Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church



The Promise of Passover Exodus 12:1-13; 13:1-8 Outdoor Worship Service October 4, 2020 9:00 am

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

To keep everyone safe, especially the most vulnerable among us, please adhere to the following guidelines:

- Practice strict social distancing. Do not get closer than 6 feet to anyone outside your family. If you plan to sing aloud, try to keep 10-15 feet apart from everyone.
- Once you find your spot, stay where you are and do not move around. This is important for children too.
- The playground is closed.
- Per county & state mandate, masks are now required for public gatherings. They are available if you need one.
- Communion will be brought to you. Further instructions will be given at that time. If you do not want to receive Communion, that is ok.
- The building is closed except for the bathrooms.
- Respect others' space, boundaries, and feelings out of love.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to worship, we are glad you are here! Please take a moment to pray for our brothers & sisters in Christ who cannot be with us today.

GATHERING

We gather together as God's people.

INVOCATION

Pastor: We begin in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Let us take a moment to confess our sins before God and one another so that we can worship God with a clean heart and a clear conscience.

Pause for silence, reflection and confession.

Pastor: God of all ages, author of our stories,

All: You have chosen us as your own, yet we so often live as if it were not so. We succumb to things which are not good for us. We believe we know better than you. We refuse to put our trust in your promises. We sin. Sweep away our foolishness and help us learn how to trust you again.

Pastor: Dear people of God, hear these joyful words – God has forgiven us! Our misdeeds and folly are forgotten; grace and mercy abound. Let us give thanks that we have a compassionate creator!

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

OPENING SONG

"You are My King (Amazing Love)"

I'm forgiven
Because You were forsaken
I'm accepted
You were condemned
I'm alive and well
Your Spirit is within me
Because You died
And rose again

Chorus:

Amazing love
How can it be
That You my King
Would die for me
Amazing love
I know it's true
It's my joy to honor You
In all I do I honor You

I'm forgiven
Because You were forsaken
I'm accepted
You were condemned
I'm alive and well
Your Spirit is within me
Because You died
And rose again

Chorus

You are my King You are my King Jesus You are my King Jesus You are my King

Chorus

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you. All: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. God of might,

All: You protected and guided your chosen people out of danger into new life. So lead us into the places where we can live and grow as your faithful people, for the sake of Jesus. Amen.

THE WORD

We hear God's Word for our lives & offer response.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Chad

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 12:1-3; 13:1-8 The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. 4If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. ⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at

twilight. ⁷They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. ¹⁰You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

13 The Lord said to Moses: ²Consecrate to me all the firstborn; whatever is the first to open the womb among the Israelites, of human beings and animals, is mine. ³Moses said to the people, "Remember this day on which you came out of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, because the Lord brought you out from there by strength of hand; no leavened bread shall be eaten. ⁴Today, in the month of Abib, you are going out. ⁵When the Lord brings you into the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which he swore to your ancestors to give you, a land flowing with milk and honey, you shall keep this observance in this month. ⁶Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, and on the seventh day there shall be a festival to the Lord. ⁷Unleavened bread shall be eaten for seven days; no leavened bread shall be seen in your possession, and no leaven shall be seen among you in all your territory. ⁸You shall tell your child on that day, 'It is because of what the Lord did for me when I came out of Egypt.'

SERMON

Pastor Chad Langdon

SONG OF THE DAY

"Breathe"

This is the air I breathe
This is the air I breathe
Your holy presence living in me
This is my daily bread
This is my daily bread
Your very word spoken to me

And I I'm desperate for You And I I'm lost without You

Repeat everything

And I I'm desperate for You And I I'm lost without You And I I'm lost without You This is the air I breathe This is the air I breathe

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Pastor: ...Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

THE MEAL

We receive the Lord's Supper as nourishment for our lives.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, Almighty God, through our savior, Jesus Christ.

All: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: 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. (Luke 22:14-23)

LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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. (Luke 11:1-4)

DISTRIBUTION

Instructions: Remain where you are & please keep your mask on. The elements of Holy Communion will be brought to you. For safety reasons, we are currently using pre-packaged elements for Communion.

- When the pastor comes to your area, extend your arms and cup your hands. The elements will be dropped into your hands.
- The package has 2 openings to peel back. Peeling the bottom cover releases the bread, and the top seal opens the wine. If you would prefer a grape juice or gluten-free option, please just let the pastor know either before worship or as you receive it.
- After eating and drinking, keep the cup and dispose of it after the service.

If you do not wish to receive the Sacrament or brought your own bread & wine, simply cross your arms when the pastor comes near.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pastor: Let us pray. Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, great author and perfecter of our faith, for this gift of Communion and that we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses.

All: Keep our eyes fixed on you as the one who writes our stories, and help us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, so that we do not grow weary or lose heart. In your name, we pray. Amen.

(Hebrews 12:1-3)

SENDING

Blessed & nourished by God, we are sent into the world to share God's love with others.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen. (*Numbers* 6:22-27)

"Good, Good Father"

SENDING SONG

I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night
You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone

Chorus:

You're a Good Good Father It's who You are It's who You are It's who You are And I'm loved by You It's who I am It's who I am

I've seen many searching for answers
Far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers
Only You provide
Because You know just what we need
Before we say a word

Chorus

You are perfect in all of Your ways You are perfect in all of Your ways You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Love so undeniable I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
Into love love love

Chorus

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DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

OFFERING

If you would like to give an offering today, there are 4 ways to do that:

- 1. Drop your money into the Offering Bucket as you leave.
- 2. Text GIVE to 833-613-0706 and follow the prompts.
- 3. Visit our website www.christ-lutheran.org and click the tab: Give Online.
- 4. Download the app called "Tithe.ly" and follow the instructions.

Thank you for your continued generosity during these times!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

Grades 6 - 12



10/7 Wed 6:30-8:00pm Outdoor Youth Group Games & Prayer

10/20 Tues 6:30-8:00pm Outdoor Youth Group Carving Pumpkins

The risk level for Outdoor Youth Group is MODERATE.

Please note: For most of this fall, our Youth Activities will take place on the First Wednesday & Third Tuesday of the month. Please watch the bulletin for more details & announcements about upcoming activities.



NEWS FROM CHURCH CAMP

Win a \$200 Camp Tomah Shinga Gift Card:

Through the month of October, Camp Tomah Shinga will be hosting an online raffle. Every \$10 ticket purchased through our website will put an

entry into a drawing for a \$200 gift card to use at camp. This card can be used for summer camp, a retreat, or swag from the camp store. For each raffle ticket purchase you will be given a tye dye mask that was created individually by our summer ministry team. Enter the raffle at www.camptomahshinga.com Winner will be drawn on November 1st.

ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCIAL NEWS

- Annual Reports If you would like to contribute to our Annual Report, please submit your report electronically to Pastor Chad by October 15th.
- Estimate-of-Giving Cards These are being mailed out to all CLC members this month. You are asked to return them by Sunday, October 25th, so that Council can finish the budgeting process. Thank-You!

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

This fall Pastor Chad is leading a Zoom Bible study on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month. These Bible studies will start at 7:00pm. A few days before each one, the invitation will go out to the entire congregation along with what verses we will be studying. The passages will be previewing & preparing for what we will covering in worship. Anyone is welcome to join us. For October, our schedule will be:

10/14 7:00pm 1 Samuel 1:9-1, 19-20; 2:1-10 & 2 Samuel 7:1-17

10/28 7:00pm 1 Kings 17:1-16 and the book of Jonah

ENDOWMENT FUND GRANTS

Each year Christ Lutheran's Endowment has a little over \$600 to distribute in the form of grants. These grants are often used for new ministry ideas or to support existing ministries in new ways. If you would like to apply for one of these grants, there are applications available at the Opportunity Table at church or by request. They are due back by the end of October.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible study will meet next on Oct 8 at 1 p.m. in the fellowship hall at church. We will focus on the holy "now"--recognizing and responding to God's kairos time. This is session 2 in the Gather magazine. All women are welcome! We will wear masks and social distance. Please consider coming even if you do not subscribe to the magazine and bring your bible!

For questions contact Rosie Harder 200-3233 or ma28rr77@cox.net The risk level for this activity is MODERATE.



CHRIST IN OUR HOME

The next edition of "Christ In Our Home" has arrived and is now available. This short daily devotional is published quarterly and the newest edition is for October, November & December. It is available near the Offering Bucket or at the dropbox near the front door.



DETAILS:

- Saturday, October 31st on HALLOWEEN!
- Trunk-or-Treating is from 5:30-6:30pm-ish. Come & go as you want.
- Set Up for trunks begins at 5:00pm.
- Masks are required for all participants. Many other safety precautions will be publicized & followed.
- Event will be outside in the field behind church.
- Awards for BEST TRUNK & BEST COSTUME!

WANT TO BE A TRUNK?

- Email Pastor Chad at <u>pastor@christ-lutheran.org</u> to reserve a spot. Thank you! We need you!
- Be creative & decorate your trunk (see Pinterest).
- Use only pre-packaged candy or goodies—no homemade goods.
 Crafts or small toys are good too! Have 50-100 pieces to give away.
- Maybe think of a creative way to give away treats by staying at least 6 ft away. Clear signage & little tables can help.
- Wear a mask & dress up yourself!
 The risk level for this activity is MODERATE to HIGH.

QUILTS, BABY CARE KITS & SCHOOL KITS

Our quilting group works hard all year creating quilts to donate to Lutheran World Relief. This would be the normal week that we dedicate those quilts & pray over them before sending them around the world along with baby care kits & school kits. Deborah Bischoff & Jean Beal recently got together and packaged up all the quilts, baby care kits & school kits for donation. Despite the pandemic, this year our women



NEW WORSHIP SCHEDULE STARTING NEXT SUNDAY!

Risk Level:

8:30 INDOOR Communion, No Singing

HIGH

9:30 VIRTUAL Facebook Live

NONE

10:30 INDOOR Communion, No Singing



11:30 OUTDOOR Communion & Singing MODERATE

SOME NOTES, PROCEDURES & PRECAUTIONS

- All in-person services will require masks & social distancing. If you are not feeling
 well or have been recently exposed to COVID, please stay home & attend the
 Virtual Service.
- Outdoor & Virtual Services will remain largely the same. If there is questionable or bad weather, a decision will be made about the Outdoor Worship service by 8:00am that Sunday. Any cancellation will be advertised via email & on Facebook.
- Indoor Worship will be limited by seating capacity (max. 45/service). We will fill the sanctuary front to back, using every other pew, and have other seating procedures to follow. There will be signs to follow once you arrive for the Indoor Worship.
- All services will follow a similar liturgy, streamlined to limit our exposure & time together in-person. It will feel familiar as a Lutheran liturgy, but different than we are used to.
- The building will be cleaned between Indoor services.
- Other than the sanctuary, bathrooms & narthex, the rest of the building is closed.
- There will be no coffee/education hour or goodies.
- Pastor will stay behind the altar & pulpit other than to distribute Communion. In order to facilitate communication, he will not wear a mask when leading the liturgy or preaching, but will wear a mask to distribute Communion.
- Communion will use pre-packaged elements & will be brought to you in your seats.
- Worshipping together in-person, and especially indoors, carries the risk of transmitting COVID. Please only attend the service where you feel comfortable taking that level of risk.



For the week of October 4, 2020

PRAYING GOD'S STORY

Daily Prayer: God, the Great Deliverer, hear our prayer. When you pass over our homes, keep us safe. Be near us, God, so we are slave to none. Free us to live as your faithful servants, and call us by name into your loving care. Amen. Mealtime Prayer: God of goodness, throughout history you delivered your people out of Egypt, and you promise to deliver us out of sin. So as we bow heads to give you praise, bless this food to our bodies and us to your work. Amen.

READING GOD'S STORY

As you read each day, ask yourself: What are God and the people doing in this story?

Sunday Exodus 12:1-3; 13:1-8 The Promises of Passover Monday Exodus 13:17-22 The Pillars of Cloud and Fire

Tuesday Exodus 14:5-25 Crossing the Red Sea Wednesday Exodus 16:1-8 Bread from Heaven

Thursday Exodus 19:1-9, 20-25 The Israelites Reach Mt. Sinai

Friday Exodus 20:1-17 The Ten Commandments
Saturday Exodus 24:9-18 Moses on the Mountain

Sunday Exodus 32:1-14 The Golden Calf

CONTEMPLATING OR DISCUSSING GOD'S STORY

- ? Highs and Lows: Name one thing that you passed up today. Name one thing that you could not pass up at all.
- ? Thinking About This Week's Story: By marking their homes with blood, God spared the Israelites from the last plague. What a remarkable love God had for the Israelites. Who has shown you love or kindness today?
- ? Getting Ready for Next Week's Story: God's people, the Israelites, turned away from God to worship a golden calf. It might sound funny to bow down to a gold cow, but people worship, or get distracted by, all sorts of things. What distracted you today?

LIVING GOD'S STORY

Deliver something sweet to someone who is need of a good friend.