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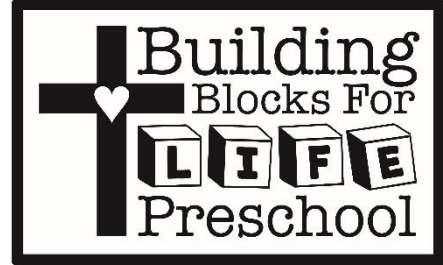
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WELCOME TO CHRIST!

We are so glad that you joined us to worship our Lord Jesus today, and welcome to our church! Christ is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We have been gathering around Word and sacrament since 1976. Our pastor would be happy to answer your questions about our service, our beliefs, or communicant membership in our congregation. Please join us again soon!

INFORMATION

Our restrooms are located by going to the right out of the sanctuary doors and proceeding down the hallway. They are at the end of the hallway on the right. There is also a **family restroom** with a changing station out the sanctuary doors to the left and around the corner.

We love hearing little ones in God's house but if you feel like your child needs a moment there are speakers to hear the service as well as books and toys in the entryway

Our guest register is located in the entryway. Please leave us a record of your visit and we will be glad to supply you with more information about our church.

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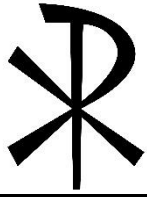
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DIVINE SERVICE I

This liturgy, found on page 15 in the blue supplement, is a version of the historic liturgy of the Christian church.

PASTOR'S WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

HOW SWEET THE NAME OF JESUS SOUNDS | #358

Please Stand.

GATHERING

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

C: (spoken) **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

L: Fellow loved ones of Christ: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy
on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us. A - men.

ABSOLUTION

L: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

C: (spoken) **Amen.**

L: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

GLORY BE TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis

All Sing: **Glo-ry to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly, King, almighty God and Father,
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory,
Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father;
Receive our prayer,
Receive our prayer.**

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father.
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Glory to God, glory to God!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Let us pray.

C: Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

THE WORD

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:3-18

³Elijah was afraid, and he ran for his life. He went to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and he left his servant there. ⁴But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness. There he sat down under a broom tree, where he prayed that he would die. He said, "I've had enough, LORD. Take my life, for I am no better than my fathers." ⁵Then he lay down and went to sleep under the broom tree. Suddenly an angel touched him and said, "Get up and eat." ⁶Then he looked around, and near his head there was a loaf of bread baking on coals and a jar of water, so he ate and drank, and then he lay down again. ⁷Then the angel of the LORD came back a second time and touched him

and said, “Get up and eat, because the journey is too much for you.” ⁸ So he got up and ate and drank. Then, with the strength gained from that food, he walked for forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mountain of God. ⁹ He came to a cave and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD suddenly came to him, saying, “Why are you here, Elijah?” ¹⁰ He said, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of Armies, but the people of Israel have abandoned your covenant. They have torn down your altars and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking to take my life.” ¹¹ Then the LORD said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the LORD, for the LORD is passing by.” Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains and shattered rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. ¹² After the earthquake there was a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. After the fire there was a soft, whispering voice. ¹³ When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak, and he went out and stood at the entrance to the cave. Then a voice came to him and said, “Why are you here, Elijah?” ¹⁴ He said, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of Armies, but the people of Israel have abandoned your covenant. They have torn down your altars and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking to take my life.” ¹⁵ Then the LORD said to him, “Go back the way you came and go to the Wilderness of Damascus. When you get there, you are to anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶ You will also anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel and Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁷ Whoever escapes the sword of Hazael, Jehu will kill, and whoever escapes the sword of Jehu, Elisha will kill. ¹⁸ But I have preserved in Israel seven thousand whose knees have not bent to Baal and whose lips have not kissed him.”

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 34 | pg. 80

“The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him.”



SECOND READING

Ephesians 4:30-5:2

³⁰ Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Get rid of every kind of bitterness, rage, anger, quarreling, and slander, along with every kind of malice. ³² Instead, be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving one another, just as God in Christ has forgiven us. Therefore, be imitators of God as his dearly loved children. ² And walk in love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Hebrews 11:1

Alleluia. Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Alleluia.
Please stand.

L: The Gospel according to John 6.



Glo-ry be to you, O Lord! Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

⁴¹ So the Jews started grumbling about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴² They asked, “Isn’t this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? So how can he say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” ⁴³ Jesus answered them, “Stop grumbling among yourselves. ⁴⁴ No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the Last Day. ⁴⁵ It is written in the Prophets, ‘They will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from him comes to me. ⁴⁶ I am not saying that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God. He is the one who has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Amen, Amen, I tell you: The one who believes in me has eternal life. ⁴⁸ “I am the Bread of Life. ⁴⁹ Your fathers ate manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰ This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that anyone may eat it and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats this bread, he will live forever. The bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

L: The Gospel of our Lord.



Praise be to you, O Christ! Praise be to you, O Christ!

NICENE CREED

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated.

YOUTH HYMN

["Give Me Oil In My Lamp"](#)

SERMON 1 Kings 19:3-18

Theme: Bible Stories: “Elijah Flees to Horeb”

CREATE IN ME

Psalm 51

All sing: **Create in me a pure heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit with in me.
Do not cast me away from your presence
Or take your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
And uphold, uphold me with your free Spirit.**

THANK OFFERING

1 Corinthians 16:2; 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

The members of Christ Lutheran join together to do the Lord's work in Cambridge and throughout the world in our church body, the WELS. Guests need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry. (Due to COVID19 the offering plate will not be passed around. If you would like to make a donation please place your offering in the basket by the doors to the sanctuary. You can also make use of online giving through the giveplus app or by going to the church's website (www.christcambridge.com) and selecting the "Donate" tab under "About" in the site menu.)

GIVEPLUS⁺

We grow in stewardship looking at it through the filter of Ephesians 4:30-5:2. The truth is there's nothing like money to cause arguments, and this threat is even possible within a congregation. A wealthy member dies and leaves a large estate to the church resulting in wrangling over how to spend or invest the money. An expansion of facilities is proposed and the discussion over the cost and how to gather needed funds nearly dooms the project. Times are tight, and the budget is not met, so discussions over priorities and where to cut become heated. May we always remember God does not bless the church to cause divisions. Just as we give out of love, let us also give ourselves as we work together in love, prayerfully asking God to guide us in the use of these gifts within his Church.

INSTALLATION OF ABBY BARTEL

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

L: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. All creation proclaims your praise.

C: **And yet you are mindful of us, O Lord. You have formed us. You have redeemed us. From eternity you have known us and called us to be your own.**

L: Heavenly Father, you call us to do that which is impossible for us to accomplish on our own – to be bold and unshakeable proclaimers of your Word, to get rid of all that is evil in our lives, to conduct ourselves always with the gentleness, kindness, and compassion that characterized your Son in his ministry. Like Elijah, there can be those times when we say to you as he did, "I've had enough, Lord."

C: **Be with us and deal with us gently as you did with him. Give us the respite we need from the struggles we face and renew our spirits with the strength that only you can supply. Nourish us through Word and Sacrament and enable us to show to others the same love and understanding you demonstrate toward us.**

L: Lord Jesus, you are the Bread of Life. Too often we succumb to the temptation to find our lives in something other than you. It might be prosperity. It might be power. It might be pleasure. It might be popularity.

C: Continue to restore us when we err. Enable us to keep a firm grip on the life that is truly life. Let us find our contentment in you and in what you provide for us

L: Ruler of All, it is that time of year when many of our elected officials take a break from the corridors of power to recharge their batteries or to reconnect with their constituents. Be with them and their families as they travel to keep them safe. Let this time be that which helps them to carry out their weighty responsibilities.

C: Remind us that they are your representatives, so that we honor them as such. Keep us from being caught up in the attitudes of our times which would have us despise those with whom we disagree.

L: Lord of the church, the news media report all too frequently and approvingly the departures in doctrine and practice of those held out to be the representatives of your Word and will. We shouldn't expect that it would be otherwise. The devil and the world are opposed to you and so naturally delight in and gladly advance anything that sets aside or disparages your truth.

C: While we are rightly distressed by such events, do not let us become discouraged by them. Remind us that the world will not report on how your Word is continuing to do its quiet work in the world. The seed is still being sown and bearing fruit. The harvest is always being gathered. Continue to be with all your faithful and enable us to give a clear and consistent response to those who oppose the gospel.

L: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

L: Dear Father, you are able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, and you have put your power to work in us, hear and answer our prayers for the sake of your Son who has taught us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

Luke 11:1-4; Matthew 6:9-13

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 SACRAMENT

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.

L: It is good and right so to do.

L: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,
God of might: heav'n and earth are full of your glo -
ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless -
ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

1Corinthians 11:23-25

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

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: (spoken) AMEN

LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

O Christ, Lamb of
God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of
God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of
God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - men. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

God tells us in the Bible that his Supper is for sinners who are accurately instructed in his word, who examine themselves by living in repentance, and who recognize the miraculous real presence of Jesus' body and blood. It is our joy and honor to use God's Holy Word. Therefore, we invite only current members of Christ, (and those from sister WELS and ELS congregations) come forward to receive the Sacrament at the direction of the ushers. If you have questions, please speak with Pastor before taking part in the sacrament. He welcomes the chance to study what God says with you. Thank you so much for honoring God's Word in this manner.

⇒ One option for preparation is available in the red hymnal on page 156.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

JUST AS I AM, WITHOUT ONE PLEA | #397

Song of Simeon

Nunc Dimittis

In peace, Lord, you let your

ser - vant now de - part ac - cord - ing to your word. For my

eyes have seen your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for

ev - 'ry peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the

glo - ry, the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

L: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures forever.

L: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (spoken) AMEN.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE LORD'S BLESSING

Numbers 6:24-26

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C: (spoken) AMEN.

CLOSING HYMN:

JESUS, SHEPHERD OF THE SHEEP | #436