

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

September 2, 2026 – 6:30pm

Prelude

*** Call to Worship**

P: Come into God's presence with thankful hearts.

C: We come to God with thankfulness and gratitude.

P: Come and sing the praises of our Creator.

C: Our hearts are full of song for God's goodness.

P: Let us praise the God who supplies all our needs.

C: We join in praise for the One who satisfies our hearts.

*** Gathering Hymn 644**

"Although I Speak with, Angel's Tongues"

*** 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 Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Reading: *Romans 13:8-14*

⁸ Owe no one anything, except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹ The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not murder; you shall not steal; you shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰ Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹ Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹² the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³ let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴ Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Homily

Pastor Daniel Swanson

* Prayers of the People

Anointing and Laying on of Hands – *Please come to the altar rail and kneel as you are ready. Please feel free to remain seated, if you do not desire the laying on of hands.*

* 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 God of love
draw you into full accord and one mind,
in the body of Christ Jesus.

C: Amen.

P: The God of hope
grant you strength and joy in all circumstances
through the interceding of the Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: The God of grace ✠ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

* Sending Hymn 656

“Blest Be the Tie that Binds”

* Dismissal

L: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C: Thanks be to God.

Listening Circle scheduled for September 13th following our Worship at 11:30am— as we prepare for our annual Every Member Rejoice/Response, let us look at the ways that God budgets. It may be different than the way that we do it. What are your questions about budgeting and financing? Can we begin to consider moving from scarcity to abundance? Bring your thoughts and feelings to the Listening Circle and learn what others are thinking. Hope to see you there.

Noisy Offering on September 13th. Please start saving your coins to enable us to have a really LOUD Noisy Offering **to support the Fill the Bus campaign that the Potomac Highlands United Way.** We want to support our local school children. Thanks!

Our Worship & Music Committee would like to buy copies of our new hymnal – All Creation Sings (Supplement to Evangelical Lutheran Worship) to be available in our pews. If you are interested in helping to purchase these hymnals, please write on a piece of paper or envelope the number that you are purchasing and how you want the honor/memory to read and enclosed with your check (payable to CLC). **The cost is \$15.00 per hymnal.** You may put this in the offering plate or bring to the church office. For more information, please see Pastor Daniel or a member of the Worship & Music

Our Yard Sale Books are still out in the narthex thru September 6th. There are many good books still on the racks – children, novels, self-help to improve your health, cookbooks, est. Please take time to them over! Cost is 25 cents per book. If you find any books, please place your money in the basket on the table. Thanks!

Holiday or Christmas Yard Sale? Fundraising could hold one the last of October if you have donations. Do you have stuff, please let me???? Thanks, Shirley

