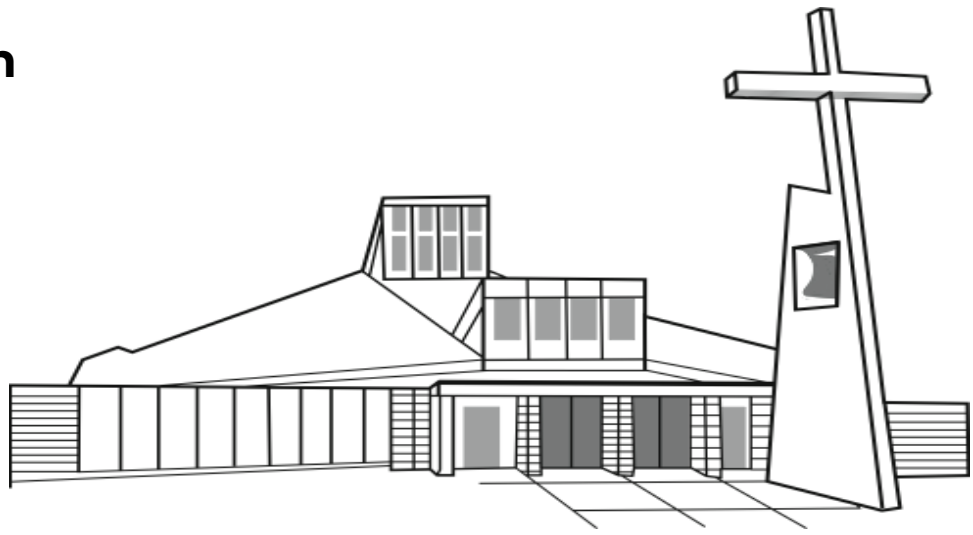


# Christ Lutheran Church

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**Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**  
**Sunday, February 2, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.**

## ***SCOUT SUNDAY***

**WELCOME**

**PRESENTATION OF SCOUT CHARTER**

## **GATHERING**

### **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

**P** All who are baptized in these waters are known and named beloved by the God who created us. We are sought out by the love of God that desires relationship with us.

**C** **We encounter Jesus through lives lived faithfully and baptismal promises shared.**

**P** Jesus too was baptized and found well-pleasing by God.

**C** **May these holy waters daily transform our hearts and minds to remember that God is love; a love that is for us, for the world and for all of creation. Amen.**

### **GATHERING SONG: *Day by Day* – ELW 790**

1 Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me,  
bringing comfort to my anxious soul.  
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me  
draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.  
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure,

brings to naught the burdens of my quest;  
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure,  
where at last I'll find eternal rest.

2 Day by day, I know you will provide me  
strength to serve and wisdom to obey;  
I will seek your loving will to guide me  
o'er the paths I struggle day by day.  
I will fear no evil of the morrow,  
I will trust in your enduring grace.  
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow  
till in glory I behold your face.

3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me  
when my burdens grow too great to bear;  
oh, what joy to know that you will hear me  
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.  
Day by day, no matter what betide me,  
you will hold me ever in your hand.  
Savior, with your presence here to guide me,  
I will reach at last the promised land.

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## GREETING

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

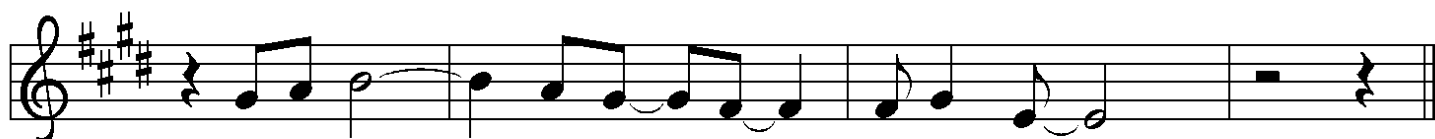
**C** And also with you.

**KYRIE: ELW p. 184** (congregation sings all)

*Refrain*



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



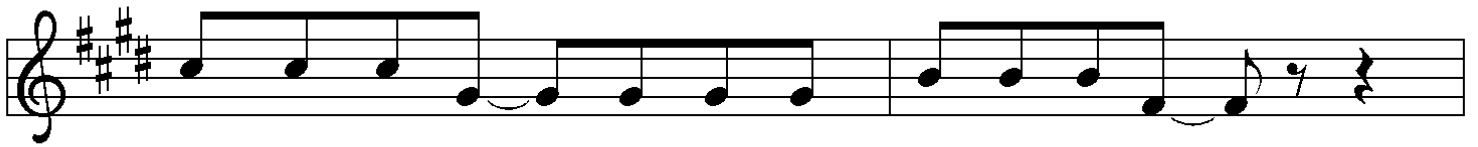
Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the  
 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the  
 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for  
 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for  
 hun - gry and the poor; that  
 friends and fam - i - ly; for  
 wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
 we may live out . . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
 life and for love, . . . . . for our work and our play,  
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

*Refrain*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** Let us pray. God of Life,

**C** you made love known to us in the person of Jesus Christ. Jesus sought the searching, lived a ministry of hope and healing, shared God's peace and transformed the world into a place where love is always possible.

Ready our hearts now to be reminded of what love is as we worship you in Jesus's name. Amen.

# WORD

## FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1:4-10

<sup>4</sup> Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

<sup>5</sup> “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”

<sup>6</sup> Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” <sup>7</sup> But the LORD said to me,

“Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’;  
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
and you shall speak whatever I command you.

<sup>8</sup> Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you,  
says the LORD.”

<sup>9</sup> Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

“Now I have put my words in your mouth.

<sup>10</sup> See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to pull down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant.”

L Word of God, word of life.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 71:1-6

<sup>1</sup> In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame.

<sup>2</sup> **In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;  
incline your ear to me and save me.**

<sup>3</sup> Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;  
you are my crag and my stronghold.

<sup>4</sup> **Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,  
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.**

<sup>5</sup> For you are my hope, O Lord GOD,  
my confidence since I was young.

<sup>6</sup> **I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother’s  
womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.**

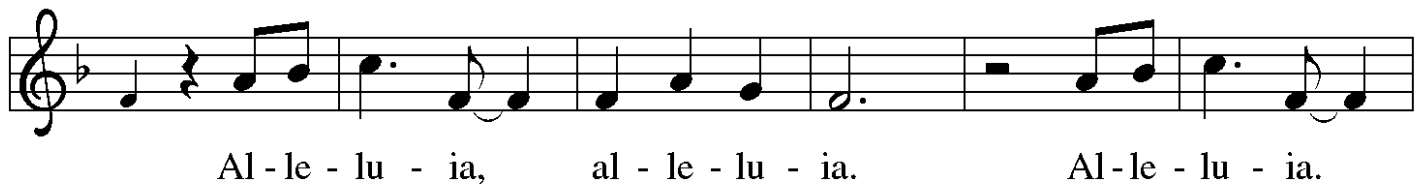
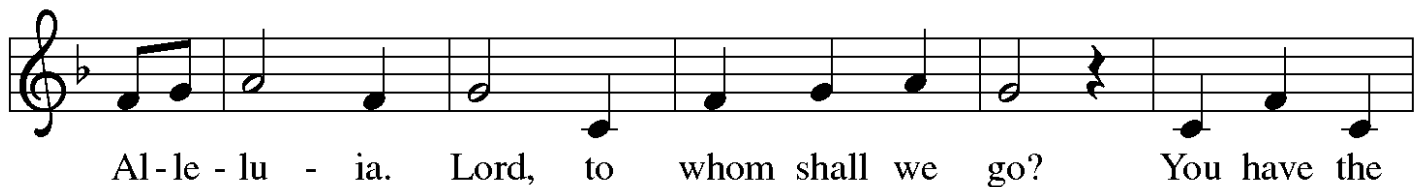
## SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

<sup>1</sup> If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup> And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup> If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. <sup>4</sup> Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant <sup>5</sup> or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup> it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup> It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. <sup>8</sup> Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. <sup>9</sup> For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; <sup>10</sup> but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. <sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. <sup>12</sup> For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. <sup>13</sup> And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION – ELW p. 188



## GOSPEL: Luke 4:21-30

P The holy gospel according to Luke.

**C Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>21</sup> Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” <sup>22</sup> All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” <sup>23</sup> He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’” <sup>24</sup> And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. <sup>25</sup> But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; <sup>26</sup> yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. <sup>27</sup> There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” <sup>28</sup> When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. <sup>29</sup> They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. <sup>30</sup> But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

P This is the gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

## YOUTH MESSAGE

Josie Wilterdink

## SERMON

Pastor Stephen

## HYMN OF THE DAY: *Known*

1 Completely known completely loved  
My heart is seen by God above  
Should I now run dare hide my face  
When in His eyes there is only  
grace

2 Completely free the shame is gone  
The highest Judge took all my  
wrongs  
And set them on His only Son  
He bore my sin I bear His love

*Chorus*  
Completely known completely loved  
I'm covered by my Savior's blood  
I'm robed in white and God is  
pleased  
To see His Son when He looks on  
me  
3 Completely His how can it be  
That God would set His heart on me  
Loved not for works that I have  
done  
But long before time had begun

4 Completely saved the work is done  
The curse the grave is overcome  
For with that dawn there rose a King  
Now heaven's smile shines over me

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## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*Petitions end: "God of grace," please respond "hear our prayer."*

**C Amen.**

## **MEAL**

### **OFFERING**

*When we give our offerings, we are witnesses to the transforming love of God.*

### **OFFERTORY: *This Little Light of Mine* – ELW 677**

1 This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

2 Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

3 Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Text: African American spiritual

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray. Generous, life-giving God,

**C we return to you that which you have entrusted to our care. Make these offerings a tangible sign of your love in the world. As we place them before you, O God, you place your Son before us at this holy table. Love is surely present here. We give you all our thanks and praise. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C 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.**

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*(Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available upon request).*

## COMMUNION SONG: *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* – ELW 815

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| 1 I want to walk as a child of the light.<br>I want to follow Jesus.<br>God set the stars to give light to the world.<br>The star of my life is Jesus. | The Lamb is the light of the city of God.<br>Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.  |
|  | 2 I want to see the brightness of God.<br>I want to look at Jesus.<br>Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,<br>and show me the way to the Father. <i>Refrain</i> |

### *Refrain*

In him there is no darkness at all.  
The night and the day are both alike.



3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ.  
I want to be with Jesus.  
When we have run with patience the race,  
we shall know the joy of Jesus. *Refrain*

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## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P Let us pray. God of love,

**C Jesus has become known to us in the bread and cup. May this holy meal strengthen us to share your love with the world, a love that transforms lives in the sacred name of Jesus. Amen.**

## SENDING

### BENEDICTION

P Beloved and blessed ones, we have lived and shared the love of God in this place. Now go from here remembering you are ✝ Known by God who created you, Sought by Jesus who saved you and Transformed through the power of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

### SENDING SONG: *Just a Closer Walk with Thee* – ELW 697

*Refrain*

Just a closer walk with thee,  
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;  
daily walking close to thee,  
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

1 I am weak but thou art strong:  
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long  
as I walk, let me walk close to  
thee. *Refrain*

2 Through this world of toil and  
snares,  
if I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares?  
None but thee, dear Lord, none  
but thee. *Refrain*

3 When my feeble life is o'er,  
time for me will be no more;  
guide me gently, safely o'er  
to thy kingdom shore, to thy  
shore. *Refrain*

Text: North American traditional

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **DISMISSAL**

P Love

**C Jesus**

P Grow

**C Together**

P Serve

**C Others**

P The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C And also with you.**

*(Please share a greeting of peace with each other.)*

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Music Leader: Lexi Marsh

Altar Care: Deb Johnson and Sharon Mork

Audio Visual Specialist: Ian Wilterdink

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Youth Director: Josie Wilterdink

Ushers: Scouts

Communion Assistants: Scouts

Coffee Fellowship: Scouts

**WELCOME TO CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH!**

**MISSION STATEMENT:** “Love Jesus, Grow Together, Serve Others.”

**VISION STATEMENT:** “Christ Lutheran is where God’s promise of love and forgiveness is for all.”

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Shirley; Kathy; Carley; Paul; Jeanna; Sonya; Steve; Sharon; Chris; Carol; Richard; Scott; Luke; Cindi; Josie; Abusa (Pastor) Sinos Chimwaye and our companion congregation in Malawi (Balaka Parish); Jackie and Patrick Bencke (missionaries in Japan); all those who serve in our military and their families; and all people residing in care facilities or confined to their homes.

**WEDNESDAY’S TABLE MENU** for February 5 is scalloped potatoes and ham, vegetable, and dessert. Menu may change without notice.

**THE NEXT RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** at Christ Lutheran Church is Thursday, February 6 from noon to 6:00pm. There are lots of ways to volunteer: check people in for their appointments, refill the treat table, or bake or provide treats (this sign up is outside the church office). There are also still plenty of spots on the schedule to give blood. Please do so online at [redcross.org](http://redcross.org) or by calling the church office at 715-235-5573.

**WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE A SPECIAL EVENT** to honor the gift of music and celebrate a new chapter in our worship experience! A beautiful Baldwin baby grand piano, generously gifted to our congregation, will be dedicated to the glory of God and to enhance the music ministry in our congregation. It will serve as a tool for worship, inspiration, and praise for years to come.

**Event Details:**

- **Date/Time:** February 12th, 2025 / 5:00pm
- **Location:** Fellowship Hall