

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 18, 2024



PRESIDING MINISTER
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ALTAR CARE

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, August 18, 2024 • Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Wisdom prepares a feast, sets her table, and invites all to come and eat her bread and drink her wine. The first chapter of John's gospel owes much to the biblical tradition that imagined Wisdom as existing before anything was created and having a role in the work of creation. Christ, the wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24), today invites us to eat his flesh and drink his blood. John's gospel includes no account of the institution of the Lord's supper, but here we can't help hearing Jesus' words as an invitation to the meal of bread and wine we share.

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

INVOCATION

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins. En el nombre de Dios, Creador, Redentor y Sabiduría Santa. Amén.

In the name of God, Creator, + Redeemer, and Holy Wisdom. **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Drawn by Christ, seeking God's forgiveness, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection. God, our provider,

help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We struggle to follow your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Share with us the words of eternal life, and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: In Jesus, the manna from heaven, we are fed and nourished. With Jesus, who works miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, the bread of life, we are shown God's mercy. We are forgiven in the name of God, Creator, + Redeemer, and Holy Wisdom.

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.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: **have mercy on us;** you are seated at the right hand of the Father: **receive our prayer.**

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

Word

READING

Wisdom is portrayed as a woman who invites people to partake of her banquet. Just as ordinary food is necessary for physical life, Wisdom's food—insight and understanding—is necessary for fullness of life with God. Partaking of Wisdom's banquet is the way to life. PROVERBS 9:1-6

A reading from Proverbs, the ninth chapter.

Wisdom has built her house,

she has hewn her seven pillars.

She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table.

She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls

from the highest places in the town, "You that are simple, turn in here!"

To those without sense she says,

"Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 34:9-14

A reading from Psalm 34.

O fear the Lord, you his holy ones, for those who fear him have no want.

The young lions suffer want and hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

Which of you desires life, and covets many days to enjoy good?

Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit.

Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

READING

EPHESIANS 5:15-20

True wisdom integrates our new reality in Christ with our Christian fellowship and daily conduct. Because we are filled with the Spirit, Christians regularly rejoice together, give thanks to God for one another, and care for one another. In this way we revere our Lord Jesus Christ. A reading from the letter to the Ephesians, the fifth chapter.

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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JOHN 6:51-58

HOLY GOSPEL

The assembly stands to greet the Holy Gospel.

In John's gospel, the feeding of the five thousand leads to extended teaching in which Jesus identifies himself as the true "bread of life." Finally, in these verses, he makes a connection that would not be understood until after his death, in light of the church's celebration of holy communion. *El Santo Evangelio según Juan, capítulo seis.* The Holy Gospel according to John, the sixth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** (*¡Gloria a ti, oh Señor!*)

[Jesus said,] "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

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

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith. 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 INTERCESSION

The lay assistant Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the offers the prayers. church, the world, and all in need. A brief silence. Wisdom has built her house. May the church be a house of wisdom for all who enter. May we continue to grow and stretch in ways we never thought possible. Merciful God, receive our prayer. Wisdom has mixed her wine. May the harvest seasons be plentiful this year. We pray for orchards, vineyards, farms, and all of creation. Protect and conserve the earth. Merciful God. receive our prayer. Wisdom has employed her laborers. Be with all who seek adequate employment. Guide our economic and governmental leaders to support the people of our world with fair wages and safe working conditions. Merciful God, receive our prayer. Wisdom has invited her guests. Make your presence known to all who feel lost, abandoned, or hurting at this time. Direct your spirit of care to all who seek healing and comfort, especially Don, Gaynelle, Gene and Pam, Del and Suzanne, Jean, Amy, Myrna and Jerry, Sandy, and Betty. Merciful God, receive our prayer. Wisdom has set her table. May this congregation be a welcome table to all who seek the refuge of God. Break down walls and barriers that prevent us from offering a seat at this table to anyone who comes. Merciful God, receive our prayer. For what else do the people of God pray?

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Wisdom has shown her path of insight. May we journey on her paths, looking toward a bright future while remembering from where we have come. We give our thanks for those who have gone before us. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

The presiding minister concludes the prayers. We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping. **Amen.**

PASSING THE PEACE

La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes. The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.** (*Y también contigo.*)

The assembly is seated.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meal

PREPARE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS AND OUR TABLES

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. 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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

O God most mighty, O God most merciful

Remembering his death, celebrating his resurrection, trusting his presence, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God, you are Breath: Send your Spirit on this meal. O God, you are Bread: Feed us with yourself. O God, you are Wine: Transform us with hope. O God, you are Fire: Warm our hearts and make us one.

O God most majestic, O God most motherly, O God our strength and our song, you show us a vision of a tree of life with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations. Grant us such life, the life of the Father to the Son, the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior, life in you, now and forever. **Amen.**

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.

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

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.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

SENDING BLESSING

Dios todopoderoso, Creador, + Redentor, y Sabadurío Santo, los bendiga ahora y siempre. Amén.

Almighty God, Creator, + Redeemer, and Holy Wisdom, bless you now and forever. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. Thanks be to God.

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WEEKLY eNEWS

This is an abbreviated list of announcements. Be sure to read the weekly eNews for complete coverage of this week's news. Follow the link or QR code in the green box above to subscribe and to read past issues.

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

Zoom "doors" open at 10 a.m.

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

KING'S KINDNESS AND JUST COMPASSION

King's Kindness Food Pantry continues to serve clients on Thursday afternoons. For the month of August, we are collecting bread and canned meats for King's Kindness. Both of our food pantries are seeking volunteers to help stock shelves and assist clients.

For Just Compassion, we are collecting men's belts (any size) and new, packaged underwear. In addition, we continue to collect quarters for their laundry days. Thank you for your generosity.

CRISTO REY MISA

Spanish Misa is celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 5 p.m. Join us for bilingual worship on August 11 and August 25.

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.

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.



In-person and online worshipers are invited

to spend a few moments greeting one another on the Zoom balcony.



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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.

