

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH



YOUR ON TEAM JESUS

Oct 4, 2026 9:00 AM

Pastor: Mark Hoffmann

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*
maroon hymnal page 660 verses 1-4

THE INVOCATION

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the
Holy Spirit,

C: Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

L: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the
truth is not in us.

**C: But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just,
will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all
unrighteousness.**

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

L: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

L: Let us confess our sins to God our Father

**C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature
sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in
thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by
what we have left undone. We have not loved You with
our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as
ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal
punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ
have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us and lead us, so
that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways
to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION

L: 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.

C: Amen. Thanks be to God!

HYMN OF PRAISE *This is the Feast*
maroon hymnal page 155 (all verses)

THE KYRIE

L: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: 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.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord have mercy.

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, Gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

THE GREETING

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: We pray together: **Loving heavenly Father, Nehemiah 3 reminds us that every single section of the wall mattered—from the grand gates to the parts repaired by everyday workers. Forgive me when I compare my role to others or think my contribution is too small to matter. Give me a joyful, willing heart to do the exact task You have placed in front of me. Give me the desire to keep loving and supporting others. When discouragement comes, unite our hearts and remind us that we are partnering with You, our Leader as we are on Your team. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen**

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 133

L How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

C It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down on the collar of his robe.

L It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion.

C For there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.

**ALL: Praise be to God the Father and God the Son and
God The Holy Spirit. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING Nehemiah 3:1-2, 8-12, 27-32

Eliashib the high priest and his fellow priests went to work and rebuilt the Sheep Gate. They dedicated it and set its doors in place, building as far as the Tower of the Hundred, which they dedicated, and as far as the Tower of Hananel. ² The men of Jericho built the adjoining section, and Zakkur son of Imri built next to them.

⁸ Uzziel son of Harhaiah, one of the goldsmiths, repaired the next section; and Hananiah, one of the perfume-makers, made repairs next to that. They restored Jerusalem as far as the Broad Wall. ⁹ Rephaiah son of Hur, ruler of a half-district of Jerusalem, repaired the next section. ¹⁰ Adjoining this, Jedaiah son of Harumaph made repairs opposite his house, and Hattush son of Hashabneiah made repairs next to him. ¹¹ Malkijah son of Harim and Hasshub son of Pahath-Moab repaired another section and the Tower of the Ovens. ¹² Shallum son of Hallohesh, ruler of a half-district of Jerusalem, repaired the next section with the help of his daughters.

²⁷ Next to them, the men of Tekoa repaired another section, from the great projecting tower to the wall of Ophel. ²⁸ Above the Horse Gate, the priests made repairs, each in front of his own house. ²⁹ Next to them, Zadok son of Immer made repairs opposite his house. Next to him, Shemaiah son of Shekaniah, the guard at the East Gate, made repairs. ³⁰ Next to him, Hananiah son of Shelemiah, and Hanun, the sixth son of Zalaph, repaired another section. Next to them, Meshullam son of Berekiah made repairs opposite his living quarters. ³¹ Next to him, Malkijah, one of the goldsmiths, made repairs as far as the house of the temple servants and the merchants, opposite the Inspection Gate, and as far as the room above the

corner; ³² and between the room above the corner and the Sheep Gate the goldsmiths and merchants made repairs.

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE READING 1 Corinthians 12:12-20

Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

¹⁵ Now if the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN’S TALK (children are invited to the front of the church)

GOSPEL READING Matthew 25:14-30

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 25th chapter.

C: Praise be to You, O God!

Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. ¹⁵ To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. ¹⁷ So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. ¹⁸ But the man who

had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. "After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. ²⁰ The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.' "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'

²² "The man with two bags of gold also came. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more.' "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' "Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. 'Master,' he said, 'I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.'

²⁶ "His master replied, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? ²⁷ Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest. "'So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. ³⁰ And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and

was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead. Whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY *Jesus Lead Thou On*
maroon hymnal page 718 verses 1-4

MESSAGE: *On Team Jesus*

OFFERING HYMN *Jesus Loves Me* maroon hymnal page 588 verses 1-2

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: Lord in Your Mercy.

C: Hear our Prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (please rise)

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.

THE PREFACE

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

L : It is truly good right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you Holy Father Almighty God and Jesus Christ Your One and only Son who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the resurrection feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore, with angels and arc angels and all the company of heaven we laud and glorify thy name praising you and singing:

SANCTUS (sung)

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Maroon Hymnal p. 161

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

L: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you. (please be seated)

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

WORSHIP DURING COMMUNION

I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table maroon hymnal page 618 verses 1-5

All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name maroon hymnal page 549 verses 1-7

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT (please rise)

L: Let us pray together...

C: God of glory, You nourish us with Your Word and Sacraments. Thank You for feeding us with the bread of life and filling us with Your Holy Spirit and give us the strength so that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on You and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and Give you peace.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN *Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer*
maroon hymnal page 918 verses 1-3

THE SENDING:

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Immediately After Worship join us in the Fellowship Hall for some refreshment and then a Bible study which concludes at 11:00 am. Sunday School for children is held in the rear of the church building and goes from approx 10:15-11:00

Lord's Supper; we celebrate Holy Communion each Sunday. If your beliefs are similar to the statement below concerning the Lord's Supper, please know you are welcome to commune with us.

The Lord's Supper, or Communion, is a Biblical event, given by Jesus for the strengthening of our faith and the forgiveness of our sins (Matthew 26).

We invite all baptized Christians, who believe in Jesus Christ as their savior, desire forgiveness of their sins, and believe that the body and blood are truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine to receive the Lord's Supper with us. If you are unsure of what you believe, or have questions, please speak to the Pastor.

Children who have not gone through instruction or confirmation may come forward to receive a blessing. Please cross your arms so the server knows that you are not communing. Grape juice is available in the center cups and is clear in color. Gluten free wafers are available;

Last week we were blessed with approximately 50 people in worship.

Services Online: You can view this week's service on Christ Lutheran's Facebook page or view this week and past week's services on our web page at ChristLutheranCoolidge.com it is under the services tab. You can also give on line, simply click on the online giving on the web site

Thank you to those who are serving today: Head elder Chuck Hess, liturgist Robert Rowland, acolyte Gabriel Opfer and the ushers, communion assts and all other servers in Jesus' Church!

Looking for someone who would be willing to live stream and post the worship service to the internet (our facebook page) only when Sandy

Erickson is not available. She does it 99% of the time but it would be nice to have a backup-sub available when she is not available to do it. Sandy would be willing to teach you, so see her or Pastor Mark if interested.

Each first and third Sat of the month from 9-10 am will be a Bible study. We meet in the fellowship hall, join us Sat Oct 17

Ladies Bible study will be the third Wed in Oct the 21st at 1:30, and each 3rd Wed of the month following. All ladies are invited to the Bible study, then you are welcome to stay after that for a brief LWML meeting.

Reader's, Communion preparers and **fellowship volunteers** are needed. Please sign up on the sheets in the back of the church.

In your prayers this week please pray for: Gary, Deb, Becki, Tobi, Samuel. Thank God for sending Jesus who died and rose again for our forgiveness and salvation. The men and women in uniform including our military, law enforcement officers and all first responders who serve in our communities. The Christian church, its leaders and pastors, including our District and Synodical presidents, Mike and Matthew. Pray for safe keeping for all those who are traveling.

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning! Bring a friend next week!

First time guests: Please sign the guest register at the rear of the church. Join us again next Sunday for worship. If you have any questions about Christ Lutheran, speak with any of the wonderful people sitting around you! You are always welcome—this is your Father's House! You are always welcome to join Christ Lutheran church. Please consult Pastor Mark if you wish to become a member or associate member.

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