

Welcome to
Christ Lutheran Church



Outdoor Worship Service

Luke 24:13-35

September 6, 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.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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

All: Amen.

Pastor: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

All: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Pastor: Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

All: We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

Pastor: To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

All: Amen.

***OPENING SONG** “As The Grains of Wheat”

Chorus:

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill
Were gathered into one to become our bread;
So may all your people from all the ends of earth
be gathered into one in you.

As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst
May we share the presence of your love.

Chorus

Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come
when all creation shares this feast with you.

Chorus

THE WORD

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

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Pastor Chad

CATECHISM CONNECTION

The Sacrament of the Altar

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:13-35

¹³ Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴ They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. ¹⁵ As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; ¹⁶ but they were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ He asked them, “What are you discussing together as you walk along?” They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸ One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, “Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” ¹⁹ “What things?” he asked. “About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. ²⁰ The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹ but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. ²² In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³ but didn’t find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. ²⁴ Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.”

²⁵ He said to them, “How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?” ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. ²⁸ As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. ³² They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?” ³³ They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴ and saying, “It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to

Simon.”³⁵ Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

SERMON

Pastor Chad Langdon

***SONG OF THE DAY** “One Bread, One Body”

Chorus:

One bread one body,
One Lord of all;
One cup of blessing which we bless,
And we, though many throughout the earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
Woman or man, no more.

Chorus

Many the gifts, many the works,
One in the Lord of all.

Chorus

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
Gathered to one for all.

Chorus

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Five Finger Prayers

Thumb – We pray for those closest to us (family, friends, etc.).

Pointer – We pray for those who point us in the right direction (teachers, doctors, mentors, etc.).

Tallest – We pray for those in authority over us (government officials, police, etc.).

Ring – We pray for those who are weak, in trouble, or in need of healing.

Pinkie – We pray for ourselves.

THE MEAL

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

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

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

All: And also with you.

***WORDS OF CONFESSION**

Pastor: 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.

All: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us now confess our sins to God in the presence of one another.

Silence for reflection & confession

Pastor: Most merciful God,

All: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

***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. (Mark 14:22-25)

***LORD'S PRAYER**

All: 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. (Matthew 6:9-14)

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 package of a bread wafer & grape juice will be dropped into your hands.*
- *The package has 2 openings to peel back. Peeling the top plastic cover releases the wafer, and the second seal opens the grape juice.*
- *After eating and drinking, keep the cup and dispose of it after the service.*
- *Gluten-free wafers are available upon request, although they are not pre-packaged.*

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

***WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

Pastor: In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives you of all your sins. By grace you

have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. May Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

All: Thanks be to God!

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)

***SENDING SONG**

“Take Our Bread”

Chorus:

Take our bread,
We ask you;
Take our hearts, we love you.
Take our lives, O Father,
We are yours, we are yours.

Yours as we stand at the table you set;
Yours as we eat the bread our hearts can't forget.
We are the sign of your life with us yet,
We are yours, we are yours.

Chorus

Your holy people standing washed in your blood,
Spirit filled yet hungry we await your food.
We are poor, but we've brought ourselves the best we could;
We are yours, we are yours.

Chorus

***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

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Recently our church council decided to keep the same worship schedule through the month of September that we have been doing:

9:00am OUTDOOR WORSHIP

10:30am VIRTUAL WORSHIP on Facebook Live

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. If the Outdoor Worship is cancelled, it will automatically become an Online Service at that same time (9:00am).

COVID TESTING

The Sedgwick County Health Department will be offering free COVID testing at Christ Lutheran on Thursday, September 17th as part of their mobile testing program. They will begin about 8:30am and be here until about 11:00am. If you need to get tested, you can come up to church during that time, otherwise you'll probably want to avoid coming to the building on that day.

A SERVICE OF LAMENT & REMEMBRANCE

As the death toll of COVID-19 continues to grow in the hundreds of thousands, the weight of loss is heavy on the hearts of the people of God. As you well know, these aren't just numbers, they are people in our congregations and communities. The Central States Synod is planning an online service of lament and remembrance for Labor Day weekend to name our grief, but also to commend our loved ones and ourselves to God's care. Once details of this service are released, we will notify the members of Christ Lutheran so you can watch and participate.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY THIS WEEK

This week we continue with our Wednesday Bible studies. These will now happen on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month at 7:00pm and we will do them via Zoom. Even if you've never tried Zoom before, you are encouraged to check it out and participate. An email invitation with a direct link will go out to the entire congregation later this week. But if you don't receive that information, here is the Zoom meeting information:

Meeting ID: **862 6479 9461**

Passcode: **726049**

Each Wednesday we will be studying the upcoming texts for worship as we go through the biblical story in chronological order. This week we will be looking at parts of **Genesis chapters 2, 3 & 15**.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation materials are now available for anyone in grades 6-8. Your notebooks are available in the church office and can be picked up at any time. Let Pastor Chad know if you'd like this emailed to you as well. This year's program is mostly designed to be done at home and at your own pace. There will be a Zoom Confirmation check-in on Wednesday, September 30 for all students.

ST. PAUL'S BREAKFAST

Our next date to serve St. Paul's Breakfast is Saturday, September 26. Because people are still hungry during this time, we will still be serving this meal to our community. There will be no preparation on Friday night and everything will take place on that Saturday morning at St. Paul's. We will need about 8 people who are willing to meeting down at **St. Paul's at 7:00am on Saturday, September 26** to prep and serve the meal. We'll be doing biscuits & gravy, along with some other sides. Please contact Donn Bischoff if you are willing and able to help. The one thing that we do need donations for is water bottles. If you would like to donate a package of water bottles, please just leave those near the front door of church and we will make sure they get included in the meals. Thank you!

The risk level for this activity is **HIGH**.

HUMAN NEEDS UPDATE

* Right now we are collecting **peanut butter!** If you have some peanut butter to contribute, you can just leave it in the drop box or entry way up at church.

* During September we are focusing our efforts on **CROP Walk**. We are again sponsors for this event but do not yet have a team. Interested people can register on-line. This year the walk will be a virtual event. This is the link to information on the walk and how to register: <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/wichitaks/>

* Thank you for the support of the **Partner's for Wichita "Filling the Gap" program**. This was a quite stressful year to plan because of COVID, but Christ Lutheran came through with lots of donations and volunteer time. Thank you!

* We will continue to accept clothing donations to support the thrift store for **Mision San Juan de Dios**. If you have clothing donations, feel free to drop them off at church. There are some tubs in the entry way where we are collecting these items.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible study will meet next on Sept 10 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Chisholm Trail Park. Please access the park from Oliver and drive to the first picnic shelter on the right. You may bring your own chair if you wish and a mask and bible and we will socially distance. We will begin the first of 3 sessions on "Holy time" in the Sept issue of the Gather magazine.

All women are welcome! Please consider coming even if you do not currently subscribe to the magazine! I hope you will think about sharing highs and lows from the summer and a time when you saw God. For questions contact Rosie Harder 200-3233 or ma28rr77@cox.net
The risk level for this activity is **LOW**.

UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

Grades 6 –12

9/15 Tues Ball Games & Campfire

We will meet at the Outdoor Sanctuary at 6:30pm for some socially distanced games, devotion & a campfire.
The risk level for this activity 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.

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