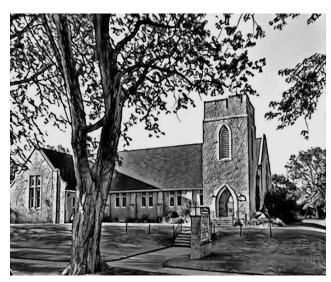
# Christ Lutheran Church St. Catharines, ON

The 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024





Christ Lutheran Church 140 Russell Avenue, St. Catharines, ON L2R 1W1

Phone: 905-685-8294 Church Website: www.christlutheransc.ca

Romans 10:15 - - How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

**Office Hours:** Tuesday to Friday – 9 a.m. to 12 noon **Bulletin Announcements:** Please send to

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Deadline for submission is Wednesday at 1 p.m.

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## 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.

# PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIPPING

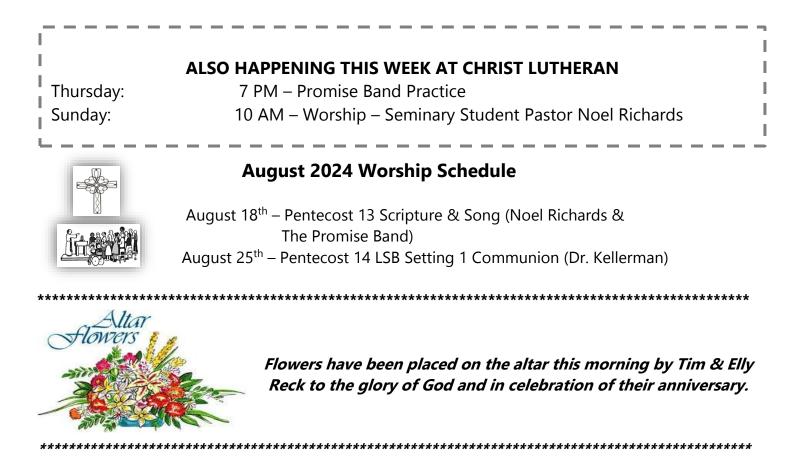
Let us be renewed in Christ this and every Sunday as we worship you, that we may live lives that please you in every way (Colossians 1:10) and that the light of Christ may shine ever more brightly in our homes, workplaces, community, and anywhere in the world you may send us. Amen.

Musician – Mayumi Munoz + Reader – Lorraine Kaija

#### DAILY SCRIPTURE MEDITATIONS

 Monday:
 Ephesians 5: 1-14
 Wed:
 John 6: 35-40
 Friday:
 Romans 16: 17-20

 Tuesday:
 2 Peter 3: 14-18
 Thurs:
 Acts 6: 8-15
 Saturday:
 John 4: 7-26



**PASTOR TODD** will be on vacation for the entire month of August.

Rev. David Hamp, our regional circuit counsellor from Concordia Lutheran in Fonthill, will be the emergency contact at 905-892-8877 or e-mail at david.m.hamp@gmail.com. For any non urgent matters please phone the office and leave a message.

## August 2024 Services:

- 4 Seminary Student Pastor Noel 18 – Seminary Student Pastor Noel
- 11 Rev. Dr. Tom Winger (& Noel) 25 – Rev. Dr. James Kellerman (& Noel)

# LWML-C/MARY MARTHA EVENTS

Christ Lutheran is full of wonderful people and God has made each of us to serve in different ways. (Many thanks to those who have served or are still serving). Look in your heart to see if you would be willing to serve in our ladies' group. We are in need of a Secretary and a Member Development Chair! Lorraine K. would love to hear from you by text or call 905-964-5837 if you are interested.



*"Each of you has received a gift to use to serve others. Be good servants of God's various gifts of grace".* 

Last Sunday's Attendand WEEKLY OFFERINGS	ce – August 4 <sup>th</sup> ,	2024: 56		2024-08-04	
<u>Budget</u>	<u>Weekly need</u>	<u>Last Sunday</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>+/(-)</u>	
Current	303,899.00	5,844.21	2,042.00	116,278.84	(70,735.93)
LCC Missions	17,500.00	336.54	635.36	13,144.36	2,375.13
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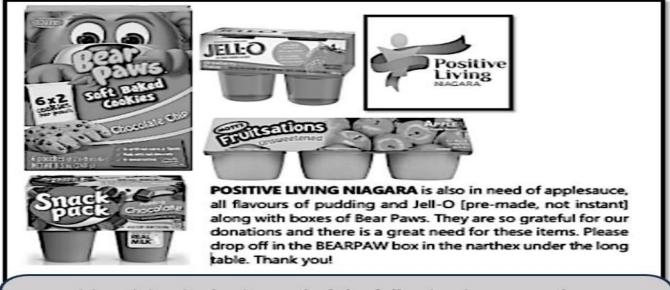
Lutheran Hour Ministry Sermons: These highly regarded sermons are broadcast each Sunday morning on 99.5 FM WDCX, Buffalo, at 10:30 A.M. Check the website for participating stations or <u>you can listen any time to a</u> <u>podcast or MP3 or read the text</u> at **www.III.ca**.

They are a worthwhile addition to your regular observance of the Lord's Day and a particularly helpful alternative if you know you will be unable to attend our regular Worship Service at Christ Lutheran Church for any reason. The Lutheran Hour speaker is Rev. D. Michael Zeigler.



**L.A.M.P. KINGFISHER LAKE VBS:** Pastor Hamp was kind enough to commission Pastor Jeff Swords and Heather Simons this past Sunday at Concordia Lutheran Church for the upcoming L.A.M.P. VBS in Kingfisher Lake. Several members of our congregation were also kind enough to attend in support. *May God bless their mission*.





Positive Living is also in need of the following items: toothpaste, toothbrushes, socks, mittens [for male and female], small cans of cat or dog food. Pastor Todd will have another box in the narthex table to hold these items. Thank you. [Notice their response of thanks on Pastor Todd's Facebook posting]

If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

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# **CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH**

LSB Divine Service Setting Four Holy Communion

The 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

August 11, 2024 + 10 AM worship Guest pastor: Rev. Dr. Thomas Winger; President, Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary

OPENING HYMN "God Loves Me Dearly"



# CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** Our help is in the name of the Lord.

# who made heaven and earth.

If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive

the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

# Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 



## SPOKEN GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY The Lord be with you:

# And also with you.

Let us pray: Holy and Merciful God, You are always more ready to hear that we are to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of Your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our consciences are afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits of Jesus Christ, the very Bread of Life, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

## THE WORD

# The Old Testament 1 Kings 19:4-8

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God. This is the Word of the Lord.

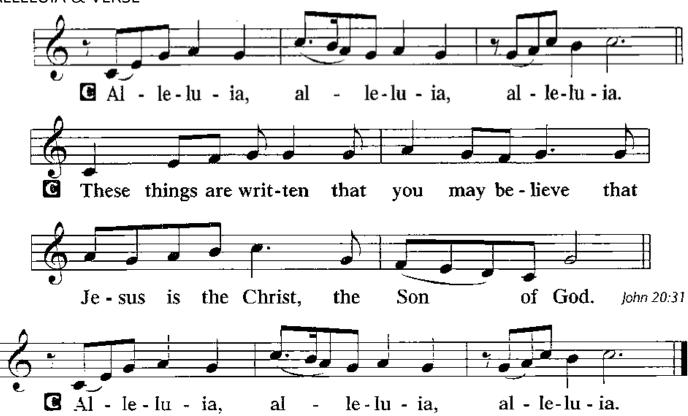
Thanks be to God.

# The Epistle: Ephesians 4:17--5:2

[St. Paul writes:] Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. But that is not the way you learned Christ! — assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.) Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil. Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and

anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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



ALLELUIA & VERSE

# The Holy Gospel: St. John 6: 35-51

The Holy Gospel, according to St. John, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter:

# Glory to You, O Lord.

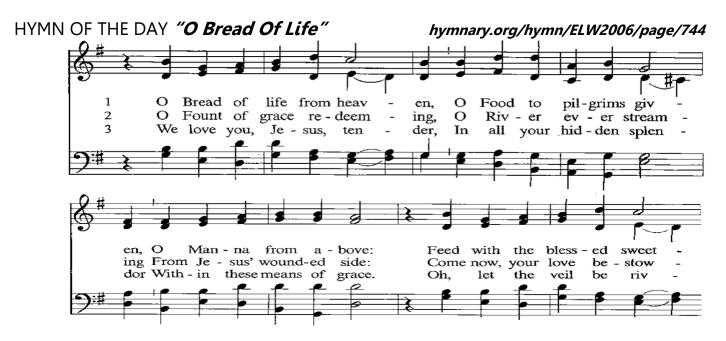
Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day." So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God;

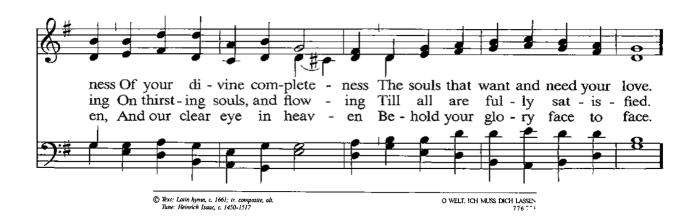
he has seen the Father. Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

# Praise to You. O Christ.

# THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by Whom all things were made. Who for us men and for our salvation came down from Heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man. And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life + of the world to come. Amen.





SERMON *Rev. Dr. Tom Winger, President – Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary* THE OFFERINGS *are gathered* SHARING OF THE PEACE

# PRAYERS

Heavenly Father: thank You for giving Your Son Jesus Christ as our life-giving Bread from Heaven. Thank you for the amazing uniqueness of his identity as both true God and true man, and for his matchless work of salvation. Ground your church firmly in this wonderful truth, preserve us from damaging error and make us rely on Your Word and Sacraments for strength and hope. Hear us, O God: **Your mercy is great!** 

Guard our speech O Father, so that our words and actions may be helpful to others. Watch over the public discourse of our nation, and keep our press, governments, and public institutions open and honest. Bring success to our daily work, and keep our workplaces free from malice and hatred. Hear us, O God: **Your mercy is great!** 

We pray for those infected with severe, life-altering illnesses. Have mercy on countries devastated by such diseases, relieve those who carry the burden of care, and as it be according to Your will and purpose, bring a cure. Give success to agencies working to help, and move us to support the efforts of our own church. Hear us, O God:

# Your mercy is great!

Watch over the precious children of our church and grow them strong in health and faith. Preserve the dignity of those increasing in years and those who administer to their needs. May families vacation in peace, safety and joy, giving thanks to You for the gifts of recreation and leisure time. Hear any cries for help or relief, especially those who are ill or dealing with stresses of body, mind or soul, especially remembering before You.....May You remain the centre and source of their hope and trust. Hear us, O God: **Your mercy is great!** 

Your dear Son came down as the Real Manna feeding us with a Food that will keep us satisfied, Who even gave up his life so that we might die to self and dwell in Him. Give us such close fellowship with him that in all doubts and dangers our faith may not fail. Hear us, O God: **Your mercy is great!** 

Gracious God and Father, when the time was right and according to Your good pleasure you sent your Son as the world's Saviour. Continue to give life to the world through Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, the Bread of life from Heaven, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

# THE SACRAMENT

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 Him thanks and praise.

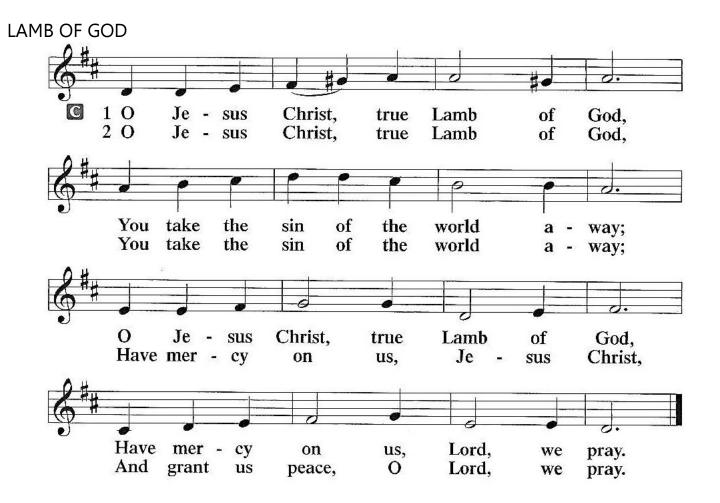
It is indeed good, right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks to You, O Lord, O Hoy Father, Almighty and Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by His glorious resurrection, opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so with the church on earth and all the hosts of Heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, ever praising You and saying:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored; Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name. Sing ho - san - na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord; Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

THE LORD'S PRAYER Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name....

# WORDS OF OUR LORD

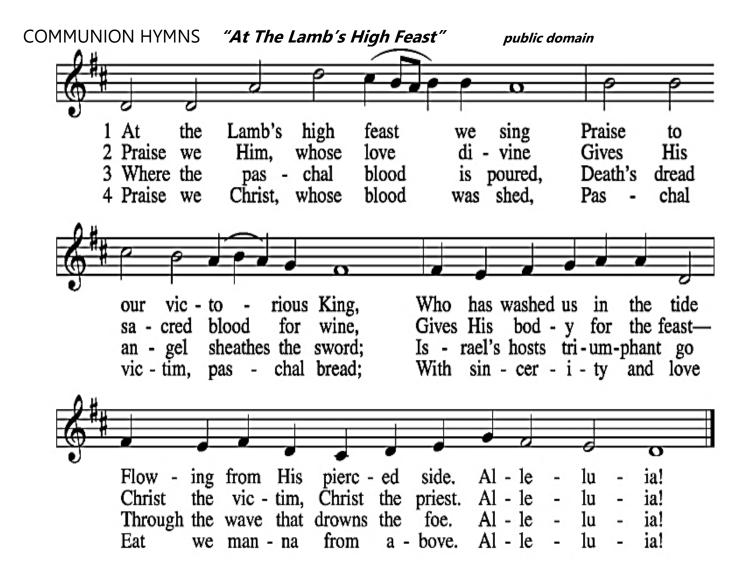
Our Lord, Jesus Christ, on the night in which He was betrayed, took bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying: "Take, eat; This is My + Body which is given for you, this do, in remembrance of Me. In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying "Drink of it all of you, this cup is the New Testament in My + Blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.** 



# HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

For those who have need, please feel free to stand at the rail if kneeling is difficult. The common cup and trays of individual glasses are available. Gluten free wafers are also available. Light purple glasses of Communion wine mixed with water are in the centre ring of the silver trays.

# HOLY COMMUNION AT CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH As a baptized Christian in the faith: I believe in the Scriptural teaching that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine of this Sacrament. Jesus Himself says: "Eat My Flesh and drink My Blood and I will raise you up on the Last Day." [John 6] I believe that I am worthy to receive the Sacrament as a baptized believer, who admits and confesses sins, receives forgiveness and desires to live a new life in Jesus Christ; I believe that by eating and drinking Jesus Christ in the Bread and Wine I receive forgiveness of sins, salvation, new life and unity with other brothers and sisters in the faith; I believes in the words 'given and shed for you for the forgiveness of all sins'." Non-members who believe this confession of faith we welcome to join us for Holy Communion If you desire Holy Communion, church membership or further information about receiving the Sacrament, please speak with the Pastor or an elder before worship.



- 5 Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie; You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!
- Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy; From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free, Newborn souls in You to be. Alleluia!
- △ 8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live, Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

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"Word Of God Come Down To Earth"

1 Word of God, come down on earth, living rain from heaven descending; touch our hearts and bring to birth faith and hope and love unending. Word almighty, we revere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear you.

2 Word eternal, throned on high, Word that brought to life creation, Word that came from heaven to die, crucified for our salvation, saving Word, the world restoring, speak to us, your love outpouring.

3 Word that speaks God's tender love, one with God beyond all telling, Word that sends us from above God the Spirit, with us dwelling,

Word of truth, to all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us. James Quinn, Johann R. Ahle. © 1969 James Quinn., admin. Selah Leibster Jesu https://hymnary.org/text/word\_of\_god\_come\_down\_on\_earth

#### "Alleluia, Sing To Jesus"

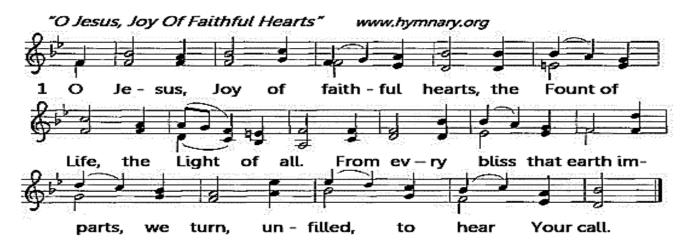
1 Alleluia, sing to Jesus! his the sceptre, his the throne: Alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone.
Hear the songs of holy Zion thunder like a mighty flood:
'Jesus out of every nation has redeemed us by his blood!'

2 Alleluia! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now: Alleluia! he is near us; faith believes, nor questions how. Though the cloud from sight received him whom the angels now adore, shall our hearts forget his promise, 'I am with you evermore'?

3 Alleluia! Bread of Heaven, here on earth our food, our stay: Alleluia! here the sinful come to you from day to day. Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's redeemer, plead for me, where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

4 Alleluia! King eternal, you, the Lord of lords we own; Alleluia! born of Mary, earth your footstool, heav'n your throne: you, within the veil have entered, robed in flesh, our great high priest; yours the blood and yours the body, in our eucharistic feast.

Jubilate Hymns version of a text by William C Dix (1837 – 1898 © Jubilate Hymns Ltd. Music: Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)) HYFERDOL 8 7 8 7 D CCL# 3255892 https://www.jubilate.co.uk/songs/alleluia\_sing\_to\_jesus\_jubilate\_version



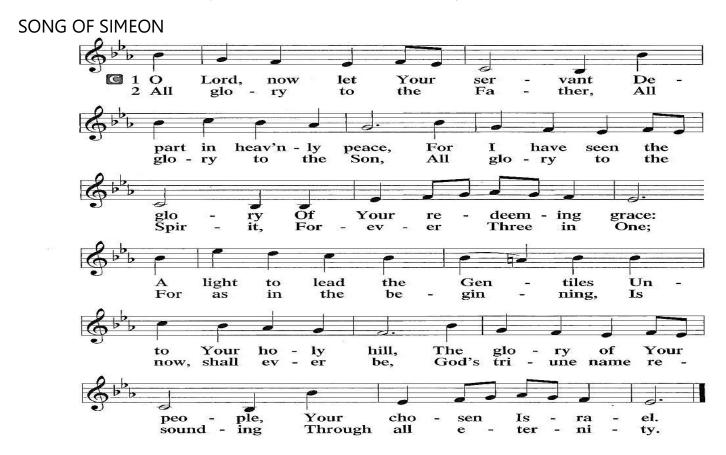
2 Your truth unchanged has ev-er stood; You wish that all may call on You. To those re-ceiv-ing, You are good, to those believing You, life is new.

3 We taste You, ever-living Bread, and long to feast upon You still; We drink of You, O Fountainhead, our thirsting souls on You we fill.

4 For You, our restless spirits yearn, where e'r our changing lot is cast; Glad when You smile on us, we turn, blest when, by faith, we hold You fast.

5 O Jesus, ever with us stay, make all our moments calm and bright; O chase the night of sin away, shed o'er Your Church Your Holy Light.

Text: St. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153; Ray Palmer trans, 1808-87, all. Tune: W. Gardiner, sacred melodies, 1815 WALTON LM (LBW 356)



# POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O Father, as You fed Your children with the True Manna, the Living Bread from Heaven, give unto us, we humbly pray You, that the Body and Blood of Your Son may be our support throughout our earthly pilgrimage, until we reach that land where there is neither hunger nor thirst, Your magnificent Heavenly Banquet; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and rules with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.** 

## BLESSING Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

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 favour and + give you peace. **Amen**.



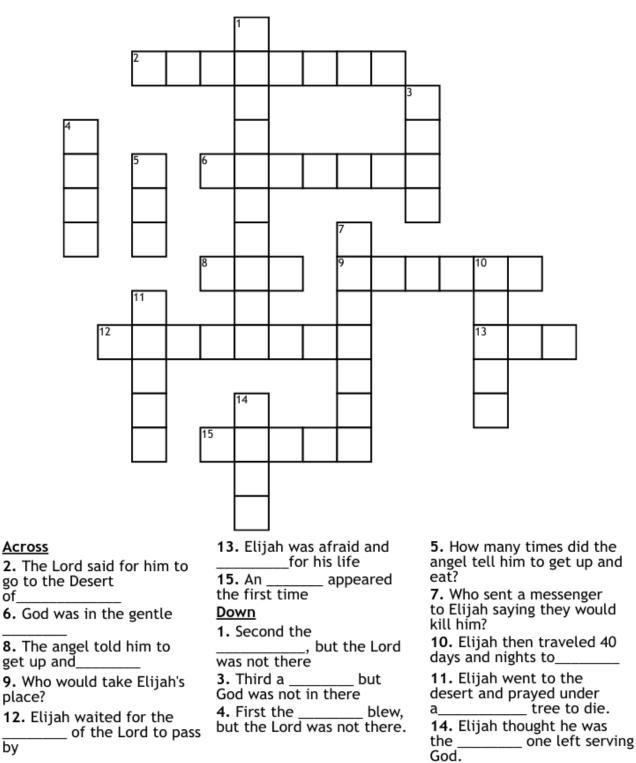
# Ephesians 4: 17- 32

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# Elijah Flees to Horeb : I Kings 19



"Do not let the sun go down on your anger." Ephesians 4:26