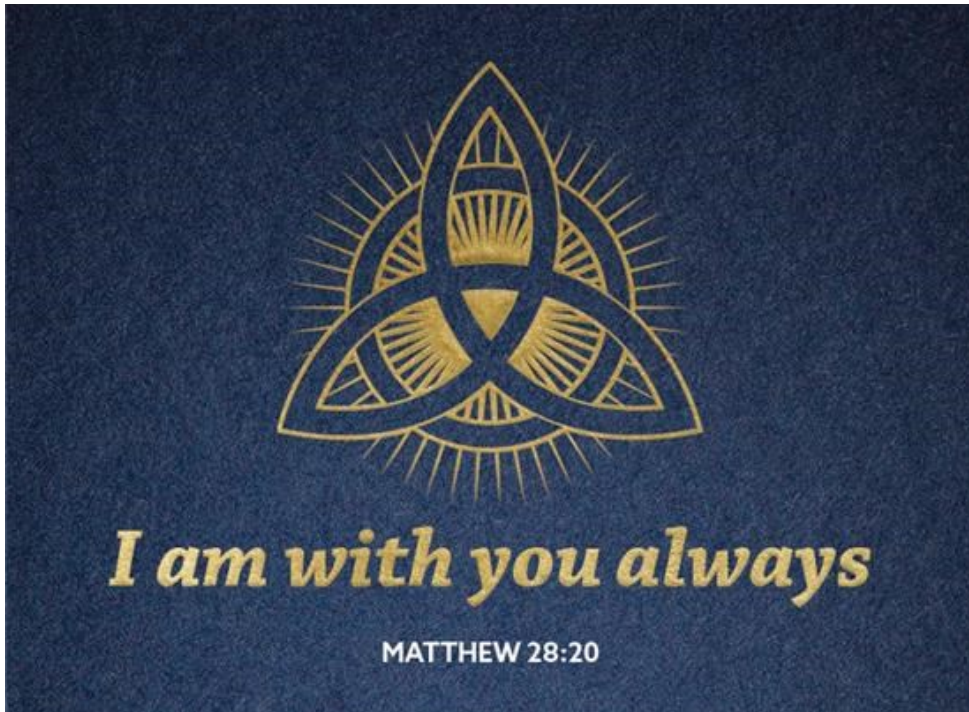


THE HOLY TRINITY
MAY 31, 2026



Christ Lutheran Church

29 S. George Street, York, Pa. 17401

Our Mission:

Reflect God's love in the heart of York

Our Vision:

To be a vibrant congregation in the heart of York praising God,
connecting people to Christ,
and serving the people of York and the world

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Words about today

Though the word trinity is not found in the scriptures, today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.

The Entrance Rite

Prelude

All Creatures of our God and King

Bell Choir

(L. Scholes)

Processional Hymn "Rise, Shine, You People!"

ELW 665



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered
2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;
3 Come, cel - e - brate; your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent the Son to save us.



our hu - man sto - ry; God in him is cen - tered. He comes to
he brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing. All men and
your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark - ness hurl - ing. To all the
Tell of the Son, who life and free - dom gave us. Tell how the



us, by death and sin sur - round - ed, with grace un - bound - ed.
wom - en, who by guilt are driv - en, now are for - giv - en.
world go out and tell the sto - ry of Je - sus' glo - ry.
Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry na - tion God's new cre - a - tion.

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Apostolic Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray...Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Announcements

The Liturgy of the Word

First Lesson: Genesis 1:—2:4a

¹ When God began to create the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶ And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷ So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸ God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹ And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹ Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. ¹² The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴ And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶ God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷ God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰ And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” ²¹ So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²² God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” ²³ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴ And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. ²⁵ God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind and the cattle of every kind and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, “Let us make humans in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

²⁷ So God created humans in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” ²⁹ God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. ³¹ God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

^{2:1} Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all their multitude. ² On the sixth day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³ So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

^{4a} These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

A: The word of the Lord C: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 8 (*Sung in unison*)

**¹ O | LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!—**

**² you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of in- | fants and
children;
you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe | and
avenger.**

**³ When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,**

**⁴ what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of them,
human beings that you should | care for them?**

**⁵ Yet you have made them little less | than divine;
with glory and hon- | or you crown them.**

**⁶ You have made them rule over the works | of your hands;
you have put all things un- | der their feet:**

**⁷ all | flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts | of the field,**

**⁸ the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.**

**⁹ O | LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!**

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Paul writes: ¹¹ Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.

¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

A: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual



1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing;



help us to praise; Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -



to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

P: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the Twenty-eighth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Gradual



4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be



hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - reign māi - ěs - tv mav we in



glo - rý see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Children's message

Sermon

Hymn of the Day "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

ELW 414



1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -
3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred
4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,
bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
name to hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one;



all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with
and the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; and from morn to
un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
set of sun through the church the song goes on.
bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820-1900

Music: GROSSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, 1774

Nicene Creed

P: Let us profess our faith in the words of the 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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic 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.

Prayers

A: Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence

A: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

The Prayers conclude:

A: Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

C: Amen.

The Eucharistic Meal

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offertory

Most Holy

(C. de Silva)

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer

A: Let us pray...Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of you gracious love.

Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord

C: Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Preface and Sanctus

P: It is indeed right and salutary. . . We praise your name and join their unending hymn



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. 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.

Eucharistic Prayer

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory. Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations. You rescued Israel, your chosen people. Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Lord's Prayer

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Fraction and Agnus Dei

P: Come to the banquet for all is ready.



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

All who are baptized are invited to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Approach the chancel rail by way of the side aisles, beginning in the rear of the nave. Dip the host in the first cup or drink from the common cup. Worshipers may stand or kneel at the chancel rail to receive the sacrament. Return to your pew by way of the center aisle. Gluten-free wafers are available.

Hymns during Distribution

“Blessed Assurance”

WOV 699



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God, born of his Spir - it, washed in his blood.
an - gels de - scend - ing bring from a - bove ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love.
watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove, filled with his good - ness, lost in his love.

Refrain



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long:



this is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

“By Your Hand You Feed Your People”

ELW 469



- 1 By your hand you feed your peo - ple, food of an - gels, heav-en's bread.
- 2 In this meal we taste your sweet-ness, bread for hun - ger, wine of peace.
- 3 Send us now with faith and cour - age to the hun - gry, lost, be - reaved.



For these gifts we did not la - bor, by your grace have we been fed:
Ho - ly word and ho - ly wis - dom sat - is - fy our deep - est needs.
In our liv - ing and our dy - ing, we be - come what we re - ceive:



Christ's own bod - y, blessed and bro - ken, cup o'er - flow - ing, life out - poured,



giv - en as a liv - ing to - ken of your world re - deemed, re - stored.

Text: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952

Music: CAMROSE, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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Only sung if needed

“Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth”

ELW 413



1 Moth - er - ing God, you gave me birth in the bright
2 Moth - er - ing Christ, you took my form, of - fer - ing
3 Moth - er - ing Spir - it, nur - t'ring one, in arms of



morn - ing of this world. Cre - a - tor, source of ev - 'ry
me your food of light, grain . . . of life, and grape of
pa - tience hold me close, so that in faith I root and



breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun.
love, your ver - y bod - y for my peace.
grow un - til I flow'r, un - til I know.

Text: Jean Janzen, b. 1933; based on Julian of Norwich, c. 1342–c. 1413
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The Dismissal

Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C: Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

A: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

C: Amen.

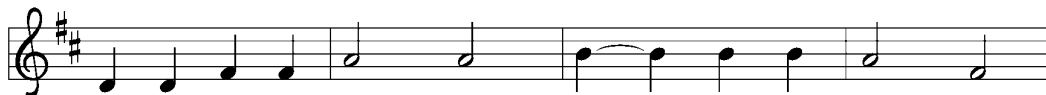
Benediction

P: The God of peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Recessional Hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"

ELW 413



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt.
 Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Fanfare

(K. Leighton)

Special Welcome to Pastor Sarah Wilson

Sarah Hinlicky Wilson is the founder of Thornbush Press (2020) and a prolific author of theological and devotional works. She holds a Ph.D. in Systematic Theology (2008) and an M.Div. (2003) from Princeton Theological Seminary, and a B.A. in Theology and Philosophy from Lenoir-Rhyne College. Her vocation has spanned pastoral ministry, academic teaching, and international research, including service as a pastor in New Jersey and Tokyo, work with the Institute for Ecumenical Research in Strasbourg, and ongoing involvement in theological education in Sweden and Germany. She has contributed extensively to ecumenical dialogue and taught widely on Martin Luther's theology. In addition to editing *Lutheran Forum* through 2018, she has published numerous books and hundreds of articles in both popular and scholarly journals. Originally from New York and New Jersey, she has spent much of her life living and working abroad.

**Special Congregation Meeting
Pastoral Candidate**

The Church Council is pleased to announce that Pastor Sarah Wilson has been recommended as the pastoral candidate for Christ Lutheran Church. A Special Congregation meeting will follow the worship service where members will have the opportunity to vote on extending a call to Pastor Wilson. We encourage all members to attend this important event in the life of our church.

Keith Stoltzfus
Council President

Please join us for coffee hour after the meeting.



Prayer List

We strive to keep the prayer list current, especially in these uncertain times. Please notify us whether there are additions to this list or whether a name should be taken off.

Members

Beverly Bowers, Shirley Cook, Mel Dick, Naomi Duncan, Ethel Emenhiser, Rodney Flinchbaugh, Ron Heilman, Steven Heilman, Bill Hullman, David Kauffman, Pat Kronk, John Long, Jr., Patricia Lowe, John and Mary Lou Manley, Richard Meckley, Adrian Patches, Jen Risser, Doris Ritter, Mary Shepp, Rick Smith, Doris Weaver, Robert Weikert.

Others

Robert Appleton, Greg Beck, Kelly Bell, Edward Bender, Jr., Roman Bondarevskyi, Joan Boyce, David Brudnicki and family, Nancy Buettner, Andy Doss, Susan Ellison, Sarah Flynn, Richard Fox, Gus Frank, Mark Garber, Lynda Godfrey, Christina Hackeling, Julie Hadaszy, Bill, Charlie, and Wayne Hensel, Daniel Hertig, Liz, Heather and Jessica Houlding, Kay Leiphart, Kristin Klinedinst, Ellen Meyers, The Rev. Glenn Miller and Carol, Jeff Miller, Glenn Myers, Dottie Morris, Jack Neuman family, Lois Olson, Dale Parker, John Pavoncelli, April Paske, Leo Pufall, Nancy Quintin, Barry and Sandi Ream, Bick Sandin, Pastor Amy Schifrin, Robert Settee, Selena Strine, Denny and Jan Stroshane, Dan Sutton, Robert Wagaman, Susan Wagner, Micheal Wetzell, Rev. Allan S. and Bonnie Wysocki, Stephen L. Wysocki.

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Serving in Worship

Assisting Ministers	Matt March Paul Schendel
Reader	Marc Gross
Acolyte	Shea Vanada
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Back Door	Scott Donner
Altar Guild	Vicki Craun, Marty Olson, Judy Garber, Marlene Coval
Ushers	Kathy Noll, Chuck Noll, Tom Gross, Paul and Nancy Spataro, Jim, James, Wills Anderson
Coffee hour	Bill and Sandy Cooley

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Sandra Murr and Andy Goslin in memory of her parents, Audrey and Charles Murr .

**SOUP
KITCHEN**



May 31-Noodles our for pick-up
June 7-Hamburger and Noodle Return
June 14-Baked goods due
June 15-Soup Kitchen Delivery

Guys Night Out

Please join us Tuesday, June 9, at 6:00pm
at Brew Vino.

RSVP to Chaplain Steinhilber at 717-881-2578
or call the church office.

Community Meal

Today



Social Ministry Committee

International Children's Day is Sunday, June 14, 2026. We are planning to celebrate this with a Blessing and Recognition of the items collected and donated by our congregation.

Items needed are new infant clothing, diapers and wipes, gently used toddler clothing and baby blankets and quilts. These items will be donated to Community of Hope and to the Lehman Center.

The donation box is in the Lower Narthex. Please bring the items by Sunday, June 7 and place them in the indicated box in the lower narthex.

Thank you for your support of this support of our most precious resource - our children.



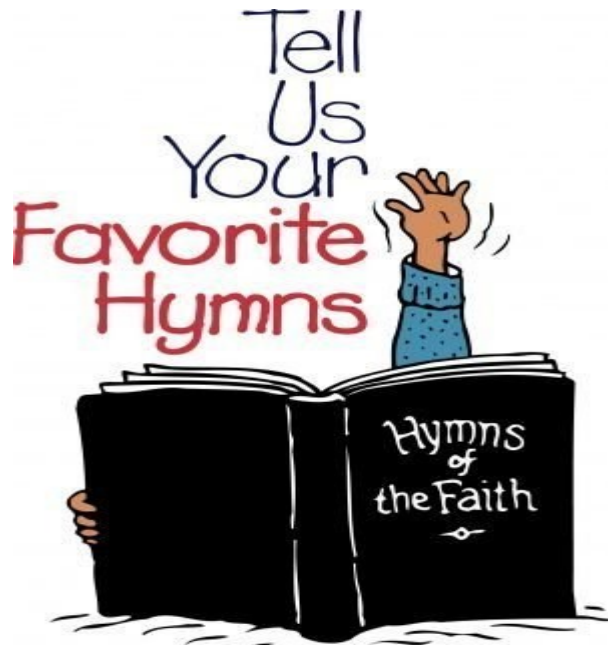
Sunday, June 7th

Come join us after worship on June 7th for the Annual Strawberry Festival. We will be having strawberries, ice cream , shortcake and other light refreshments.

We will have a donation basket for contributions for the Itete Hospital Renovation Fund.

We will also be collecting items for the Hannah Penn Community of Hope. They are in need of new baby clothes, gently used toddler clothes, diapers and wipes. These items will be blessed at service on June 14th.

Thanks, Cindy



This Summer we are asking you to choose some of your favorite hymns to sing and they will be programmed into the worship services!

Please fill out a paper copy in this bulletin on Sunday or check the link below. Today is the final day to submit your choices.

Thank you!



Summer Hymns

Please write your three favorite hymns that you want to sing this summer!

1:

2:

3:

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Welcome!

So we can know you better, please complete an attendance card found in the pew and place it in an offering plate. If you have no church home, we invite you to membership at Christ Lutheran Church. We hope you return to worship and participate in our life in Christ!

The Liturgy

Our worship is the historic liturgy of the Christian Church - a celebration of Word and Sacrament, the means through which God gives forgiveness, life and salvation. The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated in accordance with the understanding of the Lutheran Confessions that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Blessed Sacrament.

Children are always welcome at worship!

We value the participation of our children in worship! As members of the church, children participate in the worship service. They listen to God's Word, gather at the Lord's table, serve as readers, acolytes, choir members, and more. Feel free to take children in and out as necessary.

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