

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Wednesday Evening Service (In-Person & Zoom)

July 29, 2026 – 6:30pm

Prelude

*** Call to Worship**

P: Come, all you weary and hurting;

C: Here, find rest for your souls.

P: Here, enter into the grace of forgiveness;

C: Here, taste the living water of renewal.

P: Come from busy weeks and anxious worry;

C: Find here stillness, like being led to green pastures;

P: Songs that lift you to the heavens,

C: Prayers that ease the wrinkles from your soul.

P: Come and worship, for God is our Maker, our Defender and Guide.

*** Gathering Hymn 461**

“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”

*** Greeting**

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

C: And also with you.

*** The Prayer of the Day**

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Reading: *Isaiah 55:1-5*

¹ Hear, everyone who thirsts;
come to the waters;

and you who have no money,
come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.

² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread
and your earnings for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.

³ Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵ Now you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Homily

Pastor Daniel Swanson

*** Prayers of the People**

*** Words of Institution**

*** 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.

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*** Post-Communion Blessing**

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: Amen.

*** Blessing**

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ✠ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C: Amen.

*** Sending Hymn 547**

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

*** Dismissal**

L: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

It's Ice Cream Sunday time again! On August 16th at 6 PM Fellowship Hall will be transformed into your favorite ice cream parlor! Come enjoy scoops of your favorite flavors, design your own sundaes, build your own cones, or quench your thirst with an ice cream float. Rainbow sherbet, ice cream sandwiches, and soft drinks will also be available. What better way to cool off from the August heat? And, to make the evening really special, musical entertainment by RAGS! **Please use the sign-up sheet in the narthex to let us know how many will be joining the party.** This event is free and open to the public. Free will offerings are gladly accepted.

Remember our church Yard Sale this Friday – 8-2:00pm and Saturday – 8-Noon. *You may bring your stuff thru tomorrow morning. Please place in the fellowship hall or the side entrance.* If you or your friends enjoy Yard Sales, please come.

Our Worship & Music Committee would like to buy copies of our new hymnal – All Creation Sings (Supplement to Evangelical Lutheran Worship) to be available in our pews.

If you are interested in helping to purchase these hymnals, please write on a piece of paper or envelope the number that you are purchasing and how you want the honor/memory to read and enclosed with your check (payable to CLC). The cost is \$15.00 per hymnal. You may put this in the offering plate or bring to the church office. For more information, please see Pastor Daniel or a member of the Worship & Music

"Summertime means kids are out of school and families are in need more than ever! As you're shopping, please grab a few extra items for the LaVale Food Pantry. Frequently needed items are *saltine crackers, boxes of pasta and pasta sauce, peanut butter, cereal and shelf-stable milk*. Thanks for your continued generosity!"

If you wish to contribute a little extra to our budget line, please consider signing up for our Bulletin, Communion Bread & Wine or Newsletter sponsorships. We still have many weeks available. This is a wonderful way to honor or remember that special someone in your life.

