

Welcome in the name of Christ, whose church this is! If you are seeking a church home, please notify the church office. Contact information is on the front of the bulletin.

To contact Pastor Deb, please call or text her cell @ 570-350-5115.

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE: Hearing Assistive Devices are located on the table at the entrance to the worship space. An ADA Compliant restroom and changing station are located in the entrance hallway. A first aid kit, water, juice and snacks are in the kitchenette adjacent to the Parlor (main entrance room).

ABOUT COMMUNION: We are observing pew communion. Please pick-up a pre-filled communion set when you enter church. During worship you will be instructed when to partake of the elements.

FOR SECURITY: During worship, only the upper level main entrance doors are open- all other doors are locked.

Have any questions? An usher will be glad to help you!

Bishop Christopher DeForest of the NEPA Synod has strongly encouraged the wearing of masks at worship services (please see his statement). Our Congregation Council has decided that each of us should use our own discretion as to personal choice. Please consider wearing a mask if you are not vaccinated and everyone practice social distancing. You may worship in the parlor (televised), courtyard (weather permitting-audio only) and from your car in the parking lot at 90.1FM on your radio.

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Our Sunday morning 9:30am service is on our FaceBook page “Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church Congregation” or catch the service on the website video tab using ‘clconyngham.org’. The bulletin is on the web site using the bulletin tab

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God our comforter:

C like lost sheep, we have gone astray.
We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.
We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.
We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.
Free us from our sin, gracious God.
Listen when we call out to you for help.
Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.
Amen.

P All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
By the gift of grace in ✝ Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.
Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

C Amen.

PLEASE STAND

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Praise the Lord! O Heavens

1 Praise the Lord! O heav'ns, a - dore him; praise him, an - gels, in the height;
2 Praise the Lord, for he is gra - cious; nev - er shall his prom - ise fail.

sun and moon, re - joice be - fore him; praise him, gleam - ing stars and light.
God has made his saints vic - to - rious; sin and death shall not pre - vail.

Praise the Lord, for he has spo - ken; worlds his might - y voice o - beyed;
Praise the God of our sal - va - tion; hosts on high, his pow'r pro - claim;

laws which nev - er shall be bro - ken for their guid - ance he has made.
heav'n and earth, and all cre - a - tion, laud and mag - ni - fy his name!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray.

O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

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WORD

A READING FROM ISAIAH

Isaiah 50:4-9a

The image of the servant of the Lord is one of the notable motifs in the book of Isaiah. Today's reading describes the mission of the servant, whom early Christians associated with Jesus. Like Jesus, the servant does not strike back at his detractors but trusts in God's steadfast love.

⁴The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens—
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.

⁶I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

⁸he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me.

^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

L Please join in reading the Psalm - Congregation responses are in **bold** type

Psalm 116:1-9

I will walk in the presence of the LORD. (Ps. 116:9)

¹I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,
and listened to my supplication,

²**for the LORD has given ear to me
whenever I called.**

³The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;
I came to grief and sorrow.

⁴**Then I called upon the name of the LORD:
“O LORD, I pray you, save my life.”**

⁵Gracious is the LORD and righteous;
our God is full of compassion.

⁶**The LORD watches over the innocent;
I was brought low, and God saved me.**

⁷Turn again to your rest, O my soul.
for the LORD has dealt well with you.

⁸**For you have rescued my life from death,
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling;**

⁹I will walk in the presence of the LORD
in the land of the living.

A READING FROM JAMES

James 3:1-12

This text uses various images to illustrate how damaging and hurtful the way we speak to and about others can be. Not only are we to control our speech, but what we say and how we say it are to reflect our faith.

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

PLEASE STAND

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MARK THE 8th CHAPTER

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

Mark 8:27-38

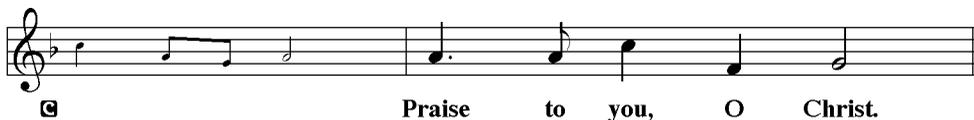
This story provides the turning point in Mark's gospel. Peter is the first human being in the narrative to acknowledge Jesus as the Messiah, but he cannot accept that as the Messiah Jesus will have to suffer. Moreover, Jesus issues a strong challenge to all by connecting discipleship and the cross.

²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." ²⁹He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." ³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

♩ The Gospel of the Lord.



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SERMON

Pastor Taylor

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HYMN OF THE DAY

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

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HOLY BAPTISM

P God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Mazzy baptized into Christ?

Parents respond: I do.

P As you bring Mazzy to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with her among God's faithful people, bring her to the word of God and the holy supper, teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in her hands the holy scriptures, and nurture her in faith and prayer, so that Mazzy may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Mazzy grow in the Christian faith and life?

Parents respond: I do.

P Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Mazzy in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors respond: I do.

P People of God, do you promise to support Mazzy and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

C We do.

PLEASE STAND

PROFESSION OF FAITH

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

P Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

C I renounce them.

P Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

C I renounce them.

P Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

C I renounce them.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

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BAPTISM

P Mazzy Evangeline Osadche, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

**Blessed be God, the source of all life,
the word of salvation,
the spirit of mercy.**

P Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Mazzy with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C Amen.

P Mazzy, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C Amen.

P Let your light so shine before others
that they may see your good works
and glorify your Father in heaven.

P Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

PLEASE STAND

THE PRAYERS

A Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A Holy One, you bring your people together in worship. Enliven your church. Guide all evangelists, preachers, prophets, and missionaries who seek to share your love through word and deed. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A You provide water for thirsty ground and sunshine to feed hungry plants. Bless all who advocate for healthy forests, unpolluted air, and clean waterways. Inspire all people to show care for the world you have made. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A You show no partiality. Increase justice in all nations. Encourage leaders and governments to work with one another for the good of our common world. Especially as we celebrate Labor Day, unite us in seeking the health, safety, and dignity of all. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A You accompany those who are most in need. Shelter all fleeing violence or persecution, protect any who are in danger, and sustain them through uncertain and unstable times. Especially we pray for Betty Lou, Shirley, Jean, Wilma, Emily, Dawn, Mark, Bob, Theresa, Betsy, George, Barbara, Dina, Joanne, Rich, Deanna, Clyde, Carol, Rodney, Bonnie, Pauline, Carl, Neal, Larry, Patt, Dennis, Viola, Janice, Gail, John, Sandy, Al, Maryanne, Janet, Rich, Deb, Vivian, Eileen, Justin, Madelyn, Pam and Drew. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A You support the work of your disciples. Continue to nurture the leadership and ministries of this congregation, especially our Sunday School. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- A* You embrace all who have died in the faith and brought them into your glorious presence.
We thank you for their example and rejoice in their lives. Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
P Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.
C **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P* The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

Please wave to each other or share the peace sign

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A* In thanksgiving for our offerings, let us pray.
God of abundance,
you cause streams to break forth in the desert
and manna to rain from the heavens.
Accept the gifts you have first given us.
Unite them with the offering of our lives
to nourish the world you love so dearly;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C **Amen.**

MEAL**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

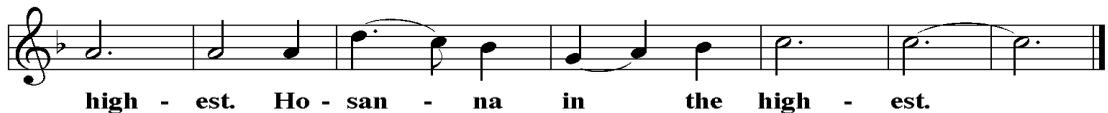
P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Holy God,
 our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,
 you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.
 You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,
 and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.
 You sent your Son to eat with sinners
 and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
 his life given for us
 and his rising from the grave,
 we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.
 By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal:
 strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want,
 and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.
 Through him all glory and honor is yours,
 Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
 in your holy Church,
 both now and forever.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P All who hunger and thirst, come.
The table is ready.

COMMUNION

C Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in His grace.

C Amen.

CANTICLE

C Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -
 one what God has done. Let all who seek the
 Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
 Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and
 lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
 giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A* Lord of life,
in the gift of your body and blood
you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation.
Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy,
bearing witness to the abundance of your love
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C** Amen.

SENDING

BENEDICTION

- P* People of God,
you are Christ's body,
bringing new life to a suffering world.
The holy Trinity, ✚ one God,
bless you now and forever.
- C** Amen.

SENDING HYMN “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” **Pages 26 & 27 of bulletin**

DISMISSAL

- P* Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.
- C** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE “Rise Up, My Heart, With Gladness” **J.S. Bach/arr. Whitford**

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Worship Helpers**8:00am**

Acolyte	Levi Kurtz
Asst. Minister	Ashley Marsicano
Reader	Maizie Kurtz
Ushers	Dave & Joanne Getz

10:30am

Acolyte	Julia Bobrowski
Asst. Minister	Cindy Thorne
Reader	Tom Toth
Ushers	Jo Cvammen, Arline Friedrich

The flowers are offered to the glory of God by Tom, Julie and family in memory of Marvin Chegwiddden.

The bulletins are offered to the glory of God by Rich & Susie Moore in memory of loved ones.

Calendar for the Week of September 12, 2021

Monday - -	5:00pm	Karate
	7:00pm	Congregation Council
Tuesday - -	1:00pm	Willing Workers
	5:30pm	AA Meeting
Wednesday - -	6:30pm	Bible Study
Thursday - -	9:00am	Quilting Group
	5:00pm	Karate
Friday - -		
Saturday - -	10:00am	Apple Picking
	TBA	Brandon's Forever Home Service Project

NEXT WEEKEND**September 18 & 19, 2021****THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST****Saturday Worship Service 5:00pm****Sunday Worship Services 8:00am & 10:30am****Sunday School 9:15am**

SEPTEMBER 26TH – 3PM

Pastor Deb has been with us for a year through the pandemic that has affected so much of our ministry here and everywhere. (Even the new Bishop of the Synod was not installed until the beginning of June). But now we will be able to have **Pastor Deb's installation service on September 26th at 3PM**. Please mark the date on your calendar and plan to be with us!! More information will follow as plans come together for this special service.

GERANIUM CARE

The geraniums are planted and now we need to care for them. Please consider checking in to deadhead and water the plants as needed, and pull any weeds that may be there. The garden hose and watering can are by the side of the church.

PLASTIC BAGS NEEDED

i.e. from Gould's, Weiss or Giant markets for our upcoming events.
Please place in bin at the back of the church. Please bring by **October 3rd**.
Thanks!

APPLE PICKING TIME

Help is needed to pick the apples for our homemade apple sauce, and other apple baked goods, to be sold at the Apple Fest. If you can help, please meet at the church on **Saturday September 18th at 10am**. (Rain date Sunday September 19th after church). We will go to the Halls' orchard to pick the apples. *Many hands make light work!!*

APPLE FEST 2021

Saturday October 16th from 8am-3pm.

Volunteers are needed for our annual event. **Dates are Thursdays at 9am on September 23rd and October 7th, and the week prior to the Fest October 12th, 13th, 14th, and 15th. Also, the day of the Apple Fest the 16th.** Please see the sign-up sheets on the table in the back of the church and help wherever you can!!

BRANDON'S FOREVER HOME PROJECT

On **Saturday September 18th** an ecumenical youth project is being planned for Brandon's Forever Home in Hazleton. Details are still in the making, so watch for further information. Fred Jaxheimer is coordinating this event.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF QUILTS

The women in our church have been busy sewing quilts for Lutheran World Relief this year. There will be 30 or more quilts displayed in the sanctuary on **September 19th** to be blessed before being taken to Lykens, Pa. for the "In-gathering" to be picked up there by truck and taken to Maryland to be sent worldwide. Please prayerfully consider donating to the shipping costs. Envelopes will be provided for your donations.

To continue this ministry, the following items would be gratefully welcome: sharp small scissors and large pieces of cotton fabric, **ESPECIALLY TWIN FLAT SHEETS.** (slightly used with no stains).

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Please note the deadline for all articles, information, etc. for the October newsletter is Sunday **September 19th!!**

STEPHEN MINISTRY NEWS

Deb Jones and Pastor Deb are in the process of selecting our first class of Stephen Ministers. Training will begin in October. Over the next few months these future Stephen Ministers will receive extensive training in Christian caring skills. Some of the areas they will cover include listening effectively, addressing feelings, confidentiality, using the resources of Christianity, being assertive, and a number of topics dealing with specific life crises.

Throughout, the training will emphasize the theology of caring for the whole person. We ask for your prayers as we select our Stephen Ministers and prepare them to provide one-to-one lay caring ministry to people experiencing life difficulties in our congregation and community.

There is a cost to training our Stephen Ministers and running our Stephen Ministry. If you would like to donate to help defray these costs, you can place any donations in the offering plate and mark it for Stephen Ministry. For more information, contact Deb Jones at msjonesncc@gmail.com or 570-233-7675 or Pastor Deb.

WITNESS

Lift High the Cross

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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 ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 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,
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

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COMMITMENT, DISCIPLESHIP

Will You Come and Follow Me

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The Summons

1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

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Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no
 2 Sum-mer and win-ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and
 3 Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, thine own dear



shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com-
 stars in their cours-es a - bove join with all na-ture in
 pres-ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to-day and bright



pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for-ev-er wilt be.
 man-i-fold wit-ness to thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy, and love.
 hope for to-mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!

*Refrain*

Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by



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 Music: William M. Runyan, 1870-1957
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FAITHFULNESS
 11 10 11 10 and refrain

CREATION

morn-ing new mer-cies I see; all I have need-ed thy

The first system of musical notation consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are written below the upper staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across two notes.

hand hath pro-vid-ed; great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me.

The second system of musical notation also consists of two staves in the same key signature and time signature as the first system. The lyrics continue below the upper staff, ending with a period.

LIVING NATIVITY

Yes, it is only September, but we need to think about our annual gift to the community on **December 4th & 5th**.

The folks you have been preparing for the Living Nativity these many years are now in their 'senior' years and cannot handle all the work alone.

MUCH HELP is needed from younger persons for **ALL** the preparation it takes before and the days of the Living Nativity, along with folks to portray the characters in the presentation.

PLEASE, when you see the sign-up sheets in the months to come, or you receive a phone call asking for help, **SAY YES!!!!**

IF WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH HELP---THE LIVING NATIVITY CANNOT BE HELD!!!!

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED!!!!!!

When a child is baptized here at Christ Lutheran we, as a congregation are asked this question: *People of God, do you promise to support this child and pray for them in their new life in Christ?* We answer: *We do.*

To fulfill this promise we need a strong faith formation base with our Sunday School. We need teachers for the grades of PreK/K; 1-2; 3-4; 5-7. Enough helpers will allow us to 'team teach' in each section, so Sundays can be split according to your schedule.

All material is provided, and we have a room full of craft items if you wish to do a special project.

Please prayerfully consider and say "YES" to being a Sunday School teacher and contact Cindy or Pastor Deb for more information.

Matthew 19:1 ¹⁴ but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs."