





## Welcome to worship at Spirit of Christ!

We are a member congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. We gather here as the living body of Jesus Christ to be nourished and empowered by the Holy Spirit in what we call the “Means of Grace” — God’s gifts of Word and Sacrament. Through these Means of Grace, we receive the promise of the Gospel: that in the Spirit of Christ God forgives us, remakes us, and reigns in us. May the Lord bless your worship today!

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June 30, 2024

*Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

*This morning, we welcome Luna Ann Furman as our sister in Christ through the waters of Holy Baptism. Luna is the daughter of Alicia Kroneberger. Luna’s baptismal sponsors are Tim and Emily Klement.*

### Welcome

*Stand*

### Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

### Confession and Absolution

- P** When Jesus taught in his hometown synagogue, many who listened took offense at him. Essentially, they were saying:
- C** **Where does he get this stuff? Who does he think he is?**
- P** In a world where everything is on demand and made to order, we also are unimpressed with the way God does business. We want results. We want displays of power. We want immediate solutions to our problems and visible evidence that this Jesus can fix the problems in our lives.
- C** **We become disillusioned with a God whose strength is made perfect in weakness. We remain unsatisfied by a God who works through patient suffering. We want relief, fixes, and solutions, and instead we have a God who moves us to “delight in weaknesses, in insults, in**

**hardships, in persecution, in difficulties.”** (2`Cor. 12:10)

**P** “And he was amazed at their lack of faith.” (Mark 6:6a)

**C** **Lord, we believe. Help our unbelief.**

*We take time in silence to confess our personal and communal sin before God, confident that we will receive forgiveness.*

**P** When we are weak, then we are strong. As we name our lack of faith before God, we are met by God’s promise that in Christ Jesus he has put to death our unbelief and raised us to a life of confident trust in a God whose ways are not our ways. His authority has been given to you, his Church, so as your representative in his stead and by his command I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Go out into the world in his name, proclaiming the power of Christ to bring healing and salvation.

**C** **Amen! Thanks be to God.**

## **Sharing of the Peace**

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

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** We share Christ's peace with one another.

*The people 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*

## **See This Wonder in the Making**

*LSB 593*

- 1 See this wonder in the making:  
God himself this child is taking  
As a lamb safe in his keeping,  
His to be, awake or sleeping.**
- 2 Miracle each time it happens  
As the door to heaven opens  
And the Father beams, “Belovèd,  
Heir of gifts a king would covet!”**

- 3 Far more tender than a mother,  
Far more caring than a father,  
God, into your arms we place her,  
With your love and peace embrace her.
- 4 Here we bring a child of nature;  
Home we take a newborn creature,  
Now God's precious son or daughter,  
Born again by Word and water.

## Holy Baptism

**P** Holy Baptism is God's gift to us. In this Sacrament we become a part of the family of God as we are welcomed into the Church, which is the body of Christ. The Small Catechism says "Baptism is not water only, but it is water used together with God's word and by God's command." God's living Word of promise works powerfully with the water. Baptism is the death of the old sinner and a rebirth into new life in Christ.

**C** *"I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit." "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." (John 3:5; Mark 16:16a)*  
*"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, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:18b-20)*

**A** How is this child named?

**R** Luna Ann Furman

**A** Luna, receive the sign of the cross on your forehead and heart, because you are redeemed by Christ the crucified.

**P** Today, Alicia, you are responding to the command of Jesus and the love that God has shown to Luna in the gift of Jesus himself. I ask you: will you faithfully bring this child to worship, teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creeds and the Commandments, place in her hands the Holy Scriptures, and provide for her instruction in the Christian faith?

**R** I will, by God's grace.

**P** On behalf of Luna, do you as her mother reject the devil and

all his works and all his ways?

**R** I do.

**P** Sponsors, will you pray for Luna, support her mother in her ongoing instruction and nurture in the Christian Faith, and love her in a way that gives an example of Christ's love?

**R** We will, with God's help.

**P** Saints of God in this congregation, will you support Luna in her life in Christ?

**C** **We will, by the power of the Spirit of Christ.**

**P** I ask Luna's mother, her sponsors, and the entire community to give witness to our faith. Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

**C** **We do.**

**P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only son...living and the dead?

**C** **We do.**

**P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy catholic church... life everlasting?

**C** **We do.**

*Stand*

**P** Let us join hands and pray as a family the prayer that our Lord Jesus taught us.

**C** **Our Father who art in heaven...forever and ever. Amen.**

**P** Luna, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**A** *Let us pray: God, you make light to shine in the darkness. You bring new life from death. We are thankful that you have accepted Luna as your own. May she grow in faith and love and know always that she is part of your family and that you are her loving God. May we each know the abundant life you give in Jesus and remember how you joined water to Word to claim us forever.*

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Go in peace!

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

## Prayer of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C** Amen

*Nursery care for small children is offered from this point in the service through Holy Communion. Children may meet their caregivers in the back of the sanctuary.*

*Sit*

## First Reading

*Lamentations 3:22-23*

<sup>22</sup> Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed,  
for his compassions never fail.

<sup>23</sup> They are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.

<sup>24</sup> I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion;  
therefore I will wait for him."

<sup>25</sup> The LORD is good to those whose hope is in him,  
to the one who seeks him;

<sup>26</sup> it is good to wait quietly  
for the salvation of the LORD.

<sup>27</sup> It is good for a man to bear the yoke  
while he is young.

<sup>28</sup> Let him sit alone in silence,  
for the LORD has laid it on him.

<sup>29</sup> Let him bury his face in the dust—  
there may yet be hope.

<sup>30</sup> Let him offer his cheek to one who would strike him,  
and let him be filled with disgrace.

<sup>31</sup> For no one is cast off  
by the Lord forever.

<sup>32</sup> Though he brings grief, he will show compassion,  
so great is his unfailing love.

<sup>33</sup> For he does not willingly bring affliction

or grief to anyone.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

*2 Corinthians 8:7-15*

But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

<sup>8</sup> I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup> For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

<sup>10</sup> And here is my judgment about what is best for you in this matter. Last year you were the first not only to give but also to have the desire to do so. <sup>11</sup> Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means. <sup>12</sup> For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have.

<sup>13</sup> Our desire is not that others might be relieved while you are hard pressed, but that there might be equality. <sup>14</sup> At the present time your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their plenty will supply what you need. The goal is equality, <sup>15</sup> as it is written: “The one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Alleluia & Verse

*LSB 173*

**C** **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel

*Mark 5:21-43*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the fifth chapter.

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

<sup>21</sup> When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a large crowd gathered around him while he was by the lake.<sup>22</sup> Then one of the synagogue leaders, named Jairus, came, and when he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet. <sup>23</sup> He pleaded earnestly with him, “My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live.” <sup>24</sup> So Jesus went with him.

A large crowd followed and pressed around him. <sup>25</sup> And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. <sup>26</sup> She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse. <sup>27</sup> When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, <sup>28</sup> because she thought, “If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed.” <sup>29</sup> Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.

<sup>30</sup> At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, “Who touched my clothes?”

<sup>31</sup> “You see the people crowding against you,” his disciples answered, “and yet you can ask, ‘Who touched me?’ ”

<sup>32</sup> But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup> Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup> He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering.”

<sup>35</sup> While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. “Your daughter is dead,” they said. “Why bother the teacher anymore?”

<sup>36</sup> Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, “Don’t be afraid; just believe.”

<sup>37</sup> He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James. <sup>38</sup> When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup> He went in and said to them, “Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep.” <sup>40</sup> But they laughed at him.

After he put them all out, he took the child’s father and mother and the disciples who were with him and went in where the child

was. <sup>41</sup> He took her by the hand and said to her, “*Talitha koum!*” (which means “Little girl, I say to you, get up!”). <sup>42</sup> Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished. <sup>43</sup> He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her something to eat.

**P** This is the Gospel of our Lord.

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

*Sit*

***O Christ, Who Shared Our Mortal Life*** LSB 552 (tune 678)

- 1 **O Christ, who shared our mortal life  
And ended death’s long reign,  
Who healed the sick and raised the dead  
And bore our grief and pain:  
We know our years on earth are few,  
That death is always near.  
Come now to us, O Lord of Life;  
Bring hope that conquers fear!**
- 5 **A ruler proud but bent by grief  
Knelt down before your feet:  
“My precious daughter’s gripped by death!  
Come now and death defeat!”  
A multitude had gathered round  
To hear the truth you taught,  
But, leaving them, you turned to help  
A father sore distraught.**
- 6 **You pressed through crowds to reach the child  
Whose limbs with death grew cold.  
“She is not dead; she only sleeps!”  
The weeping folk you told.  
And then you took her hand and called,  
“My child, I bid you rise!”  
She rose! And all stood round you, Lord,  
With awed and wond’ring eyes!**

**4 Death's power holds us still in thrall  
And bears us toward the tomb.  
Death's dark'ning cloud hangs like a pall  
That threatens earth with doom.  
But you have broken death's embrace  
And torn away its sting.  
Restore to life our mortal race!  
Raise us, O Risen King!**

## **Homily**

### **Prayers of the Church**

**P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, you have made us your own dear children through Holy Baptism. Strengthen us with power by your Holy Spirit in our inner being, that your Son may dwell in our hearts through faith and that we would be rooted and grounded in love. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord, you are able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think. Be glorified in your Church and in Christ Jesus. Ground us in love. Give us a faith rooted in the promises of Christ and strength to comprehend with all the saints his love that surpasses all knowledge. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer.**

**P** Heavenly Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, as you preserved Noah and his family and brought forth new life from the ark under the promise of your covenant, bless now our families also. Make marriages strong and fruitful according to your will. Let your Word rule in every home, uniting its members in forgiveness and causing your Son to dwell in every heart through faith. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord of might, give blessing to our nation and its leaders to rule according to your good pleasure. Protect the members of

our armed forces, police and other public servants. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer.**

**P** Heavenly Father, we your people cry out for your healing upon all those in need. Even as you sent your Son to heal and make whole, teach them ever to trust in your love, for you never leave nor forsake them. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lord, do not allow our hearts to become hardened by indifference or frustration in this world. Give us understanding and courage to sustain us through this valley of sorrows. Lead us to your blessed Sacrament with repentance and faith, that eating your true body and drinking your blood, we may receive forgiveness of sins and confidence according to Christ's New Testament. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **Hear our prayer.**

**P** Heavenly Father, you name every family in heaven and on earth. We give thanks for our brothers and sisters in Christ who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labors. Preserve us in the faith so that Christ might dwell in our hearts richly until that day when we join them around your throne; for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## **Presentation of the Offering**

*Stand*

### **Preface**

*LSB 177*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

## *Sanctus*

LSB 178

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## Words of our Lord

### Proclamation of Christ

LSB 179

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
- C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us your body and blood to eat and to drink, you lead us to remember and confess your holy cross and passion, your blessed death, your rest in the tomb, your resurrection from the dead, your ascension into heaven, and your coming for the final judgment.

## *Agnus Dei*

LSB 180

- C** Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

*Sit*

## Distribution

*We believe that as we partake of the bread and wine in Holy Communion, Jesus the Messiah is feeding us with his own true body and blood. In eating his body and drinking his blood we receive the promise that our sins are forgiven, and that we will therefore live eternally with God. We also believe that this eating and drinking is a confession of our faith.*

*If you have been baptized into the Christian faith and if you share our understanding of Christ's Real Presence in this meal, you are*

*welcome to receive Christ's body and blood for your benefit.*

***Children of the Heavenly Father***

*LSB 725*

- 1 Children of the heav'nly Father  
Safely in his bosom gather;  
Nestling bird nor star in heaven  
Such a refuge e'er was given.**
- 2 God his own doth tend and nourish;  
In his holy courts they flourish.  
From all evil things he spares them;  
In his mighty arms he bears them.**
- 3 Neither life nor death shall ever  
From the Lord his children sever;  
Unto them his grace he showeth,  
And their sorrows all he knoweth.**
- 4 Though he giveth or he taketh,  
God his children ne'er forsaketh;  
His the loving purpose solely  
To preserve them pure and holy.**

***Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread***

*LSB 625 (tune 596)*

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, life-giving bread,  
May I in grace possess you.  
Let me with holy food be fed,  
In hunger I address you.  
Prepare me well for you, O Lord,  
And, humbly by my prayer implored,  
Give me your grace and mercy.**
- 2 To pastures green, Lord, safely guide,  
To restful waters lead me;  
Your table well for me provide,  
Your wounded hand now feed me.  
Though weary, sinful, sick, and weak,  
Refuge in you alone I seek,  
To share your cup of healing.**

3 O bread of heav'n, my soul's delight,  
For full and free remission  
I come with prayer before your sight  
In sorrow and contrition.  
Your righteousness, Lord, cover me  
That I receive you worthily,  
Assured of your full pardon.

4 I do not merit favor, Lord,  
My weight of sin would break me;  
In all my guilty heart's discord,  
O Lord, do not forsake me.  
In my distress this comforts me  
That You receive me graciously,  
O Christ, my Lord of mercy!

*Father Welcomes*

LSB 605

*ref* *Father welcomes all his children  
To his fam'ly through his Son.  
Father giving his salvation,  
Life forever has been won.*

1 Little children, come to Me,  
For My kingdom is of these.  
Life and love I have to give,  
Mercy for your sin. *Refrain*

2 In the water, in the Word,  
In his promise, be assured:  
Those who are baptized and believe  
Shall be born again. *Refrain*

3 Let us daily die to sin;  
Let us daily rise with him,  
Walk in the love of Christ our Lord,  
Live in the peace of God. *Refrain*

*Baptized into Your Name Most Holy*

LSB 590

1 Baptized into your name most holy,  
O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,

I claim a place, though weak and lowly,  
Among your saints, your chosen host.  
Buried with Christ and dead to sin,  
Your Spirit now shall live within.

2 My loving Father, here you take me  
To be henceforth your child and heir.  
My faithful Savior, here you make me  
The fruit of all your sorrows share.  
O Holy Spirit, comfort me  
When threat'ning clouds around I see.

3 My faithful God, you fail me never;  
Your promise surely will endure.  
O cast me not away forever  
If words and deeds become impure.  
Have mercy when I come defiled;  
Forgive, lift up, restore your child.

4 All that I am and love most dearly—  
Receive it all, O Lord, from me.  
Let me confess my faith sincerely;  
Help me your faithful child to be!  
Let nothing that I am or own  
Serve any will but yours alone.

## Dismissal

### Thank the Lord

*LSB 181*

**G** Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done.

Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name.

He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

### Benediction

*LSB 183*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give † you peace.

**C** Amen

*Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

LSB 922

- 1 Go, My children, with My blessing,  
Never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you;  
You are My own.  
In My love's baptismal river  
I have made you Mine forever.  
Go, My children, with My blessing—  
You are My own.
- 2 Go, My children, sins forgiven,  
At peace and pure.  
Here you learned how much I love you,  
What I can cure.  
Here you heard My dear Son's story;  
Here you touched him, saw his glory.  
Go, My children, sins forgiven,  
At peace and pure.
- 3 Go, My children, fed and nourished,  
Closer to Me;  
Grow in love and love by serving,  
Joyful and free.  
Here My Spirit's power filled you;  
Here his tender comfort stilled you.  
Go, My children, fed and nourished,  
Joyful and free.
- 4 I the Lord will bless and keep you  
And give you peace;  
I the Lord will smile upon you  
And give you peace:  
I the Lord will be your Father,  
Savior, Comforter, and Brother.  
Go, My children; I will keep you  
And give you peace.

## Announcements

### Sending

**P** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

# Serving in worship today

June 30, 2024

## **Pastor**

Jason Neel

## **Acolyte**

Ryan Weinhold

## **Usher**

Art Hayden

## **Elders**

Chuck Johnson  
Kevin Zimmerman

## **Reader**

Lois Spadgenske

## **Nursery**

Kelsey Bellrichard

## **In our prayers**

**Celebrating Birthdays:** Storm Parson 6/30, Tina Brynteson 6/30, Diane Setness 7/3, and Jody Rose 7/3.

**Celebrating Baptisms:** Angie Hagel 7/1 and David O’Keeffe 7/2.

**Celebrating Anniversaries:** Ralph and Jan Fuerst 6/30, Terry and Sandy Elhardt 6/30, Todd and Sue Anderson 7/2, and Josh and Bridget Smith 7/5.

## **This Week at a Glance**

Today	8:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	10:30 a.m.	Bible Study
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	10:30 a.m.	Bible Study

## **Notes of Information:**

**Office Hours:** This week the church office will be closed on July 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. If you are in immediate need, please reach out to Pastor Jason on his cell phone 612-581-8786.

**Kitchen Refrigerator:** The refrigerator in the kitchen needs to be replaced, the Board of Trustee’s have researched and found a refrigerator. The cost of the replacement will be approximately \$1,000. If you would like to help defray the cost of the replacement, please place your donation in the offering marked as refrigerator fund.

**Directories available:** The current directory is available in the Narthex. We will no longer be publishing emails and phone numbers in the bulletin. If you have questions, please contact Laura in the church office.

**NACE:** North Anoka County Emergency Food Shelf is currently in need of items for “weekend pack” that are sent home with children from area schools. They need things like dried fruit, fruit cups, oatmeal packs, easy mac, shelf stable milk and other small snack items. Thank you for your donations. For more information reach out to Toni Peterson.

**Book Club:** Spirit of Christ Book Club will meet in the fellowship hall at 7 p.m. Dates and books are:  
July 22 – What She Left Behind by Ellen Marie Wiseman  
If you have any questions, please contact Joan Mager at 763-434-9652.

**Sermons and bulletins posted online:** Audio and video recordings of worship sermons and digital bulletins are posted weekly. Bulletins and past sermons can be found at [www.spiritofchristhamlake.org](http://www.spiritofchristhamlake.org).

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