

Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025 Youth Service

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Mission Statement: God calls us to unite in Christ, grow in faith, serve in love, and share the good news.

WELCOME TO ALL, ESPECIALLY OUR VISITORS.

We praise God for all who worship here today.

If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book and be sure to take a visitor's bag of goodies and information about our church. Be sure to see an usher if you need anything (a quiet room for children, a bathroom, a diaper changer, or the parlor for quiet meditation) during the service.

Absolutely everyone is welcome to take communion. Lutherans believe that the very presence of Jesus Christ means the bread is his body and the wine is his blood. Communion is a meaningful vehicle for the Holy Spirit to enter us fully and have us participate in Christ's death and resurrection. God invites you to God's own table for love, forgiveness, and fellowship. Parents may decide if they want their young children to commune or receive a blessing, but please know that all ages are welcome to commune in the Evangelical Lutheran faith.

You are absolutely invited to everything Christus Victor Church does, including all fellowships, events, and after-worship activities. La casa de Dios, tu casa.

Note to Everyone: Please read the announcements at the end of this bulletin!

God's blessings on all who serve:

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Gordon Krause

ACOLYTE: Nathan Walck

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McCurdy, Cathleen Burkins, Ellen Marsheck

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*GATHERING

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- **P.** In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
- **P.** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**
- **P.** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*GATHERING SONG: "Your Grace is Enough"

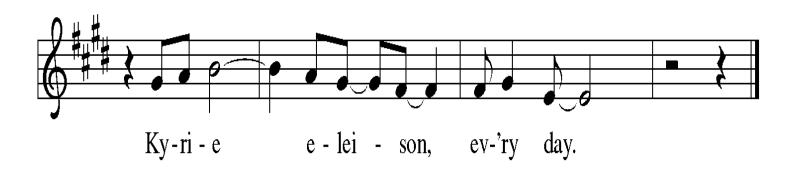
...by the Youth Group during procession. The congregation is asked to sing along. Words are on the power point.

*GREETING

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

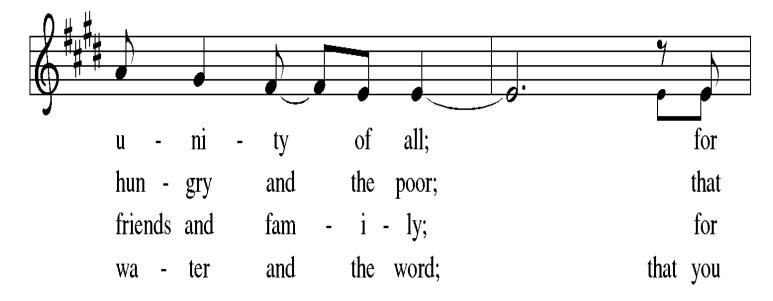
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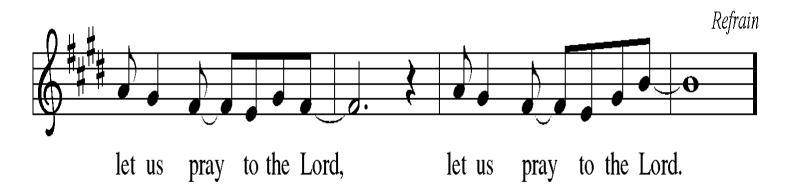


- For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im passioned re sponse to the
- For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the





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,



*PRAYER OF THE DAY: ROCK PRAYER

A. Let us pray.

God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21

A reading from Acts.

Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told his disciples they would be filled with the Holy Spirit. Now, amid signs of fire, wind, and a variety of languages, the people were amazed and astonished at Jesus' promise coming true.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there

came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

- ¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.
- ¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
- ²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 104:24-34, 35b

- ²⁴ How manifold are your [|] works, O LORD! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full [|] of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too man- | y to number,

living things both | small and great.

- ²⁶ There go the ships I to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the I sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them | look to you to give them their food | in due season.
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|] gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled [|] with good things.
- When you hide your face, | they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
 - ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they [|] are created; and so you renew the face [|] of the earth.
 - 31 May the glory of the LORD en- | dure forever; O LORD, rejoice in | all your works.
 - ³² You look at the earth | and it trembles; you touch the mountains | and they smoke.
 - ³³ I will sing to the LORD as long | as I live;
 I will praise my God while I | have my being.
 - ³⁴ May these words of I mine please God. I will rejoice I in the LORD.
 - 35b Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hal- lelujah!

SECOND READING: Romans 8:14-17

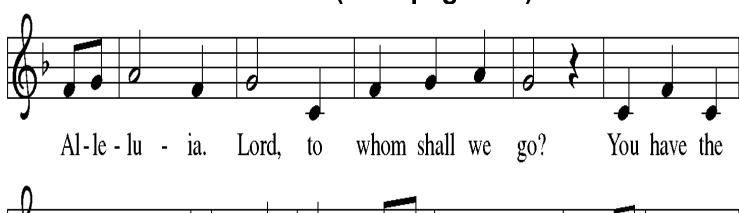
A reading from Romans.

Here Paul speaks about the mystery of baptism: through the Holy Spirit we are claimed, gathered, and welcomed into Christ's body, the church. And we receive a new name in our adoption: child of God.

¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW page 188)





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*GOSPEL: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Though the disciples struggle with Jesus' nature and identity, they receive the promise that they too will be identified with God and God's mission. Though he must leave them now, Jesus promises the coming of the Advocate whom God will send to comfort and enlighten them.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart" (ELW 800)

TESTIMONIALS:

AARON DEPEW HALEY TOZER

*PEACE (said in different languages) The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

A. Gathered together in unity, under one Holy Spirit, we profess our faith through the Apostles' Creed.

*APOSTLES' CREED

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.

Please be seated for the prayers.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: YARN PRAYER

P. God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A. We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A. We pray for creation. Be with our gardeners throughout this congregation as we sow seeds that will bring beautiful flowers to your glory and food to feel those who hunger for fresh produce. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A. We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A. We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. We name those on our parish prayer list.... And others we name aloud or in our hearts.... Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A. We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages, in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A. We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

A. We pray for Ashley Lankford to have a blessed and happy birthday as she celebrates another year of abundant living through our Lord Jesus Christ. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

P. We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

Amen.

OFFERING

Doxology led by the Youth Group.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*OFFERING PRAYER

A. Let us pray.

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

*DIALOGUE

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.

*SANCTUS (ELW page 190)



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho-





est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-



*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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

COMMUNION

AGNUS DEI (ELW page 191)



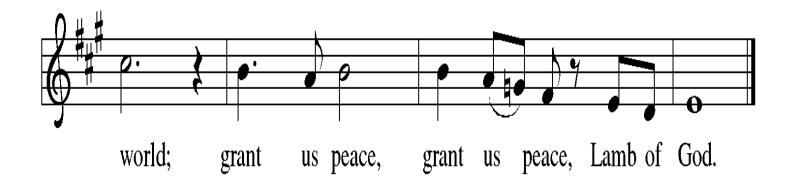
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



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



COMMUNION HYMN: "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" (ELW 674).

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A. Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*SENDING

*THE FINAL BLESSING

*SENDING SONG: "My Light House" led by the Youth.

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

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Care and Concern

Graham Allen – Young child with ill health (Jane Bowie)

Tate Armstrong & Family – Safety during deployment

JoAnn Bakie – Health Issues (Bea Walshinsky)

Daniel Beauford – Health Issues (Obinemes)

Kim Bruns - Recovering after surgery for serious spinal injury (Niece of Mike and Betty Schumann)

Henry Hale Brzozowski – baby born prematurely (cousin of Emily Krich)

Greg Bryant –(Stansburys)

Kelly Stansbury Bryant – (Stansburys)

Patty Buddemeyer – Health Issues (Daughter of the Leights)

Daryl Burman – (Howard Stansbury)

Robert Chilcote* - Pray for strengthening of his heart.

Sheila Clark – Severe stroke (Cousin of Diane Hopple)

Keith Cohen - Stroke & blood clot (Nephew of Kathleen Clement)

Rob Coppage – Battling cancer (Nephew of Birdie Patrick)

Regina Delozier – (Stansburys)

Ola Denues – Recovering from brain surgery (Cousin of Karen Biedronski)

Darlene Evans – Fighting cancer (Sandy Petrovich)

Beth Franks - Pray for healing (friend of Joyce McMahon)

George – Bone marrow cancer. (Joyce McMahon).

Loretta Gleason - Pray for healing. (Birdie Patrick)

Bobby Heuisler – (Stansburys)

Jessie - Pray for strength. (Len & Sandy Petrovich)

Nancy Kiefner – Health Issues (Stansburys)

Robert Kruelle – Kidney health issues (Irene Ruby)

Jacqi & Lacey Lockard – (Stansburys)

Brian Martel - Stage 4 melanoma (friend of Phil Biedronski)

Ken McPherson (Rachel and Emma McPherson).

Roger McPherson (Kelly Ruby and Joan Ruby).

Pam - Brain Tumor (Friend of Virginia McCurdy)

Susan Parker – Pray for well-being after a paralyzing stroke (Bea Walshinsky's daughter)

Ronnie - (Shraders)

Rosemary - Stage 4 pancreatic cancer

Joseph Schaech - (Stansburys)

Emily Scranton - (Shraders)

Rebekah Scranton – (Shraders)

Jake Sittler* - Pray for strength and continued wellness.

Tjark Steg - (Stansburys)

Ginny Thompson – Numerous health issues (Merle Vogel)

Michele Thompson – Health Issues (Bea Walshinsky)

Carol Tracey - Serious Health Issues (Jane Bowie)

Tyler Walsh – Long recovery from a motorcycle accident (Linda Meyer)

Members at Home or in Long Term Care

Diane Frederick Jeanne George Bea Walshinsky

Please call the church office with updates on the person(s) you put on the prayer list and let Sharon know if prayers were answered and the person can come off the list. Thank you.

Attendance: 6/1/2025

Sanctuary/In-Person Worship 10:00AM – 74 Facebook - 101

^{*}member CVLC

Count Our Blessings: 6/1/2025
Weekly Offering - \$4,262.00
Online Giving 5/30/2025 - \$285.00
Memorials - \$100.00

Victor's Vittles - \$780.00

Thank you for your support!

Happy Birthday Wishes: June 11 - Ashley Lankford

Upcoming Events

- **+The church picnic and youth group service will be held today.** This youth service is a showcase of what we learned at our retreat, plus songs and testimonies. For the picnic, we will be grilling hot dogs, hamburgers and cheeseburgers. We will also have drinks. You may bring your side dish or dessert to the kitchen before worship.
- + Tate's physical address. Many of you have asked to send letters and cards directly to Tate. His address is: Taylor Armstrong (No Rank) AFCENT PAB OPC 1201 Box 22 APO, AE 09309

Remember, he is also able to receive emails at tsarmstrong@gmail.com. If you hear back from him, please be sure to share the news with the rest of our church.

Vacation Bible School is coming the week of August 11th – 15th, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m., with lunch included. VBS is free. Please begin to talk this up with your neighbors and friends who have children in elementary school and 4-year old pre-school. We want a crowd of children to hear more about Christ.

VICTOR'S VITTLES:

June 14th – Angela Myers, Sandy Petrovich Driver Pick-up June 13th – Howard & Carol Stansbury More drivers are desperately needed.

Victors Vittles Food Drive!

Please help us stock up our regular family foods by bringing

in the following: June: Cereal, Oatmeal, July: Pasta

Sauce/Pasta, August: Potatoes Instant Boxes, Packets or

Rice, September: Chili

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, June 8 -10AM Service & Picnic

Monday, June 9 - Council Meeting 7:00PM

Monday, June 9 - NA Group 7:00PM

Tuesday, June 10 - Christus Comforters 9:30AM

Tuesday, June 10 - Victor's Vittles Volunteers 11:00AM

Wednesday, June 11 - Youth Group 6:00PM

Thursday, June 12 - VBS Crafts & Decorations 7-9PM

Friday, June 13- New Beginnings 7:00PM

Saturday, June 14 - Victor's Vittles 9:00-11:00AM

Monday, June 16 - Oakleaf Articles Due

Wednesday, June 18 - LMS Pick-Up

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