



Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

Sunday January 29

9:30 AM



Welcome to Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

*A Reconciling in Christ
congregation of the ELCA*

Sunday Worship 9:30 AM

Sunday Childcare 9:15-11:00 AM

*Children's Message and Children's Chapel
during services. All children welcome!*

We're glad that you have joined us for worship today!

Who are we at Christ the Servant?

Called by God to share the Good News, we are the hands of Christ, lifted in worship, joined in learning, extended in service, supporting in love, and reaching for justice.

- We believe in God our creator, and are awed by the mystery of creation.
- We believe we are saved by God's grace through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.
- We believe the word and spirit of God are they guiding force in our lives.

To all we extend a heartfelt invitation to join us on this journey, as partners in the full life and ministry of Christ the Servant, regardless of ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, abilities, or socioeconomic status.

Church Office Hours

M-Th 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

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Pastor Deanna Wildermuth

Interim Pastor

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Land Acknowledgement

We gather on the ancestral land of the Coast Salish peoples, including the Lummi, Nooksack, and Semiahmoo, who have lived in this region since time immemorial. May we live consciously and respectfully, honoring our Coast Salish neighbors.

**All Times and Places
January 29, 2023**

Prelude

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand as able.

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Sun of righteousness shall rise with shining beams of healing.
Let us gather under the wings of God's mercy.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

**Have mercy on us, O God,
according to your loving kindness.
In your great mercy,
wash away our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin.
Create in us clean hearts, O God
and renew a right spirit within us.
Do not remove us from your presence;
do not take your Spirit away.
Restore to us the joy of your salvation,
and sustain us with your Spirit. Amen.**

With a heart full of mercy and compassion,
God saves you and forgives you all your sins.
Christ, the dawn from on high, shines upon you,
and by the light of the Holy Spirit
guides your feet into the way of peace.
Amen.

Opening Hymn ELW 714 *O God of Mercy, God of Light*

Greeting

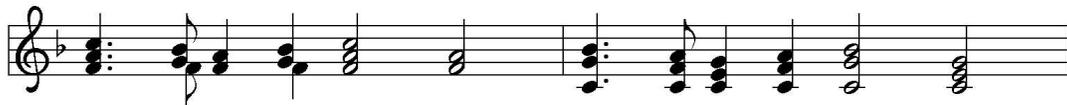
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

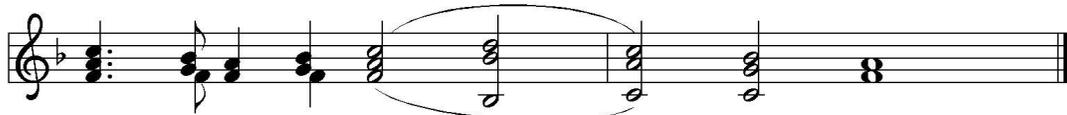
Kyrie

ELW 155 (Russian Orthodox)

Lord, Have Mercy



1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.
1, 3 Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.
2 Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
Chris - te e - le - i - son.
Lord, . . . have mer - cy.
Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

Music: Russian Orthodox traditional

Glory to God, Glory in the Highest

Leader



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

All



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

Leader



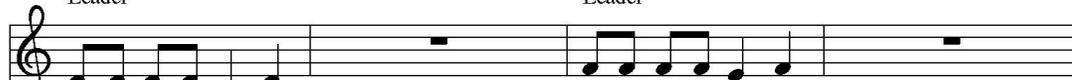
To God be glo-ry for-ev - er!

All



To God be glo-ry for-ev - er!

Leader



Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Leader



Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Group 1



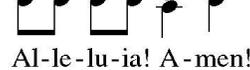
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Group 1, 2



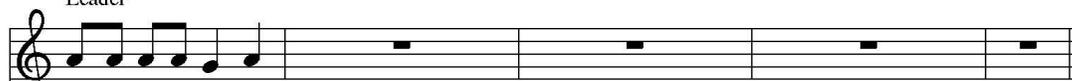
Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Group 1, 2



Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Leader



Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Group 1, 2, 3



Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!



Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!



Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!



Al-le-lu-ia! A - men!

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Together, let us pray,
Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice, and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

WORD

Children's Message

Today's Children's Message is "*Jesus Makes Lazarus Alive Again.*" (John 11)
After the Children's message, children aged 3-8 are invited to Children's Chapel in the Godly Play Atrium. Children return to the congregation for the passing of the peace.

Children's Blessing

Go in peace, have fun, and learn. Amen.

First Reading Micah 6:1-8

¹Hear what the LORD says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,
and let the hills hear your voice.

²Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD,
and you enduring foundations of the earth;
for the LORD has a controversy with his people,
and he will contend with Israel.

³"O my people, what have I done to you?
In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

⁴For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;
and I sent before you Moses,
Aaron, and Miriam.

⁵O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,
that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.”

⁶“With what shall I come before the LORD,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?

⁷Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

⁸He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be God.

Psalm 15

Tune: M.V. Werkmeister, 1784
Arr: B. Drewes

Lord, who is wel - come in your house? Who
They will re - ject the wick - ed ones, but
rests on your ho - ly hill? Who - ev - er leads a
hon - or those who fear God. They pro - mise to lead
blame - less life and seeks to do your will; those who
lives of faith, their word is al - ways good. They
speak the truth with cour - age strong, nev - er slan - d'ring friend or
do not lend for hopes of gain, they take not an - y
foe, and those who will stand for what is right, and
bribes. These are the ones the Lord pro - TECTS, the
seeds of just - ice sow.
right - eous in God's eyes.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

¹⁸The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

²⁶Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no one might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be God.

Gospel acclamation

Heleluyan (Hallelujah)

Heleluyan, heleluyan; hele, heleluyan.

Heleluyan, heleluyan; hele, heleluyan.

ELW 171 Muscogee (Creek) Indian

Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day **ELW 717** ***Let Justice Flow Like Streams***

Apostle's Creed

Having heard the Word of God, we respond in the confession of our faith using the words of the Apostle's Creed.

Together we confess,

**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.**

Prayers of God's People

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.
A brief silence.

Cultivate humility in your church. In gatherings of every size, teach us to boast only in the cross. Shape your church to be people of kindness, generosity, and justice. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

The foundations of the earth bear witness to your faithfulness; the mountains and hills echo with your holiness. When we mistreat your creation, show us the error of our ways. Inspire us with reverent awe to honor all you have made. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

You make foolish the wisdom of the world. Raise up honorable leaders who seek justice, love mercy, and pursue peace. Frustrate plans that are corrupt, wicked, and self-seeking. Prosper the work of peacemakers. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Bless all whom the world rejects. Accompany those who are regarded as foolish, weak, low, and despised; reveal your power and presence at work where it is least expected. Give your life, strength, and wisdom to all in need (especially). Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

As with your people Israel, remind this congregation of your saving acts. Remind us how your faithfulness brought us through difficulties and sustained us despite our weaknesses. Establish the cross as the center of our life together. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions are offered.

O God, we praise and thank you for the faithful in our own congregation. This week we pray especially for **Jim Walker and Betsy Stuen-Walker, Ron and Troy Faith Ward, and David and Simone Westerlund.** Let the peace of Christ rule their hearts and let your holy word dwell in them richly. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Praise to you for your blessed saints in every time and place (especially). Trusting you accompanied them in poverty, persecution, and in every trial, we trust you abide with your people always. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.
Amen.

Sharing God's peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering Music

Lead Me Lord

Servant Singers

Offering prayer

Together, let us pray,

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

MEAL

The table and wine are now ready.

It is the table of company with Jesus and with all those who love him.

It is the table of communion with the earth in which Christ became incarnate.

It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world with whom Jesus identified himself.

So, come to this table you who have much faith and you who would like to have more.

You who have been to this sacrament often and you who have not been for a long time

you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come, it is Jesus Christ who invites you.

Song of response

Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same manner after supper he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all of them to drink saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup we proclaim the real presence of Jesus who is here with us now and who taught and us to pray...

**Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

Distribution

Communion Hymns	ELW 461	<i>All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly</i>
	ELW 523	<i>Let Us Go Now, to the Banquet</i>
	ELW 809	<i>Thuma Mina</i>

Post-communion blessing and prayer

Let us pray,

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

Amen.

SENDING

Benediction

Sending hymn **ELW 726** *Light Dawns on a Weary World*

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news.

We will. Thanks be to God.

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Please Remember as You Pray

Pastor Deanna, Pastor Andy Yee, the Council, and the Call Committee as the call process continues.

Hsin, son of **Pastor Darrell Schoen and Donna Gustin**, healing from a serious liver infection.

In thanksgiving for the health and recovery of **Nicole Pridachuk**.

In thanksgiving for **"Jeff's House,"** and for its future tenants.

For the victims of recent gun violence.

Sally and Nick Holloway on the passing of her mother/his grandmother.

Marcie Hess, Mike's mother, hospitalized after a stroke.

Jean Peters, mother of **Kathy Dooley**, as she enters hospice care.

Paul Grout, recovering at home from a heart procedure.

Mary Hess and her family in the loss of her mother, **Joan Chionis**.

Discernment and peace for **Dani Riggs**.

Baker Ennen, Granddaughter of Patti and David Ennen, as she struggles with Crohn's Disease resulting in delayed growth and related complications; prayers for the medical team at Swedish, her parents Nate and Kate, brother Bode.

Jon Ross, son-in-law of Doug and Char Sutton, as he battles long Covid.

Healing and patience for **John Reitz's daughter and her partner** as they confront her partner's recent MS diagnosis and treatment.

Diann Christey, as she recovers from back injuries.

Phil Christey, for heart health.

John J. Chionis brother of Mary Hess, for healing from cancer treatments and that he might regain strength to use his hands and arms again.

Amy Raduege enduring intense nerve pain, hoping for effective medical treatment.

Our friends in La Mica, Honduras and their water project.

Bob Ham for strength during dialysis and progressing Parkinson's.

Lynn McKinster thanksgiving for her current remission from Multiple Myeloma.

Carol Ebergson as she enters hospice care.

And our residents at local Senior Living or care centers: **Sophie Mueller, Ruthann Jensen, Phyllis Segren, Anita Stoffer, Shirley Abt**

Calendar

Sunday January 29

9:30 AM Worship with childcare
11:00 Am Annual Meeting (Childcare Available)

Monday January 30

7:00 PM Property Committee

Tuesday January 31

11:30 AM Women's Book Club
1:00 PM Tiny Homes Meal Prep

Wednesday February 1

7:00 Property Committee

***Nicole Pridachuk @ ELCA Youth Ministry Conference Feb 2-5 and
on vacation Feb 6-12***

Thursday February 2

7:30 PM Servant Singers Choir Rehearsal

Friday February 3

9:00 AM Men's Fellowship
5:00 PM York Street AA
Nicole Pridachuk on vacation Feb 6-12

Sunday February 5

Pastor Harry Grinstad Presiding.

9:30 AM Worship with childcare
10:45 AM Bridge youth Group (3rd-5th Grade)
10:45 AM Kids' Choir (Chapel)

Tuesday February 7

11:30 AM Women's Book Club
7:00 PM Community Ministries



Join us for the
**Annual Meeting
of the Congregation**

SUNDAY JANUARY 29

MEETING TIME 11:00 AM

MEETING IN-PERSON
AND VIA ZOOM

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Announcements

NO Coffee hour without volunteers! Sign up today!

There will not be a coffee hour on the following dates without volunteers to host and bring snacks- February 5th, March 5th, March 19th and March 26th. If you want to be part of our Fellowship Ministry by hosting (setting up, making coffee, setting out food, cleaning up, and washing dishes) or by providing a snack for 100 people, please follow the link to the Sign Up Genius in your Thursday Note email or call Mary Beth Neal at 360-647-1073 or mbneal85@msn.com.

Donate to the OPOP Fundraiser

Help the OPOP (One Parish, One Prisoner) team roll away the stones for our partner, Nathaniel. See the display in the narthex this Sunday, January 29.

February 20: Family Promise Meal Kits

Our next meal kit delivery date is Monday, February 20th. A meal kit is a simple combination of a recipe chosen by each family (from the family promise recipe book) and the major ingredients to put together a meal. A typical recipe will usually have 5 to 6 ingredients that will need to be purchased. Other items included in the recipe we would expect people to have in their kitchen. At the bottom of the recipe there are additional items you can choose to purchase to complete the meal. You will receive the meal kit recipe via email sometime the week before our delivery date.

Soup Suppers for Lent beginning Feb 22.

Simple soup and bread suppers served before Wednesday Lenten worship. If you can bring soup or bread, sign up in the Narthex.

Feb 26 2:00 PM "You are Loved" Tea Party for Seniors

Families with children of CTS will be hosting a special tea party just for seniors (we'll let you decide if you want to be included) on Feb 26 in the Fellowship Hall. We'll have coffee, tea, and dessert. Seniors are invited to bring a picture or special item that will help them share a story from their own life to their small group. **Please RSVP to Veronica Hains veronicahains@gmail.com or Nicole Pridachuk nicole@ctslutheran.org**

Clergy and Staff vacations

Pastor Deanna will be on vacation 1/31-2/5.

Nicole Pridachuk out of office 2/2-2/12.

Nicole will be attending the ELCA Youth Ministry Conference 2/2-2/5, then celebrating the end of her cancer treatments with a trip to Disneyland with her family. Office subs will cover the church office during this time; please show them patience and gratitude!

Breaking Bread Small Groups begin meeting soon!

If you have not received an email or notice regarding your breaking bread group, please email office@ctslutheran.org for your assignment. If you didn't sign up already, there is room for YOU to join. Contact Bruce Henninger capbruce@aol.com



Serving Sunday January 29	
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Cantor	Veronica Hains
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Communion Servers	Melinda Jones
Sound Livestream	Bryan Jones Sarah Satre
Ushers	Tom McCalla BJ Pratum
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Childcare	Sierra Marshall Miles Cratsenberg

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