

**December 7, 2025** 

**Advent 2** 

8:30 am & 11:00 am



# Christ Lutheran Church 9212 Taylorsville Rd. Louisville, KY 40299

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**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 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. Holy Communion kits are available in the narthex for personal worship. Gluten-free Communion Wafers are available, please notify the Pastor.

#### **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.

Rev. Dr. Bimen Limbong, **Pastor** Ann Colbert Wade. **Director of Music** 

WiFi: CLCChurch PW: peace9212

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### Thank you to today's worship assistants:

	8:30am	11:00am
Communion Assistant	Roger Miller	Steven Sarson
Lector	John Schmitt	Leroy Koch
Ushers	Tony & Alita White	Tracy Richardson & Karen Schuette
Crucifer	Liz Walker	Tracy Richardson
Liturgist	Jenny Nixon	Jennifer Kemnitz

**Prelude:** Comfort, Comfort Now My People

Boehm

### Welcome

Stand

## Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

- L In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- L 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 full ness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- L If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Stand/Kneel Silence for reflection and self-examination

- L Most merciful God,
- C Have mercy on us. We confess to you that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left un done. We have not trusted you with our whole heart; we have not loved one another in deed and in truth. In your compassion forgive our sin and so up hold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our light and our truth. Amen.

Stand

- L With joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives us all our sin and grants us newness of life in Jesus Christ.
- C Thanks be to God!

### Sharing the Peace

- L The Peace of the Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

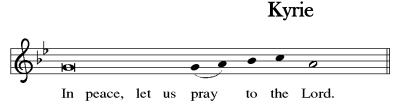
## The Gathering

Entrance Hymn: Prepare the Royal Highway #264

## Greeting

L 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.

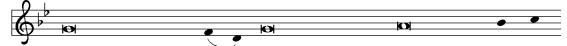




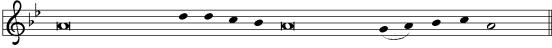


For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.

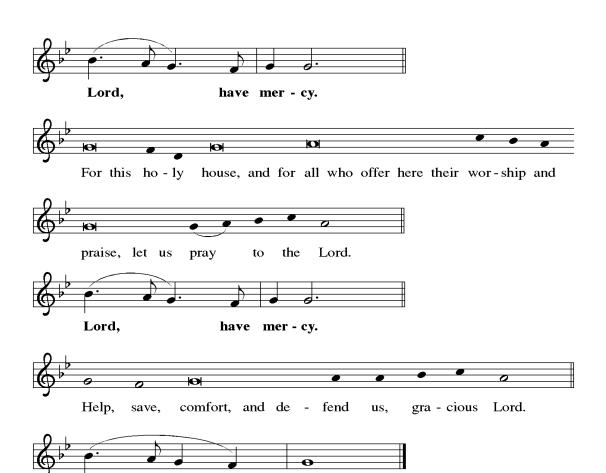




For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of



God, and for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



men.

L The Lord be with you.

A

C And also with you.

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

C Amen.

Sit

### The Word

## Children's Sermon - Lighting of the Advent Candle

Come Now, O Prince of Peace (Stanzas 1 & 2)

#247

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

End 1st and 2nd reading with:

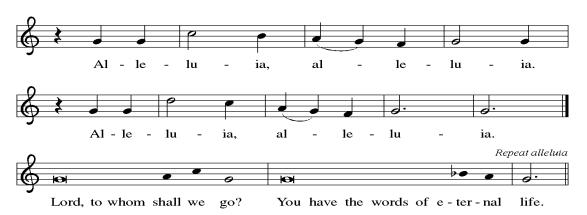
A The word of the Lord.

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

### Sermon

Stand

Hymn of Day: Comfort, Comfort Now My People

#256

# The Apostles' Creed

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

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 power of 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 again 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.

<sup>\*</sup>Or, He descended into hell

<sup>\*\* &#</sup>x27;Catholic church means 'universal church or Christian church throughout the world'.

## Intercessory Prayers (See screen/Celebrate insert)

Sit

## 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)



Offertory Anthem (11:00): He Shall Come Down

Owen

He shall come down like rain upon the mown field; he shall come down like showers that water the earth. And he shall rule from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth. He shall come down... All kings shall bow down before him, and praise his glorious name. He shall come down...

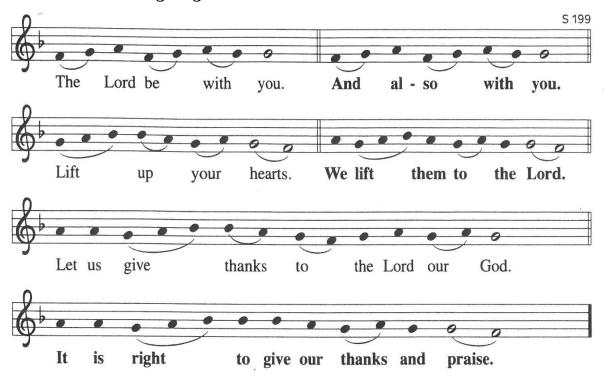
### Offertory Prayer

- A Let us pray
- 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.



## The Great Thanksgiving

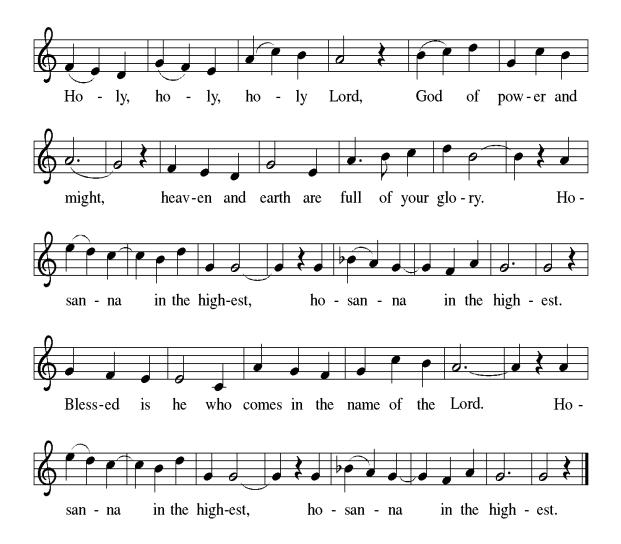


# Preface

## P It is indeed right...

..we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





# **Eucharistic Prayer**

## 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;

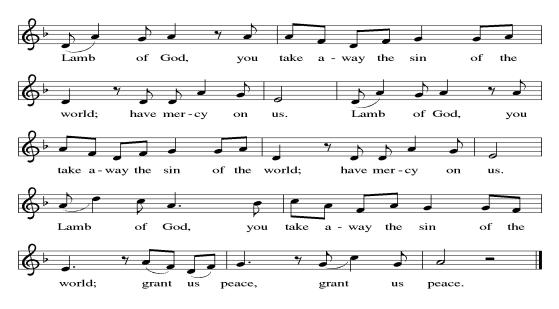
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

but deliver us from evil.

and lead us not into temptation,

Sit

### Communion



## **Blessing**

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you in faith and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

## **Post-Communion Prayer**

- A Let us pray.
- 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.

**Sending Hymn:** On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry #249

- A Walking with Christ, go in peace to love and serve our church and neighbors.
- C Thanks be to God!

Postlude: Hark, the Glad Sound! Willan

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

## **December 7, 2025**

December 7	8:30 AM	- Worship In Person w/Communion	
	9:45 AM	- Sunday School - Adults 1 - Room 1; Adults 2 - Room 9	
		- Young Adults - Room 5	
		- Holy Heroes (6th through 12th) - Room 8	
		- Whirl Lectionary (preK through 5th) - Room 7	
	11:00 AM	- Worship In Person and at Home w/Communion	
	12:15 PM	- Social Hour in Hall near Solarium	
	1:15 PM	- Confirmation Class: Heretic's Trial	
December 8	12:00 PM	- Bible Study/Prayer Meeting	
December 9	9:30 AM	- Tuesday Friends	
December 10	9:30 AM	- Wednesday Friends	
	6:00 PM	- Light Supper	
	7:00 PM	- Midweek Advent Service	
	7:45 PM	- Choir Rehearsal	
December 14	8:30 AM	- Worship In Person w/Communion	
	9:45 AM	- Sunday School - Adults 1 - Room 1; Adults 2 - Room 9	
		- Young Adults - Room 5	
		- Holy Heroes (6th through 12th) - Room 8	
		- Whirl Lectionary (preK-5th) - Room 7	
	11:00 AM	- Worship In Person & at Home w/Communion	
	12:15 PM	- Social Hour in Hall near Solarium	
	2:00 PM	- Forest Hills Commons Caroling	

**Gift Cards for JAM -** The Social Ministry will begin collecting \$50 gift cards for children to donate to JAM beginning mid-December. Preferred gift cards include Target and Meijer. Please consider picking up a gift card or two to help those in need during the holiday season. Gift cards can be placed in the offering collection or dropped by the office.

**Liturgist Volunteers -** We're looking for additional volunteers to serve as Liturgists for our Sunday services. If you'd like to be involved in an integral part of worship, please reach out to the office by phone or email

**†**Confirmation Class - Confirmation classes will continue today at 1:15 PM in Room 1. If you're joining virtually, scan the QR code to join the zoom meeting or reach out to the office for a link.

**†JAM Donations - (December)** Any items plus gifts or gift cards



#### CONTINUED PRAYERS

## HOSPITALIZED, RECOVERY OR ON-GOING TREATMENT

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<sup>\*</sup>Please notify the church office or the Pastor of any changes.

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer box and request forms are located in the Narthex to be used or feel free to contact Pastor Limbong or the office.

# "Walking Together with Christ, We Love and Serve Our Church and Neighbors".

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS SUMMARY**

### Please mark your calendars:

- ✓ MEGA Cavern & Progressive Dinner will be held on Saturday December 13th. We will kick off this event by caravanning to the MEGA Cavern to see Lights Under Louisville. When we return to the church, we will enjoy Christmas around the world through appetizers, dinner and deserts. Volunteers will be needed for appetizer and deserts and to share a little bit about how you celebrate Christmas from your homeland.
- ✓ Join us on Sunday, December 14th at 2:00 PM as we continue our caroling tradition at Forest Hills Commons. Please join us as we fill the halls with holiday cheer singing some of our favorite Christmas carols.
- ✓ Kentucky Kingdom Winter Event is scheduled for Saturday, December 20th from 5-9. Youth are invited to ride the rides and check out the Christmas lights at Kentucky Kingdom. Dinner will be provided at church and then everyone will bundle up to head to the park. Kentucky Kingdom season pass holders will not be required to pay admission. Please contact Liz Dawson (502-541-2223) or Kyle Fletcher (502-309-6500) if you are interested in attending

### This Week's Birthdays

12/1 - Renate Fish

12/2 - Trish Ferris

12/5 - Jim Bell

12/7 - Ed Schuette

### **Church Office Hours:**

Monday through Friday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

If you wish to contact Pastor Limbong

please call the church at (502-267-5082)

or his cell phone: (502-553-6025)

His scheduled days off are Friday and Saturday

Except during an emergency

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