



THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
JANUARY 26, 2020 + 8:30 AM

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH  
HILTON HEAD ISLAND, SC

✠ This is Christ's Church. There is a place for you here. ✠

Welcome to Christ Lutheran! Those of us who make Hilton Head Island our home are happy to meet the many travelers, vacationers, and visiting family and friends, who join us for worship each Sunday. Your presence today makes our worship more joyful. We invite you to share some about yourself through the Hospitality slip you will find in this bulletin. If we can help you in any way while you are on HHI, please let us know.

*Jesus begins his public ministry by calling fishers to leave their nets and follow him. In Jesus the kingdom of God has come near. We who have walked in darkness have seen a great light. We see this light most profoundly in the cross—as God suffers with us and all who are oppressed by sickness, sin, or evil. Light dawns for us as we gather around the word, the font, and the holy table. We are then sent to share the good news that others may be “caught” in the net of God’s grace and mercy.*

Throughout the service, the text in **bold** is spoken or sung by the congregation, all other text is spoken or sung by the presiding minister or lector.

## GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit Calls us together as the people of God*

**Gathering Song**

*The Revelation Song*

Jennie Lee Riddle

*Vs. 1*

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Holy, holy is He.  
Sing a new song to Him who sits on  
Heaven's mercy seat.

**Chorus**

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come.  
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings,

You are my ev'rything, and I will adore You.

*Vs. 2*

Clothed in rainbows of living color,  
Flashes of lightening, rolls of thunder.  
Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be  
To You the only wise King.

***Chorus***

*Vs. 3*

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder,  
At the mention of Your name.  
Jesus, Your name is power, breath and living water,  
Such a marv'lous mystery.

***Chorus***

## **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Focus Hymn**

*Go Light Your World*

Chris Rice

There is a candle in every soul;  
Some brightly burning, some dark and cold.  
There is a Spirit who brings a fire,  
Ignites a candle and makes His home.

Carry your candle, run to the darkness,  
Seek out the hopeless, confused and torn.  
Hold out your candle for all to see it.  
Take your candle, go light your world.  
Take your candle, go light your world.

Frustrated brother, see how he's tried to  
Light his own candle some other way.  
See now your sister; she's been robbed and lied to,  
Still holds a candle without a flame.  
Carry your candle, run to the darkness,  
Seek out the lonely, the tired and worn.  
Hold out your candle for all to see it.

Take your candle, go light your world.  
Take your candle, go light your world.

We are a family whose hearts are blazing,  
So let's raise our candles and light up the sky.  
Praying to our Father in the name of Jesus,  
Make us a beacon in darkest times.

Carry your candle, run to the darkness,  
Seek out the hopeless, deceived and poor.  
Hold out your candle for all to see it.  
Take your candle, go light your world.  
Take your candle, go light your world.

Carry your candle, run to the darkness,  
Seek out the hopeless, confused and torn.  
Hold out your candle for all to see it.  
Take your candle, go light your world.  
Take your candle, go light your world.  
Take your candle, go light your world.

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
the eternal voice from heaven,  
the anointed and beloved one,  
the Spirit moving over the waters.

**Amen.**

As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession,  
trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God who searches us and knows us,  
**you have shown us what is good,**  
**but we have looked to other lights to find our way.**  
**We have not been just in our dealings with others.**  
**We have chosen revenge over mercy.**  
**We have promoted ourselves**  
**instead of walking humbly with you.**

**With what shall we come before you?  
Forgive us our sin,  
and show us your salvation  
in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Beloved of God,  
you have not received the spirit of the world,  
but the Spirit that is from God,  
poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ.  
Receive the promise of baptism:  
You are God's child; ✝ your sins are forgiven.  
Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.  
**Amen.**

### **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**

**Lord God, your loving kindness always goes before us and follows after us.  
Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that  
come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.**

*Be seated.*

## WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song*

### **First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-4**

*The northern tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali experienced the gloom of defeat by Assyrian military forces, but they are assured that their condition will be reversed when God makes a light-filled appearance. The joy they will experience will resemble celebrations of great harvests, because God will deliver them from everything that diminishes or oppresses them.*

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time the Lord brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the

latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;  
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined.  
You have multiplied the nation you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest,  
as people exult when dividing plunder.  
For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders,  
the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.  
The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 27:1, 4-9**

*Read responsively between Lector and Congregation.*

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

**One thing I ask of the Lord; one thing I seek;  
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life; to gaze upon  
the beauty of the Lord and to seek God in the temple.**

For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter, hide me in the hidden places of  
the sanctuary, and raise me high up- on a rock.

**Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me.**

**Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will  
sing and make music to the Lord.**

Hear my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me.

**My heart speaks your message— “Seek my face.”**

**Your face, O Lord, I will seek.**

Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger.

Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of my  
salvation.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9**

*Paul calls on the Corinthians to end their dissensions and share the unified outlook  
of the gospel. Discord arises when we forget that we belong not to human leaders  
or institutions but to Christ. Indeed, the unifying word of the cross of Christ is the  
center of the gospel and the power of God’s salvation.*

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe’s people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, “I belong to Paul,” or “I belong to Apollos,” or “I belong to Cephas,” or “I belong to Christ.” Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We stand to greet the gospel*

**The Gospel Acclamation**

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, Lord, to whom shall we

4 go? — You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

8 Al - le - lu - ia!

**The Gospel for the Day**

**Matthew 4:12-23**

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 4th chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.”

Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Be seated.*

**Children’s Message**

**Silke Pyrlik**

**The Sermon**

**Pastor Rick Klotz**

**Song of the Day**

*You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore*

ELW 817

**The Apostles’ Creed**

**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

Called together through water and the Word, we boldly pray for the church, the world, and all who long to hear God's voice.

*A brief silence.*

[Each petition concludes "Lord, in your mercy." All respond: **Hear our prayer.**]

*The prayers conclude:*

We place our prayers before you, God, united in your Spirit; through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

*All are invited to share a sign of peace with each other.*

*Be seated.*

### The Returning of Gifts

*As our offerings are brought to the altar, we sing:*

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were

sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u-nite them with the prayers we

of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,

Lord, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

## MEAL

*We give in grateful response for all God's gifts; God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

### **Returning Prayer**

**God of wonder,  
 you formed us in our mother's womb,  
 and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine.  
 We place them on your table,  
 together with our lives and all that you have made.  
 Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit.  
 We wait for your mercy;  
 we long for your peace;  
 we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ,  
 our banquet of life.  
 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.  
 Eucharistic Prayer for Epiphany**

Almighty Lord, we praise your shining light, your glowing grace.  
From before the earth's foundation,  
you loved us and promised us life forever.  
Within the earth's deep sadness,  
we laud your great and glorious might.  
Despite our tears and sinning,  
we sing of the gladness of your mercy.

We praise your Son, our Morning Star.  
Christ is our diamond bright, our treasure dear.  
He is our living Savior who has ransomed us in love.  
He keeps us yours and fails us never—  
today, tomorrow, and every day.  
On the night before his great salvation,  
he 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.

With joy we tell our story:  
Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

We call for your Spirit on us and this meal.  
Refresh our souls with this heavenly food,  
the body and blood of your Son.  
Nourish us as branches of your tree,  
and enlighten us with your undying flame.

We sing out to the Father, we ring out to the Son, we exult in the Spirit.  
Transport us in our yearning,  
and be for us the end and the beginning,  
our purest pleasure, our victorious crown, our never-ending love.  
And so we pray and praise:  
Amen and amen.

**Amen and amen!**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**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 Communion**

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!  
Come to the table of mercy and joy. **Thanks be to God!**

### **The Distribution of Communion**

*Christians of all traditions are welcome to join in this meal of grace and forgiveness. All present are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing. If you do not desire to receive the bread, simply cross your arms over your chest and you will be offered a blessing. The bread and wine will be offered at the front of the church. Come forward at the ushers' directions..*

*Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. When you have received the bread, you may dip it in the cup of wine (red) or the cup of grape juice (white).*

### **Music During Distribution**



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics: "world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the". The second staff contains the melody for the second line of lyrics: "world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes.

*I Belong*

Mildred Rainey and Kathryn Scott

Vs. 1

Not angels, nor demons, no pow’r on earth or heaven;  
 Not distance, nor danger, no trouble now or ever;

Nothing can take me from Your great love, forever this truth remains.  
 I belong, I belong to You. I belong, I belong to You.

Vs. 2

Not hardship, nor hunger, no pain or depth of sorrow;  
 Not weakness, nor failure, no broken dream or promise;  
 Nothing can take me from Your great love, forever this truth remains.  
 I belong, I belong to You. I belong, I belong to You.  
 I belong, I belong to You. I belong, I belong to You.

Nothing can take me from Your great love, forever this truth remains.  
 Nothing can take me from Your great love, forever this truth remains.  
 I belong, I belong to You. I belong, I belong to You.  
 I belong, I belong to You. I belong, I belong to You.

*Down to the River to Pray*

Allison Krauss

As I went down in the river to pray  
 Studying about that good old way,  
 And who should wear the robe and crown.  
 Good Lord, show me the way.  
 O (sisters/brothers/fathers, mothers, sinners) let’s go down  
 Let’s go down, come on down,  
 Down in the river to pray.

### **Prayer after Communion**

Faithful God,  
you have kept your promise to us in this meal,  
nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace,  
that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

### **SENDING**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

### **Blessing**

May Christ, the wisdom and power of God,  
and the source of our life together,  
keep you united in mind and purpose.  
And the blessing of almighty God,  
the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be with you always.

**Amen.**

### **Sending Song**

*We Are*

Tealy, Butler, McBride, and Cash

*Vs. 1*

Ev'ry secret, ev'ry shame, ev'ry fear, ev'ry pain  
Live inside the dark, but that's not who we are  
We are children of the day.  
So wake up sleeper, lift your head  
We were meant for more than this  
Fight the shadows, conquer death  
Make the most of the time we have left.

### **Chorus 1**

We are the light of the world  
We are the city on the hill  
We are the light of the world  
And we gotta, we gotta, we gotta let the light shine!  
We are the light of the world  
We are the city on the hill  
We are the light of the world  
And we gotta, we gotta, we gotta let the light shine!

*Tag*

Let the light shine, let the light shine, Ooh...

*Vs. 2*

We are called to spread the news  
To tell the world, the simple truth  
Jesus came to save, there's freedom in His name  
So let His love break through.

***Chorus 1***

*Bridge*

We are the light, we are the light, we are the light  
So let your light shine brighter.  
We are the light, we are the light, we are the light, Jesus  
You are the light, you are the light, you are the light,  
We will lift you high and shine, shine, shine.

***Chorus 2***

We are the light of the world  
We are the city on the hill  
We are the light of the world  
And we gotta, we gotta, we gotta let the light shine!  
We are the light of the world  
We are the city on the hill  
We are the light of the world  
And we gotta, we gotta, we gotta let the light shine!

Let the light shine, let the light shine,  
Let the light shine, let the light shine,

**Dismissal**

Go in peace. Let your light shine and remember our mission here at Christ's Church:

**We are disciples of Jesus, Growing in faith, Serving our community and Connecting others to Christ. Thanks be to God.**

THIS WEEK AT CLC

Monday ..... 5:00 p.m. NAMI Meeting
Tuesday .....No Staff Meeting
Wednesday ..... 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. CLC Choir Practice
..... 4:15 p.m. Back Pack
..... 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. CLC Bell Choir Practice
.....6:00 p.m. Movie Night and CONNECTED
Thursday ..... 10:15 a.m. Back Packers
Friday ..... Office Closed
..... 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting
Sunday..... 8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion
.....10:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

January 22-28: Pastor Mary will be off island in Columbia and Chicago.

IN OUR PRAYERS

For Those in Difficult Situations

Tom Bethman (Don and Barbara Bethman’s nephew) Jesse Catapano
William Martens Patti Soltys Gloria Szymanski Sandy West
James Woods (Lois Gregory’s son-in-law) James Hughes
Laurie Etchells Steve Alfred Steve Bassford Sandy Shackelford
Gary Gregory Sandy Heins Donna Putrino Bob Harding

All nations in conflict, the land, animals and people in Australia, the people of Puerto Rico

The family and friends of Manfred Pyrlik as they mourn his passing

The family and friends of Robert Warden as they mourn his passing

Pray for all active duty and retired service personnel and their families.

For All Our Joys

For our congregation, for the beauty of our island home, for our new confirmation group, and for Phyllis Novosad in her new home.



## SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

**Lector:** David Kuhlmann

**Music:** Alice Graeb, Kirk Taylor, David & Tami Kuhlmann

**Communion Assts:** Cherie & Kirk Taylor

**Ushers:** Audrey Spergyl & Vera Conway

**Altar Guild:** Jo Ann Sebulsky

**The Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Christ Lutheran Church.

**Sermons** in printed form are available upon request by contacting the church office. Audio recordings are available on the church website.

There is a need for additional ushers at CLC for both services. If you would be interested in joining the team, please send an email to Ed Barrett at [eaboke10@hargray.com](mailto:eaboke10@hargray.com) or a text at 724-747-1194. Please don't worry about "what to do" as you will be paired with regular ushers and become comfortable in "no time" at all. Thank you and looking forward to hearing from you.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**We welcome Pastor Rick Klotz as our guest pastor today while Pastor Anderson is away for a friend's Bat Mitzvah in Chicago. She will be back in the office on Wednesday morning (Jan. 29).**

**Thank You, Pastor Klotz for being with us.**

Next Sunday, February 2, will be celebrated as the Presentation of our Lord, which is also known as Candlemas. All worshipers are invited to bring a new candle (a taper or pillar candle) to be blessed during worship and then taken home and used as a reminder that the light shines in the darkness.

It is also Super Bowl Sunday, so as our tradition, the Youth will be collecting your pocket change in the Souper Bowl of Caring campaign. Your gifts this year will be given to local service ministries.

The members and associate members will also gather for our Annual Congregation Meeting to approve our 2019 reports. We will gather between services in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m. These have been mailed to each member. Some extra copies are available in the Narthex for those who would also like to read about us.

**Back Pack Buddies** is our program to feed underserved children on the weekends. These children get their lunches and sometimes breakfasts at school during the week but may go hungry on the weekends. We furnish them with two breakfasts and two lunches every Friday, including two pieces of fresh fruit. Our next set up is Wed., Jan. 29 at 4:15 and packing is Thursday, Jan. 30 at 10:15 am. Any questions call Doris Stickel, 843-842-4710 or [DLStickel@aol.com](mailto:DLStickel@aol.com).

**2020 Six Plus Two Dinner Group Sign Up is Under Way.** Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Sign-ups will continue. Next year's groups will be formed in mid-January. The groups consist of 3 couples and 2 singles. The group meets 3 times a year at the couples' homes. Singles do not need to entertain. The host couple prepares the entre and asks others to bring an appetizer, vegetable, salad or dessert. If you are unable to entertain in your home, you can arrange a Dutch-treat lunch at a restaurant. It's a great way to get to know others at Christ Lutheran. Don't miss out on the fun! Call Elsa Felten for more information: 847-830-6348.

**St. James Soup Kitchen** is supported by Christ Lutheran every Thursday. If you are interested in volunteering or simply want more information contact *Alice Graeb* at 740-298-1086 or the church office.

**The Service Ministry team**, in conjunction with Connected, will sponsor Movie Night this Wednesday January 29, at 6:00 p.m. with an emphasis on homelessness. Marsha Murphy, president of the board of Family Promise, will give us an update on homelessness in Beaufort County, followed by the movie "Hiding in Plain Sight". Pizza and salad will be served. Please RSVP on your Hospitality Slip today!

### **Family Promise UPDATE!**

It's been a week of "graduations" for two of the Family Promise families. These two families were in the program for 2 ½ months. During that time they maintained their jobs and saved money by not having to pay for housing or food during that time. At the end, with the guidance of the Family Promise in budgeting, child care and overall belief in their ability to succeed, they had enough money for a deposit on an apartment and a clear path to putting their lives together. There will be struggles ahead, but this brief stay in Family Promise has made all

the difference in their future. Moving from church to church each week is not easy either, but these single moms and their children made it work. Let's all give thanks for the small part Christ Lutheran has played in allowing them to better their lives. Thank God for his goodness and for the goodness of those at Christ Lutheran who have stepped up to be a part of the solution. Two new families replaced those who left the program. This total people sheltered at Christ Lutheran this final week of their stay is 10: 5 adults and 5 Children. Please keep them in your prayers.

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