

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

November 6, 2024 –6:30pm

*** Call to Worship**

P: Come and worship God who makes all things new.

C: We praise the One who can make the earth new again.

P: God wishes to renew more than the earth.

C: What does God seek to transform?

P: God wants to transform us into the divine image.

C: Doesn't God love us as we are?

P: God loves you just as you are but desires you to become even more.

C: We offer ourselves to the One who transforms us with love.

*** Gathering Hymn 684**

“Creating God, Your Fingers Trace”

*** 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**

O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Reading: Psalm 146

¹ Hal-^l lelujah!

Praise the LORD, ^l O my soul!

² **I will praise the LORD as long ^l as I live;**

I will sing praises to my God while I ^l have my being.

³ Put not your ^l trust in rulers,
in mortals in whom there ^l is no help.

⁴ **When they breathe their last, they re-^l turn to earth,
and in that day ^l their thoughts perish.**

⁵ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob ¹ for their help,
whose hope is in the ¹ LORD their God;

⁶ **who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that ¹ is in them;
who keeps promis- ¹ es forever;**

⁷ who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to ¹ those who
hunger. The LORD sets the ¹ captive free.

⁸ **The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those
who ¹ are bowed down; the LORD ¹ loves the righteous.**

⁹ The LORD cares ¹ for the stranger;
the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way ¹ of the
wicked.

¹⁰ **The LORD shall ¹ reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. ¹ Hallelujah!**

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

* 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 Ancient One, enthroned, the Crucified One, now risen, the Indwelling One, poured
out, † bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

* Sending Hymn 588

“There's a Wideness in God's Mercy”

* **Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

We have a few quarts of Beef Vegetable left from yesterday's Election Day Soup. If you would like a quart after church, Diane Klinetob will be here to help you. Soup in \$10.00 per quart. Thanks.

Fall seasonal EMR Campaign: "Abundant Gifts from Autumn" *As a sign of our abundant gifts this Autumn, if you have not picked up your pumpkin from Mission and Generosity, please pickup one in the narthex and enjoy at your home this fall! Maybe a pumpkin pie! .*

If you have not pick-up your packet with Pledge card, time and talent sheets and your new 2025 offering envelopes, they are available in the narthex. Please return your Pledge card and Time & Talents by November 10th.

Your Social Ministry team is preparing to distribute Thanksgiving food baskets to 25 or more needy households in our area. We began the collection of cash and food items on Sunday, October 20th, and will conclude when we assemble the food baskets on Sunday, November 17th. Our plan is to use cash donations to purchase grocery store gift cards (for a main course like ham or turkey) and perishable items for the baskets. We're also hoping for donations of non-perishable items that we're collecting on a table in the Narthex (under the bulletin board). **Sign-up sheets** are present for each of the requested non-perishable items, which need to be brought to church no later than Sunday, November 17th. Cash donations can be sent to the office marked "**Thanksgiving basket.**" A donation of \$55 would cover the cost of a whole basket, but cash donations in any amount are appreciated. If you have any questions, or would like to help us shop for groceries and assemble the food baskets, please reach out to Ruth Chiarenza at 301-729-5070. Thanks for your support of this ministry!

It is that time of the year again, time to put together our 2025 budget. **All committee budget requests are due by November 15th.**

