

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



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Welcome to worship! So glad you are here!

To assist in your worship: * means stand as you are able, **bold** print means we respond, + means you may make the sign of the cross if you so desire.

TODAY'S WORSHIP THEME:

God didn't want Israel's worship rituals and sacrifices. God wanted real change—justice that rolls down like waters, and a stream of righteousness.

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GATHERING *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God*

PRELUDE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & SPECIAL SPEAKER

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

We confess our sins before God and one another. (*Pause for silence and reflection*) Creator of all things,

We have failed to care for all that you have made. We have squandered resources and oppressed others. Forgive us for what we have done and have failed to do. Teach us how to be steward of your creation with care and nurture. Amen.

Our God will always love all that God has made. Although we sin, God forgives. Receive now the entire forgiveness of all your sins, granted as a gift from a loving God. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

***GATHERING HYMN**

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

#755

***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**



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Glory to You

1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
 2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
 3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;

yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
 yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
 yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.

Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
 Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
 Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;

ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.

Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;

yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray, God of justice, **You desire for us to cultivate compassion and work toward justice. Teach us to love as you love. Amen.**

WORD *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song*

FIRST READING

Amos 1:1-2; 5:14-15, 21-24
Pew Bible Old Testament pgs. 947 & 952

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

GOSPEL

John 7:37-44

Pew Bible New Testament pg. 103

The Holy Gospel according to John the 7th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The reading concludes: The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Pam Challis

SERMON

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SERMON HYMN

Let Justice Flow like Streams

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*APOSTLES' CREED

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

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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need...

God of Justice, **hear our prayer**

You hear us, O God, before we even ask, and yet you welcome our prayers and hold them all in your loving embrace. Gather these together with all those offered on this day, all over the world you have created. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord,**

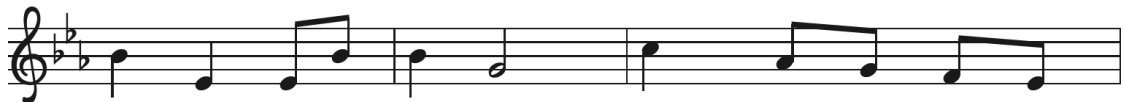
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***SONG OF THANKSGIVING**

Holy, Holy, Holy




Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and



God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the



Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

On the night our Lord Jesus was betrayed...we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

***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 *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world*

***BENEDICTION**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN** *Shall We Gather at the River* #423

***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION (Off Camera)

SERMON NOTES & DOODLES

Amos, the prophet



Jesus, the Living Water



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It is our joy to worship with your whole family this morning!

CHILDCARE

We hope everyone of all ages and abilities will be able to worship together. A special play area is available at the back of the sanctuary. If you need to take a "time out" please do so in the narthex (gathering space at the entry), and return to worship when you are ready. A changing table is located in the restroom off the main entry. Activity bags, filled with crayons, paper and storybooks, are available in the main entry. Please ask an usher if you need any assistance.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Christ Is Alive!

OUR VISION STATEMENT

Christ Lutheran Church is a community of believers committed to praising our Savior Jesus Christ. With his love, we reach out to those in need and welcome all with open hearts. Our worship dynamically combines, word, song and prayer to share God's incredible message. Having faith in this, we go forth knowing that with God and the power of the Holy Spirit, anything is possible.

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