CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Wednesday Service (In-Person & 6:30pm Zoom)

November 12, 2025 –6:30pm

* Call to Worship

P: Sing to our God

C: Sing God a new song.

P: Raise your voices.

C: With shouts of joyful praise;

P: For God created this earth

C: With oceans, birds and flowers;

P: For God fashioned people

C: All ages, colors and kinds;

P: For God loves us,

C: Our hopes and our dreams,

P: Our failures and our successes,

C: Our songs and our dances.

P: Sing to our God-

C: Sing God a new Song

* Gathering Hymn 733

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

* 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.

* The Prayer of the Day

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Reading: Malachi 4:1-2a

¹ See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ^{2a} But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Reading: Isaiah 65:17-25

¹⁷ For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;

the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

¹⁸ But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating,

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy and its people as a delight.

¹⁹ I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it or the cry of distress.

²⁰ No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days or an old person who does not live out a lifetime,

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

²¹ They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat,

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

²³ They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—and their descendants as well.

²⁴ Before they call I will answer,

while they are yet speaking I will hear.

²⁵ The wolf and the lamb shall feed together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, but the serpent—its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain,

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

* The 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 love of God the Sovereign strengthen you,
God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead.
The holy Trinity bless you + and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.

C: Amen.

* Sending Hymn 563

"O Light Whose Splendor Thrills"

* Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest. Thanks be to God.

New Bible Studies - We have started a new study on Thursday mornings at 10:30am on God and Suffering. You may also join on Zoom. Please come join us!

It is QUICKLY nearing Thanksgiving time of year. Several sign-up sheets for your intended donation(s) of specific items are located on a table in the narthex. All items should be brought to the church by this Sunday, November 16th. Recipients will pick up baskets on Tuesday, November 18 between the hours of 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM. We thank you in advance for everything/anything that you can do to continue our characteristic community care. Social Ministry Committee