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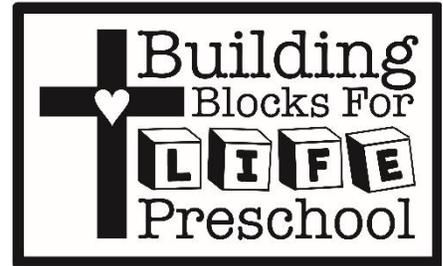
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WELCOME TO CHRIST!

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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SERVICE of WORD & SACRAMENT

You can follow along with this service order on page 26 in the front of the red hymnal.

PASTOR'S WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

Please Stand.

CHRIST IS OUR CORNERSTONE | #528

GATHERING

L: The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

L: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

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.

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: Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie Eleison

L: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

L: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

L: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

L: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

L: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

SONG OF PRAISE

O Lord, Our Lord



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in



all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,



you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;



you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and



ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,



but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.



O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,

you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;

you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the

King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,

how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

C: Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive forgiveness of sins and inherit eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

Please be seated



FIRST READING

Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶ This is what the LORD says,
 who makes a road through the sea
 and a path through mighty waters,
¹⁷ who brings out the chariot and the horses,
 the army and the strong warrior.
 They will all lie down together.
 They will not get up.

They are extinguished.

Like a wick they go out.

¹⁸ Do not remember the former things.

Do not keep thinking about ancient things.

¹⁹ Watch, I am about to do a new thing.

Now it will spring up. Don't you know about it?

Indeed I will make a road in the wilderness.

In the wasteland I will make rivers.

²⁰ The wild animals, the jackals and ostriches, will honor me,

because I am providing water in the wilderness,

rivers in a parched wasteland,

water for my chosen people to drink.

²¹ This people that I formed for myself will declare my praise.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 73 | pg. 94

"Whom have I in heaven but you? Earth has nothing I desire besides you."



SECOND READING

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else thinks that he has grounds for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ in regard to zeal, persecuting the church; in regard to the righteousness that is in the law, blameless. ⁷ But, whatever things were a profit for me, these things I have come to consider a loss because of Christ. ⁸ But even more than that, I consider everything to be a loss because of what is worth far more: knowing Christ Jesus, my Lord. For his sake, I have lost all things and consider them rubbish, so that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own, which comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness that comes from God by faith. ¹⁰ I do this so that I may know him and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of his sufferings, being conformed to his death, ¹¹ in the hope that in some way I may arrive at the resurrection from the dead. ¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus also took hold of me. ¹³ Brothers, I do not consider myself to have taken hold of it yet, but there is one thing I do: Forgetting the things that are behind and straining toward the things that are ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal, for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Mark 10:45

The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

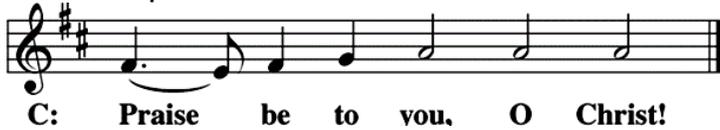
GOSPEL

Luke 20:9-19

⁹ He began to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard, leased it to some tenant farmers, and went away on a journey for a long time. ¹⁰ When it was the right time, he sent a servant to the tenants to collect his share of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenant farmers beat the servant and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹ The man went ahead and sent yet another servant, but they also beat him, treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹² He then sent yet a third. They also wounded him and threw him out. ¹³ The owner of the vineyard said,

‘What should I do? I will send my son, whom I love. Perhaps they will respect him.’ ¹⁴“But when the tenant farmers saw him, they talked it over with one another. They said, ‘This is the heir. Let’s kill him, so that the inheritance will be ours.’ ¹⁵They threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. So what will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶He will come and destroy those tenant farmers and give the vineyard to others.” When they heard this, they said, “May it never be!” ¹⁷But he looked at them and said, “Then what about this that is written: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone? ¹⁸“Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush the one on whom it falls.” ¹⁹That very hour the chief priests and the experts in the law began looking for a way to lay hands on him, because they knew he had spoken this parable against them. But they were afraid of the people.

L: The Gospel of our Lord.



Please be seated.

YOUTH HYMN

[10,000 Reasons](#)

SERMON

Philippians 3:4b-14

Theme: “Human Rejection is Crushed by Divine Exaltation”

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.

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. (You can also make use of online giving through the VancoMobile app or by going to the church's website (www.christcambridge.com) and selecting the "Donate" tab under "About" in the site menu.)



Luke 20:9-19

Christians often think of stewardship as being about what we give. In light of today's reading, it's interesting to consider that the word "steward" was originally used in English to describe the overseer of a house. We so often think of ourselves in the role of "owner," or on our better days, perhaps "servant," but in this passage, we see ourselves as nothing more than sharecroppers caring for the land of another. And oh, what poor caretakers we often are, so focused on our own plans and purposes, and not on the work that our Lord has called us to do. Our situation would be as hopeless as the tenants in this parable, but the same God who created us and who saved us from our sin also sanctifies us. God has placed us in our positions of stewardship so that we may gratefully perform the works of service he has prepared in advance for us. May he bless our work as we serve together in his name!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

L: "O LORD, the king rejoices in your strength. How great is his joy in the victories you give." So sang the psalmist in ancient times. So we also sing to you today. In your strength, you have completely defeated our enemy Satan. You have blotted out our sins. You have brought us out of death into life. You have given us the victory and made us more than conquerors through your Son Jesus Christ.

C: **Already here on earth you have given us a foretaste of the eternal joys you have prepared for us. We find our comfort in your presence and peace.**

L: Holy Spirit, Satan and the world around us would like to convince us that the victory Jesus won is no victory at all, that the wisdom you supply is no wisdom at all, that the salvation we have is no salvation at all. When our foes assail us with such thoughts and we are tempted to doubt that which we have learned – especially in times of temporary tribulations – strengthen us in our faith. Vindicate us in our trust. Enable us to hold firm to your truth.

C: **As we live in a world ensnared by the lies and false religion of the Great Deceiver, give us the confidence and strength to speak your Word boldly to others. Let them know, understand, and believe that their sin is fully forgiven and their salvation is fully accomplished in Jesus. Free them from the tyranny of the lie that they still can or must do something if they wish to inherit eternal life. Give them true wisdom through your Word.**

L: Heavenly Father, we pray weekly for various individuals who are in need of your physical and/or spiritual blessing, people who are facing financial hardship, medical uncertainties, trials of faith, and other challenges.

C: **We thank you for hearing and answering our intercessions on their behalf. Continue to be with us and with those for whom we pray so that our lives will be a constant hymn of praise for all that you have done and will yet do.**

L: Keep steadfast in the faith those who in your kingdom quietly do the work which many do not see. Strengthen them so that they do not become weary in their serving. Do not let their sinful nature get the better of them, causing them to no longer be content with the reward you give but seeking other glory instead.

C: Let their lives be an example and encouragement to others to press on toward the goal to which you have called us.

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

L: As the psalmist confessed, “You have granted him the desire of his heart and not withheld the request of his lips,” so we also acknowledge and thank you for all your blessings, and in that confidence pray as our Savior has taught us:

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

PREFACE

L: The Lord be with you.

C: (sings) *And also with you.*

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: (sings) *We lift them up to the Lord.*

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

C: (sings) *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

L: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He made his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world. Now have come the salvation and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:



HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.
You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.
I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -
va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

1 Corinthians 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: A - men.

LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



C: 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.

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

LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE CHURCH'S HEAD | #536

Song of Praise

Thank the Lord



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud - ly bear his name.



He re - news his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

PRAYER

L: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever



CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE LORD'S BLESSING

Numbers 6:24-26

L: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.



CLOSING HYMN:

PRAISE THE ONE WHO BREAKS THE DARKNESS | #353

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