



CHRISTLUTHERAN
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Traditional

October 11, 2026



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
-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 on "Beach Spring"

Charles Callahan

Philip Biedenbender, organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG OF PREPARATION (stand)

Sing Out, My Soul

Berthier



Sing out my soul. Sing out, my soul Sing out and glo-ri-fy the Lord who sets us free.



Sing out, my soul. Sing out, my soul. Sing out and glo-ri-fy the Lord God!

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (sit)

APOSTLES' CREED (stand)

Leader: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

BAPTISM (sit)

Henry Charles Fleisch

son of Casey & Kristina Fleisch

(stand)

Leader: Through Baptism God has made this child a member of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus, that we may proclaim the praise of God and bear his creative and redeeming Word to all the world.

People: We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and a worker with us in the kingdom of God.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

OPENING HYMN *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly* Dunstan, Moore



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang - ers; seek - er, be a wel - come guest.
3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
We that once were lost and scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

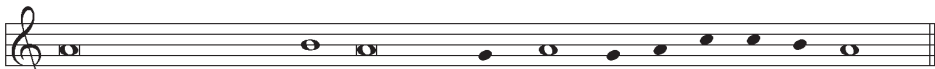
APOSTOLIC GREETING

*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



Ⓐ In peace, let us pray to the Lord. ⓐ Lord, have mer - cy.



Ⓐ For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



ⓐ Lord, have mer - cy.



Ⓐ For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord.

C A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE *Glory to God in the Highest*



A Glo-ry to God in the high- est, and peace to his peo- ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al- might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor- ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je- sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa- ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a- way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat- ed at the right hand of the Fa- ther; re- ceive our prayer.



For you a- lone are the Ho - ly One, you a- lone are the Lord,



you a- lone are the Most High, Je- sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir- it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men

**PRAYER OF
THE DAY**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Let us pray. Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that would obstruct your mercy, that willingly we may bear your redeeming love to all the world, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

READING
1 Corinthians
1:26–31 (NIV)
(sit)

Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before him. It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. Therefore, as it is written: “Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL
ACCLAMATION**
Alleluia
(stand)



HOLY GOSPEL
Luke 1:26–38
(NIV)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 1st chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

In the sixth month of Elizabeth’s pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin’s name was Mary. The angel went to her and said, “Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you.” Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. But the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over Jacob’s descendants forever; his kingdom will never end.” “How will this be,” Mary asked the angel, “since I am a virgin?” The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month. For no word from God will ever fail.” “I am the Lord’s servant,” Mary answered. “May your word to me be fulfilled.” Then the angel left her.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

**MINISTRY
MOMENT**
(sit)



SERMON

*Rekindling
the
Flame*

Mary: But I'm a Nobody
Pastor Scott Suskovic

HYMN OF THE DAY
*There's a Wideness
in God's Mercy*

Faber
(stand)

1. There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy, like the
2. There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and a
3. For the love of God is broad - er than the
4. 'Tis not all we owe to Je - sus; it is

wide - ness of the sea; there's a kind - ness in God's
prom - ised grace made good; there is mer - cy with the
mea - sures of our mind; and the heart of the E -
some - thing more than all: great - er good be - cause of

jus - tice which is more than lib - er - ty.
Sav - ior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.
e - vil, larg - er mer - cy through the fall.

There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more
There is grace e - nough for thou - sands of new
But we make this love too nar - row by false
Make our love, O God, more faith - ful; let us

felt than up in heav'n. There is no place where earth's
worlds as great as this; there is room for fresh cre -
lim - its of our own; and we mag - ni - fy its
take you at your word, and our lives will be thanks -

fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment giv'n.
a - tions in that up - per home of bliss.
strict - ness with a zeal God will not own.
giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

(sit)



Welcome New Members

SEE PAGE 9
FOR NAMES & PICS

MUSICAL OFFERING

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.

Arms Opened Wide

Howard Helvey
Christ Choir

OFFERTORY *Thank the Lord*

(stand)

☐ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.

Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.

He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy

with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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.

THE PRAYERS

(kneel/sit)

Lord, in your mercy,
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.*

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.

SENDING

BENEDICTION

(stand)

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

Canticle of the Turning

Cooney, Irish trad.



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
 2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .
 3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a
 4 Though the na - tions rage from . . age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
 work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
 stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
 mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
 depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
 jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . from his throne.
 liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
 Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
 The hun - gry poor shall . . weep no more, for the
 This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
 those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
 food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry
 prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
 strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

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DISMISSAL & POSTLUDE

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



Welcome Our New Members!



Jay Crotty



Millie Florio



Jerry Hillestad



Elizabeth & Ken Williams



Danielle Knutson



Laura Lilly



Trinity Lowe & Nathan Lilly



Brenda & Bryan Maas



Calvin McKenzie



Sherry & James Pena



Tamara Schmutge



Scott & Katie Knoblach
(not pictured, Axel & Greta)



Katie Williams



Amos, Carissa
& Danielle Robert



Chris Bennet

McPIE Daytime Volunteer Opportunities

DAYTIME OPPORTUNITY

Teacher Treats

Support teachers and staff at McClintock Middle School with lunches, breakfasts, holiday treats and more during the school year.

If you are interested in joining this team, contact Melinda Dale at melinda28226@hotmail.com



DAYTIME OPPORTUNITY:

McClintock Tutors



Volunteers needed to help tutor students needing extra help at McClintock Middle. You can choose the subject and grade, as well as day and time for tutoring!

Contact Emma LeSaint if interested in volunteering: emma.n.lesaint@gmail.com



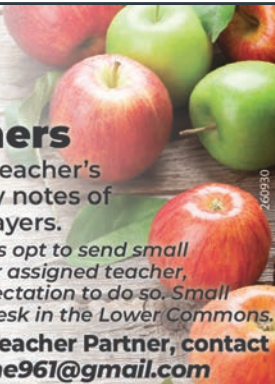
DAYTIME OPPORTUNITY:

Teacher Partners

Brighten a McClintock teacher's day by sending monthly notes of encouragement and prayers.

While some Teacher Partners opt to send small gifts or spend time with their assigned teacher, there is no obligation or expectation to do so. Small gifts can be left at the Info desk in the Lower Commons.

If you would like to be a Teacher Partner, contact Jeanne Hunt: huntjeanne961@gmail.com



DAYTIME OPPORTUNITY:

McClintock Copy Crew

Volunteer an hour or two each week (or every other if enough volunteers) to help McClintock teachers with their copying needs. Training provided!

To volunteer or for more info, email Sharhonda Morgan: smorgan@christelca.org



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...SO THAT ALL McCLINTOCK MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS SUCCEED!



Dinner 5:00-6:00 p.m.

in Fellowship Hall (\$8 adults/\$6 child/\$30 family max)
To speed up your check-in, prepay for dinner in Realm

Activities & Classes 6:00-7:30 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 16 – DECEMBER 9, 2026

LEARN MORE & RSVP FOR DINNERS:
christelca.org/wednesdays-ablaze

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BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, October 18

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

TO REGISTER, GO TO:
oneblood.org/donate-now



Stewardship Sunday is October 18

BRING YOUR INTENTION CARD FOR 2027 GIVING -or- PLEDGE ONLINE:

onrealm.org/christelca/AddPledge/2027pledge



Children's Clothing Needed

We are collecting clean, gently used or new clothing for elementary-sized children, girls & boys — especially in need of pants.

Drop off at info desk in Lower Commons or bins outside of Outreach office.

Please label bags "children's clothing"



RETURNED FILLED BAGS OF FOOD BY OCTOBER 18th
to benches outside Forum

Bring non-perishable items (no glass containers) to help our brothers & sisters in need here in Charlotte.

MORE INFO:
krank@christelca.org

Food! Live Music! Games For All Ages!



Sunday, October 25 • 4–7 p.m.
Outside Near the Portico-Fountain Area

Trunk or Treat from 4–5 p.m. (for 5th grade & under)

Beer/Wine available for purchase (21+ only)

Brats, Chicken Sausage, Sides, Hotdogs, Dessert (\$15 adult • \$7 child)

SCAN/CLICK FOR MORE INFO & RSVP>> REALM




Baptismal Class

Sun., November 1
10 a.m. in Lackey Chapel

THIS CLASS IS IN PERSON ONLY

For info, email Caroline at cdiffley@christelca.org

FOR MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

CORN MAZE

Sunday, October 11
4–6 p.m. for Middle School
6–8 p.m. for High School

THIS IS YOUTH GROUP.

Join us for an evening of fun & fellowship at Country Days Corn Maze in Indian Trail. We will explore the maze & have a time of worship around the fire pits. Meet at Country Days Farm.

\$10 • Click/Scan to Register>>



REALM

City Scavenger Hunt

Saturday, October 17 • 3–7 p.m.

High schoolers will ride in style through Charlotte, competing in team challenges, sharing a meal together & wrapping up the night at church with a showcase of the videos they created along the way. Come dressed in your favorite nice outfit.

\$10 • Click/Scan to Register



REALM

MIDDLE SCHOOL

GAME NIGHT

Sunday, October 18 • 4–6 p.m.
in the Pit

Grades 6-8 are invited for an evening of fun and games!

Dinner included • Bring a friend!

Scan/Click to Register



REALM



Prayers

† National, state and local leaders
† Conflicts throughout the world
† Kristi Ausrud
† Delaney Martin
† Jackie Misenheimer's mother, Mildred Wells
† Sonny Parker
† Lois Witham
† Bill Porter
† Fred Reddel
† Renee Cerwin's grandson, Archie
† Meghan Cole's grandfather, Paul Hoffmann
† Travis Weller
† Mike Schnieders
† Karen Roode
† Melissa Eldridge Perlmutter
† Perfecta Modesto
† Wayne and Mary Clark
† Kristin Kilpatrick
† Jeanne Alexander
† Shelby Smyrl on the death of her husband, Jim
† Bob Liljefors and family on the death of his sister, Karen Roode
Hospice List
† Rajah Chacko's mother, Yo



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Our Pastors



Dr. Scott Suskovic
Senior Pastor



Pastor Ryan Ritzmann
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Pastor Adrienne Ladd
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WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

October 4, 2026

Traditional: 215

Bridge: 111

Contemporary: 271

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