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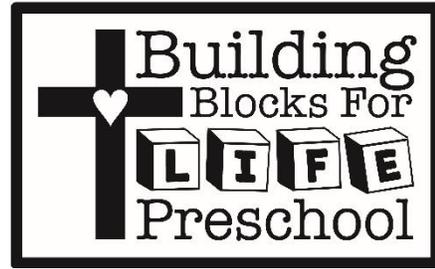
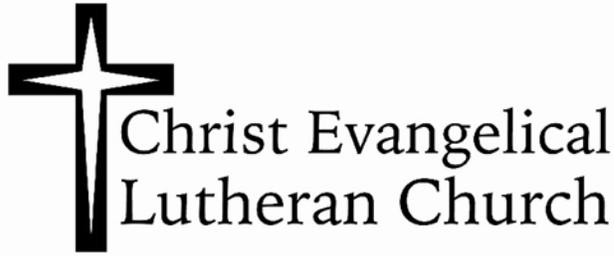
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WELCOME TO CHRIST!

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 THE WORD

This liturgy, found on page 38 in the red hymnal, offers the congregation a form of worship that focuses on the proclamation of God's Word. Believers respond to this divine gift with prayer, praise, and thanksgiving.

PASTOR'S WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS | #169

Please Stand.

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: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

ABSOLUTION

L: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAISE & PRAYER

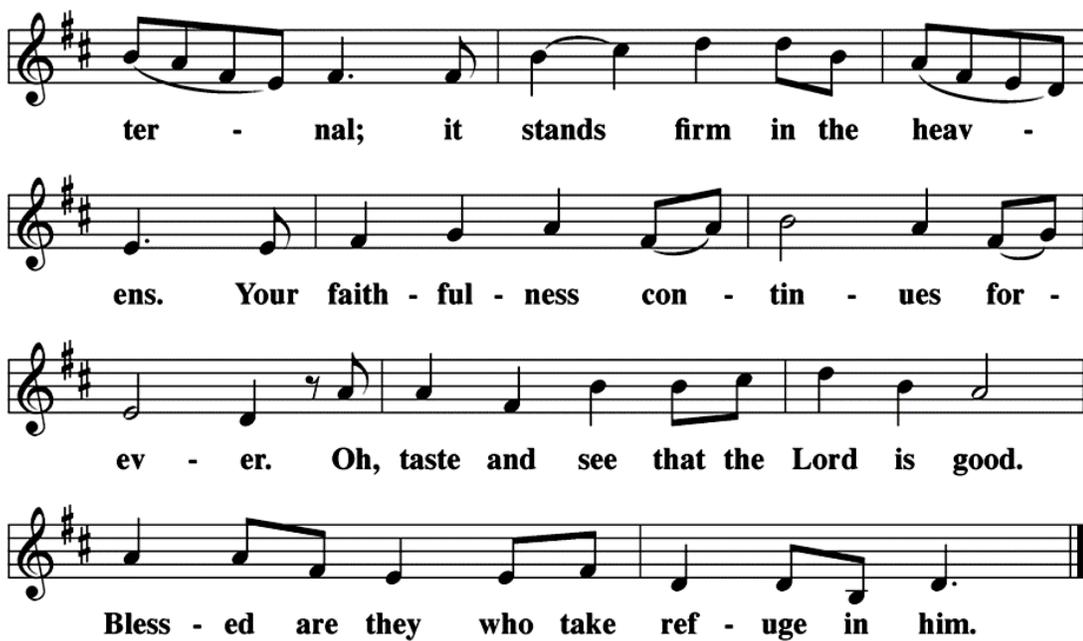
L: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are



they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -



ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -
 ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -
 ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
 Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

C: Lord Jesus, King of glory, on this day you ascended far above the heavens and at God's right hand you rule the nations. Leave us not alone, we pray, but grant us the Spirit of truth that at your command and by your power we may be your witnesses in all the world; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.



FIRST READING

Acts 1:1-11

I wrote my first book, Theophilus, about everything Jesus began doing and teaching ² until the day he was taken up, after he had given instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. ³ After he had suffered, he presented himself alive to the apostles with many convincing proofs. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and told them things about the kingdom of God. ⁴ Once, when he was eating with them, he commanded them, “Do not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for what the Father promised, which you heard from me. ⁵ For John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.” ⁶ So when they were together with him, they asked, “Lord, is this the time when you are going to restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷ He said to them, “It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ⁹ After he said these things, he was taken up while they were watching, and a cloud

took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ They were looking intently into the sky as he went away. Suddenly, two men in white clothes stood beside them. ¹¹ They said, “Men of Galilee, why are you standing here looking up into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.”

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 47 | pg.85



"How awesome is the LORD Most High, the great King over all the earth!"

SECOND READING

Revelation 19:11-16

¹¹ I saw heaven standing open, and there was a white horse! Its rider is called Faithful and True, and he judges and makes war in righteousness. ¹² His eyes are like blazing flames, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him, which no one knows except he himself. ¹³ He is also clothed in a garment that had been dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. ¹⁴ The armies in heaven, which were clothed with white, clean, fine linen, were following him on white horses. ¹⁵ Out of his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. He will shepherd them with an iron staff. He himself is going to trample the winepress of the fierce anger of the Almighty God. ¹⁶ On his garment and on his thigh this name is written: King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Matthew 28:20b

Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. Surely I will be with you always, to the very end of the age. Alleluia.

Please stand.

GOSPEL

Luke 24:44-53

⁴⁴ He said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms.” ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶ He said to them, “This is what is written and so it must be: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ Look, I am sending you what my Father promised. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high. ⁵⁰ He led them out as far as the vicinity of Bethany. He lifted up his hands and blessed them. ⁵¹ And while he was blessing them, he parted from them and was taken up into heaven. ⁵² So they worshipped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. ⁵³ They were continually in the temple courts, praising and blessing God. Amen.

L: The Gospel of our Lord.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!
Please be seated.

SERMON Acts 1:1-11**Theme: Victorious: “Power from Heaven to the Ends of the Earth”**

APOSTLES’ CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.****I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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.)



This glimpse of Jesus in heaven from our lesson in Revelation 19 reminds of the most precious possession we have: the gospel of Jesus Christ. He went to battle for us and won the victory over all our enemies. He is the King of kings and Lord of lords. His victory is not only for us. We have the good news of Jesus to share with the world, so that many more will know the joy that we know.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

L: Lord Jesus, we join our hymns of praise with those of the saints and angels in heaven who glorify you because you completed your work of redeeming us from sin, death and the devil. You are enthroned on high, yet you do not rest. You rule over all things for the benefit of us who are your own. You cause your Word to be proclaimed that others might know you as their Savior. You intercede on our behalf so that we are spared the judgment we deserve because of our sin.

C: Lord, you have bestowed on us your glory, not as the world sees it or seeks it, but through the transformation you have brought about in us. You have poured out your love on us that we might love you and those around us. You have made us one with you that we might find peace in the knowledge and faith that we are holy in you and through you. We thank you for your great blessings.

L: O Lord, hear our prayer. It is your desire that we be brought to complete unity in you. Continue to draw us to yourself through your Word and by your Spirit that we may live in that oneness you desire.

C: Give us the strength to reject the lies of unity sought apart from your Word or the oneness imposed by human will rather than flowing from a godly spirit. May your glory daily be reflected in us and through us.

L: Heavenly Father, we are able to worship you today in complete openness and freedom because of the blessing you have given us. There have been many who have given the ultimate sacrifice to preserve and insure that freedom. We thank you for what they have done.

C: Be with those who serve in our armed forces today. Protect them from unnecessary harm and danger. Enable them to carry out their responsibilities with integrity and honor. Most of all, cause them to know your Son so that if they too must give the ultimate sacrifice they will be welcomed into eternal glory.

L: We ask your blessing, Lord, upon our land and especially upon those who direct its affairs. Give them wisdom and righteousness so that they do that which is proper and true. Give them strength to stand against those who advocate for principles and policies which are at odds with your will, which bring harm rather than good. Protect from Satan's attacks those who labor faithfully for you.

C: Curb our sinful natures which would show disrespect toward those whom you have placed in authority. Give us hearts that honor them and lives that work with them for the benefit of society.

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

L: These and all our requests we bring together in the prayer you have 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.

HYMN

ON CHRIST'S ASCENSION I NOW BUILD | #173

PRAYER

L: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, 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.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

CLOSING HYMN:

MAY THE PEACE OF GOD | #745

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