YOU ARE WELCOME AT CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH because

God welcomes you. You are welcome here regardless of your religious background, race or ethnicity, age, gender, sexual orientation, ability, national citizenship, economic circumstances, political views, marital status, or anything else that may divide or diminish our common humanity. Sharing faith in Jesus, who came to be the savior of all humanity, we strive to uphold and rejoice in the dignity, value, and gifts of every individual and to celebrate the richness that diverse backgrounds and personal stories bring to our community.

CHILDCARE: We welcome the sounds & sights of young people in our Sanctuary and want them to experience worship. If your young worshiper (or you) need a break from the Sanctuary, we offer a tended nursery to the left & down the hall from the rear Sanctuary doors.

SERVICE: In Lutheran worship, we usually stand to pray and sing, and as a special sign of respect when we hear the words of the Gospel. We sit to listen to the announcements, the readings, and the sermon. If you ever prefer to sit while others are standing or to stand and stretch your legs while others are sitting, please feel free to do so! Sitting or standing is never required. Please let an usher know if you need to receive Holy Communion in your seat rather than coming to the front.

HYMNAL: Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW). The red hymnal in the pew in front of you.



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024

PRELUDE: "Chorus" from Judas Maccabaeus G.F. Handel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

Please stand

GATHERING HYMN: "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!" ELW 385







GREETING

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

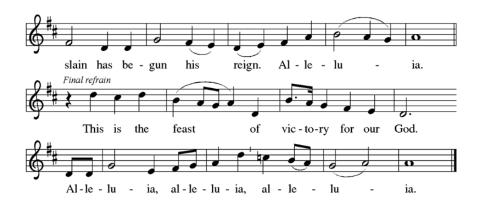
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

(The Kyrie/Lord Have Mercy are omitted for the Easter season)

HYMN OF PRAISE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray (Silence). O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep,

C: you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

WORD

READING: 1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

A: Word of God, Word of Life.

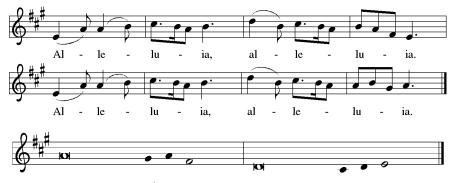
C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *ELW* 174

(The Acclamation is sung by the cantor and repeated by all)



Jesus says, I am | the good shepherd. I know my own and my | own know me.

(Repeat acclamation)

GOSPEL: John 10:11-18

P: The holy Gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

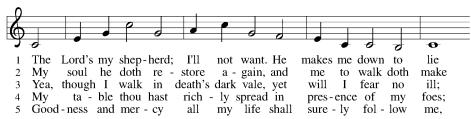
[Jesus said:] "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

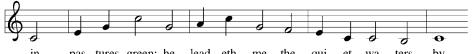
P: The Gospel of our Lord C: Praise to you, O Christ. (Repeat acclamation)

Please be seated

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: "The Lord's My Shepherd" ELW 778





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NICENE CREED

A: We confess the faith of the church 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.

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

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,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

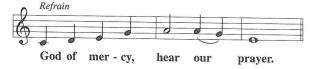
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: In Peace, let us pray to the Lord.

(After each petition the congregation responds with the refrain)



A: Let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ Our Lord.



SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us share Christ's peace with one another.

Please be seated

MEAL

OFFERINGS RECEIVED (Many of our members give electronically. Learn more at clcdallas.org)

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Shepherd Me, O God" M. Haugen

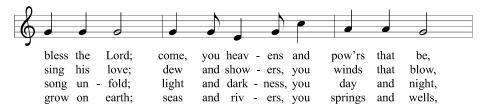
PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Please stand

OFFERTORY HYMN: "All You Works of God, Bless the Lord" (Verses 1, 4-6) S494



4 Hills and moun-tains, now sing his worth, all you green things that







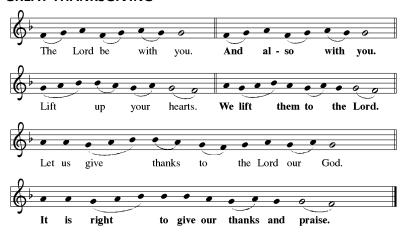
- 5 Come, humanity, sing along, sing, you people of God, a song; priests and servants, your Lord now bless, join, you spirits and souls at rest: *Refrain*
- 6 Bless the Lord, all you pure of heart; all you humble, his praise impart; God the Father and Son adore, bless the Spirit forevermore! *Refrain*

OFFERING PRAYER

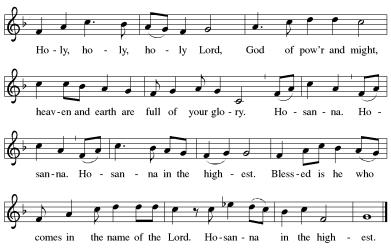
A: Let us pray. Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.



P: Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

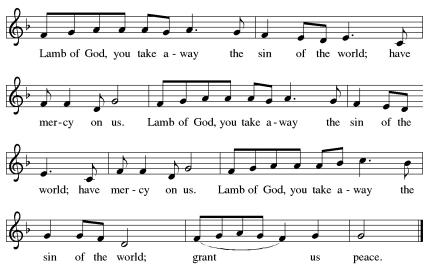


LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.

LAMB OF GOD: ELW Setting 3



P: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

C: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Please be seated

(Please use the sanitizer in your pew as you come forward for the Sacrament. Communion will be distributed continuously at the front of the center aisle. You will be given the host, which you may dip in the chalice containing red wine or white grape juice. If you want to receive a blessing instead, fold your arms before your chest. Remember that communion in one kind (only host or chalice) is a proper way to receive the Sacrament. You may stand or kneel at the altar rail for prayer after you receive communion. Someone can pray with you if you wish. When the altar is cleared, the presider will invite the people to stand as they can)

Please stand

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray (Silence). Shepherding God,

C: you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen. $_{10}$

SENDING

BENEDICTION

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The presider blesses the people

SENDING HYMN: "Thine Is the Glory" ELW 376



DISMISSAL

A: We are a community of faith reaching out to change lives. Let us go out in peace and share the good news! Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE: "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" J.E. Rankin, W.G. Tomer

ChristNotes

Happy April, everyone! Well, I'll start off again



by saying a heartfelt thank you to each and every one of you who was part of the Easter Brunch on March 31. From the youth and their families who came to help set up on Saturday to those who

made food and especially those who came, ate, and gave to make our trip to New Orleans for the Youth Gathering possible, your contributions are invaluable and deeply appreciated.













VBS is coming up! Mark your calendars for May 30-June 1 for a three-day experience. This year's theme is called the Greatest. We will focus on the following: Love God, Love

Yourself, and Love Your Neighbor. Registration is now open. Use the QR code to sign up.



Our Vacation Bible School is a community effort, and we can't make it happen without your help. There are numerous ways to get involved, from leading a group to as-

sisting behind the scenes. Every contribution matters! If you're interested or have any guestions, please contact Eliana or Use the QR code to sign up.

We are looking to do a Middle School mission experience either in June or October. If you have a child in grades 6-7 this fall and interested in this opportunity, please let me know.

I know I say it often, but I mean it every time. Thank you for being so supportive and encour-

aging and for making CLC feel like home. I'm grateful for the work we do together!

Remember, doubt is an invitation to allow Jesus to say to you, "Peace be with you."

Shalom, Eliana Katchkey. Director of Youth and Family Ministry.

Friends at Christ will meet Today, at 6 PM at the home of Kelly Austin and Ann Stordahl. 3712 Cragmont Ave, 75205. We will serve pork tenderloin. Bring an appetizer, side/salad, or dessert to share. There is a list in the narthex or email Annstordahl@aol.com.

YOUTH: Both our Elementary and Youth Sunday School classes will meet this week. Can't wait to see everyone!

We have a donation board for our Youth Gath-

ering Trip to New Orleans. Please consider taking a crown. You can also donate scanning the QR. Thank you!

If your child has never received First Communion, we will have two classes on April 28 and May 5 after worship. First Communion will be held on May 12. Please let either Pastor Ben or Eliana know if you're interested or have any questions.

YOUTH SPRING CONCERT: Join us on Sunday, April 28 at 4 PM in the Sanctuary for a special concert by several outstanding and talented young musicians of Dallas. ~ Hando



LEGACY GIVING FOR FAMILY
AND MINISTRY CLC will host
a Seminar following the worship service on Sunday, April
28. Read more using QR.



CLC INVITES YOU TO BASE-BALL & FIREWORKS!

CLC is cheering on the Frisco Roughriders in their game against San Antonio on Friday, May 10 at 7:05 PM. We have

reserved 40 seats at \$12 each, so act fast to secure your spot! You can sign up in the narthex or email pamstein92@gmail.com. Payment can be made via check or QR code. I'll hold tickets for you and send them via email a few days before the game. Don't miss out on this exciting event!

M&M: Thank you, Debbie Lewis, for hosting the April meeting. Jessica Mase, with Dallas Area Rape Crisis Center (dallasrapecrisis.org) lead our discussion on sexual assault awareness and opportunities to donate/volunteer. What an important topic for us to learn more about.

Next meeting will be held on Monday, <u>May 20</u>. This is our official "end of the year" meeting/dinner. Mark your calendars and watch for more information.

TEXAS RAMP PROJECT:

Have you ever changed a person's life in a single day? The Texas Ramps Project does it 2400 times a year!

Last Saturday, eight CLC volunteers collaborat-

ed with volunteers from the Order of St. John and UTA to build a wheelchair ramp for a Dallas neighbor. The Texas Ramps Project builds wheelchair ramps for disabled or elderly people who can't afford one regardless of age, gender, race, religion, or ethnicity. This recent build was straightforward, but in the past, we have constructed ramps with three, four, and even five turns, each reflecting the diverse needs of our community.



Thanks to Mark Stein, Michael Claussen, Jeff Uhri, project leader Ron Palomares, Nici Bremer, Deb Lewis, Andreas Bremer, and David Kuhlman for participating in this build!

Join us for our Fall ramp build on Saturday, <u>October 12</u>, and give a deserving soul the gift of freedom and independence! For more information, contact Ron Palomares at rsp9090@gmail.com or go to www.texasramps.org.









THE BLOOD DRIVE The Fall blood drive is tentatively scheduled for <u>September 15</u>; stay tuned for more information. ~ Community Outreach

SERVING TODAY

Presider/Preacher: Pastor Ben Dueholm

Organist/Pianist: Dr. Hando Nahkur

Cantor/Musicians: Romali Fernando, Elijah

Dueholm, Cathy Barr, Karen Morton, Pastor

Ben

Assisting Minister: Stephanie Varnum **Communion Assistant:** David Marshall

Crucifer: Peter Kowalczik Acolyte: Raegan Neuhoff Altar Guild: Rachel Fraizer

Altar Flowers: Carlene Strobel, Kelli Chabria,

and Lisa Nelson

Ushers: Greg & Lisa Nelson, and Cissy &

Ron Palomares

Audio Tech: Gary Haschke Stream Tech: Sergio Peña

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by given by Jack

& Carlene Strobel in honor of Kelli & AJ

Chabria's anniversary.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING & COMFORT

For Healing	Relationship
Eric Barr	CLC Member
Mary Ellen Durham	CLC Member
Bonnie Fisher	Friend of Don & Pat

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Rowland

Maggie Gray Mother of Tina Tonti

Lauren Lee CLC Member

Sharon Mersiovsky Daughter of Stephanie V. Morton Family At the death of J.J.'s Dad,

Joe

Elaine Smith CLC Member

Courtney Spellicy CLC Member

Jack Strobel CLC Member
Tollefson Family At the Death of John

ANNIVERSARY

Chabria, Kelli & A.J. 04/21

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

Edward Smith II 04/21 Benjamin Haschke 04/22 Philip Scherf 04/23

Rita Horst 04/25

BIRTHDAYS

Jeff Uhri 04/25 Ellen Kou 04/27

NEXT SUNDAY'S ASSISTANTS: 9:30 AM **Assisting Minister:** Steve Reichmuth **Communion Assistant:** Rita Horst

Crucifer: A.J. Chabria

Acolyte: Volunteer Needed
Altar Guild: Connie and Jeff Uhri
Altar Flowers: Marilyn Martin

Ushers: Greg & Lisa Nelson, and Cissy &

Ron Palomares

FINANCIALS - FEBRUARY

General Fund

Income 142,558.94 Expense \$117,907.50

Net \$24,651.44

Building Fund

Income: 21,082.16

Expense: 14,118

Net \$6,964.16

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