



SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 7 – 8, 2024

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

New Sermon Series: Meaningful Ministry

“Ministry” is one of those churchy words that is often used, yet perhaps not fully understood. Ministry comes from the Latin word for “service” and involves serving others with love, compassion, and empathy. Helping someone with their spiritual needs, sharing the good news of Christ, is generally called “gospel ministry.” In this worship series we will see our efforts to meet the needs of those God brings into our sphere of influence as meaningful ministry. In our service to them, those people see God’s love and God sees our faith. Our worship follows this pattern.

Not Glee and Gratitude, but Rejection and Resentment – If ministry involves serving others with love and compassion, you would think that people would respond only with glee and gratitude for the help they received. Sometimes, but not always. If you offer to help a family member who is having trouble paying his bills, he might be offended, wondering if you are implying that he is not a good provider. Likewise, if you try and share the gospel with someone, he might resent the message that he is a sinner in need of salvation. When our ministry efforts are met not with glee and gratitude but rejection and resentment, we are in good company. The prophets, apostles, and even Jesus himself all had those who responded negatively to their ministries. When that happens to us, it doesn’t mean our ministry is no longer meaningful. For if others do not appreciate our efforts to serve them, God still appreciates our efforts to serve him.

WORSHIP HOSPITALITY

We are very pleased that you have joined us for worship. If this is the first time you have been our guest, we hope you will join us again. If you have any questions or if you need assistance with anything, please ask one of our ushers or elders (wearing nametags) in the back of church. The men’s and women’s restrooms are located on the right side of the hallway past the doors to the gathering space.



Our new sanctuary is equipped with a hearing loop system. For those using hearing devices equipped with a telecoil or T-coil, simply switch your device to the T setting to access our hearing loop.

During worship, if you have small children who need to be quieted for a few moments, feel free to stand up near your seat or walk in the gathering space. The order of service is printed out in the bulletin for you. Please ask one of the ushers if you need a large print bulletin. God bless your worship with us today!

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Preaching Minister..... Pastor Philip Casmer
Presiding Minister..... Pastor David Kolander
Pianist Seth Bauer
Worship Ensemble Nathaniel Frisque, John Milazzo, Quinten Petersen
Doris Rindfleisch, Meg Wieselmann
Cantor Hannah Fricke
Elders John Marose, Brian Rindfleisch, Eric Munson
Communion Assistants..... Jon Ziesemer, Will Schaefer
Ushers..... Wayne Darling, Brian Webb,
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DEDICATION OF GRAND PIANO

Brothers and sisters in Christ, today we seek God's blessing as we gather with thankfulness to set apart this instrument to his glory. God has given us the gift of music, and to him we sound our praise.

Sing to the Lord, praise his name;
proclaim his salvation day after day.

Sing to the Lord a new song;
play skillfully, and shout for joy.

For the word of the Lord is right and true;
he is faithful in all he does.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;
bring an offering and come into his courts.

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 5:6-14

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you dwell among angels who... through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

DEDICATION

We, the members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Christ the Lord, dedicate this grand piano for the worship of God, the proclamation of the gospel, and the praise of his people in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.



1 Preach you the Word and plant it home to those who
 2 We know how hard, O Lord, the task your ser - vant
 3 The sow - er sows; his reck - less love scat - ters a -
 4 Though some be snatched and some be scorched and some be



like or like it not, the Word that shall en -
 bids us un - der - take: to preach your Word and
 broad the good - ly seed, in - tent a - lone that
 choked and mat - ted flat, the sow - er sows; his



ture and stand when flow'rs and mor - tals are for - got.
 nev - er ask what pride - ful prof - it it may make.
 there may be the whole - some loaves that peo - ple need.
 heart cries out, "Oh, what of that, and what of that?"

- 5 Of all his scattered plenteousness
 one-fourth waves ripe on hill and flat,
 and bears a harvest, hundredfold:
 "Ah, what of that, Lord, what of that!"
- 6 Preach you the Word and plant it home
 and never faint; the Harvest Lord
 who gave the sower seed to sow
 will watch and tend his planted Word.

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Stand

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

CONFESSION

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.
Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against your holy law. We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord! Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

Silence for meditation and reflection

DECLARATION OF GRACE

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST



Glo-ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther. We



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your



glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his



peo - ple on earth. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on



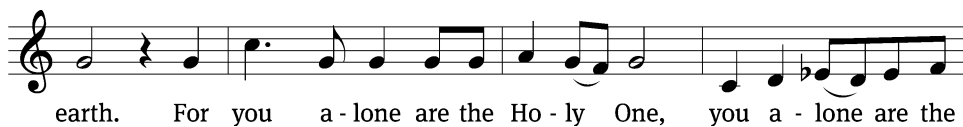
us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the



Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on



earth. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the



Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,



with the Ho - ly Spir-it in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God.

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THE WORD

SALUTATION

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray...one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Be seated

The LORD sends Ezekiel to prophesy to the Israelites, knowing that most will not be grateful for the prophet's message but resentful.

¹He said to me, “Son of man, stand up on your feet and I will speak to you.” ²As he spoke, the Spirit came into me and raised me to my feet, and I heard him speaking to me.

³He said: “Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to a rebellious nation that has rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me to this very day. ⁴The people to whom I am sending you are obstinate and stubborn. Say to them, ‘This is what the Sovereign LORD says.’ ⁵And whether they listen or fail to listen—for they are a rebellious people—they will know that a prophet has been among them. ⁶And you, son of man, do not be afraid of them or their words. Do not be afraid, though briars and thorns are all around you and you live among scorpions. Do not be afraid of what they say or be terrified by them, though they are a rebellious people. ⁷You must speak my words to them, whether they listen or fail to listen, for they are rebellious.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 27D

Refrain

We are sing - ing, for the LORD is our light, we are
sing-ing, for the LORD is our light. We are sing - ing, for the
LORD is our light, we are sing-ing, for the LORD is our light.
We are sing-ing, oh, we are sing-ing, for the
LORD is our light. We are sing - ing,
oh, we are sing-ing, for the LORD is our light.

Verses

The LORD is the strength of our lives; of
We walk in the strength of the LORD; God's
whom shall we be a - fraid? Though foes may be
love is ev - er sure. We shout that the
near to de - stroy, the LORD will be our light.
world may hear; we sing a joy - ful song.

¹You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. ²And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others. ³Join with me in suffering, like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in civilian affairs, but rather tries to please his commanding officer. ⁵Similarly, anyone who competes as an athlete does not receive the victor's crown except by competing according to the rules. ⁶The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops. ⁷Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this.

⁸Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, ⁹for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

¹¹Here is a trustworthy saying:

If we died with him,
we will also live with him;
¹²if we endure,
we will also reign with him.
If we disown him,
he will also disown us;
¹³if we are faithless,
he remains faithful,
for he cannot disown himself.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

639 God Has Spoken by His Prophets



- 1 God has spo - ken by his proph - ets, spo - ken his un - chang - ing Word,
- 2 God has spo - ken by Christ Je - sus, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Son,
- 3 God is speak - ing by his Spir - it, speak - ing to our hearts a - gain,



each from age to age pro - claim - ing God, the one, the right - eous Lord.
bright - ness of the Fa - ther's glo - ry, with the Fa - ther ev - er one;
in the age - less Word de - clar - ing his own mes - sage, now as then.



In the world's de - spair and tur - moil one firm an - chor holds us fast:
spo - ken by the Word in - car - nate, God from God, be - fore time was;
Thro' the rise and fall of na - tions one sure faith is stand - ing fast:



God is King, his throne e - ter - nal, God the first and God the last.
Light from Light, to earth de - scend - ing, he re - veals our God to us.
God a - bides, his Word un - chang - ing, God the first and God the last.

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A Grand Dedication Hymn

Feel free to use the space below to take notes on the sermon.

Stand

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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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. 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, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian 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.

Be seated

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING



While most of our members provide their offerings online, those who are gathered in person may place their offerings in the plate as it is passed around, as all of us reflect on God's goodness to us. Those worshipping at home are especially welcome to give offerings online. You can do so by visiting christthelordbrookfield.org/offerings or downloading the Vanco Mobile app and searching for "Christ the Lord". If you would like to give by text, CTL's Give+ Text # is 855-706-1411.

Please fill out the Friendship Register (see page 2) during the offering.



THE SACRAMENT

Stand

PREFACE

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is truly good and right . . . and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might.



Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -



na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -



na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Blessed are you...glory everlasting.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

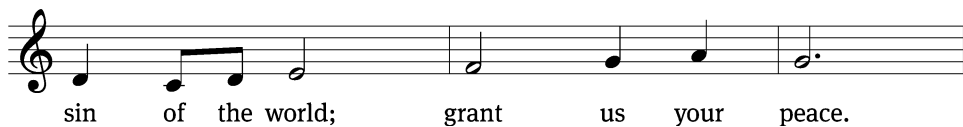
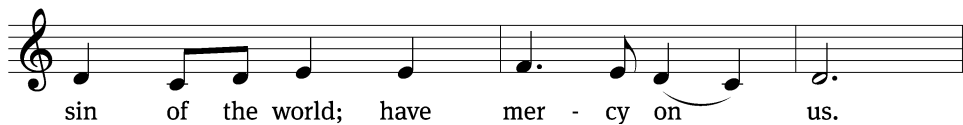
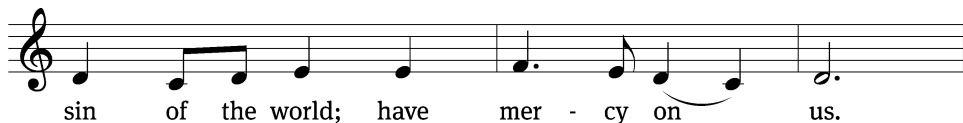
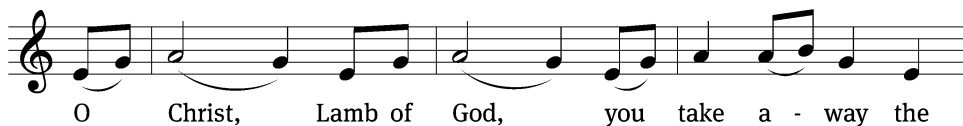
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD



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Be seated

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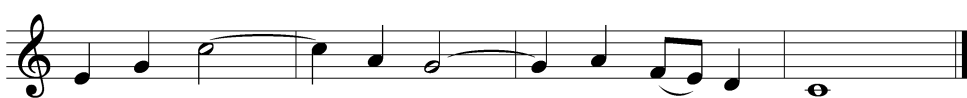
DISTRIBUTION HYMN

900 Lift High the Cross


Refrain



Lift high the cross; the love of Christ pro - claim till




all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
2 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied
3 Let ev - 'ry race and ev - 'ry lan - guage tell
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain



our King vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
of him who saves our souls from death and hell.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN

905 Good News of God Above



1 Good news of God a - bove is ours to tell a -
2 The love of Christ pro - claim, who left his home on
3 The Lord of glo - ry lives! From cross and death and
4 Hear now the Mas - ter's word to those who bear his



broad, the Fa - ther's ev - er - last - ing love in
high; to live our hu - man life he came, our
grave his own a - bun - dant life he gives to
name: "So send I you," till all have heard, "make



Christ the ris - en Lord. For neigh - bors near and
hu - man death to die. The Fa - ther's on - ly
those he died to save. His right - eous - ness and
known, de - clare, pro - claim!" Go forth in all the



far the seed of life is sown; then spread the
Son be - came the sin - ners' friend, our lot to
peace de - clare from sea to sea; his prais - es
earth; em - brace the path he trod with Christ be -



seed by word and deed to make the Sav - ior known.
share, our sin to bear, and death's do - min - ion end.
sound the world a - round for Christ has made us free.
side as friend and guide to bring good news of God.

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Stand

THANKSGIVING & PROCLAMATION

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

We give thanks, almighty God...one God, now and forever.
Amen.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and T give you peace.

Amen.

DEDICATION OF THE SCHIMMEL GRAND PIANO

In our services this weekend, we dedicate a 1999, 6-foot Schimmel Grand Piano. Clarice Wohlers donated the piano in memory of her husband, Elmer, who was a long-time member of Christ the Lord. Elmer loved music and for 30 years, from 1971 to 2001, Elmer served as the CTL choir director with Clarice by his side accompanying the choir on the piano.

The Schimmel family has been crafting pianos for four generations in Germany, dating back to 1885. During the mid-twentieth century, they were the most sold German-made piano and are currently the most awarded German piano maker. They are known for their excellence in craftsmanship; rich, expansive and complex sound; as well as their clear tone at all dynamic levels.