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Holy Spirit*

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May 2nd, 2021 + 10am Worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Risen Lord,

C: We admit that we are slow to believe, and even slower to follow where you lead us. We doubt your promise, divide your people, and fail to proclaim the power of your resurrection. We choose to live small lives when you have given us the biggest gift of all: your eternal life. Forgive us. Raise us up to a place where we can serve you faithfully.

P: Christ is arisen, bringing gifts of life, mercy and pardon for sin! Believe that you are forgiven, and go out and live in the joy of your Lord's resurrection in the power of God's Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Baptized in Water

1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the

blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his
 tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's

prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

Text: Michael Seward, b. 1932

Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune; arr. hymnal version

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PRAYER OF THE DAY:

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM PRESENTATION

P: Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and our confirmands, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

Jill Spears, President of CLC: I present Dylan Buehner, Joe Buehner, Jenny Cohen, Jack Dierks, Janice Rose Fallin, Patrick Fallin, Victoria Frey, Corbin Gaddy, Jacob Gaddy, Connor Mahler, Ruby Pfister, Jaclyn Spears, and Jade Vazquez who desire to make public affirmation of their baptisms.

P: Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism.

You have called them to yourself,
enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit,
and nourished them in the community of faith.

Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism,
and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth.

We ask this in the name of Christ.

Amen.

FAITH STATEMENTS OF CONFIRMANDS

Dylan Buehner

Joe Buehner

Jenny Cohen

Jack Dierks

Janice Rose Fallin

Patrick Fallin

Victoria Frey

Corbin Gaddy

Jacob Gaddy

Connor Mahler

Ruby Pfister

Jaclyn Spears

Jade Vazquez

Borning Cry



- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
 2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
 3 "In the mid-dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold.
 you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
 I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
 If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
 When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell."
 I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
 I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



- 4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold."

Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937
 Music: WATERLIFE, John C. Ylvisaker
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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.

The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.

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.**

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

P: You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:
to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Confirmands:

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support *these sisters and brothers* and pray for *them* in their life in Christ?

C: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

P: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people 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.**

Confirmands come forward one at a time with family.

Stir up in name 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.

Amen.

OR

Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in name the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm *her/his* faith, guide *her/his* life, empower *her/him* in *her/his* serving, give *her/him* patience in suffering, and bring *her/him* to everlasting life.

Amen.

P: Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ.

C: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.

Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

P: For the mission of the church throughout the world, that all be led by the holy spirit to proclaim the good news that God is love.

God of truth, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Give thanks for signs of spring! Give thanks for the good, life-giving work of our Creator, who urges patience and stirs new life and hope in every season.

God of truth, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: For judges, lawyers, and all court officials, for the leaders of government and for all who seek justice in this world, that all be treated with fairness and equity.

God of truth, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Give thanks for national and local leaders, health care workers and volunteers who continue to fight the COVID-19 pandemic and help us recover physically, economically, spiritually and emotionally. Pray that God will help them persevere and that we will generously express our support and gratitude.

God of truth, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: For those who are poor, hungry, bereaved, distressed, and sick, especially Ruth Buehler, David Connelly, Ronnie Mahler, Jim Mitchell, Sue Moseley, Nancy Morrison, Beverly Haggard, Patrick Fallin, Bill Fiester, Chris Metcalfe, Ralph & Pat Ehrich, and for those who provide care and comfort, that all find assurance of God's unending love for them.

God of truth, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Share the gospel and serve our neighbor, we will recognize the spiritual, physical and emotional needs of our siblings in Christ who are also doing God's work in the world. We pray for our missionary partners Julia and Vincent Leiooyle in Kenya and ILAG in Guatemala. God of truth, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent. Look kindly on all who were confirmed today as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfillment the good work that You have begun in them.

God of truth, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Incline your ear to our prayers and fill us with power to begin living out our faith, by the power of your Son our savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

***SHARING OF PEACE**

(Please share a sign of peace with those around you and digitally with those who can't physically be here.)

RECEPTION OF THE OFFERING

We greatly appreciate your gifts that allow us to support our ministry at Christ Lutheran Church. At this time, we would encourage you to give online at www.clcwestcobb.org/give or by scanning this QR code.

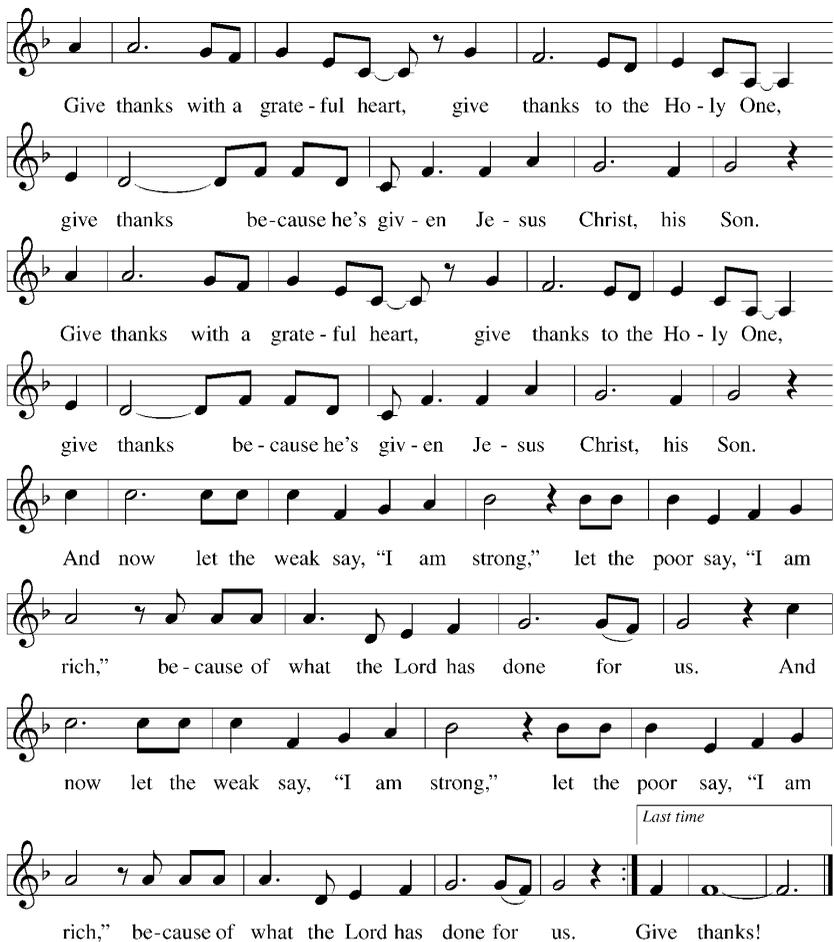


Thank you!

OFFERING HYMN

W&P 41

Give Thanks



Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.
Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.
And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And
now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

Last time

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

Bless the gifts we offer, and guide us to the ones who need our witness of love, mercy, and good news. Open our hearts each moment to where we may best serve you, in Jesus' name. Amen.

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.**

BENEDICTION

Wade in the Water

Refrain

All



Wade in the wa - ter, wade in the wa - ter, chil - dren,



wade in the wa - ter, God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the wa - ter.

Leader

All



- 1 See that host all dressed in white,
- 2 See that band all dressed in red, God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the
- 3 Look o - ver yon - der, what do I see?
- 4 If you don't be - lieve I've been re - deemed,

Leader



wa - ter. the lead - er looks like the Is - rael - ite.
 looks like the band that . . . Mo - ses led.
 the Ho - ly Ghost a - com - ing on me.
 just fol - low me down to . . . Jor - dan's stream.

All

Refrain



God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the wa - ter.

Text: African American spiritual
 Music: WADE IN THE WATER, African American spiritual

BAPTISMAL RECOGNITION: Today we recognize the baptismal anniversary of Michael Bode, Amanda Fallin, Debbie Fritz and Tiffany Sorrentino.

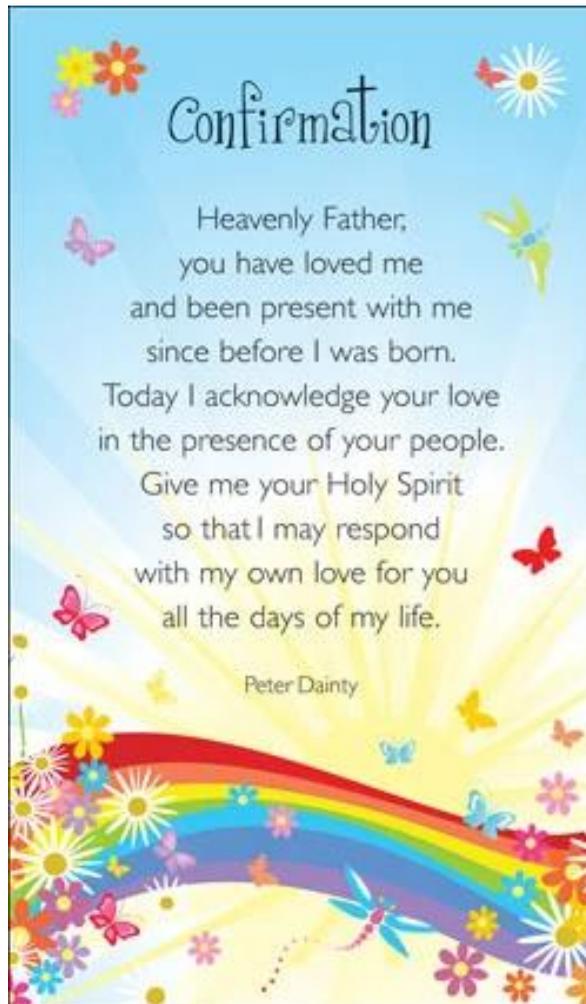
P: God loves you. **C: We love you too.**

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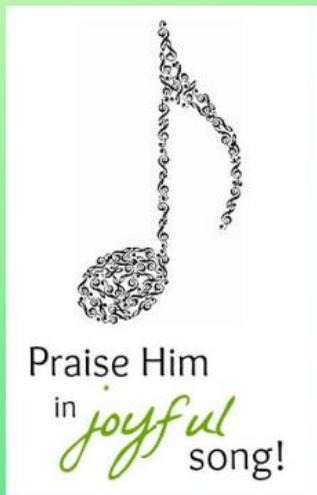
P: Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

For people attending in-person worship, communion will take place after the service. If you are receiving communion, please sit down and Pastor Tim will continue the service once the online worship concludes. We will leave the sanctuary from back to front for communion.



Church Announcements



Arts & Music Sunday Sunday, May 16th

Please join us for this special Sunday when we showcase our church artists and musicians to worship and praise God with our talents.

Please bring your artwork, photography, writing, and more to display in the Narthex. You can start dropping off your materials beginning Sunday, May 9th and throughout the week. We will have cards available for you to complete with your name and titles of your artwork.

If you would like to participate during the worship service by either playing your instrument or singing, please email Jean Fiester at jeanfiester@gmail.com by Thursday, May 6th.

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE GOOD YOU SHOULD BE DOING? (No Matter What Luther Thinks) You Can Learn More About It Every Sunday at 11 AM

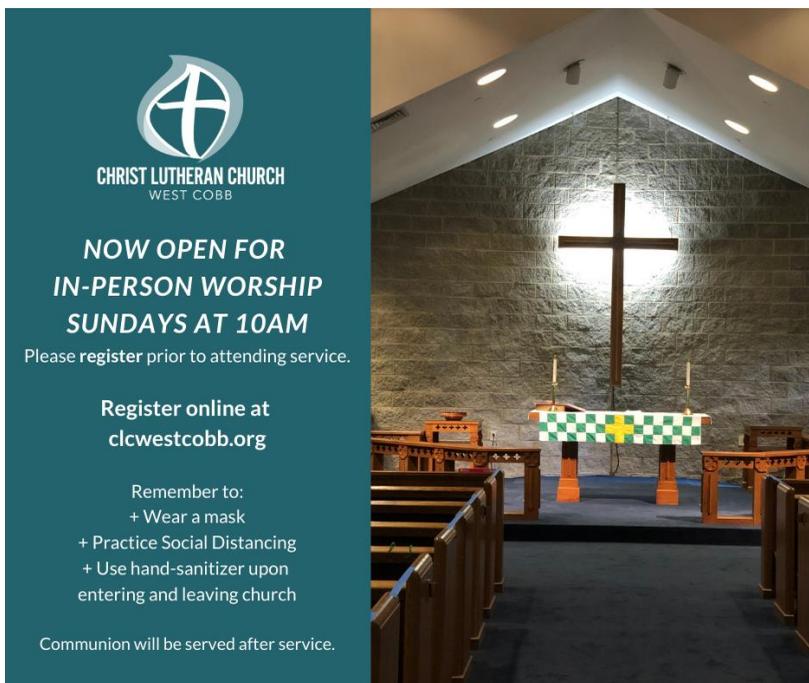
The sweepstake results are in! You had your chance to pick a topic, and sometime soon we'll be doing the topic you want (or the topic you'll soon tell Pastor Tim you want). But those in attendance at the Adult Sunday School class have picked a Bible study on the Book of James for the next few weeks. This is a great Book for teaching us how to live as a Christian. But it almost did not make it in the Bible, and Martin Luther hated it (he once said "Jimmy was drunk"). Want to learn more about what God wants from you in this Pandemic and decide for yourself why Luther had such a hang-up with such teachings? You'll also learn how James was almost like the first Pope. Come join us online only this week after worship and most Sundays for the rest of the Summer both online and in person. Since you're online in person or at church anyway, why not hang around for some spiritual growth and fun conversations? Don't worry if you miss some sessions...every week, we start with reviews to catch you up.

Save the Date! Join CLC for VBS! July 11-13 + 9am to 11am

It will be all outside, socially distanced, and fun! You'll enjoy crafts, drama, and stories! Sanitizing stations will be available. Pre-packaged snacks will be provided at the end of each day.

CLC Needs Your Help during In-Person Worship!

Many of our members enjoy being a Sunday Servant. They find reading, ushering, or greeting during worship a wonderful way to service others. It's easy to join our Sunday Servant team, simply sign up for any given Sunday. All are welcome to help. Go to the clcwestcobb.org to volunteer. Thanks!




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**NOW OPEN FOR
IN-PERSON WORSHIP
SUNDAYS AT 10AM**

Please register prior to attending service.

Register online at
clcwestcobb.org

Remember to:
+ Wear a mask
+ Practice Social Distancing
+ Use hand-sanitizer upon
entering and leaving church

Communion will be served after service.

We still need your Baptismal Date! Your baptism is the beginning of your faith journey. Let us celebrate your journey by recognizing your Baptismal Anniversaries. Please send an email to Marianne Mabry (lutherch@bellsouth.net) with the date of your baptism (even month and year are fine).

Upcoming Dates

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| Sunday, May 2nd Confirmation | 10:00am 11:00am | Confirmands & guests for in-person only CLC Stream Worship Adult Bible Study – Zoom only |
| Monday, May 3rd | 10:00 am | Morning Quilting |
| Wed., May 5th | 10:00am 5:30pm | Bible Study In-person and Zoom Bible Study for Young Parents |
| Saturday, May 8th | Sunday School at home treat drop offs | |
| Sunday, May 9th Happy Mom's Day | 9:00am 10:00am 11:00am | Drive In Communion In-person and CLC Stream Worship Adult Bible Study – In-person and Zoom |
| Wed., May 12th | 10:00am 5:30pm | Bible Study In-person and Zoom Bible Study for Young Parents |
| Sunday, May 16th | 10:00am 11:00am | In-person and CLC Stream Worship Breen Baptism Semi-Annual Church Meeting – In-person & Zoom (No adult bible study today, plan on attending the meeting) |
| Wed., May 19th | 10:00am 5:30pm | Bible Study In-person and Zoom Bible Study for Young Parents |
| Sunday, May 23rd Pentecost - wear red to worship | 9:00am 10:00am 11:00am | Drive In Communion In-person and CLC Stream Worship Adult Bible Study – In-person and Zoom |
| Wed., May 26th | 10:00am 5:30pm | Bible Study In-person and Zoom Bible Study for Young Parents |
| Sunday, May 30th | 10:00am 11:00am | In-person and CLC Stream Worship Adult Bible Study – In-person and Zoom |
| Monday, May 31st | Happy Memorial Day! Church office is closed today. | |
| Wed., June 2nd | 10:00am | Bible Study In-person and Zoom |
| Sunday, June 6th | 9:00am 10:00am 11:00am | Drive In Communion In-person and CLC Stream Worship Adult Bible Study – In-person and Zoom |

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If you have any questions or need to connect with someone from Christ Lutheran, please email Marianne Mabry, Office Manager, at lutherch@bellsouth.net. Thank you!

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