Christ Lutheran Church Boyne City, MI



Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion! When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people, let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad. (Psalm 14:7)

The Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost August 25, 2024

Welcome

Welcome to all – members, guests, and visitors – in the name of Jesus! Our Lord comes to us today in Word and Sacrament, bestowing upon us the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. It is truly a blessing to gather with other Christians and celebrate all the Gospel promises of our Lord and Savior, Christ Jesus. During the Offering, all worshipers are asked to please fill out the *Record of Fellowship* which is found in each of the pews.

Concerning the Lord's Supper

If you are not a confirmed member of a congregation of The LC-MS, please do not commune today. Please know, however, that we look forward to having you join us very soon at the Lord's Table. Our pastor sincerely invites you to visit with him about the joys of Holy Communion. He will offer you instruction about our Lutheran faith and the Sacrament, so that you will be ready to partake of this sacred meal. Also, if you would like to come forward today at the time of Communion, please place your arms across your chest to signal that you desire a blessing.

Children

Children are welcome in the sanctuary throughout the service. There is a nursery located across from the kitchen. Child activity bags can be found in the Cry Room, which is located at the back of the sanctuary.

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Divine Service of Word and Sacrament (Setting Four – LSB, page 203ff)

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Proper 16B)

Isaiah 29:11–19 Ephesians 5:22–33 Mark 7:1–13

The True Tradition of the Church Is the Ministry of the Gospel of Christ Jesus, Her Savior

The true tradition of the Church is the Gospel, which is the preaching and administration of Christ Jesus. Other traditions, although not commanded by God, may serve and support that sacred tradition of the Gospel. But the Church dare not "[reject] the commandment of God" in order to establish or hold to "the tradition of men" (Mark 7:8–9). Sinful people attempt to draw near to the Lord "with their mouth" and to honor Him "with their lips," while their hearts are far removed from Him (Is. 29:13). Yet, He is "the Holy One of Israel," who brings about salvation by His cross. Therefore, "the wisdom of their wise men shall perish," but "the deaf shall hear" and "the eyes of the blind shall see" (Is. 29:14–19). This mystery of Christ is profound, for He is the husband of the Church, and He is her Savior. Not because of any works that she has done, but solely for the sake of His great love, He "gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word" (Eph. 5:25–26).



Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the \mathbf{H} Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.

- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B**ut with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

Introit

O LORD, I love the habitation of your house and the place where your glory dwells.

Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity, and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and my mind.

I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD, proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

O LORD, I love the habitation of your house and the place where your glory dwells.



Salutation and Collect of the Day: Proper 16 (Year B)

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

P Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, defend Your Church from all false teaching and error that Your faithful people may confess You to be the only true God and rejoice in Your good gifts of life and salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 29:11-19

¹³And the Lord said:

¹¹The vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot, for it is sealed." ¹²And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot read."

"Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men, ¹⁴therefore, behold, I will again do wonderful things with this people, with wonder upon wonder; and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden." ¹⁵Ah, you who hide deep from the LORD your counsel, whose deeds are in the dark. and who say, "Who sees us? Who knows us?" ¹⁶You turn things upside down! Shall the potter be regarded as the clay, that the thing made should say of its maker, "He did not make me":

or the thing formed say of him who formed it,

"He has no understanding"?

17 Is it not yet a very little while

until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?

18 In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book, and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see.

19 The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD, and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 14; antiphon: v. 7a

¹The fool says in his heart, "There is no God."

They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds, there is none who does good.

²The LORD looks down from heaven on the children of man, to see if there are any who understand, who seek after God.

³They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt; there is none who does good, not even one.

⁴Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread and do not call upon the LORD?

⁵There they are in great terror, for God is with the generation of the righteous.

⁶You would shame the plans of the poor, but the LORD is his refuge.

⁷Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion! When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people, let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.



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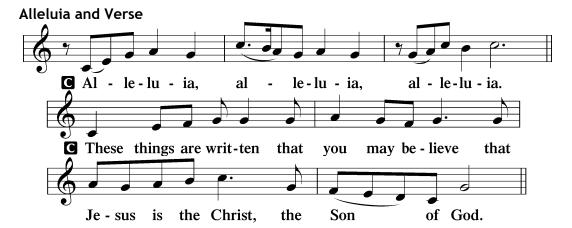
Epistle: Ephesians 5:22-33

²²Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

²⁵Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. ²⁸In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰because we are members of his body. ³¹"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." ³²This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand





Holy Gospel: Mark 7:1-13

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

¹When the Pharisees gathered to [Jesus], with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, ²they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. ³(For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands, holding to the tradition of the elders, ⁴and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.) ⁵And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" ⁶And he said to them, "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written,

"'This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; ⁷in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.'

⁸You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men."

⁹And he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! ¹⁰For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.' ¹¹But you say, 'If a man tells his father or his mother, Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban' (that is, given to God)— ¹²then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, ¹³thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence 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.

Sit

596 All Christians Who Have Been Baptized LSB 596 sts. 1-4, 6 Chris-tians who have been bap-tized, 1 All Who know the God of be - fore your 2 You were birth, In - deed, from day of your con -3 But Im - mersed and drowned for all of that was washed a - way— 4 In on Christ— Our shame Bap - tism we now put is ful - ly 6 So well! You are made new— In use it Christ a new cre whose dai - ly life is prized The name of And heav - en, in lost with all the earth, None good, with cep - tion, Con-demned and Re - stored a ev er. The wa ter of your Bap-tism day cov - ered With a11 that He once sac - ri - ficed And free - ly

Chris-tians, live and do

With - in vour

faith - ful

tion!

As



Christ once giv - en: Con - sid - er now what God has done, like your par - ents' flesh and blood, ex - cep - tion. For Turned out Ad - am and gain what-ev - er Old his sin de-stroved And for suf - fered. For here the flood of His own blood Now vo - ca - tion, Un - til that day when you pos - sess His own



gifts He gives to ev - 'ry - one Bap-tized in - to Christ Je - sus! in - ward from the high-est good, You con-stant - ly de - nied Him. all our sin - ful selves em-ployed Ac - cord-ing to our na - ture. makes us ho - ly, right, and good Be - fore our heav'n-ly Fa - ther. glo - rious robe of righ-teous-ness Be-stowed on you for - ev - er!

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Sermon

Stand

Prayer of the Church

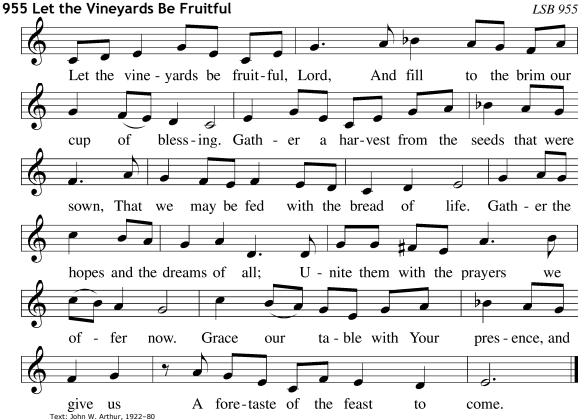
Lord's Prayer

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.

Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Sit

Offering Please sign the attendance book found in your pew. In addition to the plate, offerings may be placed in the offering box at any time.



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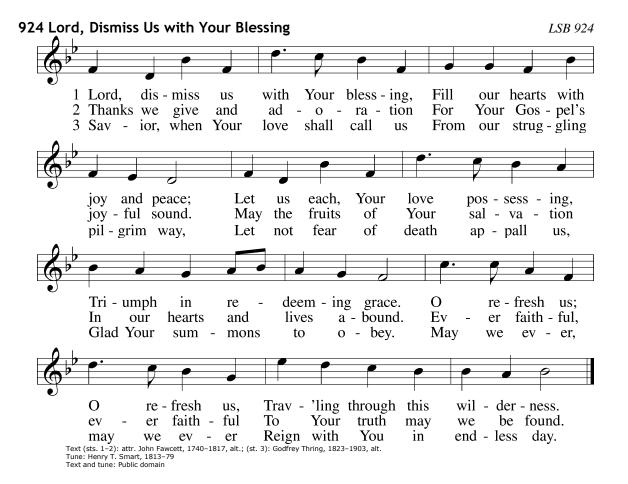
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Benedicamus LSB 212

- A Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Benediction

C Amen.



Announcements

If you need help, or know of someone who does, please call Nan Polleys at (231) 340-5148.

	Serving at 8:00am	Serving at 10:30am
Organist	Becky Palmiter	
Elders	Greg Danforth	Jake Bernthal
Ushers	Jay Higgins Larry Handwerk	Lew Behling Bob Smith
Altar Guild	Nancy Cummings and Kris Leist	

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