

# KEEP KNOCKING! KEEP PRAYING!

# CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH 27 JULY 2025



## SUNDAY 27 JULY 2025 SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

#### **WORSHIP SONG VIDEO**

BE STILL FOR THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD

(Stand)

#### **OPENING VERSICLES**

Pastor This is the day which the Lord has made;

Congregation let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Pastor From the rising of the sun to its setting, **Congregation** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

Pastor Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

Congregation I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell

in the tents of the wicked.

Pastor Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

CongregationTeach me Your paths.PastorSanctify us in Your truth.CongregationYour Word is truth.

Pastor From the rising of the sun to its setting, **Congregation** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

All Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Pastor Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper,

Congregation but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

Pastor

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

All 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.

Pastor God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.

Congregation Amen.

Pastor Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness

but God's?

Congregation Yes.

Pastor Let it be done for you as you believe.

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.

Congregation Amen.

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(Sit)

#### **GENESIS 18:20-23**

<sup>20</sup>Then the LORD said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, <sup>21</sup>I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me. And if not, I will know."

<sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the LORD. <sup>23</sup>Then Abraham drew near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

<sup>27</sup>Abraham answered and said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." <sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him and said, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." <sup>30</sup>Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup>He said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." <sup>32</sup>Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it." <sup>33</sup>And the LORD went his way, when he had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

Reader This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation** Thanks be to God.

#### **COLOSSIANS 2:6-19**

<sup>6</sup>Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, <sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

<sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup>For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, <sup>12</sup>having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>And you,

who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup>by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

<sup>16</sup>Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath. <sup>17</sup>These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. <sup>18</sup>Let no one disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and worship of angels, going on in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind, <sup>19</sup>and not holding fast to the Head, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God.

Reader This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation** Thanks be to God.

Reader We now rise for the Gospel reading from Luke chapter 11.

(Stand)

#### **LUKE 11:1-13**

<sup>1</sup>Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." <sup>2</sup>And he said to them, "When you pray, say:

"Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

<sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread,

<sup>4</sup>and forgive us our sins.

for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation."

<sup>5</sup>And he said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; <sup>7</sup>and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you

anything'? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. <sup>11</sup>What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; <sup>12</sup>or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Congregation Praise to You, O Christ.** 

#### RESPONSORY

Pastor Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

Congregation Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your

glory dwells.

Pastor Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

Congregation Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your

glory dwells.

Pastor Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Congregation Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your

glory dwells.

Pastor We now go before the Lord and remember His commands:

#### **TEN COMMANDMENTS**

All You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to

your neighbor.

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

All

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.
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.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

All

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.

(Sit)

#### **WORSHIP SONG VIDEO**

ANCIENT WORDS

#### **SERMON**

#### **OFFERING**

HE IS ABLE

(Stand)

**PRAYER** 

Pastor In peace let us pray to the Lord:

**Congregation** Lord, have mercy.

Pastor For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all

our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

**Congregation** Lord, have mercy.

Pastor For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world,

and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let

us pray to the Lord:

**Congregation** Lord, have mercy.

Pastor For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common

welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

**Congregation** Lord, have mercy.

Pastor For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray

to the Lord:

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Pastor For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and

for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Pastor For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and

orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Pastor For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to

the Lord:

**Congregation** Lord, have mercy.

Pastor For ... [additional bids are inserted here] ... let us pray to the Lord:

**Congregation** Lord, have mercy.

Pastor Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the

Lord:

Congregation Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

#### **COLLECT FOR THE WORD**

Pastor Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our

learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You

and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation Amen.

#### **MORNING PRAYER**

All

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

Amen.

#### BENEDICTION

Pastor The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy

Spirit, bless and preserve you.

**Congregation** Amen.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

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# ATTENDANCE AT LAST WEEK'S SERVICE JULY 20 82



## **SERVING THE LORD WITH GLADNESS**

**OFFICIANT** PASTOR JARED COOKSEY

**MUSIC DIRECTOR** ALEX MEZERITSKI

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**GREETER** DON ROEMHILDT



### THE WEEK AHEAD AT CHRIST

**SUNDAY, JULY 27** 10:00 AM **WORSHIP** 2:30 PM **ANUAK** 



# FINANCIAL FIGURES

**JULY 20 2025** \$ 2,973 PLATE OFFERINGS

\$ 0 JOYFUL RESPONSE & GIVE PLUS

\$2,973 TOTAL



## THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

We are grateful to all of you who gave of your time or brought items for our Summertime Market. Thank you for helping to make this event a success! There were 37 paid vendors, and we raised \$3,879.70 for the sanctuary renewal project.



## PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

CLC leadership and staff invite you to join us in regularly praying for our members. We will go through our membership directory in alphabetical order and highlight three people to pray for throughout the week. This week, let us pray for Lois Agrimson, Ariat Agwa, and Kathy Anderson. If you are not in our new Church Center membership directory yet, please see Kathy Ivanca after the worship service on Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup>. You can also call the Office Manager, Cherie Shelton, during office hours to have your information added to the directory.



# OUTDOOR POLKA SERVICE

The Outdoor Polka Service is set for Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M. The music for the service will be arranged on an old-time genre, and following the service we'll have coffee, donuts, and hot dogs.



### **RIDE NEEDED**

Ride needed on Sunday mornings through August. Ride recipient is located in Eagan near Blackhawk and Diffley. If you can help, see Kathy Anderson, or sign up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board across from the Prayer Room.

