ker. _____

***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**

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **AMEN.**

FIRST READING: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance, and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith, with Sarah's involvement, he received power of procreation, even though he was too old, because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better homeland, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Teach Us Your Ways

The Porter's Gate

Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah; let us learn from one a - no - ther,
learn to love each oth - er teach us Your ways.

The musical score is written on two staves in 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, with chords C, /E, F, A/E, D, /F#, G, F/A, G/B, C, and Dm indicated above the notes. The second staff continues the melody for the second line of lyrics, with chords C/E, F, G, and C indicated above the notes. The lyrics are: 'Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah; let us learn from one a - no - ther, learn to love each oth - er teach us Your ways.'

*GOSPEL READING: Luke 12:32-40

The holy gospel according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ³²“Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵“Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹“But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY – *You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore (#817)

***APOSTLES' CREED**

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

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.

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each prayer petition will end with
God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

OFFERING

In response to God's generosity, let us now consider our own generosity as a rebellion against the powers of this world and a demonstration of the faith and trust we have in our Creator through the gifts of our tithes and offerings.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

All Creatures of Our God and King

***OFFERING PRAYER**

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you!

And also with you!

Lift up your hearts!

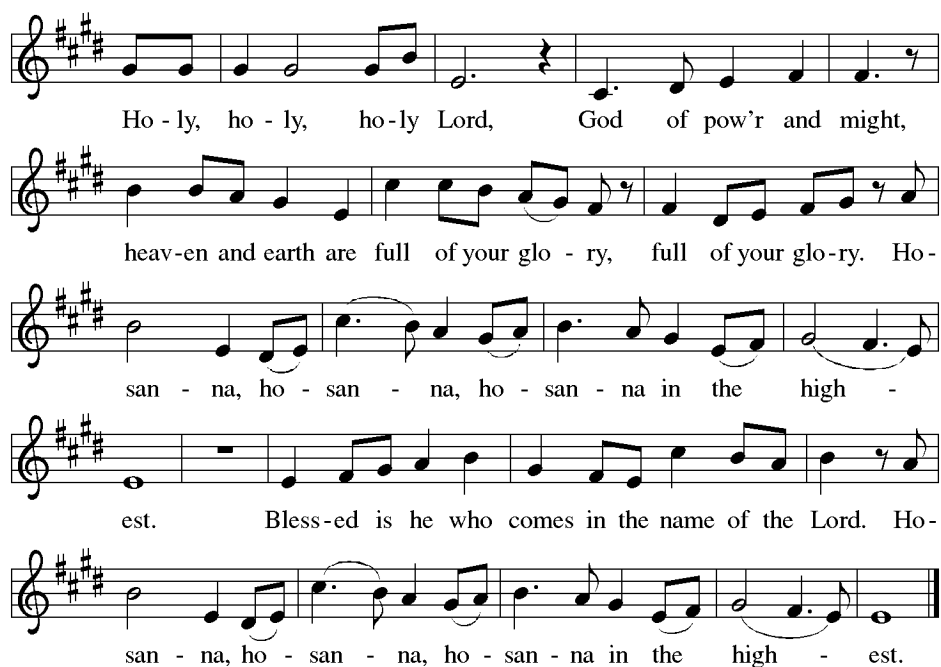
We lift them to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*PREFACE

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

See, God's home is among us. God will dwell with us as our God. We will be God's people, and God will be present to us.

God will wipe every tear from our eyes. Death will be no more, mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.

Christ has died! Christ IS risen!

Christ will come again!

It was in the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks, and broke it saying:

"This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying:

"This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me."

Send your Holy Spirit to fill the hearts of all people

With courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world.

Come, Spirit of freedom! And let all God's people say Amen!

Amen.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

COMMUNION

The table at Christ the Servant Lutheran Church is not a Lutheran table, nor is it a pastor's table, or a specific church's table, it is Christ's table. And Jesus invites all people to come and partake in this meal! No matter your age or your faith background, whether you are high in faith or low in faith, you are invited to come and eat because Christ has invited you!

You will come down through the center isle and will be handed a piece of bread. Take the bread and go to either side to dip the bread into the wine (the dark liquid) or the grape juice (the light liquid) and take them together. There is a gluten free option available in the center. If you'd prefer that, just ask as you come forward.

Allergen Notice: The communion bread is purchased from a commercial bakery and may contain or may have been exposed to one or more of the following allergens: peanuts, tree nuts, sesame, milk, eggs, wheat, soy, fish and crustacean shellfish. The gluten free wafers contain garbanzo bean flour, potato starch, tapioca flour, whole grain sweet white sorghum flour, fava bean flour and palm oil. They are manufactured on dedicated equipment in a dedicated facility and are gluten free, dairy free, egg free, peanut free, fish and shellfish free.

COMMUNION MUSIC



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Lisa Schoepfle, flute

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

*THE BLESSING & BENEDICTION



The Lord bless you, and keep you. Make His face shine up-on you be gra-cious to you.



The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace.



A - - men, a - men a - men. A - - men, a - men, a - men.

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Celebrate! Think! Serve!
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Ministry Opportunities

God calls us all to participate in God's kingdom building throughout the world. You are invited to participate in God's mission and the ministry of Christ the Servant Lutheran Church! As you participate, we hope you will discover belonging and we know you will have holy experiences because the Spirit is at work in and through you!

To discover more ministry opportunities and to register for ministries you feel called to, visit

christserves.churchcenter.com

or scan the QR code on the seat back in front of you!



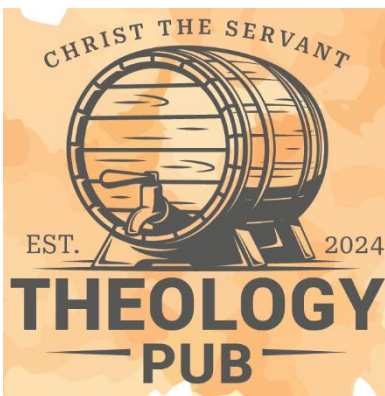
August 17

Lend a hand after worship to help with weeding, dusting and general cleaning of the church property.



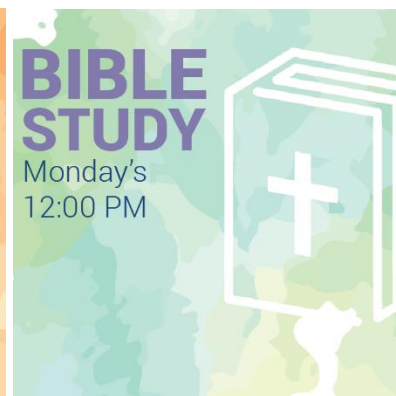
August 24

Stay after worship for our monthly lunch packing for the Embry Rucker Shelter.



August 26

Join Pastor Kenny at Lucia's Italian Restaurant at 7pm. Great company, discussion and drinks/food make this a wonderful fellowship event. The discussion topic is Miracles.



Mondays

Bible Study meets at noon on Mondays. Bring a lunch and join Pastor Kenny for a discussion of the scripture from the previous Sunday.



We continue to accept your non-perishable food donations for the South Lakes Food Pantry. Items can be left in the church office.