



June 15, 2025



WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN'S PROVIDENCE CAMPUS

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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

PRELUDE

Prelude on Thaxted

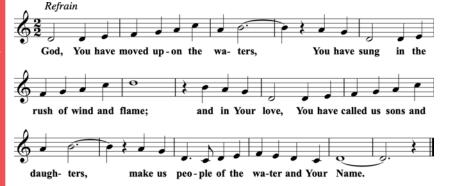
arr. William H. Bates

Haugen

Philip Biedenbender, organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS SONG OF PREPARATION (stand)

Song over the Waters





- 1. Mighty blowing storms, gentle falling rains: Re new us!
 2. Water for the vine, water for the grain: Re new us!
- 3. Spirit of all hope, Spirit of all peace: Re new us!
- 4. Spirit of all joy, Spirit of all life: Re new us! to Refrain

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

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

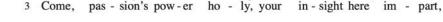
(stand)

ACE And also with you.





2 O Beau - ty ev - er blaz - ing in flow - er, field, and face,



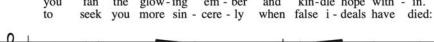


you show your self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed place.
and give your ser - vants low - ly an un - der - stand-ing heart



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,





Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



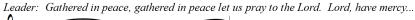
come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath.
un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new.
in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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.







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



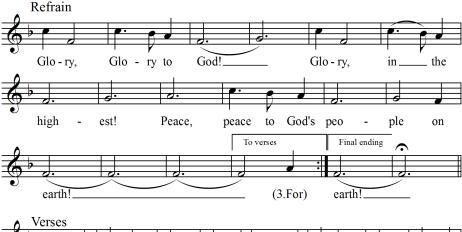
Leader: For peace in the world, for the Church, for the unity of all, let us pray. Lord, have mercy...

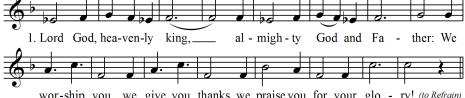


Leader: For this holy place, and for all who gather here for praise, let us pray. Christ, have mercy...



GLORY TO GOD





wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry! (to Refrain)



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Let us pray. You open wide your hand, O God, and satisfy with your good gifts the needs of all who live. Pour forth your Holy Spirit on your church gathered in prayer and cause springs of living water to well up within it, so that all may quench their thirst for justice and truth. We ask through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. **Amen.**

- WORD -

FIRST READING
Genesis 1:1–5
(NIV)
(sit)

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. God called the light "day," and the darkness he called

"night." And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

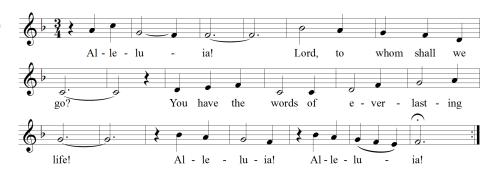
SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 5:14-20 (NIV)

For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again. So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (stand)



HOLY GOSPEL John 15:12-17, 26-27 (NIV) The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

"My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. This is my command: Love each other.

"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me. And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHRISTKIDS DISMISSAL

(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



The Spirit's Work in Creation Pastor Adrienne Martin

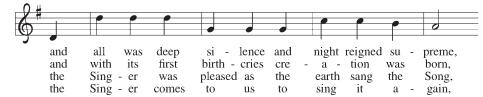
HYMN OF THE DAY When Long Before Time

Davison, Black (stand)



3 The sounds of the crea - tures were one with their Lord's, 4 Though down through the a - ges the Song dis - ap - peared,







- 5 The Light has returned as it came once before, the Song of the Lord is our own song once more, so let us all sing with one heart and one voice the Song of the Singer in whom we rejoice.
- 6 To you, God the Singer, our voices we raise, to you, Song Incarnate, we give all our praise, to you, Holy Spirit, our life and our breath, be glory forever, through life and through death.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

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.

Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me arr. K. Lee Scott Morning Melodies Summer Choir

OFFERTORY As the Grains of Wheat (stand)



OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY 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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



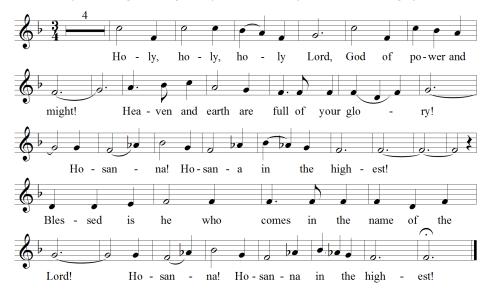
The Lord be with you. And al-so with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the



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

SANCTUS Holy, Holy, Holy

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

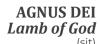


WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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



HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians who have been instructed in the sacrament and believe Christ is present for the forgiveness of sins are invited to commune. Young children are invited to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers available upon request

COMMUNION HYMN Spirit of Gentleness Manley

Spir - it, Spir - it of gen-tle-ness, blow through the wil-der-ness



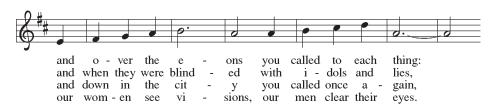


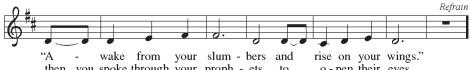


- 1 You moved on the wa ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to mor row, you break an-cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep; and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land; then you whis-pered in si - lence when the whole world was still; From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;





"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings."
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo-ple a - rise.

BLESSING (stand)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

- SENDING

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

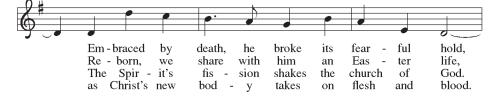
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN We Know that Christ Is Raised Geyer, Stanford









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

POSTLUDE

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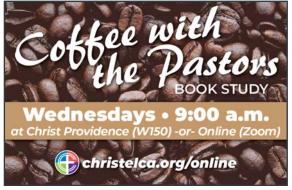






Join us for a game of pickleball at 🔲 Tipsy Pickle (201 Camp Rd. Suite 120). Bring your own or rent a paddle and join us for a fun night! Scan/Click for Info & RSVP>> REALM









Science Camp Recyclables Needed

At this time, we only need plastic bottles (any size).

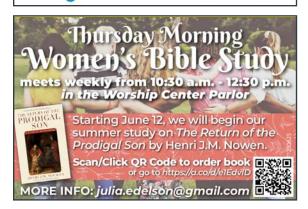
Donations can be dropped off at the Outreach Office -or- leave them at the Info Desk in the Lower Commons on Sunday mornings.



Wednesdays • 7:30-9:00 p.m. in the Adult Library

Join other high schoolers for a weekly Bible Study this summer led by Cole Zoutewelle. We'll dive into the Word in a laid-back, conversation-based environment.

MORE INFO: Tyler Weller (tweller@christelca.org)

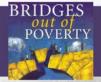






every Sunday at 8:15 a.m. (in the Sanctuary)
Calling all singers! Join Mark, Phil and Christ
Choir as we prepare an accessible anthem for
the Musical Offering during Traditional Worship
service. No robes or experience required – just
bring your enthusiasm and love for singing!

MORE INFO: pbiedenbender@christelca.org



Tuesday, June 17 and Wednesday, June 18 12:30–4:00 p.m. in Church Office Great Rm. (lunch included)

In two afternoons, learn how people from different economic backgrounds approach life differently & why this is essential knowledge in building relationships with people from another economic class.



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MORE INFO: adaniels@christelca.org









Prayers

- † People in Washington DC, our government and leaders
- † All those in recovery and addiction
- † All those who are fighting cancer
- † Those affected by mental illness
- † Prayers for students and teachers as the school year ends
- † Peace in LA and the rest of the nation
- † Steve Deal
- † Elizabeth
- † Deanna Hunter
- † Donna Emmans
- † Becky Sigmon
- † Ilse Mengel
- † D Creason and family on the death of his mother, Doris Creason
- † Jack Whittemore's brother, Scott
- † Roger Szymczk
- † Chris Simmons
- † Rosemary Goodall and family on the death of her husband. Richard
- † Jane and Randy Satterfield's grandson, James Satterfield
- † Rebecca Rumpf and family on the death of her mother, Sharon Deming
- † Stacey and Gabriel Robbins on the birth of their baby girl, Goldie June
- † Virginia Pfeiffer

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

In memory of Gwen Brown from Phillip Brown

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

June 8, 2025

Traditional: 258 Contemporary: 321 Christ Online: 426 (Sun - Tue)



- Our Ministry Leaders —



Dr. Scott SuskovicSenior Pastor



Ryan RitzmannEvangelism
& Faith Formation



Pastor Adrienne Martin Family Ministries



Alexis Williams
Christ Online
Minister



Mark Johanson
Minister of
Music & Worship



Amy DanielsDirector of
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