Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost November 10, 2024

As We Gather - As the liturgical year is coming to its end, God our Father gives us great encouragement that our salvation and deliverance from sin and sorrow is complete because of the forgiveness won for us by the blood of Jesus, the one and only sacrifice for your sin and the source of daily cleansing, faith, hope, confidence, and love. This faith is certain and full of hope even if your current circumstances would have you think otherwise. As God provided for the widow of Zarephath (1 Kings 17), so was the widow's offering (Mark 12) an expression of confident faith in God's promised salvation. No clearer picture can be given of the certainty of hope in Christ our Savior than in the letter to the Hebrews as it tells of Christ's once-for-all sacrifice that not only forgives but takes away all sin and supplies us with newness of life by His life-giving body and blood all our days!

Offering and Registry of Worship Cards: Please fill out a Registry of Worship Card found in the pew racks. We ask that you print the names of every person in your family, indicating if they take communion. One side of the card is for members and the other side for guests. As the offering is collected, pass the cards to the center aisle so our ushers can gather them.

Saturday Worship: Offerings and Worship Cards will be received in the offering plates at the rear of the church either upon entering or when leaving. Thank you for your gift to the work of the Lord.

About Protecting the Healthy: To protect yourself and others from COVID-19 and other infectious respiratory diseases, individuals may choose to mask at any time. Appropriate hand washing by everyone is encouraged. People with symptoms of an infectious illness are highly encouraged to stay home. Symptoms include fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea. Thank you for helping to keep everyone healthy as we receive God's gifts in worship.

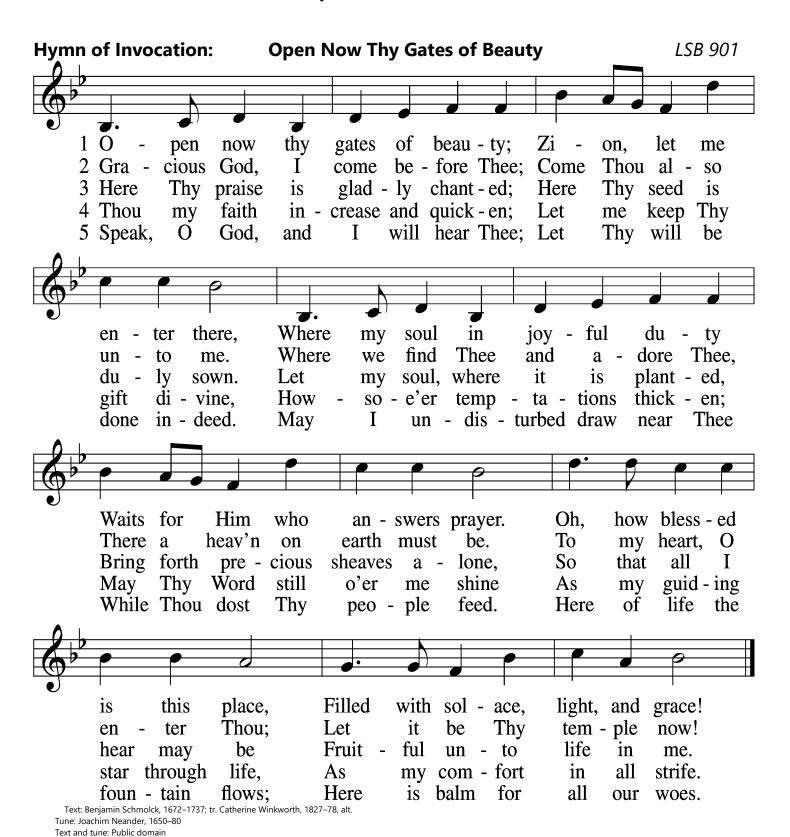
GENERALLY, BE MINDFUL, NOT FEARFUL.

Prelude and Meditation: Before worship we talk to God (see prayers on page 308 in the hymnal); during worship God talks to us; after worship we talk to one another.

Prelude:

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
The Greeting and Sharing of Peace (stand)

Confession and Absolution



Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- G Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 107:1-2, 41-42; antiphon vs. 8

- P Let them thank the LORD for his | steadfast love,* for his wondrous works to the chil- | dren of men!
- Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,* for his steadfast love endures for ever!
- P Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,*
 whom he has redeemed from trouble.
- He raises up the needy out of af- | fliction* and makes their families | like flocks.
- P The upright see it | and are glad,* and all wickedness | shuts its mouth.
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
 and to the Holy | Spirit;
 as it was in the be- | ginning,*
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
 Let them thank the LORD for his | steadfast love,*
 for his wondrous works to the chil- | dren of men!

Kyrie LSB 152

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



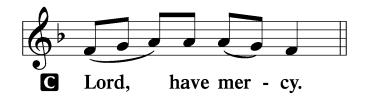
P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



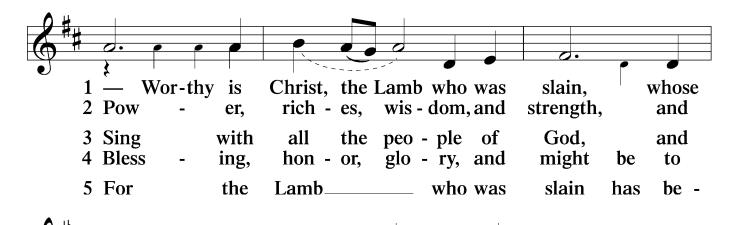
P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

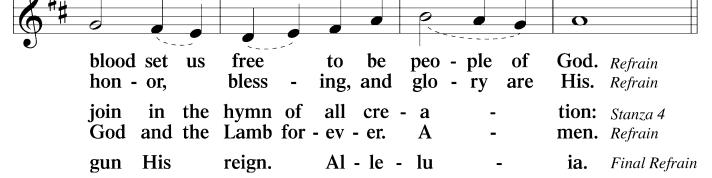


This Is the Feast LSB 155













Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Grant us so firmly to believe in Your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 17:8–16

⁸Then the word of the LORD came to [Elijah], ⁹"Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you." ¹⁰So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink." ¹¹And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." ¹²And she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." ¹³And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the LORD the God of Israel, 'The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.'" ¹⁵And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

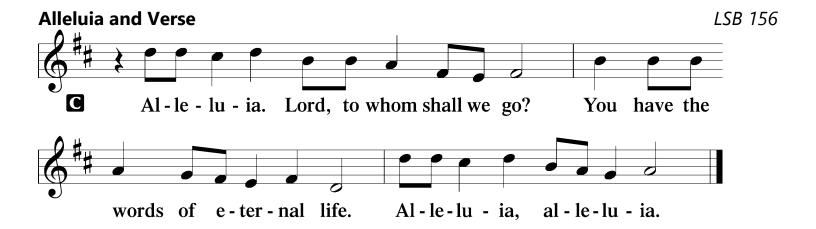
- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Epistle Hebrews 9:24–28

²⁴For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, ²⁶for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, ²⁸so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand



Holy Gospel Mark 12:38–44

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the twelfth chapter.



³⁸In his teaching [Jesus] said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces ³⁹and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, ⁴⁰who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

⁴¹And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴²And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. ⁴³And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. ⁴⁴For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

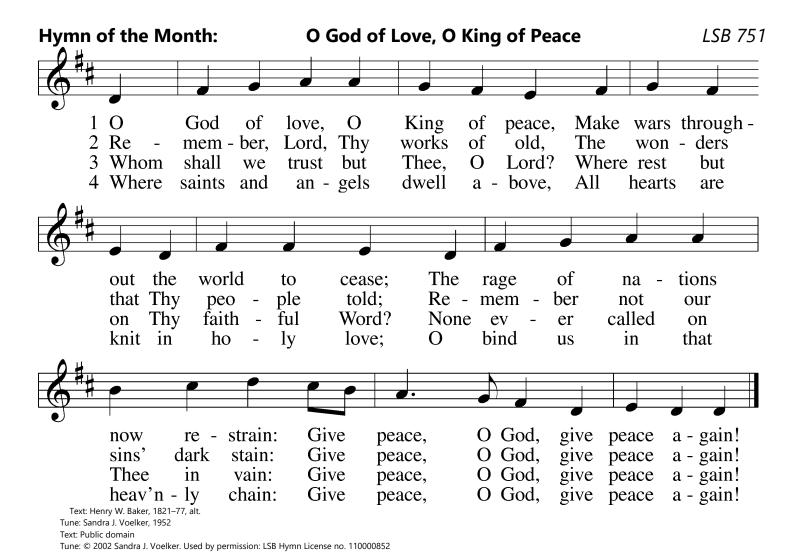
P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

Children's Sermon





Sermon:

"Genuine Sacrifice" Hebrews 9:24-28

Stand

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Sit

Choir Anthem: (Sunday Only) "Like A River"

Gathering of Our Tithes and Offerings (Sunday Only)

Registry of Worship Cards (Sunday Only)– Please pass your completed cards to the center aisle

Stand

Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.



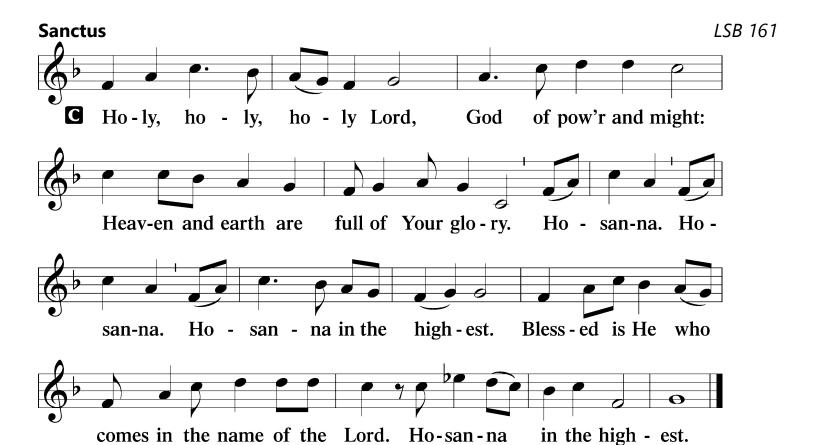
P Lift up your hearts.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My → blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

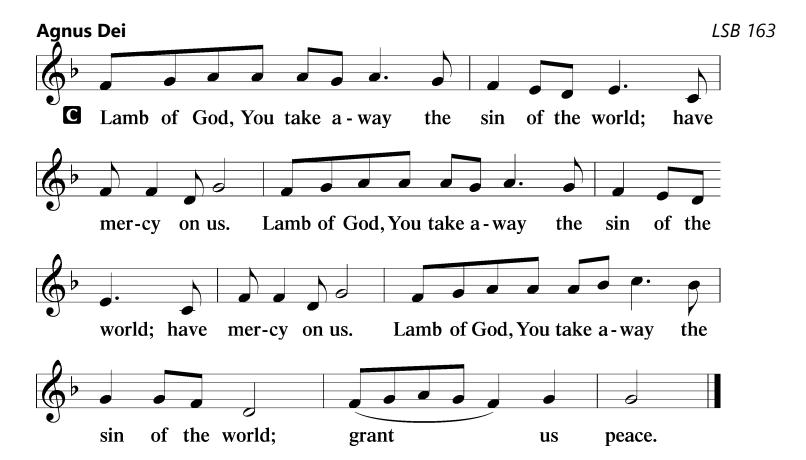
Lord's Prayer

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.

Pax Domini LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

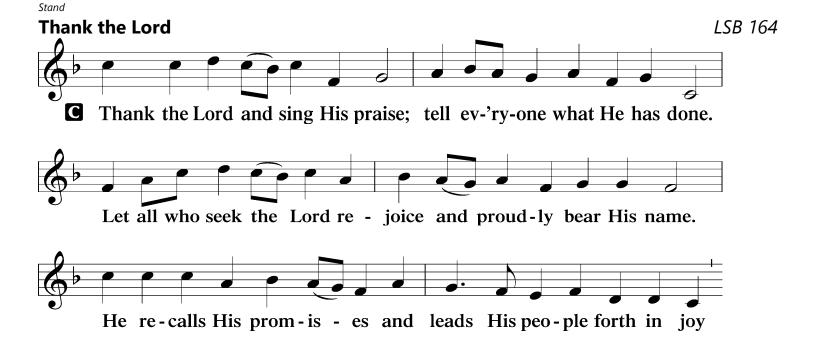




Sit

Distribution

Distribution Hymns (Sunday Only)LSB 738 Lord of All Hopefulness
LSB 728 How Firm a Foundation





Post-Communion Collect (Saturday)

- P Let us pray together.
- I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

(Sunday)

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



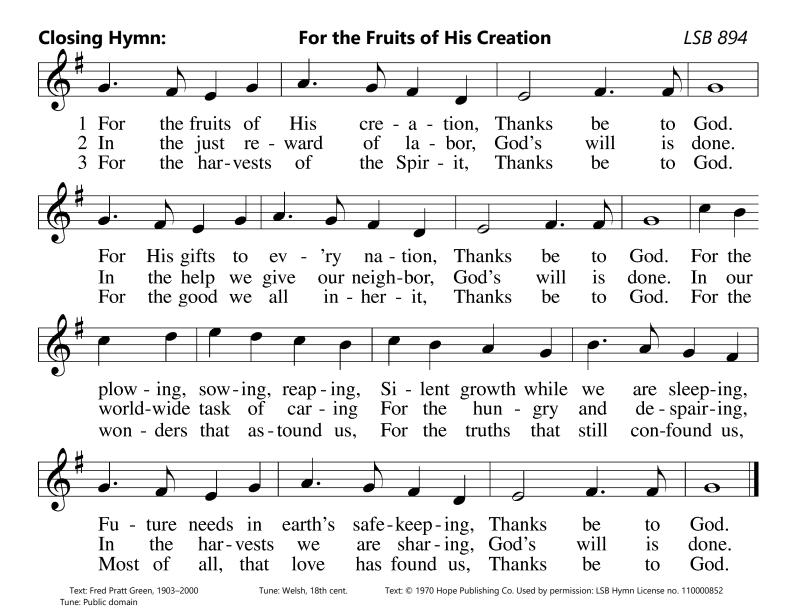
Benediction LSB 166

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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





Postlude:

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LEADING AND ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Pastor	Pastor Christopher Hazzard
Organist	Elena Miraztchiyska
Preacher	Pastor Roland Feickert

Saturday	
Elder	Dave Wacker
Lector	Gerie Slaten/Carlos Orellana
Audio	Lee Crapo/Robin Fox
Sunday	
Elder	Lee Crapo
	Kim Kaniecki
	Judy Rudolph
Video	Video TD: Kris Welch
	GFX: / Stream: Cheryl Erwin
Altar Guild	Sandy Spanier and Janette Williams
LEADING AND ASSISTING	IN WORSHIP <u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>
	Pastor Christopher Hazzard
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Elder	Steve Rosane
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ATTENDANCE AND OFF	ERINGS FROM <u>LAST WEEK</u>
Saturday Worship Attendance	28
Sunday Worship Attendance	112
Envelope and Loose Plate Offerings	\$0
Simply Giving/Vanco	\$0
	\$0
	\$0
	\$0
Misc. Income, Memorials and Special Gifts	\$0

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH- Pentecost XXV – The God who abides among us in both incarnate body and Holy Spirit knows our material needs. He remembers how we cannot provide for ourselves, much less for each other or anyone else. So, He who sends mouths also sends meat. Whether surprise pregnancy, terminal diagnosis, or any other circumstance, He will surround with jars that do not run empty and jugs we cannot exhaust (1 Kings 17:16).

FLOWER SPONSOR – Janette Williams, in memory of loved ones. **BULLETIN SPONSOR** – No Bulletin Sponsor this week.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR *(SUNDAY)* – Team 5 is serving today; the Church Potluck is next week, and team 1 will serve on November 24th. Everyone is invited. There is no charge and a freewill offering is voluntary. November freewill offerings will go to the Gideons.

ENDOWMENT FUND - The Christ Lutheran Church Endowment Fund Committee is having our annual fundraising drive today, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH and SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH. We ask the congregation to prayerfully consider making a donation to support the Endowment Fund. You may designate it as a memorial gift to your loved one if you desire. We have a separate offering plate in the back and ask that you make your check payable to Christ Lutheran Church Endowment Fund which is a separate account from the church's general fund. Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, please call Helen Borgwardt at (863) 660-0055

COUNCIL MEETING – The Council will meet this Monday, November 11th, at 6:30pm.

CLC FALL BAZAAR, CRAFT, AND BAKE SALE – Join us this Saturday, November 16th, from 8AM-1PM for the Fall Bazaar and Craft Sale. Bake goods and concessions will be available for purchase.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – There will be a Congregational Meeting next Sunday, November 17th, after service in the Fellowship Hall.

CHURCH POTLUCK – Our church potluck is next Sunday, November 17th. Please sign-up on the sign-up sheet in Narthex.

FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE – The Nominating Committee has filled all positions except for the Youth Board. Anyone interested in the position, please contact Pastor Block, Pastor Hazzard, or anyone on the Nominating Committee.

MARY MARTHA QUILTERS – CHANGED TO WEDNESDAY'S -The Mary Martha Quilters meet on Wednesday's each week at 10 AM. All Ladies from the congregation are invited

to come. You don't have to be a quilter or know how to sew as we need people who can cut, arrange, and tie.

HELP WANTED- The Church is in need of workers in several positions around the Church. These include Ushers, Offering Counters, Altar Guild, Lectors, Sound Board, Video Assistance, Elders (requires one year membership, and many other opportunities to serve. Please consider using your time and talents in some way here at Christ Lutheran.

ADOPT-A-BLOCK – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED– To reserve your spot on the team or if you have questions, please contact either Robin Fox or Pastor Chris.

TRUSTEE WORKDAY - The Trustee Workday is each Wednesday from 9am – 1pm. If you would like to help with the various needs of the church, come join us. A job, whether large or small can be found to help with. If you notice something you think needs attention, come let us know. Thanks for helping.

USED HEARING AIDS: Used hearing aids can be donated. Place them in the Munz mailbox in the church mailroom. Pastor Jerry Munz collects them and takes them to the Lakeland Hearing Center. If you want a tax receipt be sure to ask Pastor Jerry to get one for you.

DREAM CENTER VOLUNTEERS – Volunteers are needed to help check- in and sort items here at Christ Lutheran for the Dream Center. Please see or contact Robin Fox at 863-513-4774 to schedule a day and time to volunteer.

CHECK YOUR MAILBOX – Please check your mailbox in the narthex.

CHURCH DIRECTORY – For those that are not aware, our church member directory is now available online. Please see the flyer sheets in the narthex for more information or email Kim Kaniecki at stewardship@clclakeland.org.

NAMETAGS – We would like to encourage all our members to please wear their nametags to church. If you can't find your nametag or don't have one, please sign-up for one on the bulletin board in the Narthex of the church.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER - Mark 12:44 - "For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on." From Old Testament times right through to today the Lord has urged us to give to His work in the church in *proportion* to how He has blessed us. He has also called us to sacrificial giving, that is, giving that actually costs us something. That's the shape of true Christian generosity.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST LUTHERAN

Monday	Council Meeting @ 6:30 pm
Tuesday	Adopt-A-Block @ 11 am
Wednesday	Dream Center @ Christ Lutheran
	Trustee Workday @ 9 am
	Quilters @ 10 am
	Private Communion 1:30 – 2:30 pm
	Jr. Confirmation
	Choir @ 7 pm
Thursday	Bible Study @ 10 am
Friday	
Saturday	Fall Bazaar and Craft Show @ 8 am
	Worship @ 5:30 pm
Sunday	Bible Study @ 8:30 am
	Worship @ 10 am
	Congregational Meeting
	Church Potluck