

May 18, 2025

Cantate 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!

Easter initiates a new day. It anticipates a new heaven and a new earth. The risen Christ is making all things new. In the mystery of holy baptism God has made new people of us. Today Jesus invites us to see everyone in a new light—through the lens of love.

We are delighted to be celebrating the Rite of Confirmation with
Kelsey Elizabeth Morton
this morning and we extend a special word of welcome to her guests.

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.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of ✠ the One
who was, who is, and who is to come.

Amen.

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection,
and called to live the baptized life,
let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.

Holy God,
we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that make a people your own,
that restore to wholeness,
and empower us to be witnesses in your name.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that strengthen believers
and give new life to beloved servants of your church;
waters that extend your boundless love
and cross barriers of our own making.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that open the hearts of believers
and give a voice in the night to those in captivity;
waters that set your people on a new path,
rejoicing in the Spirit's power.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
make us one as you are one.

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,
that our every day is shaped by these waters
that give us our very lives in you.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.
Amen.

*Those affirming their baptism and their sponsor
will process to the front.*

Gathering Song All Verses

Glorify Thy Name W & P # 42



1 Fa - ther,
2 Je - sus, we love you, we wor - ship and a - dore you,
3 Spir - it,



glo - ri - fy thy name in all the earth;



glo - ri - fy thy name, glo - ri - fy thy name,



glo - ri - fy thy name in all the earth.

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.

Hymn of Praise

Verses 1,2,5

Where Charity and Love Prevail

ELW # 359



- 1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
2 With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear, God's char - i - ty we learn;
3 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son;
4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; let all con - ten - tions cease.
5 Let us for - give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in re - turn.
as mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.
Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.
that we may love each oth - er well in Chris - tian gen - tle - ness.

Text: Latin hymn, 9th cent.; tr. Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997, alt.

Music: TWENTY-FOURTH, attr. Lucius Chapin, 1760–1842

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, 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

Acts 11:1-18

A reading from Acts, chapter 11.

¹ Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ² So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³ saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" ⁴ Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵ "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶ As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷ I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸ But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ⁹ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' ¹⁰ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹ At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹² The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³ He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴ he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' ¹⁵ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶ And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" ¹⁸ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 148

Be Not Afraid

ELW # 388

Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

The first system of the musical score is written for voice and piano. The voice part is on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: "Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!". The piano accompaniment is on a bass clef staff, featuring chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

The second system of the musical score continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. It maintains the same key signature and tempo. The lyrics are: "Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!".

Text: Matthew 28:5; Taizé Community

Music: BE NOT AFRAID, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

Text and music © Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent. 7404 S. Mason Ave., Chicago, IL 60638. www.giamusic.com. 800.442.3358.

¹ Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens;
praise God in the heights.

² Praise the LORD, all you angels;
sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.

³ Praise the LORD, sun and moon;
sing praise, all you shining stars.

⁴ Praise the LORD, heaven of heavens,
and you waters above the heavens.

⁵ Let them praise the name of the LORD,
who commanded, and they were created,

⁶ who made them stand fast forever and ever,
giving them a law that shall not pass away.

Response

⁷ Praise the LORD from the earth,
you sea monsters and all deeps;

⁸ fire and hail, snow and fog,
tempestuous wind, doing God's will;

⁹ mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars;

¹⁰ wild beasts and all cattle,

creeping things and flying birds;
¹¹ sovereigns of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the world;
¹² young men and maidens,
old and young together.

Response

¹³ Let them praise the name of the LORD,
whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over earth
and heaven.

¹⁴ The LORD has raised up strength for the people and praise for
all faithful servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near
the LORD. Hallelujah!

Response

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

A reading from Revelation, chapter 21.

¹ 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. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ 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;

⁴ 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.”

⁵ 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.” ⁶ Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”

Word of God. Word of Life.

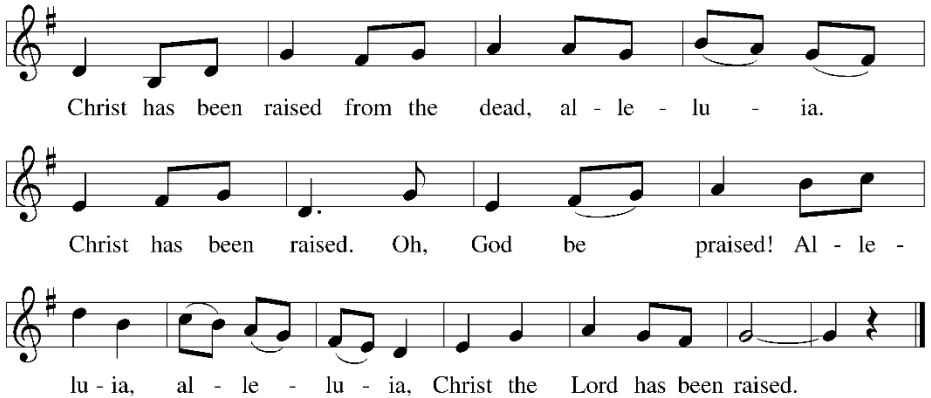
Thanks be to God.

Please stand in body or spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

Christ Has Been Raised

DATH # 66



Christ has been raised from the dead, al - le - lu - ia.

Christ has been raised. Oh, God be praised! Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Christ the Lord has been raised.

Text: Ray Makeever

Music: CHRIST HAS BEEN RAISED, Ray Makeever

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The Holy Gospel

John 13:31-35

The holy gospel according to St. John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹ When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³² If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³ Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

The Children's Message

Becca Shelor

A Moment of Prayer

Cradling Children in His Arm ELW # 444

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and gentle, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are: 'Cra-dling chil-dren in his arm, Je-sus gave his bless-ing. To our babes a wel-come warm he is yet ad-dress-ing. Take them, Lord, give life a-new in the liv-ing wa-ters! Keep them al-ways near to you as your sons and daugh-ters!' The score ends with a double bar line.

Cra-dling chil-dren in his arm, Je-sus gave his bless-ing.

To our babes a wel-come warm he is yet ad-dress-ing.

Take them, Lord, give life a-new in the liv-ing wa-ters!

Keep them al-ways near to you as your sons and daugh-ters!

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Johannes H. V. Knudsen, 1902–1982

Music: GAUDEAMUS PARITER, Johann Horn, 1490–1547

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The Message

Pastor Axel Kaegler

Please stand in body or spirit.



Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,

- 1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;
- 2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour - ish.
- 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;
- 4 Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;



stjär - nan ej på him - la - fäs - tet, få - geln ej i kän - da näs - tet.

nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
 From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.
 un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.
 his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Ernst W. Olson, 1870–1958

Music: TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA, Swedish folk tune

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Please be seated.

Presentation

Those making affirmation gather with the ministers at the font.

*Those making affirmation are presented by the
 Confirmation teachers and sponsor:*

Consy: I present Kelsey Elizabeth Morton who desires to make public affirmation of her baptism.

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for this sister,
 whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism.
 You have called her to yourself, enlightened her with the gifts of your
 Spirit, and nourished her in the community of faith.
 Uphold your servant in the gifts and promises of baptism,
 and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth.
 We ask this in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

Profession of Faith

The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism. The assembly may stand and join in the responses.

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God,
the powers of this world that rebel against God,
and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

The congregation may be seated.

Affirmation

The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of their baptism:

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word
and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support this sister and pray for her in her life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Those making affirmation may kneel.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in Kelsey the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm her faith, guide her life, empower her in her serving, give her patience in suffering, and bring her to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Those making public affirmation stand and face the assembly.

Let us rejoice with this sister in Christ.

**We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.
Together we will give thanks and praise to God
and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

Prayers of Intercession

God of resurrection and new life, we come to you to pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Immutable God, fill the church with the spirit of your redeeming love. Help us to be steadfast in our proclamation of your grace for all people without exceptions. Especially those often overlooked in our communities. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Omnipresent God, awaken our joy in the beauty and abundance of your creation. Show us the wonder of your presence from the smallest flower to the tallest tree. Recommit us to preservation of wild places like the Piszek Preserve. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Merciful God, instruct all world leaders to protect the most vulnerable among us. Guide those in power toward equitable and just economic policies, so that all might have sufficient resources to live safely and with dignity. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Compassionate God, pour out your love on all who need your care. Those mourning losses, those enduring trauma, those experiencing broken relationships, those yearning for companionship, or those facing illness. We pray especially for Dave, Shirley, Kailee, Kameron, Dorothy Ann, Liam, Liam's family, Bob, Davis, Jerry, Rachael, Joanne, Cindy, the McGowan family and the Mundrick family. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Just God, abide with all who are victims of racism. Especially people who are doubly marginalized because of gender, sexuality, or ability. Father, destroy all forms of systemic oppression, and renew our commitment to healing the wounds of our collective body in this community and beyond. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Infinite God, we give thanks for all the saints whose lives bear witness to your redeeming love. Guide us by their example, until we join them in your eternal home. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen 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.*

Please be seated.

Musical Offering

"Oh, How Good It Is"

Getty, Getty, Holmes, Townend

*"Oh, how good it is when the family of God
dwells together in spirit, in faith and unity.
Where the bonds of peace, of acceptance and love,
are the fruit of His presence here among us."*

Please stand.

Offertory Hymn (Verse 1) ELW # 686 | We Give Thee but Thine Own



- 1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ-like thing.
what-e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.

Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, *Cantica Lauda*, 1850

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Risen One,
you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts
we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven
us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.
Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

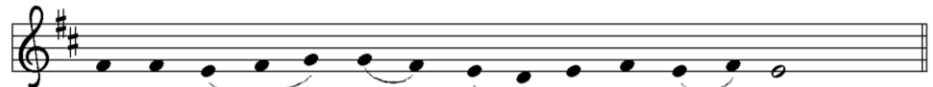
ELW Setting One



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 One

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, for the glorious resurrection

of our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself

to take a - way our sin, who in dying has destroyed death,

and in ris - ing has brought us to e - ter - nal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Pe - ter and all the witnesses of the

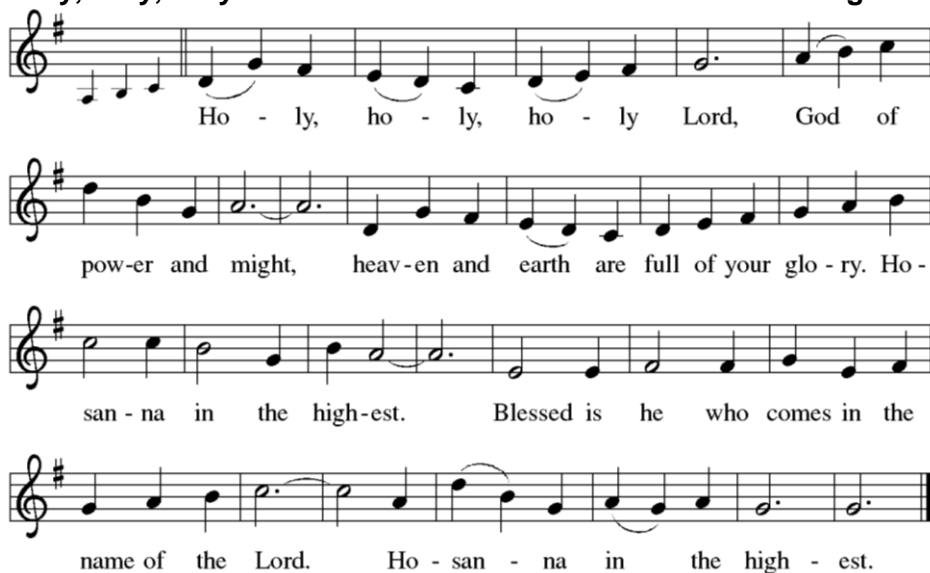
res - ur - rec - tion, with earth and sea and all their crea - tures,

and with angels and archangels, cheru - bim and ser - a - phim,

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

Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW Setting One



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

Thanksgiving at the Table

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.

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.

Invitation to Communion

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

*After those affirming their baptism, their families, teachers, sponsor
 and fellow students and sponsors have communed,
 you will be invited to come forward by the center aisle.
 There are two bread and two wine stations.*

Please be seated.

Lamb of God

ELW Setting One

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, grant us peace.

Communion Hymn

Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

ELW #445



- 1 Wash, O God, our sons and daugh-ters, where your cleans-ing wa-ters flow.
- 2 We who bring them long for nur-ture; by your milk may we be fed.
- 3 Oh, how deep your ho-ly wis-dom! Un-im-ag-ined, all your ways!



Num-ber them a-mong your peo-ple; bless as Christ blessed long a-go.
Let us join your feast, par-tak-ing cup of bless-ing, liv-ing bread.
To your name be glo-ry, hon-or! With our lives we wor-ship, praise!



Weave them gar-ments bright and spark-ling; com-pass them with love and light.
God, re-new us, guide our foot-steps; free from sin and all its snares,
We your peo-ple stand be-fore you, wa-ter-washed and Spir-it-born.



Fill, a-noint them; send your Spir-it, ho-ly dove and heart's de-light.
one with Christ in liv-ing, dy-ing, by your Spir-it, chil-dren, heirs.
By your grace, our lives we of-fer. Re-cre-ate us; God, trans-form!

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844

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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

Living One,
in this feast you have made yourself known to us.
Send us now to tell of your wonders,
sing of your glory,
and proclaim your risen life
to a wounded and weary world. **Amen.**

Blessing

who was, who is, and who is to come,
Sovereign, ✠ Savior, and Spirit,
light your way with resurrection dawn,
now and always. **Amen.**

The Sending Song


Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
ELW # 631

Please see the next page for the hymn.


Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!


Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788

Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

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.

Dave Clothier (friend of Bob Kelly)
Kailee and Kameron (friends of the Uehlings)
Dorothy Ann King (Robin Griffin's mom)
Liam and Family (Karen Bennion's family)
Bob Paul (friend of Ross & Sue Frantz)
Davis Phelps (Marda Craig's brother)
Jerry Polis
Rachael Rinders (friend of the Kaegler Family)
Cindy Ross
Joanne Wendte (sister-in-law of Lynnmarie Harkins)

*The flowers on the altar today are dedicated by
Ross & Sue Frantz in celebration of
Mason Devaney's 5th birthday
and
by Marlene Foody in celebratoín
of Ed Foody's 90th birthday!*

Family Table

Family Table will meet at 9:15 am in Parish Hall on the following dates:

Sunday, May 18
Sunday, May 25 (no class) Rogation Intergenerational Event (PH)
Sunday, June 1
Sunday, June 8

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.

Wonderful Wednesday

May's Wonderful Wednesday will be on **May 21** at 6:30 pm at the home of John and Alice Rasmussen, 1947 Audubon Drive, Dresher. Please RSVP to Consy Finney by **TODAY**. Cwfinney1@comcast.net.



Pub Theology

Our next gathering will take place on **Thursday, May 29** at 7:00 pm at Tannery Run Brew Works, 131 E Butler Avenue, Ambler. RSVP to Pastor Kaegler at clcseniorpastor@christs-oreland.org.

Trivia Team

The Saints & Sinners placed 4th out of a crowded field of 27 teams. Can you answer the last question of the evening? Out of the following five animals, which two are NOT marsupials? kangaroo, wombat, lemur, platypus, koala See answer below!

The Saints & Sinners have been challenged by Pastor Rachel and the newly formed trivia team from St. John's in Blue Bell, hereafter known as St. Jawn.

The Saints & Sinners and St. Jawn are looking forward to the next challenge on **Wednesday, June 4** at Tannery Run, 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. djmelnick328@verizon.net.

Answer to trivia question above: Lemurs and platypuses are **NOT** marsupials.

Coffee Hour

Would you like to host a Coffee Hour? We share fellowship after the Sunday morning service on the second Sunday of each month. If interested, please contact JenMorrissy at jenmorrissy@gmail.com with any questions about hosting or to schedule a Sunday that works for you or your group.

Please join us next on **June 8!**

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 12 minor prophets.

FAITH IN ACTION

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 90 PBJ sandwiches this week!**

PLEASE NOTE: Tuesday is Primary Election Day. PBJ sandwiches will be collected by the preschool door.

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

Our last meeting of the season will be held on **Monday, May 19** in Room 200 from 11:00 am – 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, 267-475-2933 or Marty Frantz: marty.frantz@gmail.com, 215-885-4812

Community Garden

The growing season started Apr 14 and ends Oct 28. We have wood chips, mulch, compost, and gardening tools for your use. The irrigation system will be turned on by May 17.

Please contact Jerry Beil at ghbeil2@gmail.com with any questions.

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. **New requests for Manga and comic books!**

Visitation Ministry

Our 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 clcseniorepastor@christs-oreland.org to join this ministry! Training, prayer and fellowship will be provided.

FAITH IN ACTION

University Lutheran Feast Incarnate

We look forward to supporting the weekly hospitality ministry serving meals for approximately 120 people affected by HIV/AIDS and others in need of food in the local community. Volunteers cook and/or drive down to the church with us to help serve a meal.

Our next UniLu date is **December 16th**, so please add that your calendar if you'd like to participate.

If you would like to join the team of cooks or contribute in another way, please contact Sue Ross at joyfulsross@gmail.com or Allison Uehling at auehling@comcast.net.

Puzzle Exchange

Research shows that puzzles help adults improve memory, enhance problem-solving skills, manage stress, improve visual and spatial reasoning, and develop a more positive mood. If you want to see if the research is correct – or if you just want an indoor activity for cold weather – feel free to borrow a puzzle from the shelf in the narthex. Enjoy!

Home Visits

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

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@christs-oreland.org.

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@christs-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.

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).

Coming Up This Summer!



The poster has a green background with a repeating pattern of pizza slices and popsicles. At the top center, a white circle with a green border contains the text "5 P's at 5 pm" in green. Below this, the title "Poppin' Playground Pizza Popsicle Party" is written in large, bold, white letters with black outlines. Underneath the title, the text "Saturdays at 5pm for little friends and their families at Christ's Lutheran's Playground" is written in white. A white arrow pointing right contains the text "new date!". Below the arrow, the dates "June 28th", "July 12th", and "August 16th" are listed in white. At the bottom, the text "RSVP to Becca at director-spiritualform@christs-oreland.org" is written in white.

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Wine Not?

**June 28th
July 19th
August 23rd**



**Saturdays
starting at
8 pm**

**Ladies - come spend a relaxing evening
around the firepit with friends.
Bring a chair and wine or snack to share.**

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Upcoming Altar Guild:

June 1 Sue Frantz

June 8 Bonnie Zieger/Marge Holmes

June 15 Consy Finney

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This Week at CLC!

Sunday	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:15 am	Family Table (PH)
	10:30 am	Worship at CLC and online
Monday	9:30 am	Monday Morning Men
	10:00 am – 6:00 pm	PBJ Collection (chapel)
	10:00 am	Family Stages (chapel)
	11:00 am	Yarners (200)
	7:00 pm	Oreland Fire Co. Training (outside)
	7:30 pm	Boy Scout Troop 1 (PH)
Tuesday	9:00 am – 10:45 am	PBJ Collection (preschool)
	10:00 am	Family Stages (PH)
Wednesday	10:00 am	Bible Study (200)
	6:00 pm	Wolf Cubs (203/204)
	6:30 pm	Wonderful Wednesday (Rasmussen Home)
	7:00 pm	AA (PH)
Friday	8:00 pm	AA (200)

Summer Worship Schedule

Worship at 10:30 am continues through June 8.

Our summer schedule will begin on **Fathers Day, June 15** with worship at 9:30 am.





Monday June 23rd –
Friday June 27th

9 am – 12 Noon

Vacation Bible School

at Christ's
Lutheran Church

Oreland, PA

**REGISTER
TODAY!**

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**Sign up
ASAP!**



Participants:
4–8 years old



Youth Volunteers:
9–18 years old



Adult Volunteers:
18 and up



Questions?
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