

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Wednesday Service (In-Person & Zoom)

August 7, 2024 –6:30pm

* Call to Worship

P: Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you are called:

C: We cannot do this alone, we dare not try this alone, so we gather as God's people.

P: Lead a life worthy of your calling, a life filled with kindness and love

C: We come to build up each other as one body in Christ Jesus.

P: Lead a life which reflects your calling, a life of peace grounded in the Spirit.

C: We rejoice in our oneness in Christ, to joyously share the grace offered to us.

P: Live a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called.

C: We gather as God's family at the table prepared for us, waiting to be fed by the Bread of life.

P: Come now, together, as one to worship!

* Gathering Hymn 748 WOV

“Bind Us Together”

The musical score is written for a piano accompaniment. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with chords in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes a main melody and a refrain. The lyrics are: "Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er, Lord; bind us to - geth - er in love. 1 There . . is on - ly one God. There . . is on - ly one King. 2 You are the fam - ly of God. You are the prom - ise di - vine. There . . is on - ly one Bod - y; that . . is why we can sing: You are God's cho - sen de - sire, you are the glo - rious new wine." The score includes various chord markings such as F, Dm, Gm, C7, and Bb/C. The refrain is marked with a double bar line and the word "Refrain" above it.

*** Greeting**

- ☐ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
☑ **And also with you.**

*** The Prayer of the Day**

Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Reading: *Ephesians 4:25—5:2*

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. ^{5:1}Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Homily

Pastor Daniel Swanson

*** Prayers of the People**

*** Words of Institution**

*** The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

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*** POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: Amen.

*** Blessing**

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen

*** Sending Hymn 749 WOV**

"When Love Is Found"



1 When love is found and hope comes home, sing and be
2 When love has flow'ed in trust and care, build both each
3 When love is tried as loved - ones change, hold still to
4 When love is torn and trust be - trayed, pray strength to
5 Praise God for love, praise God for life, in age or



glad that two are one. When love ex - plodes and fills the
day that love may dare to reach be - yond home's warmth and
hope though all seems strange, till ease re - turns and love grows
love till tor - ments fade, till lov - ers keep no score of
youth, in calm or strife. Lift up your hearts. Let love be



sky, praise God and share our mak - er's joy.
light, to serve and strive for truth and right.
wise through list - 'ning ears and o - pened eyes.
wrong but hear through pain love's Eas - ter song.
fed through death and life in bro - ken bread.

Text: Brian Wren, b. 1936

Music: O WALY WALY, English tune

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*** Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please join us tomorrow evening, August 8th at 6:30pm in the sanctuary for our topic: **Living in Israel and Palestine following the October 2023 Violence (part of our focus on Israel and Gaza)**, Giancarlo Madera, Daniel's nephew will tell us about his experiences while in Israel and Palestine. Daniel's sister, Lisa may share her thoughts as a mother living in Ecuador, concerned about the well-being of her son in the Holy Land. You are welcome to bring finger foods to share served in the main narthex.

ALL ARE INVITED TO THE "EVERY MEMBER REJOICE" AUGUST ACTIVITIES

"Every Member Rejoice" - August activities as we reevaluate and practice "3T" stewardship - returning a portion of one's time, talent and treasures back to God in gratitude for the many gifts given to us.

Thursday, August 9, 10 AM to 12 Noon - CHAIR EXERCISES

The Fellowship Committee is hosting this free activity. Learn more to do quick exercises using your chair as your gym to improve posture, help relieve back pain, loosen your joints, ease mobility and raise your energy level. Please come and have fun! See poster!

Sunday, August 11 "NOISY OFFERING" of coins will take place during this Sunday's service. All donations will go to the Emergency Aid. Please continue to save your coins.

Following the church service this Sunday, August 11th **"FAMILY AND FRIENDS APPRECIATION PICNIC" in the fellowship hall** - A "thank you" celebration with potluck food to share. *We would need a count of attendees. The sign up board is in the Narthex.*



Let's help **Stuff the Bus!!!** In conjunction with County United Way, Social Ministry Committee will be collecting school supplies to help provide students in need start the school year. ***New school supplies can be placed in the yellow box (ramp area) of the Narthex until Friday, August 16th.*** Monetary donations can also be made, checks payable to County United Way, memo *Stuff the Bus-Allegany County*. With your support, help us fill our box so we can help fill the big yellow bus on August 16th. Thanks for your support,

Stuff the Bus Wish list:

**Backpacks - Brown Paper Lunch Bags - Colored Pencils - Composition Books - Crayons - Erasers
Glue Sticks/Glue - Hand Sanitizer - Highlighters - Notebook Paper - Paper Plates - Pencils, Pens
Pencil Cases - Post-It Notes - Reusable Water Bottles - Scissors - Thin Dry-Erase Markers
3 Prong Folders w/Pockets - 3-Ring Binders - 1 Subject Spiral Notebooks - 3 Subject Spiral Notebooks
Washable Markers - Zip Lock Bags**

Effective immediately, the Social Ministry is no longer collecting Terracycling, plastic bottle caps or dairy containers in the side vestibule. You can still bring your used eyeglasses (for the Lions Club) and ink cartridges and cell phones (for the Boy Scouts).

Please remember that you can recycle your plastics (#1 and 2), clean cardboard, office paper, magazines, newspaper, and aluminum and metal cans at the recycling center on National Hwy (in the Life Fitness Management parking lot area) and several other locations in the county.



News from the Garden!

Celebrate with us! God has blessed our harvest, even during a severe drought! **So far this year we have taken over 272lbs of produce to the food pantry!!** We have also had contributions of fresh produce from home gardeners. If you would like to add your produce to ours, please have it at the church early on Tuesday or Thursday mornings and we will include it in our delivery. Thank you for your continued support!