Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church

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January 14, 2024 Baptism of Our Lord The liturgy is Setting 12 in the ACS.

PRELUDE - "Be Thou My Vision" - Diemer

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN #308 - "O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright" (vss.1-4) (page 9)

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters. **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our rock and refuge,

we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are God's beloved.

Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Holy God, creator of light and giver of goodness, your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING - Genesis 1:1-5

¹In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

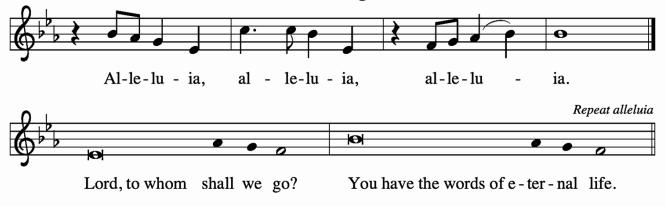
SECOND READING - Acts 19:1-7

¹While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. ²He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." ³Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." ⁴Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." ⁵On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ⁶When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—⁵altogether there were about twelve of them.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand and sing.)



This is the good news according to St. Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL - Mark 1:4-11

⁴John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

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

(10:30 am) CHOIR ANTHEM - "Here is Water, Lord"

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY #304 - "Christ When For Us You Were Baptized" (page 10)

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary. suffered under Pontius Pilate. was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven. he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church. the communion of saints.

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Inspire wisdom and a spirit of proclamation in your church, God of forgiveness. Uplift leaders to share the truth of your word in community. Encourage us to live into the promises of baptism, working for justice and peace in all the world. Lord in your mercy, hear our praver.

Renew your creation, God of thunder and mighty waters. Restore the rivers in which your children are baptized. May fields flourish and grow. Summon the stewards and caretakers of the land to cherish your good works. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Give strength to your leaders, God who is present in every country and community. Raise up leaders committed to equity and healing. Grant them discernment and compassion as they lead in love. Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Protect and cherish the most vulnerable among us, God of strength. Accompany those separated from family or hurting from broken relationships. Shelter our unhoused neighbors and any experiencing poverty. Protect those incarcerated in prisons and detention centers. Care for the sick and suffering. Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Encourage this congregation, God who calls and sends disciples. Guide us in accompanying, learning from, and serving our neighbors on the margins, following the example of Jesus. Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Trusting the assurance of the Holy Spirit, we remember all who have died and rest in God's care. Give hope to those who grieve even as we rest in your eternal promise of resurrection. Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING – If you missed placing your offering in the plate when you arrived, there will be another plate by the ushers to leave your offering as you depart. Thank you for your support.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, Holy One, for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING The Lord be with you. And also 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... Но God - ly, ho ly, ho - ly pow - er and are you, earth might; and filled with your heav - en are Но high glo in the est. san na Bless - ed Но is the one who comes in your high - est, high - est. san - na in the ho - san - na in Music: Now the Feast and Celebration, Marty Haugen, b. 1950
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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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 covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

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

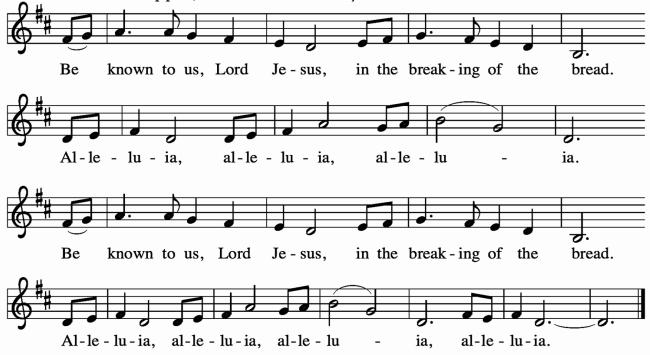
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the Lord's Supper, for all is now ready.



SHARING THE MEAL

All are welcome to receive the Real Presence of Christ in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. You do not need to be a member of this church or a Lutheran to receive the sacrament. We do ask that you desire a relationship with Jesus Christ.

If you require gluten-free hosts, please say "no gluten" when you approach the person sharing the host.

The center rings of the trays provided contain grape juice for those desiring it. Cups may be returned to the Acolytes' baskets. The Common Cup is also available.

Children may come forward for a blessing, or to receive communion if they have been through instruction, here, or at another church.

If you wish to still receive the individual communion packet (wafer on top and wine/juice on the bottom), please pick one up as you approach the front.

If you would like the sacraments brought to you, please let the usher know. Welcome!

COMMUNION HYMN #453 - "Baptized and Set Free" (page 11)

PASTORAL BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN #449 - "We Know That Christ Is Raised" (page 12)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. And serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Serving you today in Christ's Love:

Ushers

8:00 am Team Kvalhiem 10:30 am Team Lockman

Readers

8:00 am Jane Cahill Wolfgram 10:30 am Jason Gest

Communion Helpers

8:00 am Team Nelson 10:30 am Team Emerson

Acolytes

8:00 am Miriam Hilley 10:30 am Miriam Hilley

Calendar-Week of January 14, 2024

Sun Jan. 14, 2024

8:00 am Worship Service 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service

Tues Jan. 16

**DOOR POST DEADLINE

9:00 am Women's Bible Study - FR 6:30 pm Pack Party -FH

6:30 pm Bell Practice - S

Wed Jan 17

6:00 pm Confirmation - NK 7:00 pm Choir Practice-FR

Thurs Jan 18

6:00 pm Boy Scout - FH 6:00 pm Boy Scout Committee Meeting -FH

7:00 pm Council Meeting

Sun Jan 21

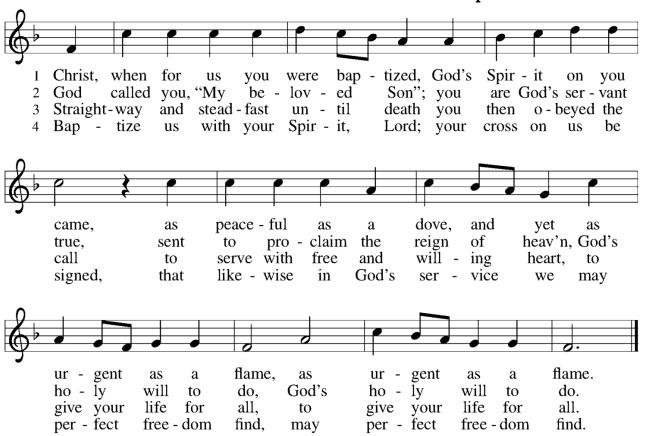
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Contact: The Office 608-846-4718 or David Erickson 608-513-9137.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting will be February 4th after second service. The Annual Report will be out later this month.

Poinsettias

For those of you who ordered a poinsettia and have not picked it up, if you would still like it, they are in the Friendship Room.

COMMUNION HYMN #453 - "Baptized and Set Free"



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2024 Flower Chart

Celebrating a special birthday or anniversary this year? Maybe you'd like to honor a loved one? A new sign up sheet has been posted in the entry area near the Usher's closet for the 2024 year. When providing flowers, please make sure to contact the office at least a week or two in advance so an announcement can be put in the Sunday Bulletin.

SENDING HYMN #449 - "We Know That Christ Is Raised"



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The Fellowship Committee is looking for new members to join! Our primary functions we need help with are the Sunday morning Coffee Hours between worship services and helping to plan the Easter Breakfast.

The Christian Education Committee is looking for teachers and assistants to help with Sunday School this fall. We're looking for help weekly, monthly, as needed whenever possible. The Christian Education Committee is also looking for Adult Education facilitators/leaders.



Ushers - We are looking for help whenever possible.



Coffee Hour is happening now, please sign up to help. Please send your contact information to the office, and we will pass on your information.608-846-4718



HOUSE CHARITIES

Ronald McDonald House Project

The Social Ministries Committee invites you to join us on Saturday, February 3, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall to make no-sew fleece blanket kits for Ronald McDonald House in Madison, WI. If you are interested in donating material for this project we use no-pill or blizzard fleece. Each blanket has 2 sides so each side will need 1 1/2 yards of material. If you would like to make a money donation towards the fabric you can send that to the church office. Any donated fabric can be left on the desk in the Friendship Room. There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board outside the Friendship Room. Any questions, call Pam Hamele at 608-215-0382.





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Put your 2024 Choice Dollars to use. Designate your Choice Dollar monies to Christ Lutheran Church. *March 29th is the last day to designate built up Choice Dollars from the previous year*. If you have questions regarding this process please contact your Thrivent Agent, or go online.

Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday Feb 11

The Souper Bowl of Caring is a great way to show support for both your favorite Super Bowl team and for your community. **Sunday, February 11**th, there will be two soup kettles, one for each team, into which you can vote by placing non-perishable food items and/or cash or check made out to CLC. Who will win? You decide! Your "votes" go to the DeForest/Windsor Food Pantry. GO TEAM!!

