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*Traditional*

Celebration of Holy Communion

**April 27, 2025**



## WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN'S PROVIDENCE CAMPUS

If you would like to learn more about the church, contact Kathy Hofmann, our Guest & Hospitality Director  
[khofmann@christelca.org](mailto:khofmann@christelca.org)  
-or-

Fill out one of the Connect cards located in the pew racks in front of you, and place in the offering plate.

The order of service is divided into several sections. Use this bulletin to participate in the worship service, noting parts spoken by the leader or the people, when to stand, sit, or kneel, and music for congregational singing.



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# Traditional Order of Worship

GATHERING

## PRELUDE

**Prelude in C Major, BWV 553**

J. S. Bach

Philip Biedenbender, organ

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SONG OF PREPARATION (stand)

**Be Not Afraid**

Taizé



## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

*Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

**People: Amen.**

*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.**

*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.*

## SILENT REFLECTION & SELF-EXAMINATION (kneel/sit)

*Most merciful God,*

**we confess that we are in bondage 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.**

*Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, 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.**

# SHARING OF THE PEACE

(stand)

*The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

**And also with you.**

## OPENING HYMN *Day of Arising*

Palo Cherwien, Schalk



1 Day of a - ris - ing, Christ on the road - way,  
2 When we are walk - ing, doubt - ful and dread - ing,  
3 Lo, I am with you, Je - sus has spo - ken.  
4 Christ, our com - pan - ion, hope for the jour - ney,



un - known com - pan - ion walks with his own.  
blind - ed by sad - ness, slow - ness of heart,  
This is Christ's prom - ise, this is Christ's sign:  
bread of com - pas - sion, o - pen our eyes.



When they in - vite him, as fades the first day,  
yet Christ walks with us, ev - er a - wait - ing  
when the church gath - ers, when bread is bro - ken,  
Grant us your vi - sion, set all hearts burn - ing



and bread is bro - ken, Christ is made known.  
our in - vi - ta - tion: Stay, do not part.  
there Christ is with us in bread and wine.  
that all cre - a - tion with you may rise.

## APOSTOLIC 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.**

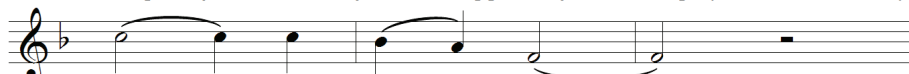
## KYRIE

*Leader: Gathered in peace, gathered in peace let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy...*



**People:** Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy. \_\_\_\_\_

*Leader: For peace from above, and for the saving power of God, let us pray. Christ, have mercy...*



**People:** Christ \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy. \_\_\_\_\_

*Leader: For peace in the world, for the Church, for the unity of all, let us pray. Lord, have mercy...*



**People:** Lord \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy. \_\_\_\_\_

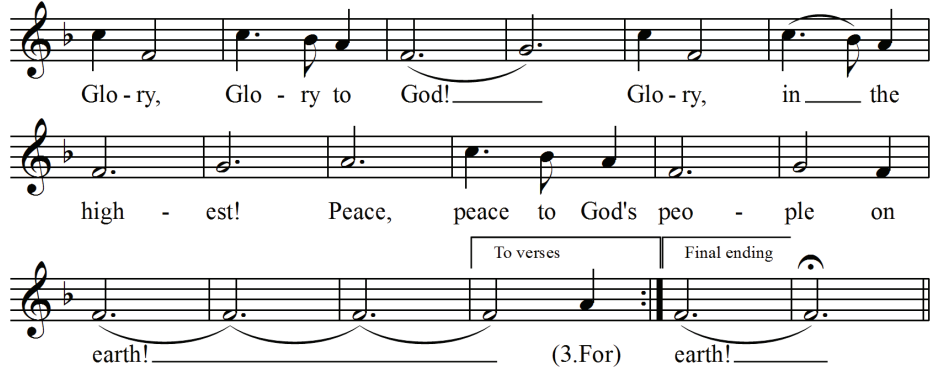
Leader: For this holy place, and for all who gather here for praise, let us pray. Christ, have mercy...



People: Christ — have mer - cy. A - men.

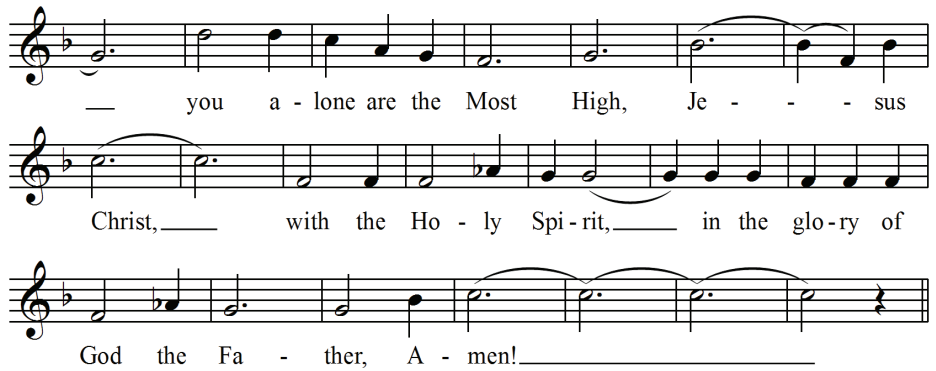
## GLORY TO GOD

### Refrain



### Verses





## PRAYER OF THE DAY

*Leader: The Lord be with you.*

**People: And also with you.**

*Let us pray. Each Sunday, O God, we relive the wonders of your marvelous work of salvation and experience anew the power of Christ's Easter victory. Let the peace that Christ bestowed on the first disciples reign now over this assembly. Let the Spirit breathed on them fill our hearts anew. Help us to recognize the Lord who comes into our assembly and stands among us, proclaiming your steadfast love and comfort to all. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. **Amen.***

## WORD

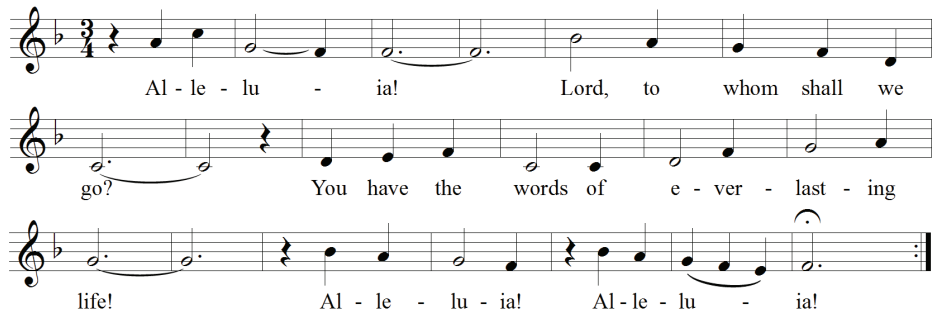
## FIRST READING Isaiah 61:1-3 (NIV) (sit)

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, and provide for those who grieve in Zion—to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor.

*The word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (stand)



**HOLY GOSPEL**  
**John 20:11-18**  
**(NIV)**

*The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter.*  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher"). Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

*The Gospel of the Lord.*  
**Praise to you, O Christ!**

**CHRIST KIDS**  
(sit)

Children ages 3 years through 2nd grade are invited to an age-appropriate lesson in the Ministry Center (M241/242). They will return during the offering.

**SERMON**



**HYMN OF THE DAY**  
***Signs and Wonders***

Palo Cherwien  
(stand)

1 Signs and won - ders lead the danc - ing from the heart God frees from fear:  
2 Hope and free - dom join the cir - cle: Mar - y to the gar - den came,  
3 Cast a - side all fear and hid - ing; hand in hand we dance the round.

wings of an - gels greet the mai - den, and God finds a dwell - ing here;  
saw the ra - diance of the mar - vel, heard the Ris - en call her name;  
God is with us, Christ, a - bid - ing, and the Spir - it's gifts a - bound.

bold - ly may we lift our hands, bow the head, and voice A - men;  
bold - ly may we heed Christ's call, step be - yond the gar - den wall:  
Called by God to ho - li - ness, let us bold - ly serve and bless;



thus does glo - ry shine at mid-night: o - pen hearts in - vite the star - light.  
beau - ti - ful the feet pro-ceed - ing with good news of death's de - feat - ing.  
and to hearts that sigh and hun - ger may our lives dance signs and won - ders.

**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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

**THE PRAYERS** Lord, in your mercy,  
(kneel/sit) **hear our prayer.**

*Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

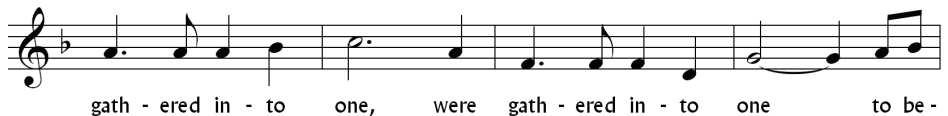
**MUSICAL OFFERING**  
(sit)

Place cash or checks in Give envelopes, located in pew racks, and drop in offering plate. Credit cards can be used via online giving. Text "PRAISE" to 73256 or scan QR Code on envelope.

***I Know That My Redeemer Lives***

Craig Courtney  
Christ Choir

**OFFERTORY**  
***As the Grains of Wheat***  
(stand)



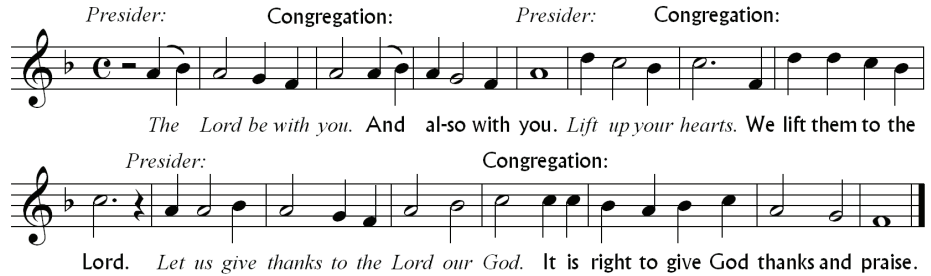


## OFFERTORY PRAYER

*Let us pray. Merciful Father,  
we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us:  
our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.  
Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

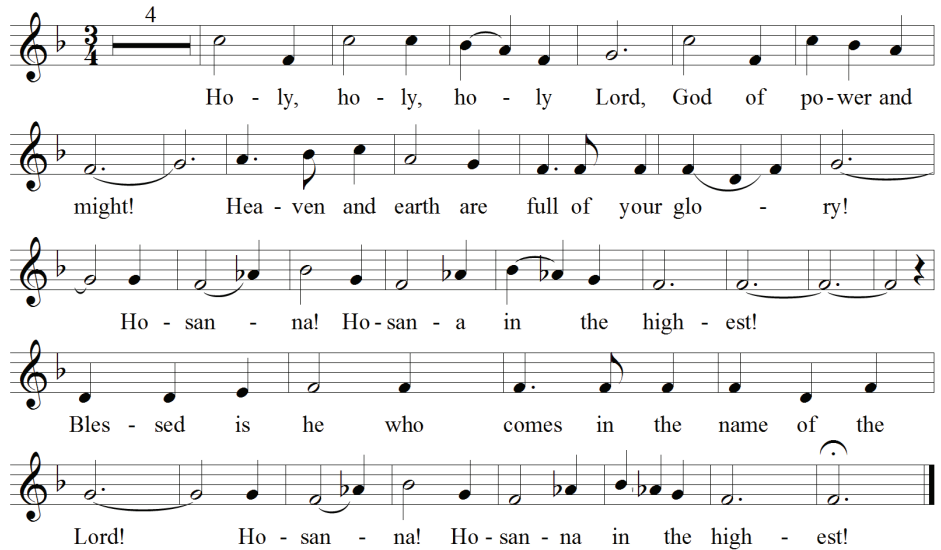
## MEAL

## GREAT THANKSGIVING



## SANCTUS *Holy, Holy, Holy*

*It is our duty and delight... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*



## 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.*

**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.

1. 2


1. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world, have mer-cy on us.  
 2. Bread of life,  
 3. Cup of love,

## HOLY COMMUNION

**COMMUNION HYMN**  
*Come, Ye  
Disconsolate*  
Moore, Hastings,  
Webbe Sr.

1 Come, ye dis - con - so - late, wher - e'er ye lan - guish;  
 2 Joy of the des - o - late, light of the stray - ing,  
 3 Here see the Bread of life; see wa - ters flow - ing,


  
 come to the mer - cy - seat, fer - vent - ly kneel.  
 hope of the pen - i - tent, fade - less and pure;  
 forth from the throne of God, pure from a - bove.



Here bring your wound - ed hearts, here tell your an - guish;  
 here speaks the Com - fort - er, ten - der - ly say - ing;  
 Come to the feast of love; come, ev - er know - ing

earth has no sor-row that heav'n can - not heal.  
 "Earth has no sor-row that heav'n can - not cure."  
 earth has no sor-row but heav'n can re - move.

**BLESSING**  
(stand)

**Amen.**

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**Amen.**

## SENDING

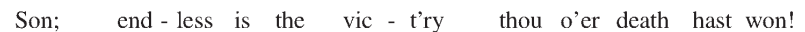
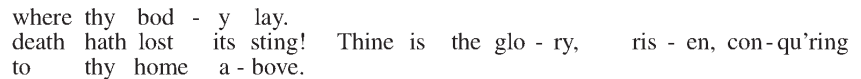
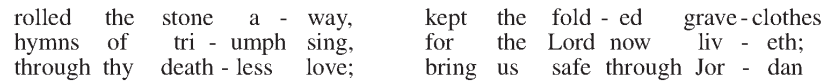
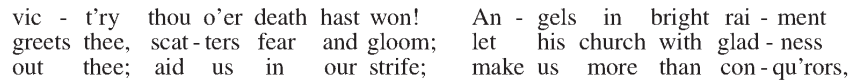
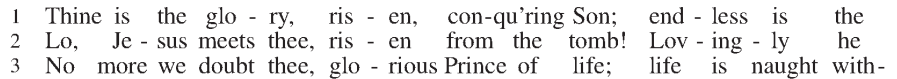
## BENEDICTION

(stand)

*The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.*

**Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN**  
*Thine Is the Glory*  
Budry, Handel



**DISMISSAL** *Go in peace. Serve the Lord.*  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**

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***Fellowship***  
*at the ballpark*



**Friday, May 9**  
**7:00 p.m.**

LIMITED  
TICKETS  
AVAILABLE

**\$22 • Click/Scan to Register**  
DEADLINE: APRIL 14



RESCHEDULED FROM APRIL 6

## Baptismal Class

**Sunday, April 27**  
1:00 p.m. on Zoom

For info, email Pastor Adrienne  
amartin@christelca.org


ZOOM LINK:  
christelca.org/online



**Peer** ministry leadership  
*Retreat*

**May 2-3 at the Legvold's Lake House**  
High School students new to Peer Ministry as well as trained mentors are invited for a weekend at the lake. Practice leadership skills while having fun on the water!

**\$25 • Scan/Click to Register>>**





## Parent's Time Out

**Sunday, May 4**  
12:15 - 2:15 p.m. in the Pit

Parents, do you need a break? Then mark your calendars for our final Parent's Time Out for this school year. Drop off children aged 3 through middle school in the Pit. Lunch provided.

**Scan/Click to Register>>**  
PLEASE REGISTER BY MAY 1




## UPDATE YOUR REALM PICTURE

**May 4 • May 18 • June 1**

Bring your phone and let's update your profile picture in REALM! Join us in the Lower Commons between 9-11am on one of the Sundays listed and we will help you update your picture(s).



## Third THURSDAY

for adults of all ages

**May 15 • 11:45am - 1:30pm**  
at the Firepit outside The Pit

Last Third Thursday until the Fall! Join us for a Hawaiian-themed cook out with music, mock-tails & trivia by Terry Legvold. Wear your favorite Hawaiian shirt or grass skirt.

**\$12 • Scan/Click to Register>**




ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

## Faith Fellowship

**Sundays • 10-10:45 a.m.**  
Forum A&B -or- Online (Zoom)

From April 27 - May 18, come enrich your understanding of the gospel-centered what, when, why and how we use liturgy to worship God in our church services!

ZOOM LINK: **christelca.org/online**

## OCEAN ISLE

*Memorial Weekend Worship*

**Sunday, May 25 • 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**  
at Ocean Isle Beach

Join Pastor Tenny for worship at the beach over Memorial Day weekend. Brunch to follow. Find more information in REALM.

**Click/Scan for Info & RSVP**  
or email tcshifley@gmail.com



**NEW EPISODE EACH WEEK!**



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## Morning Melodies SUMMER CHOIR

Starts May 25!

every Sunday at 8:15 a.m. (in the Sanctuary)

Calling all singers! Join Mark, Phil and Christ Choir as we prepare an accessible anthem for the Musical Offering during Traditional Worship service. No robes or experience required – just bring your enthusiasm and love for singing!

MORE INFO: [pbiedenbender@christelca.org](mailto:pbiedenbender@christelca.org)

## High School Cookout

Sunday, April 27 • 6-8 p.m.  
at Colonel Beatty Park (Weddington)

We'll be grilling up delicious burgers & enjoying a great evening of fellowship. Bring your friends & be ready for some good food & good times. All high schoolers are welcome!



Scan/Click to Register>

## Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study

meets weekly from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
at Christ Providence (Forum A&B)



On April 24th, we will start a new, 5-wk. study on *Don't Look Back: Getting Unstuck and Moving Forward with Passion and Purpose* by Christine Caine. Join us!

MORE INFO: [julia.edelson@gmail.com](mailto:julia.edelson@gmail.com)

## NEW SUNDAY CLASS ADULT CONFIRMATION

10-10:45 a.m. in the Cornerstone Cafe Area



This new Sunday class is an opportunity to study the Bible with your adult mind and address any questions that arise.

All are welcome!

Led by Pastor Ryan

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## IGNITE! Kentucky Derby Party

Saturday, May 3

5:30 - 8p.m. at the Legvold's Home (Matthews)

Join us for cornhole, bocce ball & a scavenger hunt. Derby attire encouraged (best dressed trophy!). Mint Juleps provided. Please bring a heavy appetizer to share.

\$10 PP AT THE DOOR

RSVP in REALM within the Ignite! Group or email [laurie.carter57@gmail.com](mailto:laurie.carter57@gmail.com)

## Habitat Charlotte Build

UPCOMING DATES

April 26 • Drywall Hanging  
May 10 • Interior Painting  
May 23 • Interior Trim Installation

Contact Amy Daniels for details, to register, or general questions about these upcoming builds: [adaniels@christelca.org](mailto:adaniels@christelca.org)

## Facility Steward

part-time, flexible hours



Seeking interested candidates to assist with providing general building services as a facility steward at Christ Providence starting in April. General duties include room set-up, light maintenance tasks, assisting members and visitors at events, as well as opening and closing security.

For more information, please contact Tony Hyde at [thyde@christelca.org](mailto:thyde@christelca.org)

## CONFIRMATION WEEKEND RETREAT

CAMP AWANITA • MARIETTA, SC  
AUGUST 15-17

Join other rising 9th graders for a weekend of fun activities and fellowship at the final Confirmation Stepping Stone.

\$250 • REGISTER BY APRIL 27

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## SMALL GROUP ministries



**LEADER TRAINING WORKSHOPS**  
**July 30 • Aug. 6 • Aug. 13 • Aug. 20**  
 6-7:30 p.m. in Forum A & B

**Scan/Click for More Info & RSVP>>**  
 or email [mparker@christelca.org](mailto:mparker@christelca.org)

## VOLUNTEER & DONOR APPRECIATION

**Tuesday, May 6 • 5-7 p.m.**  
 at Edge City Brewing (MORA)

Join us at Edge City Brewing as we celebrate all you do to support McPIE. Food & music provided.

**MORE INFO: [adavis@christelca.org](mailto:adavis@christelca.org)**



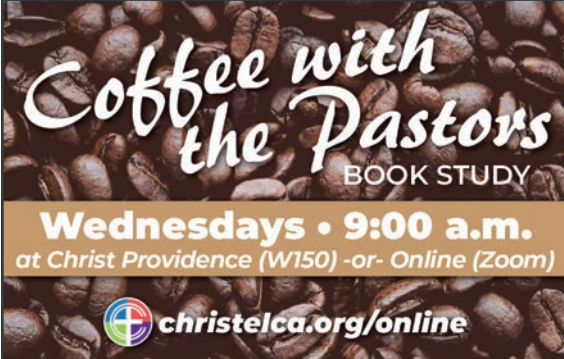
## CONFIRMATION CAMP

for 6th - 8th graders

# July 13-18

at Lutheridge


**Click/Scan for More Info & RSVP>>**  
 DEADLINE TO REGISTER: MAY 1

## Coffee with the Pastors

BOOK STUDY

**Wednesdays • 9:00 a.m.**  
 at Christ Providence (W150) -or- Online (Zoom)

 [christelca.org/online](http://christelca.org/online)



## VBS

# Register Now!

## Vacation Bible School

# June 16-20

**Scan/Click QR Code to Register>>**  
 TO VOLUNTEER: [krank@christelca.org](mailto:krank@christelca.org)




REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

**SPOTLIGHT SUMMER CAMP**  
**July 28 - August 1**

Rising 2nd-5th graders are welcome to register for this all-day summer camp featuring singing, drama & choreography. Cost: \$300

**Click/Scan QR Code for More Info & RSVP**



CenterStage, CLC's summer theater camp for middle school youth returns this summer!

## Matilda JR.

**July 28 - August 1**

Rising 6th-8th graders are welcome to register for this all-day summer camp featuring singing, drama & choreography. Cost: \$300

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# Prayers

† People of Russia and Ukraine  
 † Israel and Palestine War  
 † All those who are fighting cancer  
 † All those impacted by the earthquakes in Myanmar and Thailand  
 † Steve Deal  
 † Elizabeth  
 † Deanna Hunter  
 † Lynn Davis  
 † Taylor Dalrymple  
 † Betsy Warren  
 † Tricia Vidal's sister, Tracy  
 † Susan Brackett  
 † Greg Hoogerland and family on the death of his mother  
 † Frank Henry's mom and dad, Jean and Jim  
 † Julia Edelson's mother, Betsy  
 † David Misenheimer  
 † Donna Emmans  
 † Barbara Anderson and family on the death of her brother, Bill

## *The flowers today are given to the Glory of God...*

In memory of Janet Voelker, our loving wife and mother, from Bruce, Rebecca and Maggie Voelker

In memory of Bob Mueller, with love, Judy

## WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

**April 17, 2025**

Noon: 49  
 6:30 pm: 293

**April 18, 2025**

Family Service: 79  
 Noon: 61  
 7:30 pm: 255

**April 20, 2025**

Sunrise: 90  
 Traditional: 480  
 Bridge: 227  
 Contemporary: 717  
 Christ Online: 577 (Sun - Tue)



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## — Our Ministry Leaders —



**Dr. Scott Suskovic**  
 Senior Pastor



**Pastor Ryan Ritzmann**  
 Evangelism  
 & Faith Formation



**Pastor Adrienne Martin**  
 Family Ministries



**Alexis Williams**  
 Christ Online  
 Minister



**Mark Johanson**  
 Minister of  
 Music & Worship



**Amy Daniels**  
 Director of  
 Outreach

## — Serving in Worship —

**Philip Biedenbender** Associate Minister of Music  
**Shelby Johns** Tech Director  
**Kevin Lane** Associate Tech Director  
**Olivia Gerik** Media Director  
**Dennis Contreras** Music Associate  
**Craig Cole** Music Associate  
**Noah DePalma** Tech Associate



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