## 2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST June 2, 2024



# CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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> A recording of Sunday's service will be uploaded to YouTube at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpING\_TKTI9c\_OIBbMqGwLw

#### Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church! We're glad you've joined us for worship!

Please be aware that our Worship Services are *recorded and posted on YouTube and Facebook*. There is, although very slight, a possibility that your image might be posted. If you have any concerns, please either speak to the Elder on duty or alternatively seat yourself more towards the back of the sanctuary or along either of the outside aisles. May our gracious and loving Lord bless you as you worship Him. We pray we all remain safe and healthy.

Musician – Louise Gondosch + Reader – Chris Mason

#### DAILY SCRIPTURE MEDITATIONS

Monday:Psalm 78:1-4, 52-72Wed:Psalm 99Friday:1 Samuel 5:1-12Tuesday:1 Samuel 2:18-21Thurs:1 Samuel 4:1-22Saturday:1 Samuel 6:1-18

#### June 2024 Worship Schedule

June 9 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Pentecost - LSB Setting 4 Communion
 June 16 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Pentecost - Word & Prayer worship [Father's Day]
 June 23 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Pentecost - 9 AM: Spoken Matins [church]
 11:00 AM Picnic Service [Burgoyne Park]
 June 30 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Pentecost - LSB Setting 3 Communion

#### ALSO HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT CHRIST LUTHERAN

Monday: 10 AM - Luther Manor with Pastor Todd 1 PM – "Sewing Sircle" 7:30 PM - Choir
Tuesday: 10 AM – Precious Moments 7:30 PM – Worship Meeting
Thursday: 10-11:30 AM - SOUL 7:15 PM- Promise Band Practice
Sunday: 9-9:50AM – Sunday School & Coffee Hour 10 AM 3<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Communion YOUTH AT ACTIVATE meeting after Service

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Today in Sunday school we learn how Saul (later known as Paul) encounters the risen Lord, who converts him from a persecutor of the Church to its greatest missionary. God sends Ananias to lay hands on the temporarily blinded Saul, baptizing him in the name of the Living God. Despite the disciple's distrust of Saul's motives, Barnabus speaks boldly on Saul's behalf. Our Bible Verse: If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. 2 Corinthians 5:17



YOU ARE INVITED!! EVERY SUNDAY!! Hope to see you downstairs for **COFFEE, TEA & TREATS !** 9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. (during Sunday School & CHAT) Anyone willing to help serve or bring treats, please

contact: Judy Mason

**ANNUAL MEMBERS/VOTERS MEETING** will be held on **TODAY**, **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, **2024** immediately following the morning worship service and a luncheon. This is a very important meeting as it will provide up-to-date information with respect to all of the events which are currently ongoing within the congregation. Also, elections to the Board of Directors and Council Committee Chairpersons will take place.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE** – Elections for the Board of Directors and Council Committee Chairpersons will take place at the Annual Members/Voters Meeting. Should you wish to share your talents by serving in any capacity please speak with James Hyatt or Don Fretz prior to the commencement of today's meeting.

**SEWING TEAMS Mondays from 1-4 PM** in the church basement devoted to making necessary items for the Haiti mission and various other missions. Lots of seamstress duties are needed, but sewing is the #1 priority, and anyone is welcome to come. Please speak to Wendy Hyatt if you need any further information.

**PRECIOUS MOMENTS:** continues to meet each Tuesday morning from 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. in the Church Nursery for Christian encouragement, learning, singing and playing. If you know of a young family who might benefit from joining together with others, please invite them to join us.



**YOUTH AT ACTIVATE**: **Sunday, June 9** immediately following service we will car pool to Burlington for lunch and Activate. Cost is \$25/person + money for lunch. Activate is all about (think competition, problem solving, and all-around fun challenges): https://www.youtube.com/watchv=LV4hfG5eGXU With it being such a dynamic and active event, it's the perfect time to invite a friend or two to try out Activate together! The more the merrier, and we will coordinate rides accordingly.

**Sign up here:** https://bxzq0rfovsd.typeform.com/to/tHjlluSQ.

Any questions, feel free to reach out to any of the youth leaders (Louise, Dan, or Valerie).

**NAOMI HOHNBERG'S MEMORIAL SERVICE** is set for Monday, June 17th, 2024 at 11 AM at our church. A luncheon will be served in the church basement following. Burial will take place where her family is located in Vancouver, BC. We pray for safe travels for those coming near and far as we worship the Lord for the life of His servant, Naomi.

# A memorial donation has been made to Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary in memory of Naomi Hohnberg by Twila Gall.

#### LWML-C/MARY MARTHA EVENTS

Tuesday, June 18: Summer Potluck – 5:30 PM. More details to follow.

**NATIONAL-LWMLC Convention:** The **12th Regular Convention of Lutheran Women's Missionary League–Canada** will be held July 11-14, 2024, at the Four Points by Sheraton in London, Ontario: Theme – Ps. 149:1 'Sing to the Lord a new song'. You are welcome to join in person or online via live stream. For more information see flyer in narthex.

- Special Keynote Speaker, Deb Burma. Christian author and LWML seminar leader. Special Interest Speakers will share cross-cultural ministry with voice & song.
- The mites monetary offerings gathered the last 3 years provided local support for a Bethlehem Walk in BC to International support of deaconesses in Nicaragua and Cambodia. Rev. Mark Smith will bring information. Voting on Mission Grants for the next triennium. Anyone interested in attending, see Lorraine Kaijia.. See LWML web site: lutheranwomen.ca



Vacation Bible School:

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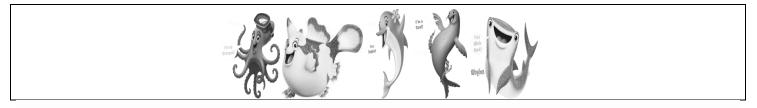
Diving into friendship with God."

#### *Monday July 22 - Friday July 26, 9 am -12 pm* ( extended care 12 noon - 3:30 for children Grades 1-6).

Registration forms are available in the narthex. Please register by calling the Church at 905-685-8294 or email: secretary@christlutheransc.ca.

Please invite friends and neighbours.

**VBS VOLUNTEERS:** We thank God for the opportunity to provide a VBS program for children of our congregation and community, however we need volunteers. (Recreation, registration, group leaders to name a few) Please consider how **YOU** might help this year. Volunteer forms are available in the narthex. *PLEASE continue to keep VBS in your prayers.* 



**L.A.M.P. KINGFISHER LAKE VBS** - Heather Simons will be offering her craft skills with Jeff Sword's team headed to Kingfisher Lake for a week in August. Further information coming in early July. Prayers for the love of Christ to shine thru the whole team as they work side by side with the people of Kingfisher Lake. NEEDED: Motel/hotel size shampoo, conditioner, hand lotion, etc. for the ladies. If you are interested in joining please contact Pastor Jeff Swords at telephone number 905-931-3165.

<i>Holy Trinity Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup>:</i> WEEKLY OFFERINGS		116 SOUL: 32 2024-05-26			
	<u>Budget</u>	Weekly Need	<u>Last Sunday</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>+/(-)</u>
Current	303,899.00	5,844.21	2,098.50	80,543.13	(42,185.31)
LCC Missions	17,500.00	336.54	315.00	8,827.50	1,760.19
Property Improvement			237.00	2,765.50	

**CONCORDIA LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**, St. Catharines, is seeking a Librarian Technician. The Library Technician is responsible for managing the seminary's print and digital collection, purchasing and processing books, circulation, and reference support to faculty and students. The Library Technician also manages occasional sales in a small bookstore. The position is part-time. Extra hours may be available as Assistant to the Registrar. To apply send your resumé to president@concordiaseminary.ca.

**KOREAN STUDENT** studying at the Seminary in need of housing by August 14. Karl is 30 and is fluent in English. If you can help in anyway please contact him at PasserKarlBy@gmail.com

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – The flowers for the altar are being supplied by Stephanie's Floral. Should you wish to provide the flowers for a special occasion, in memory of a loved one or just simply to give praise and thanks to our Lord, please indicate your preferred date on the sheet posted on the bulletin board in the narthex. The cost is \$35 per vase. There is no expectation that you sign for both vases. Perhaps a second person would like sign for a vase on the same day!

### LUTHERAN SERVICE BOOK DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE THE 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST June 2, 2024 + 10 AM worship

**OPENING HYMN** 

"The First Day Of The Week" [ "I Love Your Kingdom Lord" tune]

The first day of the week, His own, in sad despair, Could not believe for very joy the risen Lord was there.

Each day throughout the week as on the Lord's own day, They walked in newfound liberty, his true and living way.

How soon we forge again, the fetters of our past: As long as Jesus lives in us, so long our freedoms last.

Today his people meet; Today His Word is sown; Lord Jesus, show us how to use this day we call Your own.

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#### CONFESSION & ANNOUNCEMENT OF GRACE

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

#### Amen.

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

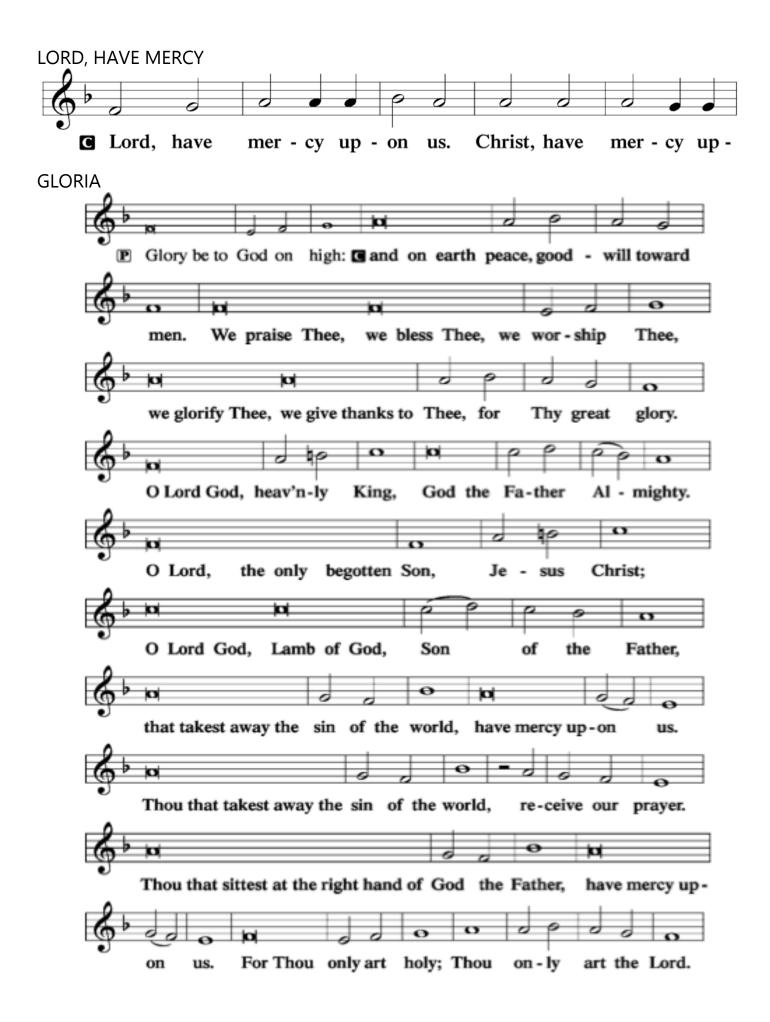
I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

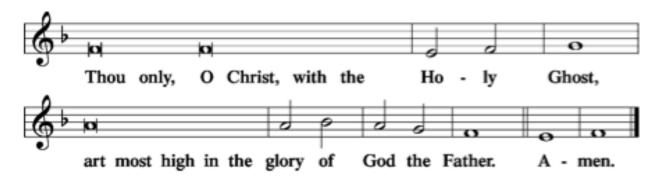
and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

O almighty God, merciful Father,

I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ has given His Son to die for us and for His sake, forgives us all of our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives them the power to become children of God and bestows on them His Holy Spirit. Grant this Lord unto us all. **Amen.** 





#### SPOKEN GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

#### The Lord be with you: And with your spirit.

Let us pray: Almighty God, Heavenly Father, Source of every blessing, Your generous goodness comes to us anew every day. By the work of Your Holy Spirit lead us to acknowledge Your great gifts, give thanks for Your benefits and serve You willingly; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### **THE WORD**

#### **Old Testament:**

#### Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore, the Lord your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### The Epistle2 Corinthians 4:5-12

[St. Paul writes]: For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### CHOIR ANTHEM.

#### "Christ Is With Me"

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#### ALLELUIA



The Holy GospelSt. Mark 2:23-28; 3:1-6The Holy Gospel, according to St. Mark, chapters 2 & 3:

#### Glory be to Thee, O Lord. $\checkmark$

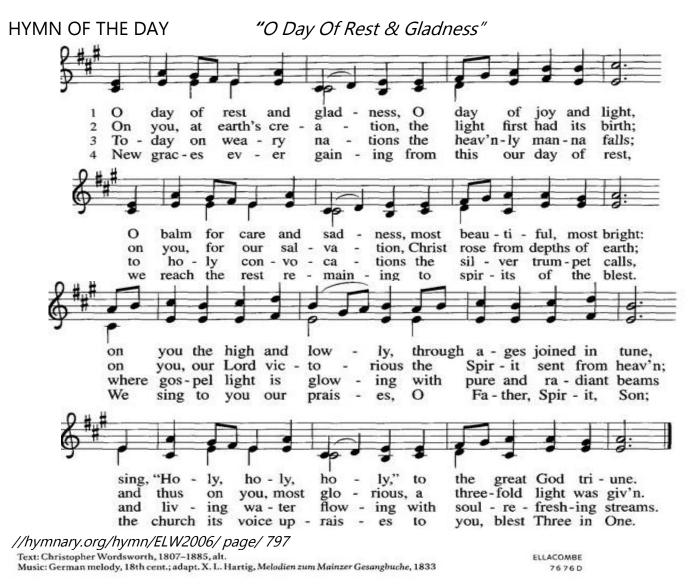
One sabbath Jesus ...was going through the cornfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, 'Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?' And he said to them, 'Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions.' Then he said to them, 'The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath.' ... Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, 'Come forward.' Then he said to them, 'Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?' But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, 'Stretch out your hand.' He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  $\checkmark$  Praise be to Thee, O Christ.  $\checkmark$ 

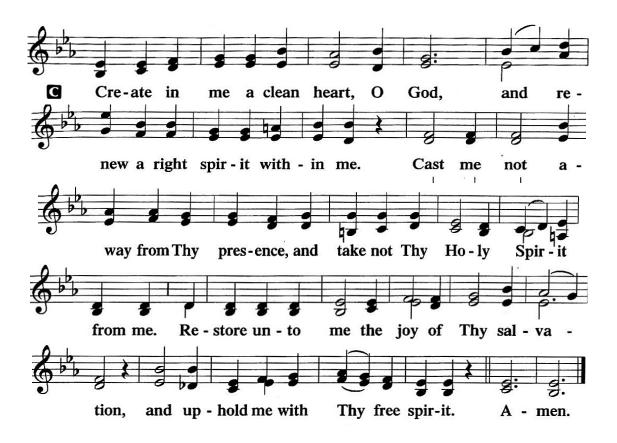
#### THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. On the third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty, from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

#### CHILDREN'S LESSON



MESSAGE



THE OFFERINGS are gathered.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the Church, the world, and one another.

Father, you have created us, blessed us, and forgiven us. You send us to share your forgiveness with all others. Help us to do that eagerly and well! Give us strength to find our joy and purpose in life by loving you with our whole heart, soul, mind, and strength, and our neighbour as ourself.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Shape your Church into the image of Jesus. Make it a place of steadfast love and righteousness. Make it a place of forgiveness, hope, and praise. Make it a place of truth and grace.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Strengthen your persecuted people with your Holy Spirit. Give them the fullness of joy that Jesus promised, because he has overcome the world. Help them to share that joy, and the hope that is within them, even with their enemies, so that in Christ, they may be reconciled.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this congregation in pathways of faithful worship, loving service, and wise words. Let everything we say and do help lead even one other precious soul a step closer to Jesus.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord, please give wisdom, integrity, and common sense to everyone in positions of authority in our country, and around the world. Teach them rightly to use the authority and power entrusted to them. And help all of us to be good neighbors, citizens, and stewards of your good creation.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Your Son healed everyone who called upon him for aid. We pray, therefore, on behalf of everyone who suffers in body, mind, or spirit, including our dear ones: {List names}. Restore them to health, and strengthen their faith in you, the God whose promises have their Yes in Jesus Christ.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Hear our prayers, dear Father, as they touch your heart through the Spirit who searches our hearts. For the sake of your beloved Son, answer them as may be best for us and give you glory.

Amen.

#### THE 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.

SPOKEN BLESSING

The Lord be with you;

And with thy spirit.

Bless we the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with us all.

#### Amen.



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