

Christ Lutheran Community Church

A Reconciling in Christ Congregation

Seventh Sunday of Easter

June 1, 2025

Gathering: ELW 654 The Church's One Foundation

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,

she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.

From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
Oh, bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,

with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Acts 16:16-34

¹⁶ One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, “These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.” ¹⁸ She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, “I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And it came out that very hour.

¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. ²⁰ When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, “These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews ²¹ and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.” ²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³ After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴ Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone’s chains were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted in a loud voice, “Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.” ²⁹ The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ Then he brought them outside and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” ³¹ They answered, “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.” ³² They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³ At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴ He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

PSALM: Psalm 97



Psalm 97:12

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¹ The LORD reigns; let the ¹ earth rejoice;

let the multitude of the | isles be glad.

² **Clouds and darkness sur- | round the LORD,
righteousness and justice are the foundations | of God's throne.**

³ Fire goes be- | fore the LORD,
burning up enemies on | every side.

⁴ **Lightnings light | up the world;
the earth | sees and trembles.**

⁵ The mountains | melt like wax
before the Lord of | all the earth.

⁶ **The heavens declare your righteous- | ness, O LORD,
and all the peoples | see your glory. R**

⁷ Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight | in false gods!
Bow down before the LORD, | all you gods.

⁸ **Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Ju- | dah rejoice,
because of your judg- | ments, O LORD.**

⁹ For you are the LORD, most high over | all the earth;
you are exalted far a- | bove all gods.

¹⁰ **You who love the | LORD, hate evil!
God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand | of the wicked.**

¹¹ Light dawns | for the righteous,
and joy for the hon- | est of heart.

¹² **Rejoice in the | LORD, you righteous,
and give thanks to God's | holy name. R**

SECOND READING: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

¹² "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

¹⁴ Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

¹⁶ "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

And let everyone who hears say, "Come."

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

²⁰ The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon."

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

²¹ The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

GOSPEL: John 17:20-26

[Jesus prayed:] ²⁰ "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you

have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵ “Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

THANKSGIVING AT THE CONCLUSION OF A CALL

This order is appropriately set within the service of Holy Communion on the final Sunday of a minister's service under call in a congregation. The order follows the prayer after communion.

The person whose call is concluding and representative/s of the congregation come before the assembly.

A representative of the congregation addresses the pastor whose call is concluding

Rev. Wilmus Roger Randolph III, on May 28th, 2023, we of Christ Lutheran Community Church called you to be pastor in this place: to proclaim God's word, to baptize and teach, to announce God's forgiveness, and to preside at the Lord's table. With the gospel you have comforted us in times of sickness and trouble, and at the death of our loved ones. Sharing our joys and sorrows, you and your family have been important to our life together in the church of Jesus Christ, in our service to this community, and in God's mission to the whole world. As you leave this community of faith, we say farewell, and we pray for God's blessing.

The Bishop addresses the assembly with these or similar words.

People of God, members of Christ Lutheran Community Church,
do you release Pastor Randolph from service as your *pastor*?

We do, and we give thanks to God for our ministry together.

The Bishop addresses the person whose call is concluding.

Pastor Randolph, do you recognize and accept
the completion of your ministry with Christ Lutheran Community Church?

Response: I do, and I give thanks to God for our ministry together.

Your sisters and brothers in the Southeast Pennsylvania Synod
and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
give thanks to God for the ministry you have shared.

We promise you our continued support and prayer.

Rejoicing in the blessings of God in this congregation
and in the ministry of Pastor Randolph,

with hope in God's abundant grace in years to come,

I announce that Pastor Randolph's service as Pastor in this congregation
is now concluded.

The Bishop leads the assembly in prayer.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, through your Son Jesus Christ

you gave the holy apostles many gifts and commanded them to feed your flock.

You equip your people with abilities that differ according to the grace given to them,
and you call them to various avenues of service.
We give you thanks for the ministry of Pastor Randolph among the people of God in this place.
You watch over our going out and our coming in:
bless this time of ending and beginning.
You surround your people in every time and place:
keep us close in your love.

You accompany your people in times of joy and times of trial:
prosper all that has been done to your glory in this time together;
heal and forgive all that has fallen short of your will for us.
Help Pastor Randolph and all of us
to live with courage and gladness in the future you give to us.
As he has been a blessing to us,
so now send him forth to be a blessing to others;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The pastor whose call has concluded, proclaims God's blessing in these or similar words.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

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

Amen.

The service continues with the Sending Hymn and Dismissal.

Hymn of the Day: ELW 648 Beloved, God's Chosen

Beloved, God's Chosen



1 Be - lov - ed, God's cho - sen, put on as a gar - ment
2 With - in, call forth Wis - dom, to dwell in you rich - ly;
3 Be - lov - ed, God's cho - sen, put on as a gar - ment



com - pas - sion, for - give - ness, and good - ness of heart.
let peace rule your hearts and that peace be of Christ.
com - pas - sion, for - give - ness, and good - ness of heart.



A - bove all, be - fore all, let love be your rai - ment
And from the heart's cham - ber, be - lov - ed and ho - ly,
A - bove all, be - fore all, let love be your rai - ment



that binds in - to one ev - 'ry dis - so - nant part.
let sing - ing thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er rise.
that binds in - to one ev - 'ry dis - so - nant part.

Text: Susan Palo Cherwien, b. 1953

Music: ANDREW'S SONG, Robert A. Hobby, b. 1962

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Offering: ELW 204 Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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Communion I: ELW 483 Here is Bread

- 1. Here is bread, here is wine,
Christ is with us, He is with us.
Break the bread, drink the wine,
Christ is with us here.**

Refrain:

**In this bread there is healing,
in this cup there's life forever.
In this moment, by the Spirit,
Christ is with us here.**

- 2. Here is grace, here is peace,
Christ is with us, He is with us.
Know His grace, find peace,
feast on Jesus here.**
- 3. Here we are, joined as one,
Christ is with us, He is with us.
We'll proclaim, 'til he comes,
Jesus crucified.**

Communion II: ELW 816 Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life



1 Come, my way, my truth, my life: such a
2 Come, my light, my feast, my strength: such a
3 Come, my joy, my love, my heart: such a



way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all
light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in
joy as none can move; such a love as none can



strife; such a life as kill - eth death.
length; such a strength as makes his guest.
part; such a heart as joys in love.

Text: George Herbert, 1593–1632

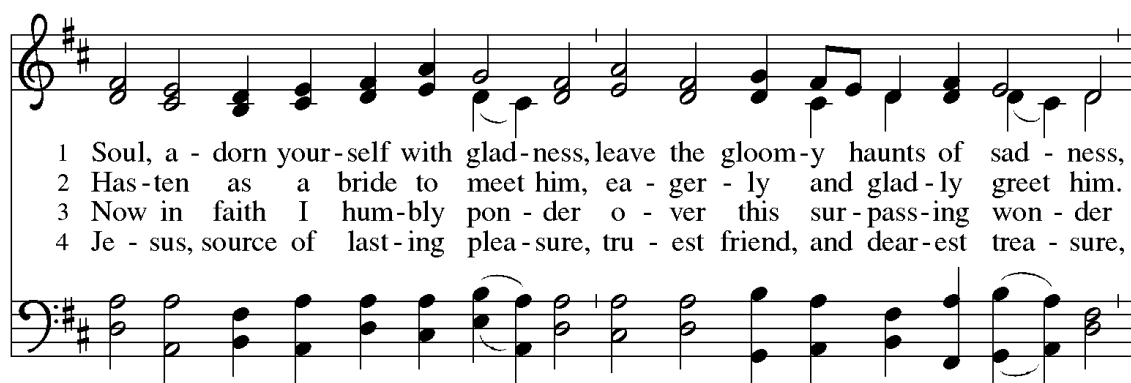
Music: THE CALL, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

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Communion III: 488 Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

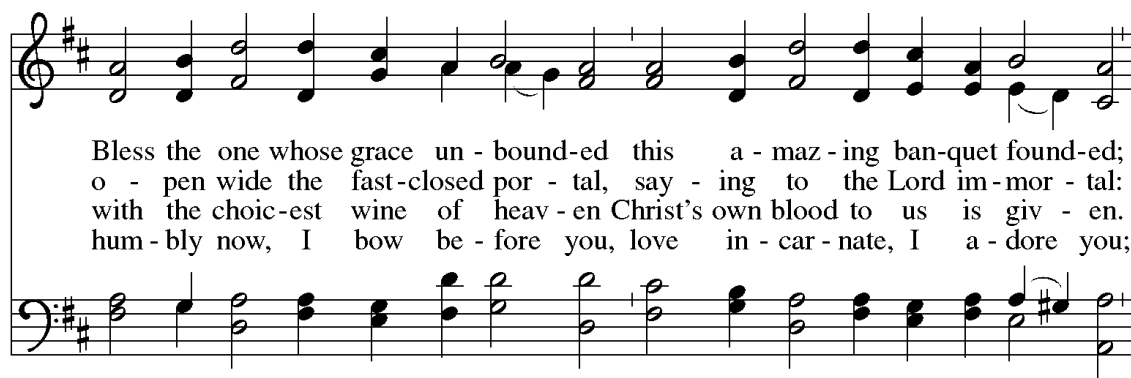
Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness



1 Soul, a - dorn your-self with glad-ness, leave the gloom-y haunts of sad - ness,
 2 Has-ten as a bride to meet him, ea - ger - ly and glad - ly greet him.
 3 Now in faith I hum-bly pon - der o - ver this sur-pass-ing won - der
 4 Je - sus, source of last-ing plea-sure, tru - est friend, and dear-est trea - sure,



come in - to the day-light's splen - dor, there with joy your prais-es ren - der.
 There he stands al-read - y knock-ing; quick - ly, now, your gate un - lock - ing,
 that the bread of life is bound-less though the souls it feeds are count-less;
 peace be - yond all un - der - stand - ing, joy in - to all life ex - pand - ing:



Bless the one whose grace un - bound-ed this a - maz - ing ban-quet found-ed;
 o - pen wide the fast-closed por - tal, say - ing to the Lord im-mor - tal:
 with the choic-est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to us is giv - en.
 hum-bly now, I bow be - fore you, love in - car - nate, I a - dore you;



Christ, though heav'n-ly, high, and ho - ly, deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
 "Come, and leave your loved one nev - er; dwell with-in my heart for-ev - er."
 Oh, most glo-rious con - so-la - tion, pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion.
 wor - thi - ly let me re-ceive you, and, so fa-vored, nev - er leave you."

Text: Johann Franck, 1618–1677; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
 Music: SCHMÜCKE DICH, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662
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Sending: ELW 550 On What Has Now Been Sown

On What Has Now Been Sown

1 On what has now been sown your bless-ing Lord, be - stow; the
2 To you our wants are known, from you are all our pow'rs; ac -
3 Oh, grant that each of us, now met be - fore you here, may

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains a melody with eighth and quarter notes, while the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The lyrics are aligned with the notes, with three-part settings indicated by numbers 1, 2, and 3.

pow'r is yours a - lone to make it sprout and grow. O Lord, in
cept what is your own and par-don what is ours. Our prais - es,
meet to - geth - er thus when you and yours ap - pear, and fol - low

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff shows a key signature change to one sharp (F#) for the second system. The lyrics continue across the two staves.

grace the har - vest raise, and yours a - lone shall be the praise!
Lord, and prayers re - ceive and to your word a bless - ing give.
you to heav'n, our home. E'en so, A - men! Lord Je - sus, come!

The third system concludes the piece. The treble staff ends with a double bar line. The bass staff continues with a final chord. The lyrics conclude with a final Amen and a call to Jesus.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt.
Music: DARWALL'S 148TH, John Darwall, 1731–1789

DEDICATIONS

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given by Caroly Sampson in honor of Katherine Williams' birthday on June 3.

Altar Guild: Penny Algeo & Carolyn Phipps
Reader: Rebecca Wilharm
Prayer Leader: Stewart Mahan
Communion Assistant:

Ushers: Victoria Foster Lee
Zoom Host: Susan Pursch
A/V: Aaron Williams
Hospitality: Carolyn Phipps

CLCC ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUNE 1 – A SERVICE OF GODSPEED AND FAREWELL FOR PASTOR RANDOLPH –

Please join us at the 10:30 service

JUNE 5 –STUDY SERIES BEGINS: THE KINGDOM LIFE ACCORDING TO JESUS –

The study will be led by Ryan Savitz on consecutive Thursday Evenings at 7:00 pm. The first class will start this coming Thursday – June 5th. The class will take place on Zoom. Use the same link that you use to worship online via zoom. It is found on the website by clicking on the tab “worship with us.”

JUNE 8 – PENTECOST SUNDAY – DO YOU SPEAK A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH?

- We would like to know how many different languages are spoken by our church family. Please list the language(s) that you can speak/read on the bulletin board.

JUNE 22 – POP-UP CHOIR SINGS. Rehearsals will be held June 1 @ 12:00 pm, June 8 @ 12:00 pm and June 22 @ 9:45 am.

PRAYER LIST:

We pray for all in particular need, especially Nettie, Penny, Tom, Daryl, Penny, Marian, Darlene, Gracie, Toni, Claude, Charles, Haily, Ron, Pat, Ben, Kenaé, Sherrell and her family, Jennifer, Carlos, Barbara, Anna Marie, Marie Josie, Carolyn, Mary, LaVena, Jay, Quince, Clifford, Maria, Nisha, Sal, Miles, Colleen, Peggy, and Dianne.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

We pray for David Bantoe and Kathi Williams who are celebrating a birthday this week.

FINANCE UPDATE

April 2025

Income \$14,036.52 Expenses \$16,562.17
NET - \$2,525.65

2025 Year to Date

Income \$74,608.55 Expenses \$80,602.21
NET -\$5,993.66

STEWARDSHIP'S DOLLAR GAME CONTINUES THROUGH FATHER'S DAY. See bulletin board or e-newsletter for more information.

FOOD MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

Senior Boxes: Wed, June 4th - 10-12AM

Feast Incarnate: Tuesday, June 10th - 4:30 pm

CLCC Food Closet: Thurs, June 12th -4-6PM

Fresh For All: Fridays, 9:30-10:30AM, weather-dependent

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