

October 27, 2024

Reformation Sunday



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!

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

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.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

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.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity
and to remember our sin no more.
By grace you have been saved.
In the name of + Jesus Christ,
the source of eternal healing,
your sins are forgiven.
Amen.

Gathering Song

**A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
ELW # 504**

Trumpet: Danny Melnick

Please see the next page for the hymn.



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
 Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther
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Greeting

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

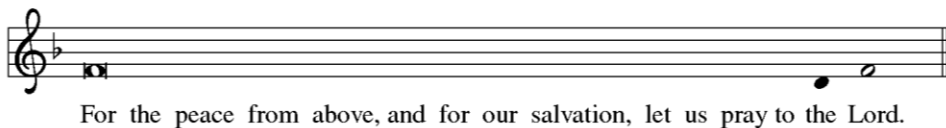
And also with you.

Kyrie

ELW Setting Three



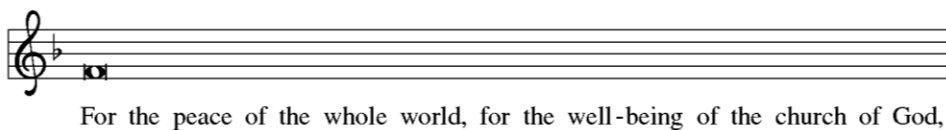
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



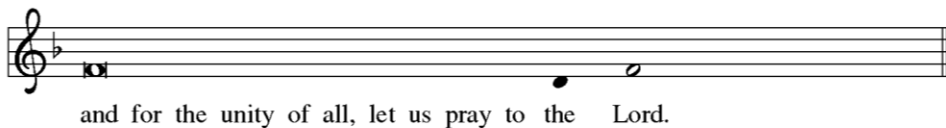
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



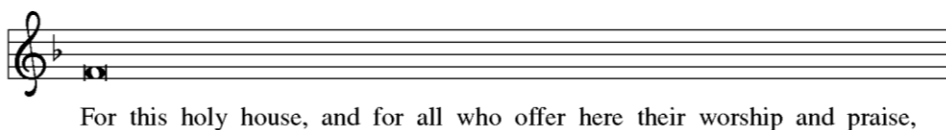
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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



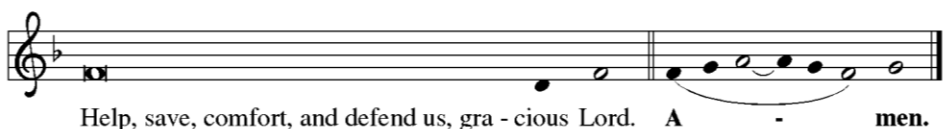
Lord, have mer - cy.



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.

This is the Feast

ELW Setting Three

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
 slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
 Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, 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.

THE WORD

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

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

A reading from Jeremiah, chapter 31.

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 46

ELW # 751 | O Lord, Hear My Prayer

The congregation will sing the following response:

The musical score consists of two systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The first system's lyrics are: "O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, an - swer me. OR The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: all my hope comes from God." The second system's lyrics are: "O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and lis - ten to me. The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well - spring of life." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

Text: Psalm 102:1-2; Taizé Community, adapt.

Music: HEAR MY PRAYER, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

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- 1 God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;
- 3 though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
- 4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
- 5 God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.
- 6 The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.

Response

⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸ Come now, regard the works of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

⁹ behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns
the shields with fire.

¹⁰ “Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”

¹¹ The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Response

Second Reading

Romans 3:19-28

A reading from Romans, chapter 3.

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹ But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³ since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴ they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶ it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷ Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand in body or spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

ELW # 174 | Celtic Alleluia



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

Music: Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

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The Holy Gospel

John 8:31-36

The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹ Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” ³³ They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?”

³⁴ Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶ So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

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

God, Whose Almighty Word

ELW # 673



1 God, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard
2 Christ, who once came to bring, on your re - deem - ing wing,
3 Spir - it of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly dove,
4 Ho - ly and bless - ed three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,



and took their flight: hear us, we hum - bly pray, and where the
heal - ing and sight; health to the trou - bled mind, sight where il -
speed forth your flight; move on the wa - ter's face bear - ing the
Wis - dom, Love, Might: bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in



gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light.
lu - sions blind; oh, now to hu - man - kind let there be light.
lamp of grace, and in earth's dark - est place let there be light.
full - est pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light.

Text: John Marriott, 1780–1825, alt.

Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716–1796

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 kneel or sit as you are able for the prayers..

Prayers of Intercession

With the voices of the faithful across the world and across all time, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

We pray, Father God, for the church universal. For communities of believers, those safe in their worship and those who risk their safety to worship, who gather to praise your name and raise their prayers to you. We pray for your guidance today and everyday as we walk with our siblings in your Word. O God, empower the church, and in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray, O God our Architect, for this wonderous world you've made. For the changing seasons. We pray for the nature around us every day from the grass on the fields where our kids' teams play to the falling leaves that clutter our drains. We pray for the glories of the earth we can scarcely take in, from the aurora borealis to the Galapagós Islands. Lord of Creation, preserve the earth, and in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, God of justice, for resolutions to conflicts that trouble our world and our hearts. We pray for international cooperation. We pray for national civility. We pray for the safety of those in the margins, both at home and abroad. God of peace, guide the nations, and in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, Merciful God, for the poor, the oppressed, the sick, the bereaved, the lonely. Gracious God we pray for the hungry and the homeless. We pray for those without resources, for those without support, for those who are hurting. Compassionate God, walk with those who need your healing hand in their lives, and guide us to do the same. O God, our Shepherd, protect the needy and in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, Healing God, for those who are suffering in mind, body or spirit. We lift up the members of this congregation who are homebound, members who are hospitalized, members who are bereaved, members who are hurting. Benevolent God, wrap those who are suffering, known and unknown, in your love. Lord let your inspiration lead us to loving our neighbors just a little bit more this week. O God, our Everlasting Arms, hold us tightly, and in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, Palpable God, for this congregation. For the ministries present here in multitudes. We lift up Blood Drives, for bringing the women of your church together, and for the peanut butter and jelly sandwiches that come and go from this building every week. Giving God, lead us to live out your example on earth, and in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, Eternal God, for those who have gone before us. For Martin Luther, and many others who have shaped the ways in which we live out our faith and live into our relationship with you. We pray for the saints and that in the end we will join with them to rejoice in your presence. O God, gather us to yourself, and in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **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.

Please be seated.

Special Music "We Will Glorify" Schrader/ParisHarris

*We will glorify the King of Kings,
We will glorify the Lamb;
We will glorify the Lord of lords,
Who is the great I AM.*

Please stand.

Offertory Hymn (sing twice)

**Jesus, Lamb of God
W & P # 76**



Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is your name;



Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is your name.

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

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

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.

Great Thanksgiving

ELW Setting Three

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

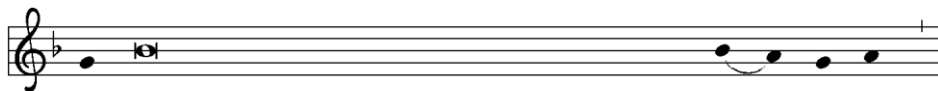
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

ELW Setting Three



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;



who on this day overcame death and the grave,



and by his glorious resur - rec - tion



opened to us the way of ev - er - last - ing life.



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



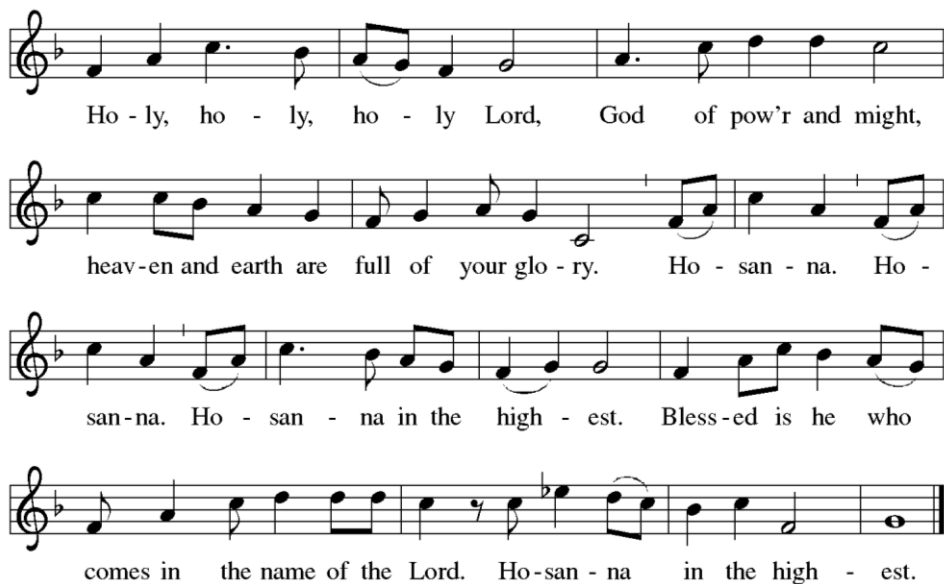
with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,



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

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.

Thanksgiving at the Table

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and
ascension,

and the promise of his coming again,

we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,

not as we ought but as we are able;

we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,

and these your own gifts of bread and wine,

so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ

may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,

and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,

may be formed to live as your holy people

and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

be all honor and glory in your holy church, 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.

Please be seated.

Invitation to Communion

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

Lamb of God

ELW Setting Three

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

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

ELW # 484



You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.



- 1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;
- 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude
- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out - poured?
- 4 The mys - t'ry of your pres - ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:
- 5 You give your - self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,



so when you call your fam - 'ly, Lord, we fol - low and re - joice.
that you should count us wor - thy, Lord, to share this heav' n - ly food.
Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?
whom all the world can - not con - tain comes in our hearts to dwell.
to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1997
Music: BICENTENNIAL, Robert E. Kreutz, 1922-1996
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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

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

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.

Blessing

God all mighty,
God most merciful
✠ bless you, keep you,
and give you peace.
Amen.

The Sending Song

The Church's One Foundation

ELW # 654



1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth;
by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
Oh, bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900
Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

Dismissal

Go in peace. Follow Jesus. **Thanks be to God.**

Online Giving

To make an offering to support the work of Christ's Lutheran Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, you may use this QR code to access our site for secure online giving.



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.

Margaret Anne "Anne" Abbott (mother of Elisa Tull's friend)
Don Berger
Beverly Bortz
Nikki Busch (Becca Shelor's aunt)
Chippy the Clown (long-time friend at CLC events)
Holly Curran (friend of Bob Kelly)
Rev. John Dougherty (Pastor, Trinity Lutheran - Ft. Washington)
Clyde Engle
Paul Engstrom
Jamie and Keith Eyre (friends of Karen Bennion)
Gil Gavish & Family (son-in-law of Elise & Steve Seyfried)
Beryl Gutekunst
Paul & Rose Hill (friends of Shirley & Clyde Engle)
Abbey Koenig (sister of Jerry and Sally Beil's neighbor)
Paul Korinth (friend of Bob Kelly)
Melody Maurer
The Monachino Family (John Melnick's sister's family)
Chris Mudge
Jim Munz
Linda Nicholson (friend of Pat Hallman)
Scott Paris and son, Benjamin Scott (friends of Mary Truppay)
James Polis (brother of Jerry Polis and Diane Polis)
Margie Reiman (Robin Griffin's aunt)
Nancy Renner
Rachael Rinders (friend of the Kaegler Family)
Betsy Selinger
Ruth Smith
Marvin and Kara Strossenreuther (family members of Karen Bennion)
Paul Winter (Debbie Melnick's brother)
Nik Zitomer (Diane Polis' nephew)

*The flowers on the altar today are sponsored
by Jen and Danny Melnick in celebration of
their parents' anniversary!*

Altar Flowers

We have a number of open dates for flower sponsorships!

Would you like to sponsor one or both of the flower arrangements decorating the altar on a Sunday morning? A sign-up sheet is available in the church lobby or you may contact the church office. Flower arrangements are \$30 apiece. Thank you for your support!

Blu-ray Player for Confirmation Class

Our Confirmation Class is in need of a Blu-ray player. Do you have one in good working condition that you no longer use and would be willing to donate? Please contact the church office. Thank you!

Piano Available

We have a piano in one of the preschool classrooms that is no longer used that is in need of a new home. If interested, please contact the church office.

Family Table

Family Table will be meeting at **9:30 am** in Parish Hall on October 27. 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.

Bonhoeffer Books Discussion

Lessons from Dietrich Bonhoeffer in a House Divided and a World on Fire – October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and November 5, 7:00 PM, CLC Chapel

Join us as we continue to explore the life and theology of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, and the lessons we can use as we live at the intersection of faith and civic life today. Bonhoeffer was a Lutheran pastor and theologian living in Nazi Germany, who eventually joined the resistance and was arrested and killed before the end of WWII. This curriculum was compiled by Dr. Lori Brandt Hale, an internationally renowned Bonhoeffer scholar and president of the International Bonhoeffer Society – English Language Section. Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in Pennsylvania is a partner in distributing to congregations to inspire deeper conversation and discernment about how we live as disciples.

Please note: On Election Day, November 5, we will meet in Room 200.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Community and Outreach will be holding a Thanksgiving Food Drive for the Willow Grove Baptist Food Pantry, **now through Sunday, November 10th.**

Items to be collected are (but not limited to) canned vegetables, instant mashed potatoes, gravy, stuffing mix, canned cranberry, canned yams, biscuits, and \$10 gift cards to Giant. Anything that is a nonperishable that would be served at Thanksgiving dinner is perfect. The pantry is still receiving record numbers of families needing their assistance so any little bit we can give them to help is greatly appreciated by them!

Any questions please contact Jen at community@christ-oreland.org.

Red Cross Blood Drive Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who came out to donate this past week!

We had 15 people at the blood drive resulting in 13 units of blood collected.

Your continued support of the Red Cross is greatly appreciated!

Pub Theology – October date/location change!

Our October gathering will take place on **Wednesday, October 30** at 7:00 pm at Iron Hill Brewery, 1460 Bethlehem Pike, North Wales, 19454.

Please RSVP to Pastor Kaegler so the restaurant has an accurate count. clcseniorepastor@christ-oreland.org.

Topic: The Supernatural

Holiday Craft Fair

Come visit the Holiday Craft Fair at CLC from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm on **Saturday, November 2.**

All Saints Sunday

The CLC community will remember in prayer on **November 3, 2024** those congregational members, family or friends who entered eternal life since All Saints Sunday, 2023.

As the chime is sounded and the name of a loved one is read during the prayers in worship, a candle will be lit in memory of those loved ones who entered eternal life. The service will also include the opportunity to receive individual healing prayers.

We also celebrate those who have been baptized in the past year!

If you have a family member or friend who you'd like remembered on All Saints Sunday, please contact the church office by October 31.

On November 3, please bring a picture of your loved one!

Trivia Team

The Saints and Sinners Trivia Team was stymied by the last tricky question of October's event on a night with difficult categories, but still placed 13th of 22!

The team is looking forward to the next challenge **on Wednesday, November 6** at Tannery Run Brew Works, 131 E Butler Avenue, Ambler.

Trivia Nights take place on the First Wednesday of every month from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Interested in joining the team? Come for fun, fellowship and perhaps a prize or two! Contact Daniel Melnick to RSVP.

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 Romans.

Home Visits

If you or someone you know would like Pastor Kaegler to visit, please contact him at clcseniorepastor@christs-oreland.org or call the office at 215-886-4612.

FAITH IN ACTION

Book Collection

Books Through Bars is a local organization that collects books and sends them to prisoners who request them by letter. Although they get plenty of the latest bestsellers and classic literature, they have a great need for *very specific* books that are often requested but are in short supply. If you have any **paperback** books on the following topics to donate, please put them in the labeled box in the narthex. Thank you!

Art, art instruction (drawing/painting/photography), home repair, building, HVAC instruction, plumbing, masonry, starting a business, real estate, cars, motorcycles, sudoku, crossword puzzles, and how to play the guitar (beginning and advanced). Wildlife, hunting, and sports magazines are also appreciated.

Cooks needed for UNILU

University Lutheran Church's Feast Incarnate in West Philadelphia is a weekly hospitality ministry where a meal is served for approximately 120 people affected by HIV/AIDS and others in need of food in the local community. We participated in this ministry for years before Covid and are happy to announce that we've gotten enough volunteers to once again participate by serving dinner on **Tuesday, December 17**.

We are still in need of volunteers to cook. If interested, please contact Sue Ross at joyfulross@gmail.com or Allison Uehling at auehling@comcast.net.

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@christs-oreland.org.

FAITH IN ACTION

CLC Community Yarners

Please see our fall/winter schedule below for the following Mondays:

October 28, November 11, November 25, December 16, December 30

Where: 700 E Pennsylvania Ave, Oreland (Room 200) 11 am to 1:00 pm

Don't know how to knit or crochet? No worries, all levels are welcomed! All items will be donated to a local charity. (TBD)

Please contact:

Betty Messer: betty.messer508@gmail.com, phone: 267-475-2933 & Marty Frantz: marty.frantz@gmail.com, phone: 215-885-4812

Visitation Ministry

Our newly formed Visitation Team keeps homebound and hospitalized parishioners linked into the life of the Church through prayers, presence, and the sending of Holy Communion.

If you have a heart for our congregation, want to listen to and treasure the lives of our church's elders, and know that Jesus goes to everybody - contact Pastor Kaegler to join in this ministry! clcseniorpastor@christs-oreland.org. Training, prayer and fellowship will be provided.

PBJ Sandwich Donations

PBJ sandwiches can be dropped off at the following times:

Sunday mornings - Drop off your sandwiches in the narthex fridge when you come to Sunday morning services.

Mondays - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm Coolers will be outside the chapel.

Tuesdays - 9:00 am to 10:45 am Coolers will be outside the chapel.

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.

Thank you to our volunteers who pick up and deliver the sandwiches! If you'd like to help with delivery, please contact the church office.

**Thanks to your continued support of this program CLC
Donated 103 sandwiches this week!**

Sunday Livestream Viewers

Livestream congregants: Can you let me know who you are? I'd like to have a list of people who regularly watch our church service on the livestream. That's mostly to be able to get feedback about the experience of using the service and any changes or additions that might be helpful. Contact Kathryn Steen (worship & music) at kathryn.steen@protonmail.com or 215-247-5584 (that's a landline with an answering machine) or even snail mail to the church office.

Wine Donations for Communion

Our current stock has run low. We could simply order more of our usual supply, but first we'd like to see if members of the congregation would like to donate a bottle or two of their favorite wine for an alternative stock of communion wine this fall. Any wine can be communion wine.

Christ's Lutheran Preschool

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

Please contact Sally Mead, director, for more information at 215.886.4612 x 6 or clcpreschool@christ-oreland.org.

Digital Sound Board

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).

CLC Evening Meditations

Booklets, printed with the prior month's meditations, may be found in a labeled container in the narthex. You are encouraged to pick up one or more copies to read at home and to share with family, friends and neighbors. If you'd like the Tuesday and Thursday meditations delivered to your inbox, please contact the church office. clcsecretary@christ-oreland.org.

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

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Livestream	Rick Daniels, Don Hallman, John Melnick, Paul Zieger	
Altar Guild	Marlene Foody	
Counter(s)	Sue Frantz	
Closer	Allison Uehling	
Greeter(s)	TBD	
Assisting Minister next week	John Frantz	

This Week at CLC!

Sunday	9:00 am 9:30 am 10:30 am	Choir Rehearsal (202) Family Table (PH) Worship at CLC and online
Monday	9:30 am 10:00 am – 6:00 pm 11:00 am 7:30 pm	Monday Morning Men PBJ Collection (chapel) CLC Yarners (200) Boy Scout Troop 1 (PH)
Tuesday	9:00 am – 10:45 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	PBJ Collection (chapel) Community Garden Meeting (200) Bonhoeffer Book Discussion (chapel)
Wednesday	10:00 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Bible Study (200) AA (PH) Pub Theology (Iron Hill)
Friday	8:00 pm	CRAFT FAIR SET UP AA (200)
Saturday	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Holiday Craft Fair (PH)

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