

# *Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church*

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*Note: All Hymns are printed in the back of the bulletin.*

**PRELUDE - "I Love to Tell the Story" arr: Wasson**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN #521 - "O Day of Rest and Gladness" (Printed in the back of the bulletin.)**

**PASTORAL 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**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Most merciful God,

**I confess that I am captive to sin and cannot free myself. I have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what I have done and by what I have left undone. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved my neighbor as myself. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on me. Forgive me, renew me, and lead me, so that I may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

**Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**READING - Isaiah 5:1-7**

<sup>1</sup>Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. <sup>2</sup>He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. <sup>3</sup>And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. <sup>4</sup>What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? <sup>5</sup>And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. <sup>6</sup>I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. <sup>7</sup>For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand and sing.)**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

This is the good news according to St. Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL - Matthew 21:33-46**

Jesus said to the people: <sup>33</sup>“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. <sup>34</sup>When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. <sup>35</sup>But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. <sup>36</sup>Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. <sup>37</sup>Finally he sent his

son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' <sup>38</sup>But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' <sup>39</sup>So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. <sup>40</sup>Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" <sup>41</sup>They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time." <sup>42</sup>Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'? <sup>43</sup>Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. <sup>44</sup>The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls." <sup>45</sup>When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. <sup>46</sup>They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY #729 - "The Church of Christ in Every Age" (vss. 1, 3, 5) (Printed in the back of the bulletin.)**

### **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.**

#### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Holy God, you call us to work for peace and justice in your vineyard. Refresh the church with your life, that we may bear fruit through work and service. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Thank you for the abundant harvest of the earth. Bless and care for those whose hands bring the fruits of the earth to the tables of all who hunger. May we be inspired by your servants who cared deeply for your creation. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Curb the impulses of greed and pride that lead us to take advantage of others. Grant that world leaders seek the fruits of the kingdom for the good and welfare of all people. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Sustain all who suffer with the promise of new life. Assured of your presence, heal our pain and suffering, and equip us to embrace all bodies aching for wholeness of mind, body, and soul. We call to mind those who are struggling today. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for all managers in our community and for all who seek employment. Give hope and a future to those who lack meaningful work, those who have been marginalized or abused in the workplace, and those who desire new opportunities. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Thank you for the saints who teach us to live faithfully in your vineyard. May our chorus join theirs until our labor is complete. Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

Let us pray for God's kingdom to come here, now and forever:

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## **BENEDICTION**

**SENDING HYMN #575 - "In Christ Called to Baptize" (vss. 1, 3, 4) (Printed in the back of the bulletin.)**

## **DISMISSAL**

**Go in peace. And serve the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.**

*Please wait for the Ushers to dismiss you from the back to the front.*

## **Postlude - "In Christ Called to Baptize" trad.**

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## *New Phone System*

The church changed the phone and internet system to TDS last week. If you experience any trouble with the phone system, please notify the office at 846-4718, to follow-up on it. Thank you.

## *Thanksgiving Meals for the Hungry*

Thanksgiving is right around the corner. The need in our community is great. The Thanksgiving meal will be handled differently this year due to circumstances with the virus. Instead of you donating the food we are asking for monetary donations towards the meal. We will do the shopping this year. One meal which will include a turkey, consists of a box of Jello, a can of cranberries, a box of Stove Top stuffing, a box of brownie mix, a can of vegetables, a box of corn muffin mix, a can of turkey gravy, a box of instant mashed potatoes, a can of yams and a can of fruit will cost approximately \$37.00. Your donation in any amount will help. Please make checks out to **CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH** and in the memo area put **Thanksgiving meal**. Thank you for your generosity.

Social Ministries

OPENING HYMN #521 - "O Day of Rest and Gladness"

O Day of Rest and Gladness



1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,  
2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion, the light first had its birth;  
3 To - day on wea - ry na - tions the heav'n - ly man - na falls;  
4 New grac - es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,



O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright:  
on you, for our sal - va - tion, Christ rose from depths of earth;  
to ho - ly con - vo - ca - tions the sil - ver trum - pet calls,  
we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.



on you the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,  
on you, our Lord vic - to - rious the Spir - it sent from heav'n;  
where gos - pel light is glow - ing with pure and ra - diant beams  
We sing to you our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;



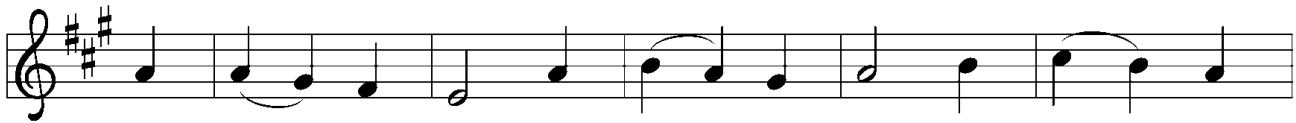
sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," to the great God tri - une.  
and thus on you, most glo - rious, a three - fold light was giv'n.  
and liv - ing wa - ter flow - ing with soul - re - fresh - ing streams.  
the church its voice up - rais - es to you, blest Three in One.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt.

Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

HYMN OF THE DAY #729 - "The Church of Christ in Every Age" (vss. 1, 3, 5)

The Church of Christ, in Every Age



1 The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age be - set by  
2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims  
3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing  
4 For he a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the  
5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change, but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its  
of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for  
church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's  
fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to  
be - dience to our Lord; to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.  
bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.  
sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.  
share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.  
out re - serve, and spread his lib - er - at - ing word.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: WAREHAM, William Knapp, 1698–1768

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SENDING HYMN #575 - "In Christ Called to Baptize" (vss. 1, 3, 4)

In Christ Called to Baptize



1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace  
2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,  
3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach  
4 U - nite us, a - noint us, O Spir - it of love,



and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.  
a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.  
the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.  
for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.



In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,  
Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.  
By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise  
E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.



then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.  
One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.  
in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.  
In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947  
Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional  
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## *Two Exciting Accomplishments!*

### **1. Debt Retirement**

The mortgage debt of \$202,642.29 was paid in full on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The retirement of this debt was a congregational goal that has been met. This accomplishment opens the door for a second congregational goal.

### **2. Sanctuary Painting**

On Monday, September 28, 2020, the Sanctuary Painting project began. The scaffolding is being erected, as can be seen in the picture on the left. The completed project is shown in the picture of the rendering on the right. To accomplish this goal, our congregation needed to close the sanctuary and return to online worship for eight weeks. It is expected that the sanctuary will be open for Christmas services.

The project cost will be \$263,387.00, which includes the restoration, painting, and scaffolding. The church Council approved the funding as follows:

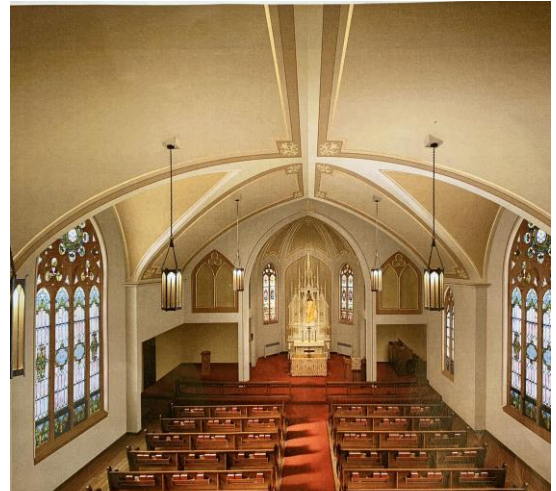
\$150,000.00 loan from DMB (5 years, 3.65% fixed rate)

\$41,693.50 from the Capital Campaign fund

\$41,693.50 from the Memorial Fund

\$30,000.00 from the Trust Fund (\$10,000 = 5 year payback loan, 2% fixed rate)

Watch for updates and progress reports!



*The picture on the left shows the progress to date, and the one on the right shows the rendering of the finished project.*

**Order Lutefisk, Lefse and Herring!**  
**Christ Lutheran Church, DeForest, WI**

We are pleased to announce that you may order lutefisk, lefse and herring for home use this year! Since we cancelled our Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner due to COVID-19, Christ Lutheran Church has decided to hold a fund raiser selling these products. **You may order these products** by completing the form below and mailing it, along with your check payable to Christ Lutheran Church, 220 S. Main Street, DeForest, WI 53532, **by October 10, 2020.** (Please note: we have been in contact with these suppliers and the products are all available at this time, but should the products become unavailable by delivery time, a refund will be issued.)

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

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Lutefisk, Christ Lutheran-prepared and ready to cook, @ \$10.00 per pound  
\_\_\_\_\_ pounds of Lutefisk x \$10.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Lefse, small bag of 6 pieces @ \$4.00 per bag

\_\_\_\_\_ bags of Lefse x \$4.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Lefse, large bag with approximately 24 pieces @ \$16.00 per bag

\_\_\_\_\_ bags of Lefse x \$16.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Herring, 10# pail @ \$46.00 per pail

\_\_\_\_\_ pails of Herring x \$46.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Herring, Quart Jar @ \$9.00 per jar

\_\_\_\_\_ jars of Herring x \$9.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Herring, Pint Jar @ \$5.00 per jar

\_\_\_\_\_ jars of Herring x \$5.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

All orders, with payment, **must be received by October 10, 2020**

**Orders must be picked up** at Christ Lutheran Church, 220 South Main Street, in DeForest on: **Saturday, November 14, 2020 between 9:00 am - 1:30 pm. Curbside Pickup:** When you arrive, please pull up by the back door in the Church parking lot and call **608-846-4718**, give them your name, make/model/color of your car, and someone will bring your order out to you. For questions about ordering, please call Christ Lutheran Church at 608-846-4718.