

# November 3, 2024

## Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost



# All Saints

**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!

Of all three years of the lectionary cycle, this year's All Saints readings have the most tears. Isaiah and Revelation look forward to the day when God will wipe away all tears; in John's gospel, Jesus weeps along with Mary and all the gathered mourners before he demonstrates his power over death. On All Saints Day we celebrate the victory won for all the faithful dead, but we grieve for our beloved dead as well, knowing that God honors our tears. We bring our grief to the table and find there a foretaste of Isaiah's feast to come.

### 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,  
our refuge, our delight,  
our beginning and our end. **Amen.**

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us  
and has freed us from our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,

**we confess that sin has taken hold of us  
and we are complicit in its power.**

**We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest.**

**Unbind us and set us free.**

**Lead us again to the waters of rebirth,  
that we may live just and generous lives**

**for the good of your world**

**and the care of our neighbors,**

**following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.**

These words are trustworthy and true:  
Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross,  
swallowing up death forever.

For his sake, you are † forgiven  
and God remembers your sin no more.

Let your heart be glad again,  
and rejoice in your salvation.

**Amen.**

**Gathering Song**  
**Verses 1, 2, 3, 7**

**For All the Saints**  
**ELW # 422**

**Please see the next page for the hymn.**



1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who  
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for-tress, and their might; thou,  
*Stanzas 3-5 below.*  
 6 But then there breaks a yet more glo-rious day: the  
 7 From earth's wide bounds, from o-cean's far-thest coast, through



thee by faith be-fore the world con-fessed, thy  
 Lord, their cap-tain in the well-fought fight; . .  
 saints tri-um-phant rise in bright ar-ray; the  
 gates of pearl streams in the count-less host, . .



name, O Je-sus, be for-ev-er blest.  
 thou, in the dark-ness dread, their one true light.  
 King of glo-ry pass-es on his way.  
 sing-ing to Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



3 Oh, blest com-mu-nion, fel-low-ship di-vine, we fee-bly strug-gle,  
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, steals on the ear the  
 5 The gold-en eve-ning bright-ens in the west; soon, soon to faith-ful



they in glo-ry shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are  
 dis-tant tri-umph song, and hearts are brave a-gain and arms are  
 ser-vants com-eth rest; . . . sweet is the calm of par-a-dise the



thine. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 strong.  
 blest.

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

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## Greeting

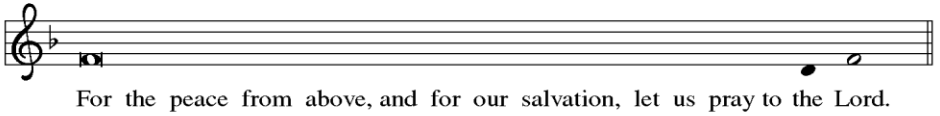
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## Kyrie

## ELW Setting Three



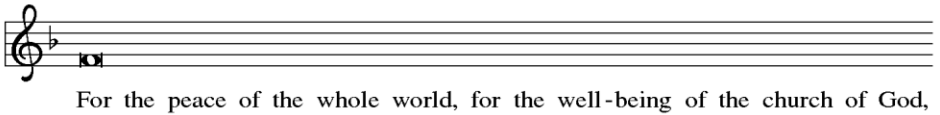
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



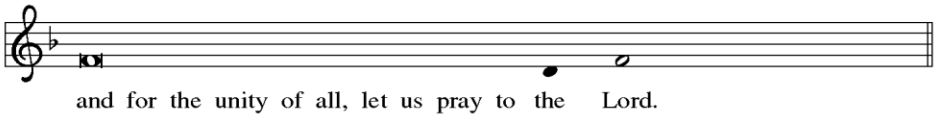
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



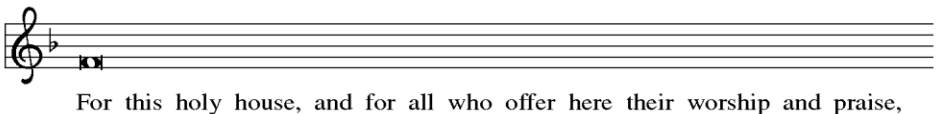
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, 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

Wisdom 3:1-9

A reading from Wisdom, chapter 3.

<sup>1</sup> The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,  
and no torment will ever touch them.

<sup>2</sup> In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,  
and their departure was thought to be a disaster,

<sup>3</sup> and their going from us to be their destruction;  
but they are at peace.

<sup>4</sup> For though in the sight of others they were punished,  
their hope is full of immortality.

<sup>5</sup> Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good,  
because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;

<sup>6</sup> like gold in the furnace he tried them,  
and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them.

<sup>7</sup> In the time of their visitation they will shine forth,  
and will run like sparks through the stubble.

<sup>8</sup> They will govern nations and rule over peoples,  
and the Lord will reign over them forever.

<sup>9</sup> Those who trust in him will understand truth,  
and the faithful will abide with him in love,  
because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones,  
and he watches over his elect.

Word of God. Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**



*The congregation will sing the following response:*

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.*

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.*

Text: Psalm 102:1-2; Taizé Community, adapt.  
 Music: HEAR MY PRAYER, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994  
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- 1 The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,  
the world and those who dwell therein.
- 2 For the LORD has founded it upon the seas  
and established it upon the rivers.

**Response**

- 3 Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD,  
and who may stand in God's holy place?
- 4 Those of innocent hands and purity of heart,  
who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is

false.

- 5 They shall receive blessing from the LORD  
and righteousness from the God of their salvation.
- 6 Such is the generation of those who seek you, O LORD,  
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

**Response**

<sup>7</sup> Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

<sup>8</sup> Who is this King of glory?

The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

<sup>9</sup> Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

<sup>10</sup> Who is this King of glory?

Truly, the LORD of hosts is the King of glory.

**Response**

## **Second Reading**

**Revelation 21:1-6a**

A reading from Revelation, chapter 21.

<sup>1</sup> I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

<sup>4</sup> he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away.”

<sup>5</sup> And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” <sup>6a</sup> Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.”

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 11:32-44

The Holy Gospel according to St. John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>32</sup> When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup> He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup> Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup> So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup> But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

<sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup> When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup> The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

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

*Please be seated.*

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 Marcia Bell

*During the message you will be invited to one of the four corners of the sanctuary for a healing prayer.*

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

Hymn of the Day

Jerusalem, My Happy Home

ELW # 628



- 1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when shall I come to thee?
- 2 O hap - py har - bor of the saints, O sweet and pleas - ant soil!
- 3 Thy gar - dens and thy gal - lant walks con - tin - ual - ly are green;
- 4 There trees for - ev - er - more bear fruit and ev - er - more do spring;
- 5 Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God grant that I may see



When shall my sor - rows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?  
 In thee no sor - row may be found, no grief, no care, no toil.  
 there grow such sweet and pleas - ant flow'rs as no - where else are seen.  
 there ev - er - more the an - gels sit and ev - er - more do sing.  
 thine end - less joy, and of the same par - tak - er ev - er be!

Text: F. B. P., 16th cent.

Music: LAND OF REST, North American traditional

*Please be seated.*

## Remembrance of All Saints

Let us remember all the saints before God.

We praise and bless you, O holy Trinity. You have taught your church that it is an ageless communion of saints. We thank you for gathering those who faithfully waited in hope for the redemption you promised, and now for adding us who celebrate the love of Christ for the redemption of the world. Prepare a place for us among those who are already with you. Help us remember them as an encouragement to saintly living, exciting us to love, in anticipation of an eternal reunion. With them we praise and bless you, O holy Trinity. **Amen.**

*We remember the saints who have died during the last year, and have claimed the promise made to them in baptism. We will announce the name of each of the deceased we've received, toll a bell, and light a candle on the altar for each of them. After we read the names, you are welcome to come forward and light a candle for them, or for others on your hearts who have died this year or in years past.*

Bob Berstein	Jay Keeley
Eleanor Brucker	Doris Mackenzie
Denise Carroll	Margaret Misch
Jodi Coffman	George Renner
Jen Davison	Lois Reynolds
Paul Brandon Deery	Kimberly Salotto
Elizabeth Eckhart	Florence Scarano
Donna Forbes	Mary Sqicimara
Alma Francis & family members	Jean A. Uehling
Ginny Gerhart	Joe Wilus
Rev. Hyacinth Mordey Imhof	Debbie Wood
Marjory Johnson	Steve Wood

*When all of the names are read, there will be a brief musical interlude so that others in the congregation may also light a candle in honor of loved ones.*

*When you light a candle, please start from the candles in the back row to avoid reaching over lit candles.*

*You may return to your seat after lighting the candle.*

Jesus says, Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart,  
**and you will find rest for your souls.**

For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.  
**And you will find rest for your souls.**

*As we celebrate those who have been baptized this past year, we will light a candle and toll a bell to rejoice in the promise they have been given, as they live their lives secure in the hope of salvation, redemption, and resurrection.*

Alice Elizabeth Nussbaum

*When all of the names are read, there will be a brief musical interlude so that others in the congregation may also light a candle celebrating a newly baptized baby.*

*When you light a candle, please start from the candles in the back row to avoid reaching over lit candles.*

*You may return to your seat after lighting the candle.*

*Please stand.*

## **Nicene Creed**

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and  
the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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

## Prayers of Intercession

As we gather together in this place, let us pray for the church, the world, and all peoples according to their needs.

*A brief silence.*

Holy God, we praise you for calling diverse people into the church's ministry of word and sacrament. Uphold all pastors with your strong and loving arms. Empower our ministers to serve your people with the word of scripture, the water of life, and the meal of grace. Equip them with both beloved traditions and fresh ideas; grant them joy in their tasks; and renew them daily by the Spirit of Jesus Christ, the Word among us. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

God, whose Spirit moved over the deep: we thank you for the gift of water - the waters on the earth and under the sea, the water above us, and within us. Make us mindful of the care of all the planet's water, that it may richly sustain life for us and for those who come after us; through Jesus Christ, source of living water. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Sovereign God, your Son Jesus lived within the structures of society even as he spoke truth to those in power and challenged systems of oppression. Empower us to be courageous disciples and responsible citizens. Grant that our life in the public realm be grounded in love for our neighbors, care for the most vulnerable in our midst, and respect for the common life we share, following the example of Jesus Christ. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

God, our eternal Father, we lift up the saints who have gone before us. Lord, you have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses. Grant that we may persevere in the course that is set before us and, at the last, share in your eternal joy with all the saints in light, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**



God most mighty, God most merciful, our sacred stories tell us that you help and save your people. You are the fortress: may there be no more war. You are the harvest: may there be no more hunger. You are the light: may no one die alone or in despair. God most majestic, God most motherly, grant us your life, the life that flows from your Son and the Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**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**      **"In Heavenly Love Abiding"**

**Larson**

*In heav'n-ly love abiding,  
no change my heart shall fear;  
and safe is such confiding, for nothing changes here.  
The storm may roar around about me,  
my heart may low be laid;  
but God is round about me and can I be dismayed?*

*Please stand.*

**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.

Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,  
you offered yourself in love for the world,  
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.  
Fill us with your abundance,  
that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger,  
trusting in your name. **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.

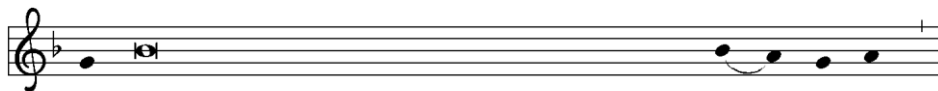
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

# 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,



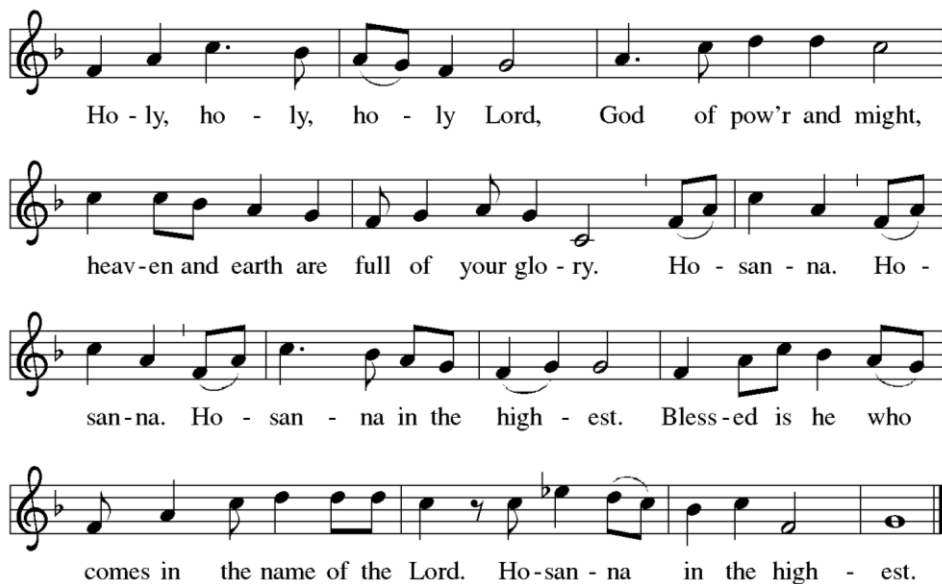
with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,



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

Behold, God is making all things new.  
Take your place in the new creation.

## 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

# Let Us Break Bread Together

ELW # 471



1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;  
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;  
3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;



let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.  
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.  
let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.



When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing



sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

## 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

Faithful God,  
you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink  
in the body and blood of your Son.  
Now send us out to labor with you,  
in service to the world you have made,  
and among the people you have made your home,  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Blessing

The Ancient One, enthroned,  
the Crucified One, now risen,  
the Indwelling One, poured out,  
✠ bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**



# The Sending Song

# Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In

ACS # 950



1 Oh, when the saints go march - ing in, oh, when the  
2 Oh, when the Lord in glo - ry comes, oh, when the  
3 Oh, when the new world is re - vealed, oh, when the  
4 Oh, when they gath - er round the throne, oh, when they  
5 And on that hal - le - lu - jah day, and on that



saints go march - ing in, O Lord, I want to be in that  
Lord in glo - ry comes, O Lord, I want to be in that  
new world is re - vealed, O Lord, I want to be in that  
gath - er round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that  
hal - le - lu - jah day, O Lord, I want to be in that



num - ber when the saints go march - ing in.  
num - ber when the Lord in glo - ry comes.  
num - ber when the new world is re - vealed.  
num - ber when they gath - er round the throne.  
num - ber on that hal - le - lu - jah day.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

**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  
Bob 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 Truppap)  
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 Glenn Griffin in celebration of  
Robin's birthday!*

## **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 meet in Parish Hall in November as follows:

Sunday, November 3 at 9:30 am  
Sunday, November 10 NO MEETING  
Sunday, November 17 at 9:15 am  
Sunday, November 24 at 9:15 am

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 - LAST SESSION November 5, 7:00 PM, Room 200**

Join us for our final session as we 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: The final session on Nov 5 will be held 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@christs-oreland.org](mailto:community@christs-oreland.org).

## 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 13<sup>th</sup> 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.

## 60 Plus

The CLC 60 Plus group will be meeting on **Thursday November 14th** at 11:30 AM in the Parish Hall. As November's calendar has two notable dates, the program for November will have music for both holidays. Dick Karschner and Pat Hallman will be the entertainers. Expect some audience participation both in trivia quizzes and singing. It is a BYOL (Bring Your Own Lunch) month. Deserts and coffee will be provided.

So come and enjoy fellowship and fun entertainment at 60 Plus. Everyone is welcome. Bring a friend or neighbor too.

## Men's Group

Good group on October 19th. Typical wide ranging discussion included Grace, Pastor's bible study, lamenting the Phillies loss, never insult anyone who gives you something, more about fruitcakes than you ever needed to know including fruitcakes from monks, the difference between a fruit cake and stollen, (a traditional German fruitcake) and Santa Claus and the church and how that contributes to belief being broken. Thanks to all who attended.

Next breakfast will be on **November 16th at 8:00 am** at Halligan's Pub in Flourtown.

Topic: TBD. Contact Jon Rasmussen to RSVP.

## Wonderful Wednesday

Join us for Wonderful Wednesday on **November 20** at 6:30 pm at the home of Jerry and Sally Beil, 507 Orlando Avenue, Oreland, PA 19075.

Please join us as we enjoy fellowship and a meal.

RSVP to Consy Finney [cwfinney1@comcast.net](mailto:cwfinney1@comcast.net) or 215-771-5994 by Sunday, November 17.

## Pub Theology – November date change!

Our next gathering will take place on **Thursday, December 5** at 7:00 pm at Tannery Run Brew Works, 131 E Butler Avenue, Ambler.

Please RSVP to Pastor Kaegler so the restaurant has an accurate count. [clcseniorepastor@christsoreland.org](mailto:clcseniorepastor@christsoreland.org).

**Topic: TBD**

## Breakfast with Santa

Community and Outreach is excited to announce that we will be having Breakfast with Santa (and Mrs. Claus) on **Saturday, December 7th!**

Forms can be found in the back of church and also through the link in the Wednesday e-news. Please RSVP by 11/23/2024.

Please contact Jen at [community@christsoreland.org](mailto:community@christsoreland.org) with any questions! Share with your friends and family!

## 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 we explore the Book of Daniel.

## Home Visits

If you or someone you know would like Pastor Kaegler to visit, please contact him at [clcseniorepastor@christsoreland.org](mailto:clcseniorepastor@christsoreland.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](mailto:joyfulross@gmail.com) or Allison Uehling at [auehling@comcast.net](mailto: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](mailto:community@christs-oreland.org).

## FAITH IN ACTION

### CLC Community Yarners

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

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 (TUESDAY'S DROP-OFF AT PRESCHOOL)

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 151 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](mailto: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@christis-oreland.org](mailto:clcpreschool@christis-oreland.org).

## **Digital Sound Board**

If you are interest in joining our sound board team, please contact Kathryn Steen ([kathryn.steen@protonmail.com](mailto:kathryn.steen@protonmail.com)), Music Chair, or Rick Daniels ([daniels.r@verizon.net](mailto: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@christis-oreland.org](mailto:clcsecretary@christis-oreland.org).

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



# COMING SOON AT CHRIST'S LUTHERAN

11/2 9 am - 2 pm  
**Craft Fair** (Parish Hall)

12/1 9 am  
**Wreath Building** (Parish Hall)

12/7 9 am  
**Breakfast with Santa** (Parish Hall)

12/14 4 pm - 7 pm  
**Advent Prayer Center** (Parish Hall)

12/15 10:30 am  
**Lessons and Carols** (Sanctuary)

12/15 4 pm - 7 pm  
**Advent Prayer Center** (Parish Hall)

12/16 4 pm - 7 pm  
**Advent Prayer Center** (Parish Hall)

12/19 7 pm  
**Caroling** (Sanctuary)

12/24 4 pm  
**Family Christmas Eve Service** (Sanctuary)

12/24 8 pm  
**Candlelight Christmas Eve Service** (Sanctuary)

1/20 2 pm - 4 pm  
**MLK Day of Service** (Parish Hall)

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Ministers	The People of Christ's Lutheran Church
Senior Pastor	Reverend Axel Kaegler
Director of Spiritual Formation	Becca Shelor
Director of Music	Ken Selinger
Administrative Assistant	Lorraine Pfeiffer
Preschool Director	Sally Mead
Sexton	Pete Carr
Assisting Minister	John Frantz
Communion Assistant	Jen Melnick, John Frantz
Soundboard	Diane Polis
Livestream	Rick Daniels, Don Hallman, John Melnick, Paul Zieger
Altar Guild	Sue Frantz
Counter(s)	Jim and Mary Jane Brenneman
Closer	Allison Uehling
Greeter(s)	TBD
Assisting Minister next week	Jenna Balaicuis

## **This Week at CLC!**

<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal (202)
	9:30 am	Family Table (PH)
	10:30 am	Worship at CLC and online
<b>Monday</b>	9:30 am	Synod Interim Meeting (chapel)
	9:30 am	Monday Morning Men
	10:00 am – 6:00 pm	PBJ Collection (chapel)
	5:30 pm	Girl Scout Troop 7211 (kitchen)
	7:00 pm	Girl Scout Troop 7211 (203/204)
	7:30 pm	Boy Scout Troop 1 (PH)
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 am – 10:45 am	PBJ Collection (preschool)
	7:00 pm	Bonhoeffer Book Discussion (200)
	7:30 pm	Pack 88 Committee Meeting (203/204)
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00 am	Bible Study (200)
	6:00 pm	Wolf Cubs (203/204)
	7:00 pm	AA (PH)
	7:00 pm	Trivia Night (Tannery Run)
<b>Friday</b>	8:00 pm	AA (200)

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# PANCAKE Breakfast with *Santa*

**Christ's Lutheran Church**

Saturday, December 7

8am to 12pm

**1st Seating Time:** 8:30am -10:00am

**2nd Seating Time:** 10:30am-12:00pm

**Cost:** \$10 per adult & \$5 per child (ages 13 & under)

Holiday Sing-a-Long

Bring your camera for photo opportunity with Santa

Please RSVP by 11/23/24. **Seating is limited**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle one:** 1st Seating    2nd Seating

**#Adult(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ **#Children :** \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone#:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to "**Christ's Lutheran Church**"

memo: "**Breakfast with Santa**"

Send to **Christ's Lutheran Church, 700 E. Pennsylvania Ave., Oreland, PA 19075**

Questions? **Email:** [community@chris-oreland.org](mailto:community@chris-oreland.org)

**Church Phone:** 215-886-4612

We will be having a toy drive collecting new, unwrapped toys for Gemma Services  
All proceeds will be donated to Martin Luther School