



First Sunday of Christmas
January 1st, 2023
11:00 am



Christ Lutheran Church
9212 Taylorsville Rd.
Louisville, KY 40299
www.christlutheranlouisville.com

WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS who worship with us today. We are glad you are here and we invite you to worship with us again and often. If you have no church home, we invite you to consider Christ Lutheran Church. Please sign the attendance card or the Yellow Visitor card in each pew and place it in the offering plate.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus Christ is the host at the table of Holy Communion and invites all to come. Here the real presence of Jesus meets us in the form of bread and wine. In this sacrament he offers himself to us for the forgiveness of sin and the promise of eternal life. (The Holy Communion is available in the narthex, for in-person worship.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

The prelude is a time to prepare for worship. When the prelude begins, please enter the sanctuary prayerfully and reverently. Please silence your cell phones and take this time to quiet your minds and voices.

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Rev. Dr. Bimen Limbong, Pastor
Pr. George Mercer, Pastoral Assistant
Ann Colbert Wade, Director of Music

Welcome

Stand

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C **Amen.**

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Stand/Kneel Silence for reflection and self-examination

P Gracious God,

C Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C **Amen.**

Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C **And also with you.** *(Please greet each other with a sign of peace.)*

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| Entrance Hymn: <i>Good Christian Friends, Rejoice</i> |
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Apostolic 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

Leader

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through - out the world, for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord.

For your

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have

Help, save, and de - fend us, O God.

mer - cy.

A - men.

Now the Feast and Celebration



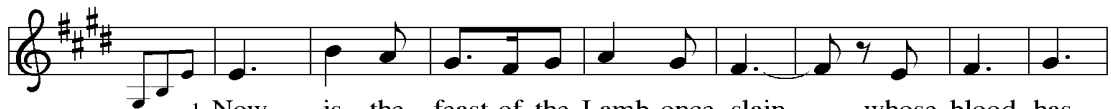
Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.

Refrain



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.

Refrain



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

Refrain

Prayer of the day: *(See on screen/Celebrate insert)*

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P (prayer)

C Amen.

Sit

Children's Sermon

Word

Readings and Psalm: *(See on screen/Celebrate insert)*

End 1st and 2nd reading with:

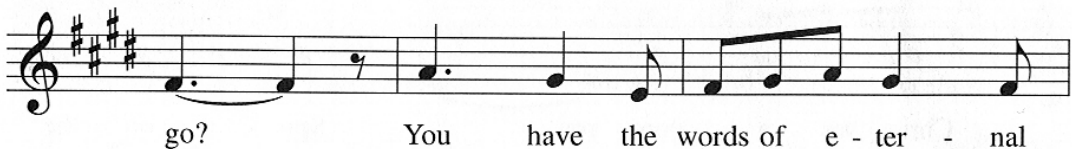
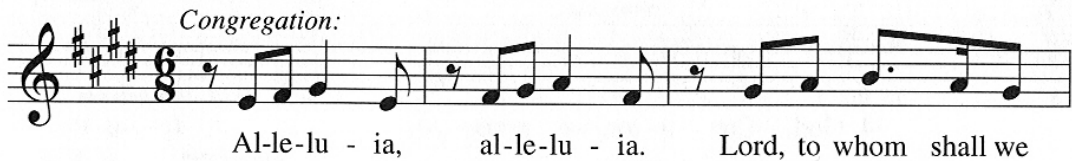
A The word of the Lord.

The congregation responds with:

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel: *(See on screen/Celebrate insert)*

P The Holy Gospel according to:

C Glory to you O Lord

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you O Christ

Sit



Sermon

Hymn of the Day: *All My Heart Again Rejoices*

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P God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ, living together in trust and hope we confess our faith...

The 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.

* Or, He descended into hell

* * 'Catholic church means 'universal church or Christian church throughout the world'.

Intercessory Prayers *(See on screen/Celebrate insert)*

Offering:

For on-line worshipers please mail to the office at 9212 Taylorsville Road, 40299 or contact the office for instructions for direct deposit. You may also use our on-line app at tithe.ly or scan QR code on the right)



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Stand

Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray.

P Merciful Father,

C Everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen.



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The Great Thanksgiving

Presider:

The Lord be with you.

Congregation:

And al-so with you.

Presider:

Lift up your hearts.

Congregation:

We lift them to the Lord.

Presider:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation:

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

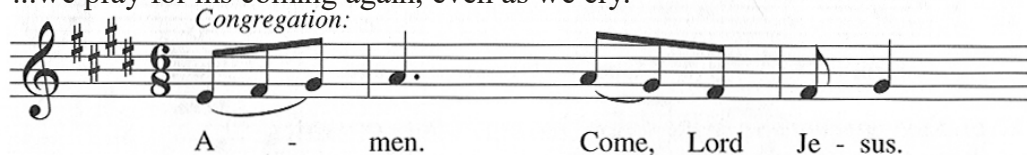
P It is our duty and delight...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Congregation:

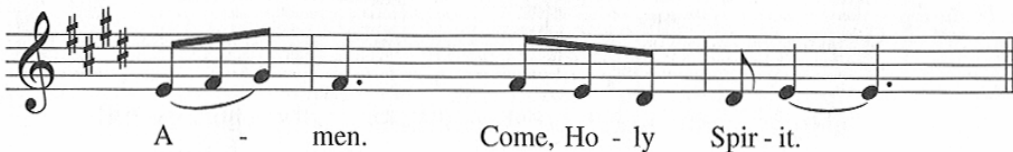
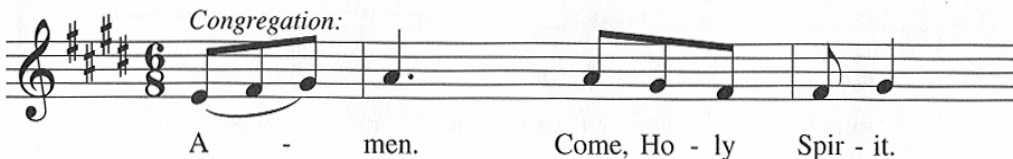
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!
Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

Eucharistic Prayer

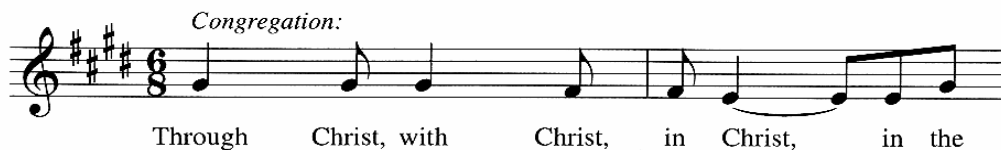
P ...we pray for his coming again, even as we cry:



P ...that your promises may come to us and the whole creation.



P This we pray through Jesus Christ our Savior and friend.



The Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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

Congregation:

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
you break the chains of ha - tred and
you are the way of jus - tice and
you are the way of mer - cy and

Congregation:

world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,
fear:
peace:
love.

Final Stanza
Congregation

mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

Congregation:

take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,

grant us peace, grant us peace.

Blessing

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of His body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

C Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

A Let us pray.

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

Benediction

P 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.

C Amen.

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| Sending Hymn: <i>Go Tell It on the Mountain</i> |
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A Making Christ Known... Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude: *Cold December Flies Away* (See ELW 299)

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**CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
THE CHURCH IN LIFE & WORK**

January 1, 2023

- Jan. 1 11:00 am -Worship In Person and @ Home Service w/ Communion
Pastor Mercer Presiding/ *First Sunday of Christmas*
- Jan. 8 8:30 am -Worship In Person w/Communion
11:00 am -Worship In Person and @Home Service w/Communion
Pastor Mercer Presiding both services/ *Baptism of Our Lord*
- Jan. 15 8:30 am -Worship In Person w/Communion
11:00 am -Worship In Person and @Home Service w/Communion
Pastor Nancy Nyland, Director of the Evangelical Mission
Presiding both services/ *Second Sunday after Epiphany*
- Jan. 22 8:30 am -Worship In Person w/Communion
11:00 am -Worship In Person and @Home Service w/Communion
Pastor Bimen Presiding- *Third Sunday after Epiphany*
- Jan. 29 11:00 am -Worship In Person @ Home Service w/Communion
Pastor Bimen Presiding- *Fourth Sunday after Epiphany*
Annual Meeting
- Jan. 30 12:00 pm -Monday Noon Bible Study/prayer meeting will resume

✚ **HEALTH PROTOCOL:** Wearing masks is highly recommended during worship and other meetings to be mindful of others, especially the vulnerable among us. If you are sick or experiencing symptoms, we encourage you to not come to the building and join us for on-line worship.

✚ **LIVE STREAM** - The 11:00am service is live streamed on Sundays at 11:00pm. You can join us on our Facebook page or YouTube. We need volunteers to live stream our 11:00am service. We will provide user friendly instructions. If you are interested, there is a sign up sheet in the Narthex.

CONTINUED ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 1, 2023

✚**JAM DONATIONS** - For January, we are collecting laundry items - detergent, fabric softener, dryer sheets, stain remover, etc.

✚**ATTENDANCE CARDS** - Please make sure you fill out the attendance cards to help us keep our records up to date.

✚**PROPERTY**- The property committee asks if you have a concern, please fill out a clue form located by the office and leave it in the holder for action in lieu of asking a committee member on Sunday morning.

A REMINDER FROM THE STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE COMMITTEES:
Due to supply chain issues, we will be using offering envelopes located in the pews for the time being. Please write your name on the offering envelope. Thank you!

A REMINDER FROM PASTOR BIMEN- Pastor Limbong will be out of the office from December 27 to January 19. He will be attending the Asian and Pacific Islanders of the ELCA (AAPI-ELCA) Assembly and the ELCA sponsored Asian Lutheran International Conference (ALIC) in Chang Rai, Thailand from January 9-17. Before attending his meetings, he will be visiting his family in Indonesia and have some closures for his mother's passing. Pr. George Mercer will be available for any pastor assistance. His number is 502) 507-5410.



CONTINUED PRAYERS

HOSPITALIZED, RECOVERY OR ON-GOING TREATMENT

Hannah Richardson, 7406 Sunset Lane, Crestwood, 40014
Mary Lou Miller, 13600 Lagrange Road, Apt. 238, 40245
Jane Farrar, 9801 Hillary Ct., 40291
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Doug Kull, 6520 Keeling Pl. Rd., 40291

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Wilma Brown, 10625 Wimberley Hills Blvd., 40241
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Becky Zibart, Forest Springs Health Campus, 4120 Wooded Acre Ln. Rm. 107, 40245
Glenn Zibart, Forest Springs Health Campus, 4120 Wooded Acre Ln. Rm. 107, 40245
Chester Evans, Symphony at Valley Farms, 10201 Valley Farms Blvd, 40272
Mary Lou Vaughn, Nazareth Home, 2000 Newburg Rd. #262 E. Vaughn, 40205
Pete Peters, 13600 LaGrange Road, Apt. 143, 40245
Mary Lou Miller, 13600 Lagrange Road, Apt. 238, 40245

***Please notify the church or the Pastor of any changes.**



Church Office Hours:

Monday 8:30-4:30

Tuesday 8:30-4:30

Wednesday 8:30-4:30

Thursday 8:30-4:30

Friday 8:30-4:30

If you wish to contact Pastor Limbong, please call the church at 502-267-5082 or his cell phone: 502-553-6025

His scheduled off days are Friday and Saturdays.

(Except during an emergency.)

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