

# **REFORMATION SUNDAY**

OCTOBER 26, 2025



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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, October 26, 2025 • Reformation Sunday

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and 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**

#### **INVOCATION**

En el nombre de Dios, Creador, Redentor y Sabiduría Santa. Amén.

In the name of God, Creator,  $\oplus$  Redeemer, and Holy Wisdom. **Amen.** 

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

The assembly stands.

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God,

we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of + Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

Amen.

Martin Luther based this hymn on Psalm 46 in response to King Charles V, who in 1529 had demanded that evangelical cities reintroduce the Roman mass and disown Luther's thinking. When these cities defied the king, the term "Protestant" was used for the first time. This hymn did not become well known in the English-speaking world until the mid-19th century. There are more than 80 English-language versions, and it has been translated into more than 200 languages. The tune, now titled EIN' FESTE BURG for the opening line in German, is somewhat refined here. The tune is also known as LUTHER and WORMS. The Diet of Worms was a 1521 meetina where Luther refused to recant his beliefs.

**GATHERING HYMN ELW 505** A Mighty Fortress Is Our God God, Α migh - ty for - tress a bul-wark nev is our If strength con - fide, our striv - ing turns we in our own 4. God's Word shall stand a bove the powers, shall end all their thanksour help - er frees from the flood of ing; us los the righ - teous one fights side, the ing; by our ing. The Spir - it and the gifts ours, for giv are pre mor - tal ills vail For still our an-cient foe, for ing. one of God's own choos ing. You ask who this may be: Christ ing. God with liv Let goods and kin-dred this sworn to work us woe, with guile and dread-ful might is No Ie - sus, it is he, Lord of hosts by name. mor - tal life al though all of these be so; they gone, earth there armed to wage the fight: on qual. tle. to verse 3, next page oth - er God we claim! None else can win the bat yet have noth-ing won. The king-dom's ours for - ev er!

This version of the tune is close to Luther's original. Later generations "squared up" the rhythm, as on the previous page.

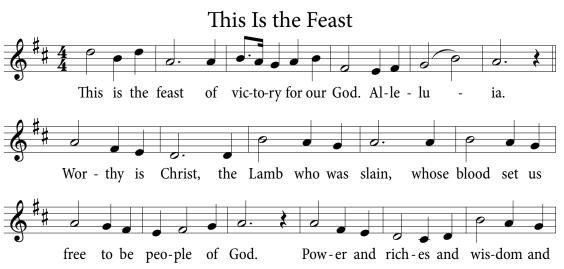


#### **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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**



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#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

# Word

**READING** JEREMIAH 31:31-34

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope

lies in a God who forgets.

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah, the thirty-first chapter.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

PSALM 46

A reading of Psalm 46.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea; though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Come now, regard the works of the Lord, what desolations God has brought upon the earth.

Behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

"Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

**READING** ROMANS 3:19-28

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans, the third chapter.

Now we know that, whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For no human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the Prophets, the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to demonstrate at the present time his own righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of works? No, rather through the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

#### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**PASTOR DOROTHY** 

The assembly stands to greet the Holy Gospel.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

CANTOR Praise the God of all creation, God of mercy and compassion.



CANTOR: If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.

ALL: **Refrain** 

HOLY GOSPEL JOHN 8:31-36

El Santo Evangelio según Juan, capítulo ocho.

The Holy Gospel according to John, the eighth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord. (¡Gloria a ti, oh Señor!)

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin. Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

El Evangelio del Salvador.

The Gospel of the Savior.

Praise to you, O Christ. (¡Alabanza a ti, oh Cristo!)

The assembly is seated.

The assembly stands.

Georgia Harkness created this hymn to reflect the theme of the Second General Assembly of the World Council of Churches, held in Evanston, Illinois, in 1954—"Jesus Christ the Hope of the World." Harkness was ordained a Methodist minister in 1926 and had a celebrated career as a college and seminary professor. John Albert Jeffery composed ANCIENT OF DAYS in 1886. It was originally named ALBANY for the city in New York, which celebrated its bicentennial that year. Jeffery was born in Plymouth, England, and succeeded his father as organist at St. Andrew's Cathedral in that city. He moved to the United States in 1876 and taught at Albany, New York, and at the New England Conservatory of Music in Massachusetts.



#### **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.

A brief silence.

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

Free your church, O God, for grace, mercy, and love. Transform it through your word. Direct your church to be united in word and deed so that all creation knows the uniting and transforming power of the gospel. God of grace,

#### Hear our prayer.

Renew creation, O God, so that all living creatures thrive together. Guide those who work to restore creation. Preserve and care for endangered species throughout the world. God of grace,

#### Hear our prayer.

Bring peace among the nations, O God. Put an end to violence and terror on your earth. Inspire leaders of communities to work for peace and justice. Unite our politicians with a common mission and purpose. God of grace,

#### Hear our prayer.

Draw near to all who suffer, O God, and bring them peace. Listen to your children who are incarcerated. Give hope to people experiencing housing or employment insecurity, oppression, or discrimination. God of grace,

#### Hear our prayer.

Heal those who are ill, especially Jean, Sandy, Don, Nancy, Betty, Nick, Myrna, Travis, Gaynelle, Kole, and Del. Be our stronghold in all things. God of grace,

#### Hear our prayer.

Forgive us our sins, O God, and grant us your grace. Move us to understanding and faithful reconciliation with other communities of faith. Heal the hurt we have caused one another. God of grace,

#### Hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

For what else do the people of God pray?

We give you thanks, O God, for the life and witness of all your saints, especially Martin Luther and all the reformers of the church. Give us hope in your son's victory through the cross. God of grace,

#### Hear our prayer.

The presiding minister concludes the prayers.

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

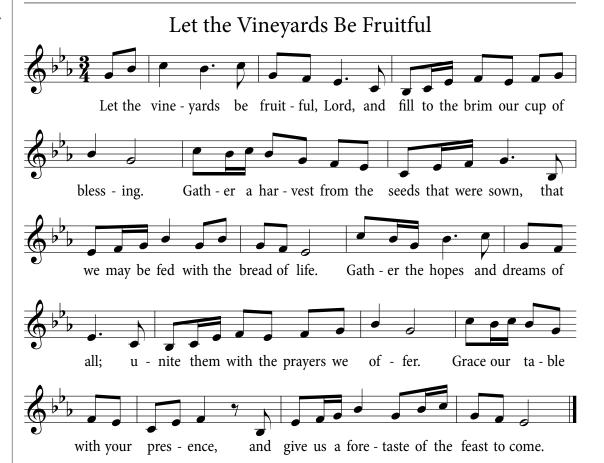
#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Meal

#### PREPARE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS AND OUR TABLES

#### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

The assembly stands.



#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

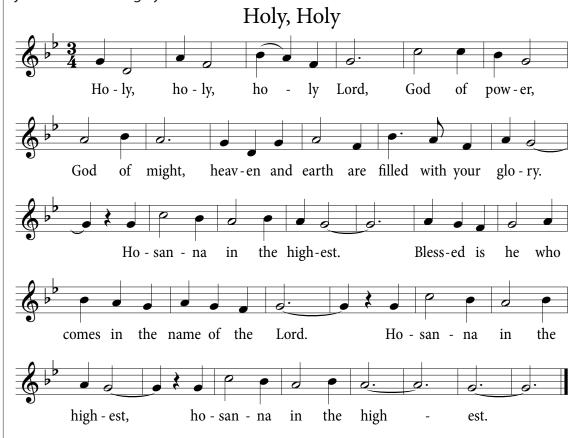
We lift them to the Lord.

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, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

O God before time, O God at the end, we delight in the splendor of your universe. Daily we laud your continuing creation, and we give thanks for all the homelands of your Reformation people.

#### We glorify you, now and forever.

O God of the covenant, O God of the church, we hear you speaking to centuries of your people. We come as your children to this table, and we give thanks for your presence among Lutheran congregations around the world.

#### We praise you, now and forever.

You gave us Mary and Magdalene, Peter and Paul, Luther and Melanchthon, Henry Muhlenberg, and Elizabeth Fedde—let us call out more names—Katharina Luther the partner, Cranach the artist, Bach the musician, Nicolai the hymnwriter, Nommensen the missionary, Kierkegaard the philosopher, Bonhoeffer the martyr, Hammarskjöld the statesman, countless other servants of the Reformation.

#### We bless you, now and forever.

You came as Jesus, our wisdom, our quide, embodying forgiveness, granting us grace, setting us free, dying for sin, and alive for the life of the world.

#### We worship you, now and forever.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and 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.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all 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.

Remembering his death, celebrating his resurrection, trusting his presence in every time and place, we proclaim the mystery of faith:





ris-en,

Come, Holy Spirit, and make here the body of Christ. Breathe onto this food, that it bring us your life. Empower your Reformation people throughout the world to preach and teach, baptize and feed, pray and sing, comfort and heal.

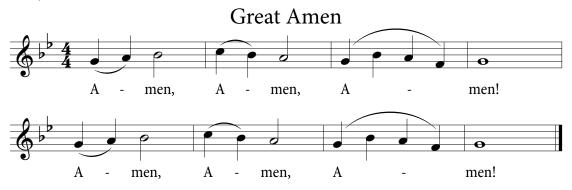
Christ is

By your Spirit, preserve what is faithful; reform what we treasure; create in us what is vital and new.

We honor you, now and forever.

O God before time, O God at the end, Creator, Redeemer, and Holy Wisdom, we laud you, Covenant Lord, our Refuge, the Strength of truth.

Glory and praise, blessing and worship, honor and power and might be to you, our God, forever and ever.



#### 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.

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy.

#### **DISTRIBUTION**

#### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

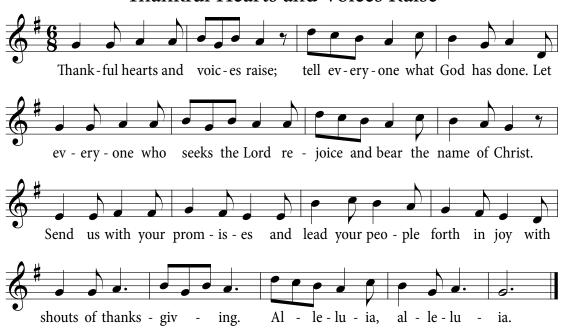
The assembly stands.

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

Amen.

#### **POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

## Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### **SENDING BLESSING**

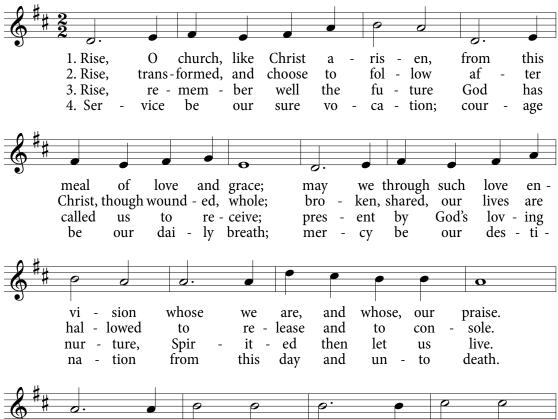
Dios todopoderoso, Creador, + Redentor, y Sabadurío Santo, los bendiga ahora y siempre. Amén.

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

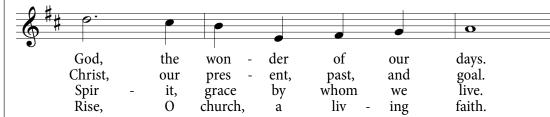
For its 50th anniversary in 1997, the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection in Roseville, Minnesota, commissioned Susan Palo Cherwien to write a hymn. The result was this sending hymn about the church rising to take up its role in the world in this and every—generation, remembering the future God gave us to receive. When this hymn was commissioned, Timothy J. Strand was Resurrection's cantor. He was invited to write the tune. He wrote a unison congregational melody in the broadly striding style of Ralph Vaughan Williams. Strand is now an active freelance choral accompanist and organ recitalist who regularly makes demo recordings for several church music publishers.



# Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen





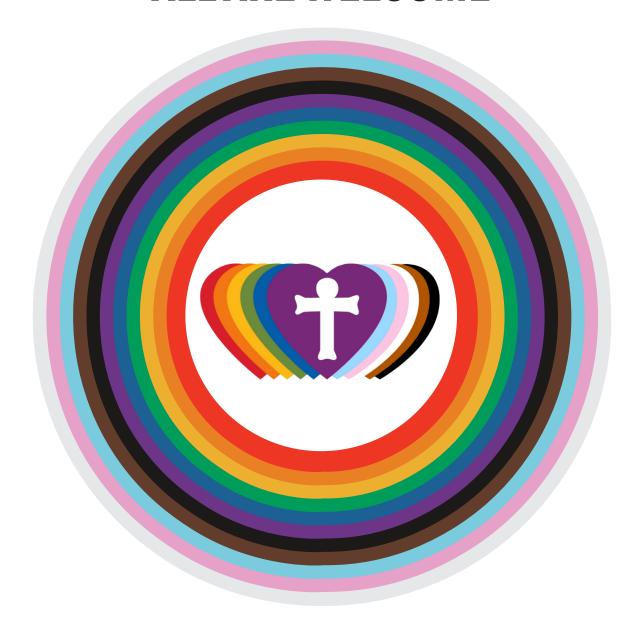


#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

Thanks be to God.

# **ALL ARE WELCOME**



IN THIS PLACE

## THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH





#### 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 box above to subscribe.

# 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

#### **TODAY**

**Coffee hour in the Narthex!** Who will be host for a Sunday in November? There's a sign-up sheet on the table at the entry, or drop a note to **ctkoffice@tigardlutherans.com**. It's easy—just a pot of coffee, there are cookies in the kitchenette, some tea, maybe ...nothing fancy.

**Zoomers have coffee time every Sunday** at 10 a.m. Grab a cup of coffee or tea, logon early, and join the conversation!

**Your Congregation council met last Sunday.** There will be a verbal update from council members as well as written updates. Please remember to read all the mail and email messages from the church.

Our Father in Heaven, holy is your name ... From now until Advent we will spend time teaching the children the Lord's Prayer. Each week, the children's message will center on one of the petitions of the Lord's Prayer. There are coloring booklets and stickers for each lesson in the booklet. Adults can join the conversation. Pick up your own Lord's Prayer booklet at church or download it on the church website. Or let us know if you'd like one mailed to you.

#### **THIS WEEK**

**Continue to pray** for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Presiding Bishop Yeheil Curry, and the 65-member council of bishops as the church embarks on a new era of reckoning with racism and other threats from without and within the church.

We continue to collect change and loose bills for the laundry ministry of Just Compassion. Just drop a couple dollars in the plastic "washing machine" on the table in the entry. Or send along an extra amount with your regular gift and mark it clearly for "laundry."

**Pick up a blue BottleDrop bag** for your personal use and benefit Christ the King/Cristo Rey. To date you have deposited more the \$800 worth of cans and bottles. Keep up the good work for the environment and for our ministries here. Simply return the filled bag to any BottleDrop location and scan the barcode.

#### **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 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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### 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, recibios 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.



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