

Traditional October 26, 2025

**Celebration of Holy Communion** 



#### 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

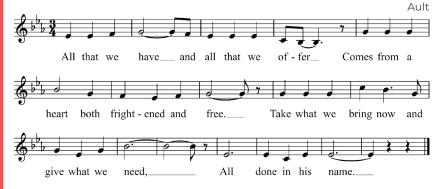
PRELUDE

#### A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

arr. Krug Luther Ringers

# WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS SONG OF PREPARATION (stand)





#### **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 The Church's One Foundation

Stone, Wesley, arr. Larson



1 The church's one foun-da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord; 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,

3 Though with a scorn-ful won - der this world sees her op-pressed.





her char-ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
by schisms. rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
and mys-tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride; one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food, yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?" Oh, bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,



with blood he bought her, and died. his own for her life hope she press - es grace dued. and one with ev - 'ry and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn song. that saints be - fore we, like us, may see you face face.

## 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.

#### HYMN OF PRAISE This Is the Feast



Choir: 1. Worthy is Christ the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.





#### Choir:

5. For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia, alleluia.



#### Leader: The Lord be with you. **OF THE DAY** People: And also with you.

Let us pray. Gracious Father, we pray for your church. Fill it with all truth and peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where anything in it is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in need, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### FIRST READING 1 John 4:13-20

(NIV) (sit) This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Sayior of the world. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God. And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. We love because he first loved us. Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### GOSPEL **ACCLAMATION** Alleluia (stand)

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



Choir: Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.



#### HOLY GOSPEL John 15:9-13 (NIV)

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. 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."

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**

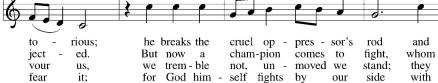


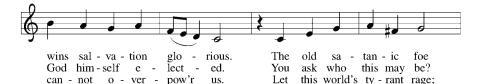
#### Modeling Abundance Pastor Scott Suskovic

#### HYMN OF THE DAY & RECEPTION OF INTENTION CARDS A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Luther, arr. Michael Costello (stand)







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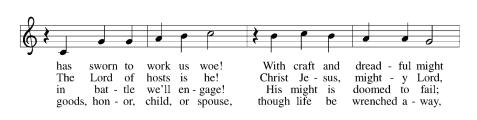
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#### NICENE CREED

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)

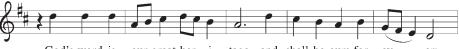
Place cash or checks in Give envelopes, located in pew racks, and drop in offering plate. Credit cards can be used via online giving. Text "PRAISE" to 73256 or scan QR Code on envelope.

Forevermore

Dan Forrest
Christ Choir

#### OFFERTORY God's Word Is Our Great Heritage

Gruntvig, Luther (stand)



God's word is our great her - i - tage and shall be ours for - ev -





Through life it guides our way; in death it is our stay. Lord, grant while



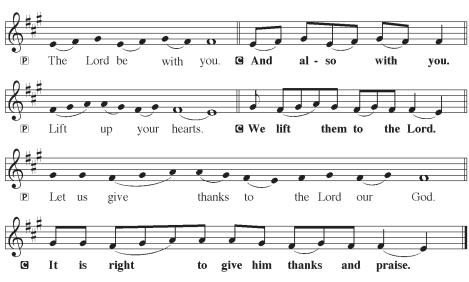
time shall last your church may hold it fast through-out all gen-er-a - tions

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

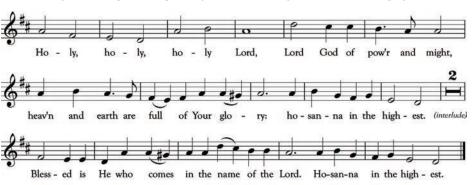
Let us pray. Merciful Father,

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, Iesus Christ our Lord. Amen.





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.



#### **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.

Aria & Rondinella
G.F. Handel

Amanda McAllister, oboe

BLESSING (stand)

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

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

MUNION Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a PRAYER 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 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

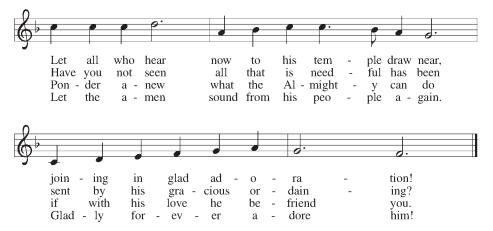
Neander, arr. Ferguson



- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Al might y, the King of cre a tion!
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign ing 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros-per your work and de - fend you;
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros-per your work and de-fend you; 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a-dore him!



0 my soul, praise him, for is your health and sal - va he and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you. and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore life him!



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

#### **POSTLUDE**

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## Food! Live Music! Games For All Ages!



# Sunday, October 26 • 4-7 p.m. Outside at Christ Providence

Trunk or Treat from 4-5pm (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



# Christmas Shopping for Nursing Home Residents

Last year, we were able to provide gifts for 100 residents at Trinity Place Lutheran Home in Albemarle. Thank you for your support!

We will be helping again this Christmas.

Stop by the table in the Lower Commons

#### **November 9th and 16th**

to pick up a resident's name & wishlist. Bring back wrapped gifts by Dec. 7th.

MORE INFO: mparker@christelca.org



#### Learn About Your Neighbors' Faith

# Sunday, October 26 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. in Center Six

We welcome a guest speaker from Israel to speak about Jewish and Israeli culture. You are invited to join us for lunch and conversation with our neighbor in faith. All are welcome.

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MORE INFO: tweller@christelca.org







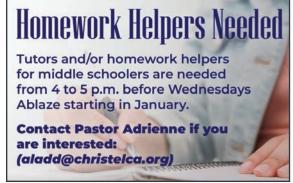




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FAITH FELLOWSHIP CLASS: In Martin Luther's Footsteps Sundays • 10-10:45 a.m. Forum A&B -or- Online (Zoom)

Born as miner's son, join us as we walk through Luther's life and the indelible imprint he leaves on the Christian faith.

ZOOM LINK: christelca.org/online





# Installation of the **Bishop**

Emily K. Hartner North Carolina Synod ELCA

# November 15 • 2 p.m. in the Sanctuary

also on YouTube LIVE FOR LINK: christelca.org/online

#### Bishop's Installation Mass Choir Rehearsal

#### Saturday, November 15

12:00-1:30 p.m. in the Music Room

Come sing with us! All are invited to join the mass choir for the Installation of Pastor Emily Hartner as the Bishop of the ELCA North Carolina Synod at Christ Lutheran Church. Service follows in the Sanctuary at 2:00 p.m.

If you'd like to participate, email Phil at pbiedenbender@christelca.org





**Family Nights at McClintock** every Tuesday from 5:30 - 7:15 p.m.

To get involved, contact Angela: adavis@christelca.org



Sunday, November 2

1 - 5 p.m. at the South Land Deckbarn 315 Reid Dairy Rd. in Waxhaw

Wear your Charlotte Panther's gear as we cheer them to victory against the Green Bay Packers. Please bring an appetizer to share.

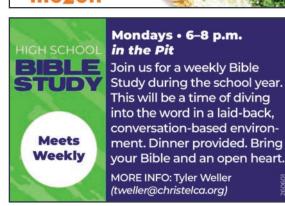
\$5 AT THE DOOR TO COVER THE COST OF BEER & WINE **RSVP in REALM within the Ignite! Group** or email laurie.carter57@gmail.com











# PARENT CONNECTION ATTAINS Sunday, November 2

4-6 p.m. in the Forum "Drugs & Alcohol"

Parents & youth are invited for a presentation from Sgt. Robert Stark about dealing with Drugs & Alcohol. There will also be an opportunity for parents to ask questions while students have fellowship time.

Click/Scan to Register>>





MONTHLY PARENT CLASS

#### Mental Wellness in a Modern World

meets on 2nd Wednesday of each month 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. in Forum C

#### **Topic for November 12: Resiliency**

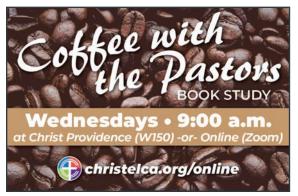
Explore what it takes to bounce back from life's challenges, both for kids and adults. Learn how to cultivate resilience as a family value and a personal strength.

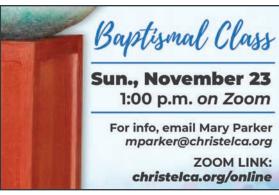


Led by a mental health professional, Trent Morrow, LCSW, of L&B Counseling. Parents of children of all ages welcome!













located between the Ministry Center & Lower Commons

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SUN | TUE | WED | THU 9:30a.m. - 12:30p.m.

or by private appointment call 704-366-1595 ext. 0





## Prayers

- † People in Washington DC, our government and leaders
- † People of Russia and Ukraine
- † Israel and Palestine War
- † Conflict in the Middle East
- † Caregivers
- † Prayers for escalating turmoil and divisions
- † Elizabeth
- † Chris Simmons
- † Donna Emmans
- † Becky Sigmon
- † David Misenheimer
- † Kathy Hofmann's aunt, Linda
- † Fred Reddel
- † Mary Ann Crutcher's son-in-law, Bob
- † Mike and Karen Hardwick's daughter, Landry
- † Mark Glaeser
- † Laura Tang's sister, Nancy
- † Bobby Mauney and family on the death of his sister, Ginny
- † Rachel and Ethan Dyer on the birth of their baby boy, Owen Reid
- † Marjorie Liljefors
- † Rhyne Cannon's mother, Charlotte Cannon
- † Richard
- † Anne Ratcliffe and family on the death of her brother, Mike

#### **Hospice List:**

† Dawn Wisenberger's father, Pastor Bill Hollar

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

In memory of Cyrus and Dahlia Brown from Phillip Brown

#### **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

October 19, 2025

Traditional: 262 Bridge: 118 Contemporary: 288 Christ Online: 296 *(Sun - Tue)* 



# – Our Ministry Leaders —



**Dr. Scott Suskovic**Senior Pastor



Pastor
Ryan Ritzmann
Evangelism
& Faith Formation



**Pastor Adrienne Ladd**Family Ministries



Alexis Williams
Christ Online
Minister



Mark Johanson
Minister of
Music & Worship



**Angela Davis**Director of
Outreach

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