

March 3, 2024
Oculi Sunday

THIRD SUNDAY IN
LENT

Christ's Lutheran Church
700 East Pennsylvania Avenue
Oreland, Pennsylvania

*Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church
connects individuals to God, each other, and the community.*

Welcome to Worship at Christ's Lutheran Church!

The third covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the central one of Israel's history: the gift of the law to those God freed from slavery. The commandments begin with the statement that because God alone has freed us from the powers that oppressed us, we are to let nothing else claim first place in our lives. When Jesus throws the merchants out of the temple, he is defending the worship of God alone and rejecting the ways commerce and profit-making can become our gods. The Ten Commandments are essential to our baptismal call: centered first in God's liberating love, we strive to live out justice and mercy in our communities and the world.

GATHERING

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

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand in body or spirit, as you are able.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who writes the law on our hearts,
who draws all people together through Jesus. **Amen.**

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,
**we confess that we are caught in snares of sin
and cannot break free.
We hoard resources while our neighbors
are hungry and cold.
We speak in ways that silence others.
We are silent when we should speak up.
We keep score in our hearts.
We let hurts grow into hatred.**

**For all these things and for sins only you know,
forgive us, Lord. Amen.**

Here is a flood of grace:
Out of love for the whole world,
God draws near to us,
breaks every snare of sin,
washes away our wrongs,
and restores the promise of life through † Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Gathering Song

In the Cross of Christ I Glory ELW # 324



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tow'r - ing
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing light and
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the



o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of
ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the
love up - on my way, from the cross the
cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that



sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
cross for - sake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.
ra - diance stream - ing adds more lus - ter to the day.
knows no mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.

Text: John Bowring, 1792–1872
Music: RATHBUN, Ithamar Conkey, 1815–1867

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.**

Behold, now is the acceptable time;
now is the day of salvation.

Gather us, O God, around the cross of Christ,
and make it for us the tree of life.

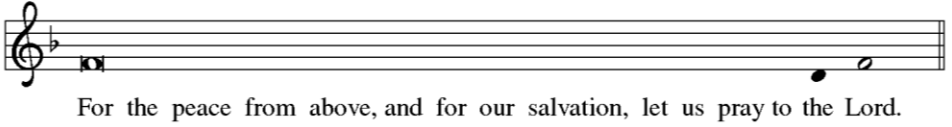
May the fruits of this tree feed the hungry,
and may its leaves heal the nations.

Kyrie

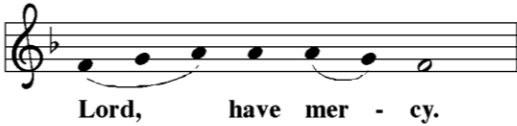
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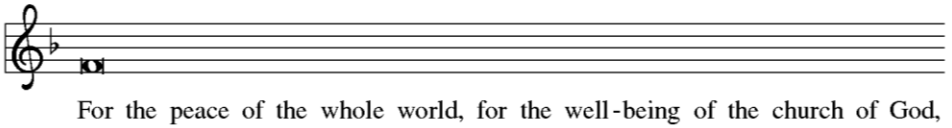
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



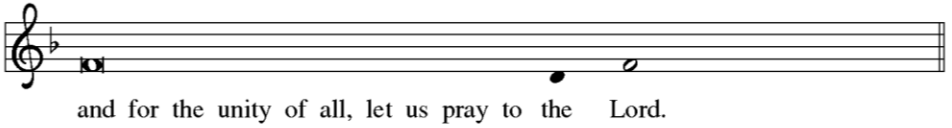
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



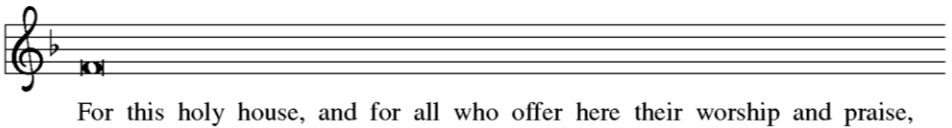
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



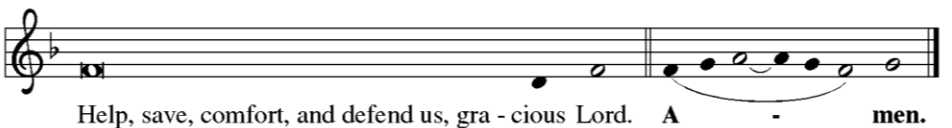
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

Glory to God

ELW Setting Three

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

A Word on Oculi Sunday

THE WORD

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

First Reading

Exodus 20:1-17

A reading from Exodus, chapter 20.

¹God spoke all these words:

²I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³you shall have no other gods before me.

⁴You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

⁸Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁰But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

¹²Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³You shall not murder.

¹⁴You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵You shall not steal.

¹⁶You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19

Bless the Lord

The congregation will sing the following response:

Dm G Dm B \flat C F A

p

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name. —

Dm G Dm B \flat C Dm

p

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

¹The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork.

²One day tells its tale to another,
and one night imparts knowledge to another.

³Although they have no words or language,
and their voices are not heard,

⁴their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world,
where God has pitched a tent for the sun.

⁵It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

⁶It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again;
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

Response

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to ^l the simple.

⁸The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever;
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb. **Response**

¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹²Who can detect one's own offenses?
Cleanse me from my secret faults.

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not
get dominion over me;
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be
acceptable in your sight,
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer. **Response**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

A reading from First Corinthians, chapter 1.

¹⁸The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

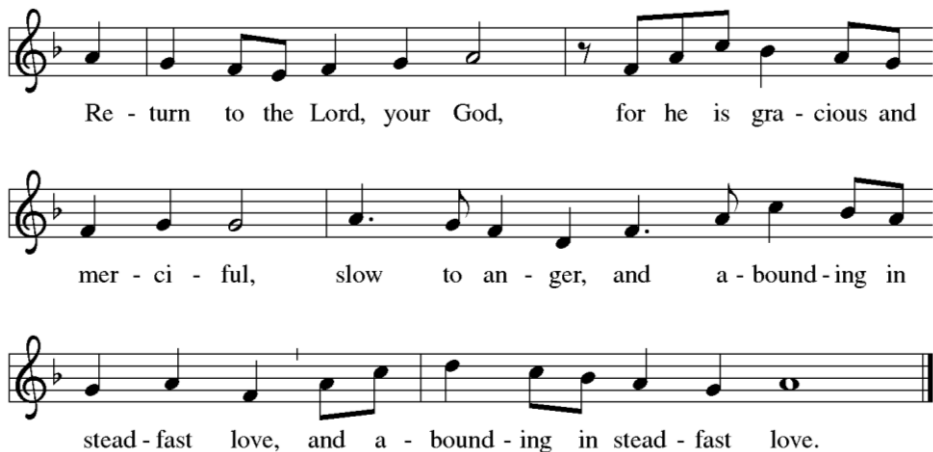
²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand in body or spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

Return to the Lord ELW Setting Three



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

The Holy Gospel

John 2:13-22

The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." ¹⁸The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" ¹⁹Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²²After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

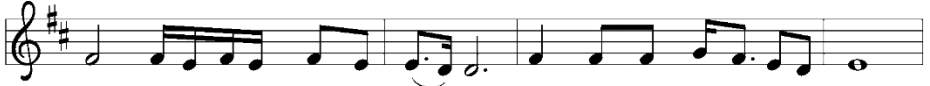
The Children's Message

Pastor Axel Kaegler

A Moment of Prayer

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

ELW # 752



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing. Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Text: Ken Medema, b. 1943

Music: CHILDREN PRAYING, Ken Medema

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The Message

Pastor Axel Kaegler

Please stand in body or spirit.

Hymn of the Day

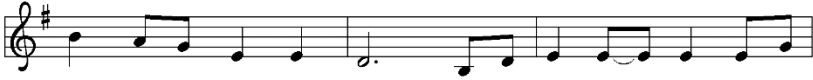
Canticle of the Turning

ELW # 723

Please see the next page.



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
 2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .
 3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a
 4 Though the na - tions rage from . . age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
 work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
 stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
 mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
 depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
 jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . . from his throne.
 liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
 Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
 The hun - gry poor shall . . weep no more, for the
 This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
 those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
 food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry
 prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
 strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



Refrain

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

Text: Rory Cooney, b. 1952, based on the Magnificat
 Music: STAR OF COUNTY DOWN, Irish traditional
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The Apostles' Creed

Let us affirm our faith in the words of the 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.**

Please be seated.

Prayers of Intercession

Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

A brief silence.

You alone are God. We thank you for the gift of sabbath rest. Awaken the church to the mystery of your presence and give us glad hearts as we receive the good news of your deliverance. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You renew creation. Drive out those who would make the earth a marketplace. Protect rainforests, mountaintops, oceans, and wilderness areas from commercial exploitation. Unite nations, policymakers, and businesses in efforts to reduce carbon emissions. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You judge the nations. We pray for an end to war and strife in every land. Strengthen international efforts to negotiate peace and provide humanitarian aid to people fleeing from conflict. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You bring healing and hope. We give thanks for physicians, nurses, researchers, therapists, and public health workers who prevent and treat illness. We pray for any who are sick. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You abide with your people. Sustain any in this community undergoing life transitions: marriage, divorce, childbirth, adoption, moving, graduation, employment change, or a death in the family. We pray for those preparing for baptism. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You bring life from death. We remember our loved ones who have died, confident that they have new life in you. May we trust that nothing can separate us from your love. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*You are invited to share God's peace with those around you
and to greet those who are worshipping online.*

Musical Offering

"The Holy Heart"

I James

*"The holy heart was broken, sent from the Father's side,
The Son of God forsaken, the Holy Sacrifice.
For me He was forsaken, for me He died alone,
my sin forever taken, that I might be His own."*

Response to the Choir: *During Lent, many of our musical pieces are going to be meditative and contemplative - and we think applause might detract from that feeling, or be received as a "thank you," to the choir as opposed to sharing their praise and prayers to God. As you feel inspired by the choir's music, we're encouraging you to respond this season with "Amen, amen!" After the song has ended.*

Offertory Hymn
(sing twice)

Jesus, Lamb of God
W & P # 76



Text: Dennis Jernigan, refrain of "You are my all in all"
Music: ALL IN ALL, Dennis Jernigan

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Jesus, you are the bread of life
and the host of this meal.
Bless these gifts that we have gathered
that all people may know your goodness.
Feed us not only with this holy food
but with hunger for justice and peace.
We pray this in your name.
Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

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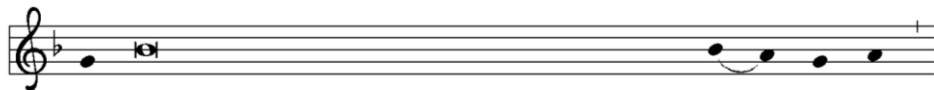


Preface

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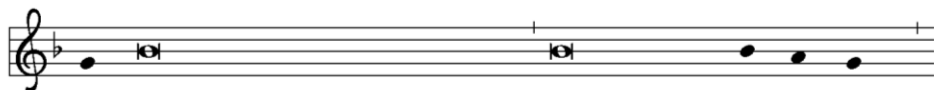
It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,



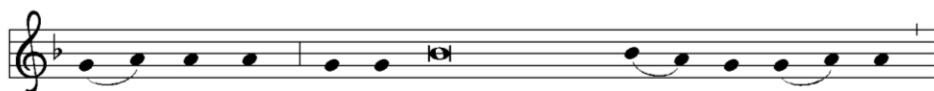
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,



al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ.



You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the



pas - chal feast, that re - newed in the gift of bap - tism,



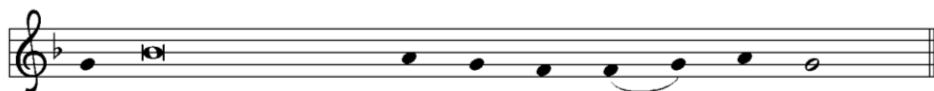
we may come to the full - ness of your grace.



And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,



with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,

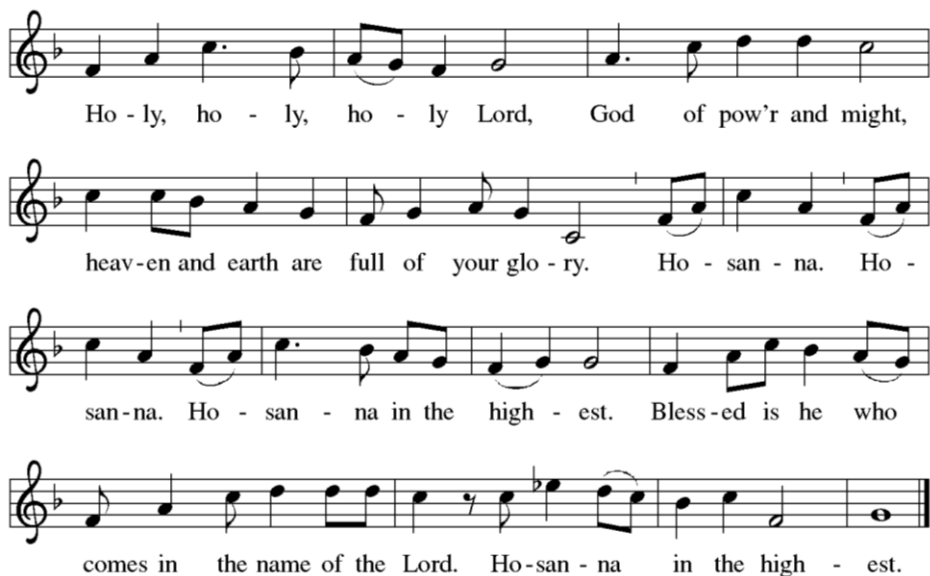


we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

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Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW Setting Three



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are 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 in the high - est.

Words of Institution

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness
to the land of milk and honey.
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new testament in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.
Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us.
Send us forth,
burning with justice, peace, and love.
Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places,
with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever. **Amen.**

The 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.**

Please be seated.

Invitation to Communion

Bread for the journey.
A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

Lamb of God

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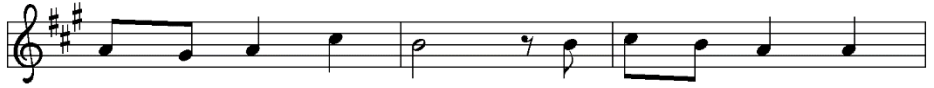
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Communion Hymn

We Walk by Faith ELW # 635



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
4 For you, O res - ur - rec - ted Lord, are
5 And when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
may our faith a - bound to call on you when
found in means di - vine: be - neath the wa - ter
realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
you are near and seek where you are found:
and the word, be - neath the bread and wine.
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

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Please stand.

Post Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

Post Communion Song (sing once)

Cares Chorus

I cast all my cares up-on you, I lay all of my
bur - dens down at your feet. And an - y - time that I don't know
what to do, I will cast all my cares up-on you.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Generous God,
at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace.
As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread,
now make us one loaf to feed the world;
in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.
Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

In Peace and Joy I Now Depart ELW # 440



1 In peace and joy I now de - part as God is will - ing,
2 Christ Je - sus makes the way for me, my gra - cious Sav - ior;
3 The Lord is health and sav - ing light for ev - 'ry na - tion,



and faith fills all my mind and heart, calm - ing, still - ing.
with eyes of faith and trust I see God's great fa - vor.
dis - pel - ling shad - ows of the night with sal - va - tion:



God the Lord has prom - ised me that death is but a slum - ber.
When this life comes to an end, my hope is God's em - brac - ing.
Is - rael's praise and hope's de - light, my trea - sure, joy, and glo - ry.

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Blessing

Beloved,
we are God's own people,
holy, washed, renewed.
God bless you and keep you,
shower you with mercy,
fill you with courage,
and † give you peace.

Amen.

The Sending Song

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

LBW # 482



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a



prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
trib - ute far too small; love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748

Music: ROCKINGHAM OLD, adapt. Edward Miller, 1731–1807

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share your bread.

Thanks be to God.

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Your Prayers Are Invited

We hope you will add the following people to your personal prayers. Those who are listed longer than 6 weeks can be found on the long term prayer list through the link in the weekly e-news or the monthly Link newsletters. To add a name to the prayer list or provide an update, please contact the office.

Tom Anglim (friend of Wes and Marda Craig)

Helen Curran (friend of Bob Kelly)

Clyde Engle

Paul Engstrom

Gil Gavish & Family (son-in-law of Elise & Steve Seyfried)

Beryl Gutekunst

Paul & Rose Hill (friends of Shirley & Clyde Engle)

Irene, Mercy, Winnie, Allan, Baby Giovanni (family members of The Uehlings)

Paula Knipe (friend of Pat and Don Hallman)

Jim Laubach (Pat Hallman's cousin)

Ken Leister (Don Hallman's brother-in-law)

Nancy Renner

Sherry Rich (Don and Judy Berger's niece)

Michelle Scutti (friend of Diane & Charlie Piantieri)

Ruth Smith

Marvin Strossenreuther (family member of Karen Bennion)

Dolores Sweeney

Nik Zitomer (Diane Polis' nephew)

The flowers on the altar and the bread and wine we share today are sponsored by Sally Werntz for the Glory of God!.

Bishop's Election and Synod Assembly

Our Church is free to elect three lay delegates to this year's Synod Assembly, where we will be electing a new Bishop for the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod. Please send nominations to Pastor Kaegler at clcseniorepastor@christs-oreland.org. More information on Synod Assembly can be found through the links in the weekly enews.

Family Table

Family Table is open to families of all ages and make-ups. Come learn about God, our faith and how we walk in the world as People of God. Family Table meets Sundays at 9 am in Parish Hall. Any questions email director-spiritualform@christs-oreland.org.

Midweek Lenten Prayer and Worship

It was so loved last year, that we've decided to do Holden Evening Prayer in our Chapel for our midweek services this Lent on **Wednesdays at 7:00 pm**. The theme this year is "What do we hold on to?" And we are focusing on the Small Catechism.

March 06: The Apostle's Creed

March 20: The Sacraments

March 13: The Lord's Prayer

Digital Sound Board Help Wanted

If you are interest in joining our sound board team, please contact Kathryn Steen (kathryn.steen@protonmail.com), Music Chair, or Rick Daniels (daniels.r@verizon.net).

David Wilson Memorial Scholarship

David Wilson Memorial Scholarship is now accepting applications. \$2,000 available to rising college freshman, first year vocational school students, first year graduate students and first year seminarians.

Applications available in the church office or by emailing director-spiritualform@christs-oreland.org. Applications due **May 1st**, scholarship awarded May 26th, Memorial Day, during the church service.

Lutheran Night at the Phillies

Lutheran Night at the Phillies will be on **Friday, May 31st** at 6:30 PM verses the Cardinals. Last year many members of CLC attended Lutheran Night on their own, so we thought it would be fun if we could all attend this year's game together!

If you are interested in attending Lutheran Night with your fellow CLC family, please email Jen at community@christs-oreland.org by **March 9th** so we can order the group tickets.

CLC Community Yarners

Winter & Spring Schedule will meet twice a month on Mondays:

Mondays, March 11 & March 25, 2024

Mondays, April 15 & April 29, 2024

Where: 700 E Pennsylvania Ave, Oreland (Room 200)

Time: 11:00 to 1:00PM

Don't know how to knit or crochet? No worries, all levels are welcomed! Or, bring your own craft project to show & do.

Please contact:

Betty Messer: betty.messer508@gmail.com, phone: 267-475-2933

Marty Frantz: marty.frantz@gmail.com, phone: 215-885-4812

60 Plus

Hey 60 Plusers, The daffodils are blooming. What better time to be talking about flowers. That's what our program is about this month at the 60 Plus group. Did you know that flowers and plants are mentioned often in the Bible? Marda Craig and Bonnie Zieger from the Old York Road Garden Club will tell us all about that.

Our meeting will be on **Thursday March 14th** beginning at 11:30 AM in the CLC Parish Hall. This is a BYOL (Bring Your Own Lunch) month. Scrumptious desserts and coffee will be provided. Join the fun and fellowship at 60 Plus.

Men's Breakfast

For this month we will be looking at experiences. More to the point, what is an experience that you've had that you would tell your younger self to be sure to experience again if they could. A trip? A lifelong interest? Or maybe an experience that you didn't see coming that was unforgettable? Give it some thought and we'll talk about it **Saturday, March 16**. We meet at Halligan's Pub in Flourtown at 8:00 am.

Please RSVP to jprasmussen9@gmail.com.

Easter Flower Orders

Both tulips and daffodils are available for purchase. Potted plants are \$8.50 each and can be picked up after the service on Easter morning. Order forms are available in the church lobby or the March Link or call the church office. **ORDERS DUE MARCH 17.**

Wonderful Wednesday (Tuesdays during Lent)

During Lent Wonderful Wednesday is Terrific or Tremendous or Tantalizing (or you may choose your own descriptor) Tuesday. We hope the Holden Evening Prayer is part of your Wednesdays during Lent.

In March TT will meet on the third Tuesday of the month, **Tuesday, March 19, at 6:30 p.m.**, at the home of Betsy and Ken Selinger, 1506 Allen Rd, Oreland. Please RSVP to Consy Finney by Sunday, March 17.

Any questions, please contact Pat Hallman or Consy Finney.

Pub Theology

Join us for Pub Theology on the last Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm at The Ways Restaurant and Brewery in Glenside.

Please note: We will not be gathering in March so that we can come together in worship on Maundy Thursday, March 28. We look forward to seeing you there. Our next gathering will take place on Thursday, April 25.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Our next blood drive will be held in Parish Hall on **Tuesday, April 2** from 2 pm – 7 pm. Registration is through redcrossblood.org.

For any questions, please contact Sue Frantz.

Wednesday Bible Study

All are welcome to join us for Bible Study on **Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am** in room 200 with Pastor Kaegler.

Please join us as our current bible study explores Mark's Gospel.

Willow Grove Food Pantry Collection

A box is located in the back of the Narthex by the "Giving Place" for donations of nonperishable items.

Once a month, or more if needed, we will drop off any donations to the pantry. Please consider bringing a nonperishable item to church with you each time you attend. Together we can help our brothers and sisters in need. Any questions please email Jen at community@christsoreland.org.

CLC Evening Meditations

If you'd like to join the team of CLC meditation writers, contact John Frantz at johnhfrantz123@gmail.com or call for more details or to discuss at 215-885-4812.

PBJ Sandwich Donations

Please make PBJ sandwiches with plain white bread, creamy peanut butter, and grape jelly. Wrap sandwiches in individual sandwich baggies and leave them uncut. Mark your bag with the number of sandwiches enclosed.

PBJ sandwiches can be dropped off at the following times:

Sunday mornings (narthex fridge), Mondays from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, Tuesdays from 9:00 am to 11:45 am. Coolers will be outside the chapel on Mondays and Tuesday.

If you'd like to help with delivery, please contact the church office.

**Thanks to your continued support of this program
CLC donated 202 sandwiches this past week!**

Christ's Lutheran Preschool

We are presently accepting registrations for our September 2024-2025 Preschool Programs. All programs meet from 9:00-12:00.

If you are interested in one of our programs or want to schedule a tour, please contact Sally Mead, director, for a registration form at clcpreschool@christ's-oreland.org or 215.886.4612 ext 6.

Enrollment is limited so you will want to register as soon as possible.

A \$50.00 non-refundable family registration is due at the time of registration.

Christ's Lutheran members will receive a 10% family discount on tuition.



Save the Dates!

Vacation Bible School
June 17th-21st 2024 from 9 am to Noon.

For Participants Ages 4-8
Volunteers Ages 9-99

Registration Available Soon!

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Counter(s)	Sue Frantz
Altar Guild	Consy Finney
Closer	Sue Frantz
Greeter(s)	TBD
Assisting Minister next week	Jenna Balaicuis

This Week at CLC!

Sunday	9:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	Family Table Choir Rehearsal Worship at CLC and online
Monday	9:30 am 10:00 am – 6:00 pm 7:30 pm	Monday Morning Men PBJ Collection (chapel) Boy Scout Troop 1 (PH)
Tuesday	9:00 am – 11:45 am 7:30 pm	PBJ Collection (chapel) Pack 88 Committee Meeting (203/204)
Wednesday	10:00 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Bible Study (200) Holden Evening Prayer (chapel) AA (PH) Bear Cubs (203/204)
Friday	8:00 pm	AA (200)



Palm Sunday – Sunday, March 24 at 10:30 am

Maundy Thursday - Thursday, March 28 at 7:00 pm

Good Friday - Friday, March 29 at 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday - Sunday, March 31 at 10:30 am

Lenten Reading Plan

Quadragesima, 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Ash Wednesday 2/14	Second Day in Lent 2/15 Matthew 1-4	Third Day in Lent 2/16 Matthew 5-7	Fourth Day in Lent 2/17 Matthew 8-10
Innocent Sunday 2/18	Fifth Day in Lent 2/19 Matthew 11-13	Sixth Day in Lent 2/20 Matthew 14-16	Seventh Day in Lent 2/21 Midweek Worship, 7:00 PM	Eighth Day in Lent 2/22 Matthew 17-20	Ninth Day in Lent 2/23 Matthew 21-23	Tenth Day in Lent 2/24 Matthew 24-28
Reminiscere Sunday 2/25	Eleventh Day in Lent 2/26 Mark 1-3	Twelfth Day in Lent 2/27 Mark 4-6	Thirteenth Day in Lent 2/28 Midweek Worship, 7:00 PM	Fourteenth Day in Lent 2/29 Mark 7-9:1	Fifteenth Day in Lent 3/1 Mark 9:2-10:52	Sixteenth Day in Lent 3/2 Mark 11-12
Oculi Sunday 3/3	Seventeenth Day in Lent 3/4 Mark 13-14	Eighteenth Day in Lent 3/5 Mark 15-16	Nineteenth Day in Lent 3/6 Midweek Worship, 7:00 PM	Twentieth Day in Lent 3/7 Luke 1-3	Twenty-first Day in Lent 3/8 Luke 4-6	Twenty-second Day in Lent 3/9 Luke 7-9
Laetare Sunday 3/10	Twenty-third Day in Lent 3/11 Luke 10-12	Twenty-fourth Day in Lent 3/12 Luke 13-14	Twenty-fifth Day in Lent 3/13 Midweek Worship, 7:00 PM	Twenty-sixth Day in Lent 3/14 Luke 15-16	Twenty-seventh Day in Lent 3/15 Luke 17-18	Twenty-eighth Day in Lent 3/16 Luke 19-21
Judica Sunday 3/17	Twenty-ninth Day in Lent 3/18 Luke 22-24	Thirtieth Day in Lent 3/19 John 1-2	Thirty-first Day in Lent 3/20 Midweek Worship, 7:00 PM	Thirty-second Day in Lent 3/21 John 3-5	Thirty-third Day in Lent 3/22 John 6-8	Thirty-fourth Day in Lent 3/23 John 9-11
Palm Sunday 3/24	Holy Monday 3/25 John 12-15	Holy Tuesday 3/26 John 16-18	Spy Wednesday 3/27 John 19-21	Maunder Thursday 3/28 Maunder Thursday Worship at 7 PM	Good Friday 3/29 Good Friday Worship at 7 PM	Holy Saturday 3/30

MARCH 16TH

@ 3 PM



CELTIC TO CLASSICAL

a concert featuring
violinist Sheridan Seyfried & pianist Ya-Jhu Yang
with soprano Kristin Renee Young

Saturday, March 16th @ 3 PM

Christ's Lutheran Church

700 East Pennsylvania Ave, Oreland, PA

A special afternoon of Mozart, new American music, and Celtic fiddling (just in time for St. Patrick's day!)—a mix of styles that is sure to delight audiences of all musical tastes. Soprano Kristin Renee Young is a versatile vocal artist in the worlds of opera and musical theater and was called "fantastic" by *The Toronto Star*. Composers and multi-instrumentalists Sheridan Seyfried and Ya-Jhu Yang were trained at Philadelphia's Curtis Institute of Music and their original works are performed around the world.

Seating is first-come, first-served.

A freewill offering will be taken in lieu of ticketed admission.

**This benefit concert supports the purchase of
our new digital sound board.**