CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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 2^{nd} Sunday after Epiphany ~ January 19, 2025 ~ 9:45 a.m.

THE SERVICE

BOLD *lettering indicates a spoken response*

Prelude

Announcements

GATHERING

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the Father, and the +Son, and the Holy Spirit, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen

P: Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen

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Majesty, worship his majesty:

unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.

Majesty, kingdom authority flows from his throne unto his own; his anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.

Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King.

Majesty, worship his majesty:

Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

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Greeting

P: The grace of God that extends to all nations in Christ Jesus through the work of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

C: The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it.

P: Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.

C: We have beheld Christ's glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

P: To us a child is born, to us a Son is given.

C: In him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

Let there be praise, let there be joy in our hearts. Sing to the Lord, give God the glory. Let there be praise, let there be joy in our hearts. Forevermore let his love fill the air, and let there be praise.

Prayer of the Day

P: Lord God, you showed your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son. As he brought gladness and healing to his people, grant us these same gifts and lead us also to perfect faith in him, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

WORD OF GOD

Scripture Readings

Without God, where would you be now? Without God, where would you be now? Without God.

First Lesson: Isaiah 62:1-5

The people's return to Judah after the exile was marred by economic and political troubles. Nevertheless, the prophet declares, Jerusalem and Judah will be restored. God will rejoice over Jerusalem as a bridegroom rejoices over the bride, and the people are called to the celebration.

A: The First Lesson is from the 62nd chapter of Isaiah.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. ²The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.

³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land

Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

A: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

The congregation at Corinth experienced division as people were comparing their spiritual gifts, thinking some to be superior to others. Paul invites this fractured community to trust that God's Holy Spirit has gifted them all perfectly for their mission together.

A: The Second Lesson is from the 12th chapter of 1 Corinthians.

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

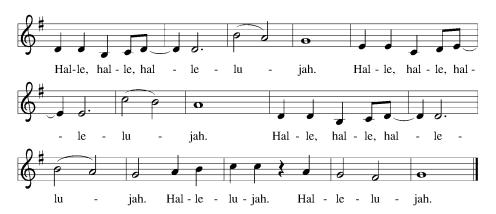
⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

A: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Without God, where would you be now? Without God, where would you be now? Without God.

Gospel: John 2:1-11

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 2nd chapter



On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not vet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. 9When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Pastor Amy

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Song – The trumpets sound, the angels sing

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The trumpets sound, the angels sing, the feast is ready to begin.
The gates of heav'n are open wide and Jesus welcomes you inside. *Refrain*

Refrain: Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight.

Come and revel in heaven's love and light

Take your place at the table of the King.

The feast is ready to begin, the feast is ready to begin.

Tables are laden with good things; oh, taste the peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love divine; He'll turn your water into wine. *Refrain*

The hungry heart he satisfies, Offers the poor his paradise. Now hear all heav'n and earth applaud The amazing goodness of the Lord. *Refrain*

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.

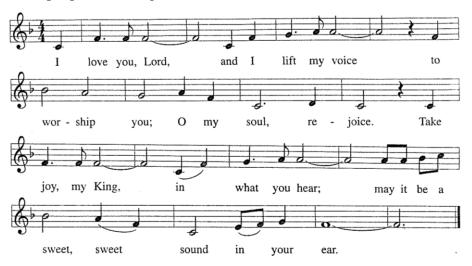
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

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.

Prayers

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.



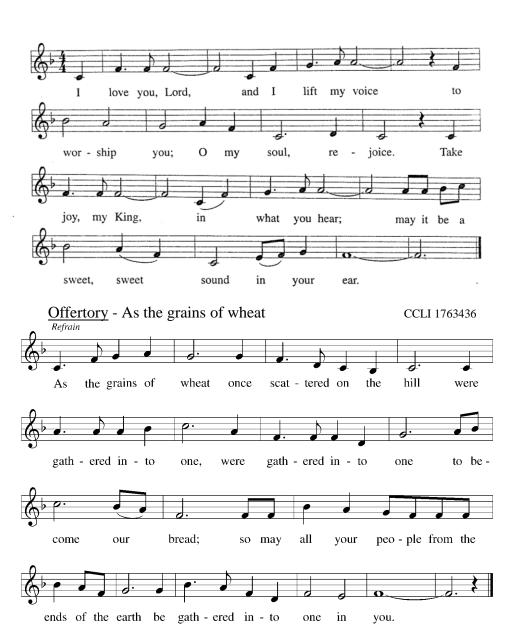
Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:

P: ... Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

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

C: Amen



Offertory Prayer

P: Blessed are you,

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

HOLY COMMUNION

Communion Prayer

P: Come, all you beloved of the Lord, come and eat the food that He gives freely. Be filled again with the goodness of God.

C: Lord God, giver of all good things, we hear Your invitation, we see Your gifts of life and grace.

P: Come to the table of the Lord.

C: We come with our wounds and faults ready to eat and to drink. Our hearts are glad.

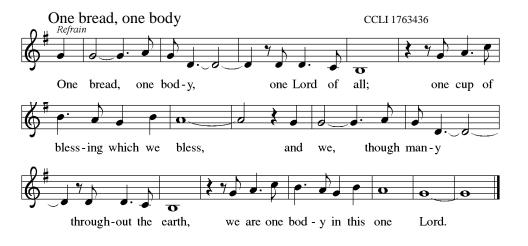
P: Yes, dear Lord our God, our hearts are truly glad. We are filled with thankfulness, because in Your great love You did not abandon us to sin and death, but in Jesus, You came to us, to rescue us, restore us, and give us new life.

We remember the way that Jesus showed us this love: 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.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen



Invitation to Communion

P: Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in Him.

The Meal

Please receive the bread and wine as the pastor speaks the words:

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. *The communicant may say: "Amen."*

MUSIC AS WE SHARE COMMUNION

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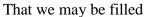
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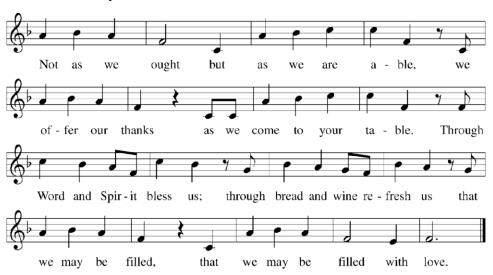
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What Feast of Love CCLI 1763436 of - fered here, what ban-quet come from heav - en? What feast of love is What light of truth is of - fered here, what cov - e - nant from heav - en? What wine of love is of - fered here, what crim-son drink from heav - en? What food of ev - er - last-ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en? What hope of ev - er - last-ing life, what won-drous word is giv - en? What stream of ev - er - last-ing life, what pre - cious blood is giv - en? Christ the king, the bread come down from This, this is heav - en. This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav - en. This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en. Oh, and sing! How sweet the taste see and man - na giv - en!



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Post Communion Blessing

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

C: Amen

Post Communion Canticle - You're Worthy of My Praise CCLI 1763436



<u>Prayer</u>

P: Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

SENDING

Blessing

P: In Jesus our Savior, God is with us. Almighty God, Father, Son +and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

C: Amen

Closing Song – The trees of the field

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You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace, And the mountains and the hills will break forth before you. There'll be shouts of joy and all the trees of the field Will clap, will clap their hands. And all the trees of the field will clap their hands. The trees of the field will clap their hands. The trees of the field will clap their hands, While you go out with joy.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Be light for the world.

C: Thanks be to God.

<u>Postlude</u>

<u>OPPORTUNITIES AT CHRIST LUTHERAN</u>

Today

8:30-Traditional Worship

9:45-Contemporary Worship

11:00-Traditional Worship

6:00-Confirmation Event / 7:20-Parent Meeting

7:30-YouthQuake Meeting

Monday-9:00-Quilters/Sewers / 5:30-Council

Tuesday-2:00-Bible Study

6:00-Contemporary Team Instrumental/6:30-Vocal

Thursday-6:30-Traditional Choir Practice

Friday-Youth & Adults at YouthQuake in Pittsburgh through Sunday

FUTURE MINISTRIES

<u>Sun-Jan 26</u>-Congregational Meeting after 8:30 & 9:45 worship services 9:45-Sunday School

Mon-Jan 27-9:00-Quilters/Sewers

Tues-Jan 28-2:00-Bible Study

6:00-Contemporary Team Instrumental/6:30-Vocal

Thurs-Jan 30-6:30-Traditional Choir Practice

Sat-Feb 1-5:30 & 7:30 pm-Volleyball games @ First Baptist

Next Sunday's Gospel: Luke 4:14-21

Attendance last week: Sunday Worship: 8:30-55; 9:45-67; 11:00-30

The flowers in the chancel vases have been presented to the Glory of the Lord and in loving memory of Brandi Lynn Fye by Rick & Karen Fye.

Confirmation Event . . . TONIGHT, 6-7:30 p.m. Parents, please return at 7:20 for a brief meeting.

Congregational Meeting NEXT Sunday, January 26, 2025 after the 8:30 and 9:45 worship services. We will vote on the 2025 budget, the new constitution and the new organ proposal.

Sunday School for preschool through 5th graders **next Sunday January 26** at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our theme is "God Loves Me!"

2024 Year End Statements are available in the narthex.

Budget and Summary for 2025 are located on the tables in the narthex.

At the Annual Meeting on January 26, your Church Council will ask you to approve a new constitution for Christ Church to reflect our membership in the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). This constitution is similar in form to our previous constitution but ensures the greater congregational freedom and flexibility membership in the NALC allows. You may pick up a copy of this new constitution on the tables in the narthex. Please see Pastor John or Debbie Brubaker with any questions.

The February Worship Assistant List is available in the narthex.

Volleyball News . . . There are no games this Saturday night; games resume on February 1. Fans are always welcome!

Epiphany Season Devotions, The Gospel of Luke, are available in the narthex and can be downloaded from our website.

Mission of the Month-*Tackle Hunger: Souper Bowl of Caring*: On Sunday, February 9, our youth will collect donations in soup pots at our church doors for the Souper Bowl of Caring. All of the money collected here will benefit the DuBois Area Food Pantry. If you would like make a financial gift to the Souper Bowl of Caring, please use the pew envelopes, and write "Souper Bowl" in the "other" line. Checks may be made payable to Christ Lutheran Church.

Food Pantry Items for January are CANOLA OIL and/or STEVIA.