

HOLY COMMUNION SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ASCENSION

MAY 21, 2023



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Welcome to Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana. Whether you are worshiping in person or online, we're glad you are here! Please fill out a Connection Card and drop it in the offering plate or complete it online at www.tigardlutherans.com/connect

Sunday, May 21, 2023 • Seventh Sunday of Easter/Ascension

In today's readings the risen Christ ascends into heaven and his followers are assured that the Spirit will empower them to be witnesses throughout the earth. The disciples were told to not gaze up into heaven to look for Jesus (Acts 1:11); we find his presence among us as we proclaim the word and share the Easter feast. We, too, long for the Spirit to enliven our faith and invigorate our mission.

This worship service is being recorded and will be available on Facebook, YouTube, and the church website.

When indicated, please stand as you are able.

The assembly reads the **bold print.**

Gathering

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.

GATHERING HYMN

The assembly stands.

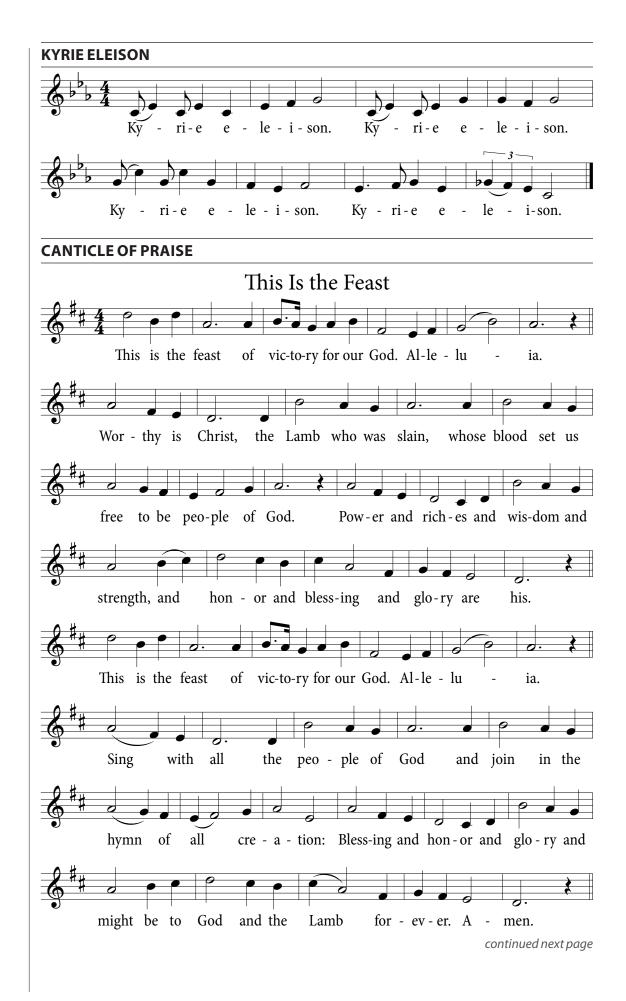
Charles Wesley's original 10-stanza text was written for Ascension Day 1739 and had no alleluias; these were added in 1852 by a hymnbook editor, G.C. White. Robert Williams is believed to be the composer of this Welsh tune, called LLANFAIR for the village where Williams was born. Williams was a blind Welsh musician who lived his entire life on the island of Anglesey in North Wales. He worked as a basket weaver but more importantly preserved many folk tunes from his native country. Williams was able to write down a tune after hearing it only once.

Hail the Day That Sees Christ Rise
1. Hail the 2. Christ, for 3. See! the 4. Christ for 5. There weday you high you high tri - umph waits, umph waits, Al Al Al Al Al Power, Al Power, Al Al Power, Al Power, Al Power, Al Power, Al Power, Power, Al Power, Power, Power, Al Power,
To a throne in par - a dise; Al - le - lu - ia! Lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates! Al - le lu - ia! Sing of God's re - deem - ing love; Al le - lu - ia! By your suf - fering for us plead; Al - le - lu - ia! Heirs in your e - ter - nal reign; Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ, the Lamb for You have con - quered Hark! Christ's wounds our Make us wor - thy In the pres - ence of your face, Al - le - lu - ia!
En - ters now the high - est heaven. Al - le - lu - ia! You, our Sov - ereign, en - ter in! Al - le - lu - ia! "I will send a Com - fort er!" Al - le - lu - ia! Which you of - fer us by grace. Al - le - lu - ia! We will dwell in heav - en's grace. Al - le - lu - ia!

APOSTOLIC 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.





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

The assembly is seated.

Almighty God, your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Word

READING EFFESIANS 1.15-25

The risen and exalted Christ reigns over the entire universe. The author of Ephesians prays that we are given the wisdom to know the power of the risen Christ and the empowering hope that the knowledge of this inheritance provides. A reading from Ephesians, the first chapter.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

A reading from Psalm 68.

Let God arise, and let God's enemies be scattered; let those who hate God flee. As smoke is driven away, so you should drive them away; as the wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

But let the righteous be joyful and let them exult before God; let them be jubilant with joy.

Sing to God, sing praises to God's name; lift up a song to the one who rides the clouds; *I Am* is that name: exult before God!

In your holy habitation, O God, you are a parent to orphans, defender of widows; you give the desolate a home and lead prisoners into prosperity; but the rebels shall live in a parched land.

O God, when you went out before your people, when you marched through the wilderness, the earth quaked, and the heavens poured down rain at the presence of God, the God of Sinai—at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

You sent a bountiful rain, O God; you restored your heritage when it languished. Your people found their home in it; in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord.

You ride in the heavens, O God, in the ancient heavens; you send forth your voice, your mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is in the skies.

How awesome you are in your holy sanctuary, O God of Israel, giving strength and power to your people! Blessed be God!

READING

ACTS 1:1-14

A reading from Acts, the first chapter.

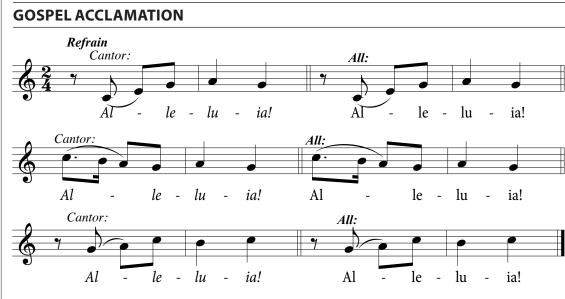
In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While

Today's reading is the introduction to the narrative of the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. These verses tell of the risen Lord's conversation with his disciples on the eve of his ascension, in which he promises that they will receive the power of the Holy Spirit. he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**



Cantor: Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, to the end of the age.

All: **Refrain**

HOLY GOSPEL LUKE 24:44-53

On the day of his ascension, Jesus leaves his disciples with a commission, a blessing, and a promise of the Holy Spirit. El Santo Evangelio según Juan, capítulo quatorze.

The Holy Gospel according to John, the fourteenth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** (*¡Gloria a ti, oh Señor!*)

[Jesus said to the eleven and those with them,] "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled."Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

The assembly stands to greet the Holy Gospel.

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

El Evangelio del Salvador.

The Gospel of the Savior. **Praise to you, O Christ.** (*¡Alabanza a ti, oh Cristo!*)

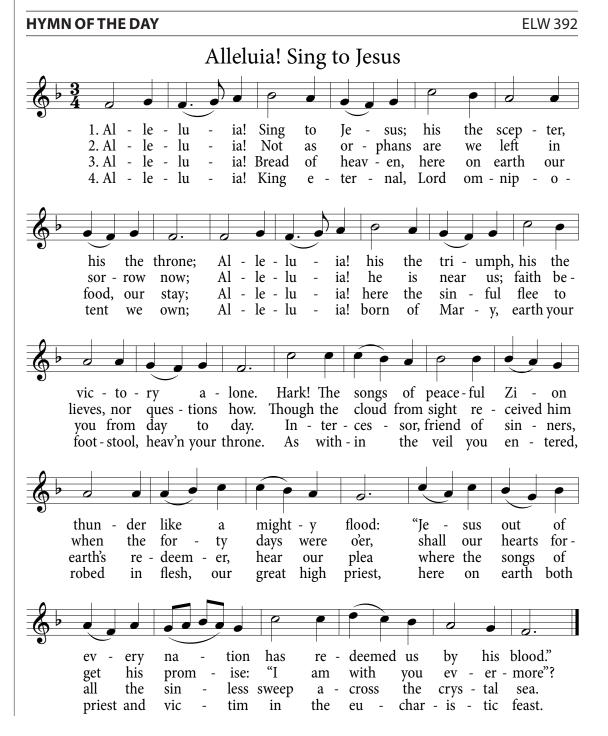
The assembly is seated.

THE HOMILY

PASTOR DOROTHY

The assembly stands.

William Chatterton Dix called this poem "Redemption by the Precious Blood" and intended it to fill the need for communion hymns in the Anglican Church. It is rich in scriptural allusions and is commonly used on Ascension Day. Rowland Hugh Prichard composed HYFRYDOL before the age of 20. It came into use with English hymns when it appeared with this text in The English Hymnal (1906). Prichard felt strongly about the music used during worship and often wrote tunes to replace those he viewed as inappropriate. His tunes were easy to sing but conveyed a sense of power and majesty. Most were first published in Welsh periodicals.



NICENE CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith. We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

	PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION
The lay assistant offers the prayers.	United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.
A brief silence.	Ever-present God, root your church firmly in you. Let us neither become entranced staring up into the heavens, nor distraught by the suffering of the world. Teach us to see you in every face, every place, and every moment. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.
	God of the cosmos, you cradle creation in your loving arms and anoint it with signs of your presence. In the budding of flowers, the birth of a baby, and the formations of the land and sky, reveal your abundant life. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

The presiding minister concludes the prayers.	Eternal God, your reign is above us, around us, beneath us, and beside us. As you rule the cosmos with justice and mercy, pour out your Spirit upon those in authority, that they serve humbly and justly. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.
	God of companionship, provide clarity and direction for those experiencing life transitions—in births and deaths, new employment and new relationships, divorces and departures. We pray for those receiving new diagnoses or undergoing treatment for illness or injury, especially Myrna and Jerry, Betty, Hal, Carol, Del and Suzanne, Jean, and Joanne. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.
	Boundless God, we give thanks that humankind serves as your body in the world, stewarding your abundant gifts. Guide this congregation's leaders as they seek your will. We pray for our staff and council, Pastor Dorothy, Tim, Sharon, Greg, Diane, Valerie, Ruth, and Juan. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.
Here other intercessions may be offered.	For what else do the people of God pray?
	God of welcome, you call us to feast at your eternal banquet. We give thanks for those who came before us, whose lives witnessed to your love. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.
	Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.
	PASSING THE PEACE
Online worshipers will spend a few minutes in breakout rooms. In-person worshipers will have time to greet one gnother	La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes.
	The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you. (<i>Y también contigo.</i>)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

br to greet one another.

The assembly is seated.

Meal

PREPARE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS AND OUR TABLES



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

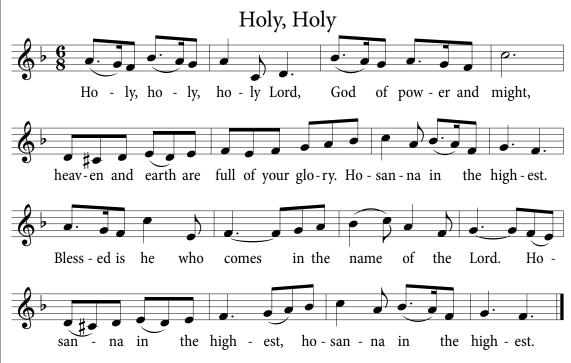
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age. ... With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us: 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.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

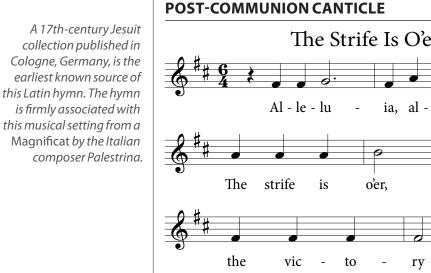
All are welcome at this meal.

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

COMMUNION BLESSING

The assembly stands.

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you to life everlasting. Amen.





PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

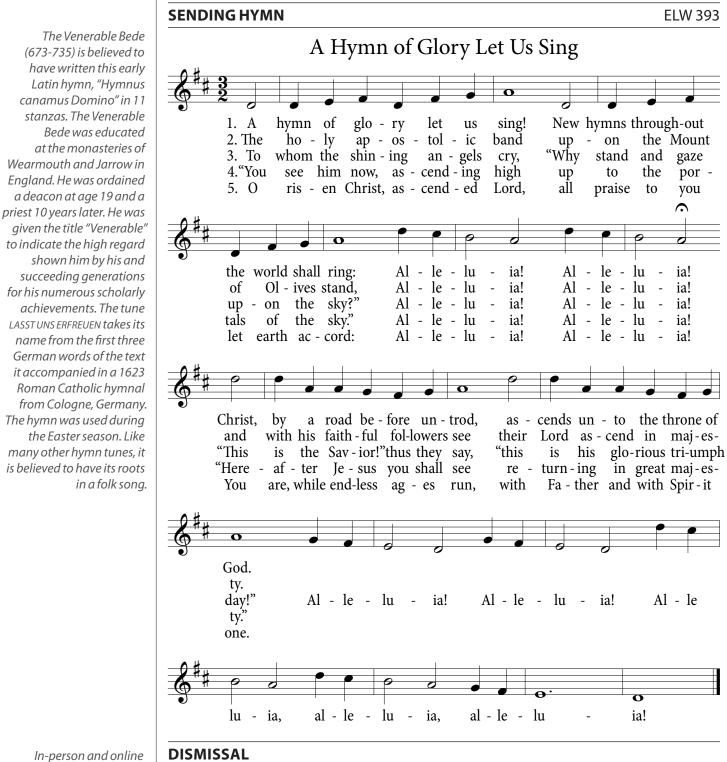
Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. Amen.

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SENDING BLESSING

Dios todopoderoso, Padre, 🕂 Hijo, e Espíritu Santo los bendiga ahora y siempre. Amén.

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**



In-person and online worshipers are invited to spend a few moments greeting one another on the Zoom balcony.

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

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WORSHIP IN PERSON AND ON ZOOM SUNDAY AT 10:30 A.M.

Zoom "doors" open at 10 a.m. at the following link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86517107296?pwd=aVZp WFV0b0QzbFF6ZFVPTDFsL0FZQT09

Phone-in # **1-253-215-8782** Meeting ID **865 1710 7296** Password **299944**

CRISTO REY

Hermanos y hermanas, ven a celebrar la misa bilingüe el segundo y el cuarto domingo de cada mes a las 5 p.m. Gracias a Dios!

Brothers and sisters, worship at bilingual mass the second and fourth Sundays of every month at 5 p.m. You don't have to speak Spanish. The service is printed in both languages.

PRAYER REQUESTS

We continue to pray for one another. When you have a prayer request, there are several ways you can communicate that with us. Please call the church office (503-639-2789), send an email to **ctkoffice**@ **tigardlutherans.com**, call Pastor Dorothy's cell phone (503-849-6383), or visit **tigardlutherans.com** and click on the Communication tab.

ADULT EDUCATION

Book of Faith: Matthew meets on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. on Zoom.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86055244817?pwd=UVhnc IBGWHYzNENDN2FzZEVIQ2xUdz09

Phone-in # 1-253-215-8782

Meeting ID 860 5524 4817 Password 347647

Reckoning with Racism is on hiatus.

Coming soon: a series of adult forums on our worship practices: music, movement, lectionary, hymnody, texts, and much more.

GIVING

There are several ways to share your tithes and offerings:

- Place your offering in the plate on Sunday morning.
- Mail a check to the church office (11305 SW Bull Mountain Rd., Tigard, OR 97224).
- Use your bank's online bill-pay service.
- Set up a recurring or single payment through our thirdparty giving platform, Vanco, by visiting our website tigardlutherans.com and clicking on the Donate tab.
- Scan the QR code (right) with your mobile device to go directly to our giving page.



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Evangelical Lutheran Church in America God's work. Our hands.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. Romans 15:7

Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana is a community of children of God who are seeking to know God by following the teachings of Jesus Christ, who welcomed all.

This community of faith is enriched and strengthened by diversity. We welcome all to share in the life and ministries of worship, sacraments, responsibilities, leadership, and blessings of participation in this congregation. We are committed to the work of racial equity.

Believing that God's unbounded love and grace are offered to all and meant to be shared and celebrated by all, we embrace differences of age, race, ethnicity, language, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, physical and mental abilities, appearance, economic status, marital status, and family situation.

No matter what your life experience is or has been, you are a child of God and you are welcome here.

Por lo tanto, recibíos los unos a los otros, como también Cristo nos recibió, para gloria de Dios. Romanos 15:7 Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana es una comunidad de hijos e hijas de Dios que buscan conocer a Dios siguiendo las enseñanzas de Jesucristo, quien ampara a todos.

Esta comunidad de fe se enriquece y fortalece con la diversidad. Damos la bienvenida a todos a compartir la vida y los ministerios de adoración, sacramentos, responsabilidades, liderazgo, y bendiciones de participación en esta congregación. Estamos comprometidos con el trabajo de la equidad racial.

Creyendo que el amor y la gracia ilimitados de Dios se ofrecen a todos y están destinados a ser compartidos y celebrados por todos, aceptamos las diferencias de edad, raza, etnia, idioma, identidad y expresión de género, orientación sexual, habilidades físicas y mentales, apariencia, estado económico, estado civil, y situación familiar.

No importa cuál sea o haya sido tu experiencia de vida, eres un hijo(a) de Dios y eres bienvenido(a) aquí.

