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YOUR HAND WILL GUIDE ME

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Christ Lutheran Church

Experiencing Christ's Love

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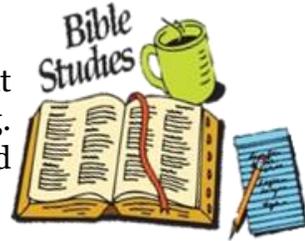


Aloha! We welcome you to worship today in Jesus' name. We pray that your worship will draw you closer to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. If you don't currently have a church home, we invite you to explore becoming a part of our family in Christ. If you're ready for more information or have questions, please contact our office at 935-8612. We look forward to connecting with you.

Restrooms are located on the outside of the Fellowship Hall, which is across the lanai to your right as you leave the Sanctuary.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES EVERY WEEK

The **MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY** is **every Wednesday** in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. Attendance is limited to ten and masks are worn in a social-distanced setting. Please contact Lana Wold at (808) 345-3402 if you have any questions or are interested in attending.



ZOOM BIBLE STUDY: The Bible Study on **Paul's Missionary Journeys** continues on Wednesday at 6:00PM on Zoom with Pastor Mark. Email Pastor Mark at mzier@aol.com for the link to join. Everyone is welcome.

The **MEN'S FELLOWSHIP** which normally meets on **Fridays at 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. Attendance is limited to ten due to the Pandemic so please contact Dan Kunert at (808) 959-9953 if you are interested in attending.

STEPHEN MINISTERS receive extensive training to provide confidential, one-to-one, Christian care. They are here to listen, encourage and pray with you. You can also schedule regular ongoing visits with a Stephen Minister. For more information, you may contact the church office or speak with Pastor Mark.

COUNSELING: As a ministry of Christ Lutheran Church, Beth Zier, M.A., is available for scheduling counseling appointments. If you, or someone you know, would like more information about counseling fees and/or would like to schedule an appointment, please contact Beth at: (253) 732-8671 or bethie112@comcast.net.

KEEPING SAFE: Thank you to everyone for following the safety precautions that were set in place to meet this end and we encourage all to keep following the guidelines of gathering responsibly. A general reminder:

- ❖ Hand sanitizers are installed at the entrance portico and also at the entrance to the Sanctuary (twenty seconds is the recommended application).
- ❖ Your temperature will be measured as you come into the Sanctuary. As a precautionary measure, individuals with a fever of 100.4 or higher are invited to return next week.



- Gatherings on the lanai and the table areas are highly discouraged.
- Please wear a mask. If you do not have one, we have disposable masks available.
- Social distancing will be observed. Families are encouraged to sit six feet apart.
- The Sanctuary will be disinfected between the two services.

- ❖ Printed copies of the bulletin will be available but we encourage people to bring their own copy (The pdf will be emailed out on Friday and can be printed beforehand) or electronic device i.e. phone/tablet/Kindle). This will minimize contact. If you do take the copy provided, please dispose of it as you leave or take it home with you.



Welcome and Greeting

Call to Worship *(Please Stand)*

P The Lord is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

C **The Lord is the stronghold of our lives; of whom shall we be afraid?**

P The Lord will protect us and guide us.

C **Let us gladly offer ourselves before our God with shouts of joy; let us sing praises to the Lord, our God.**

807 When Morning Gilds the Skies



1 When morn-ing gilds the skies, My heart, a - wak - ing, cries,
2 When mirth for mu - sic longs, This is my song of songs:
3 No love - lier an - ti - phon In all high heav'n is known
4 Ye na - tions of man - kind, In this your con - cord find:
5 Sing, suns and stars of space, Sing, ye that see His face,



“May Je - sus Christ be praised!” When eve - ning shad - ows fall,
“May Je - sus Christ be praised!” God’s ho - ly house of prayer
Than “Je - sus Christ be praised!” There to the e - ter - nal Word
“May Je - sus Christ be praised!” Let all the earth a - round
Sing, “Je - sus Christ be praised!” God’s whole cre - a - tion o’er,



This rings my cur - few call: “May Je - sus Christ be praised!”
Hath none that can com - pare With “Je - sus Christ be praised!”
The e - ter - nal psalm is heard: “May Je - sus Christ be praised!”
Ring joy - ous with the sound: “May Je - sus Christ be praised!”
Both now and ev - er - more Shall Je - sus Christ be praised!

Confession

P Our God of light brought hope to the world and joy to our lives through his only begotten Son, Jesus. Yet darkness hovers and clings in many corners of our minds. Possessions grip and pile up blocking the simple views of God's light. Anger and violence overpower gentle words and knock out the light for others. Despair casts a shadow of doubt on any hope for light. But our God calls us back into His light once more. As we confess our failures, God meets us with love and forgiveness. We don't need to fear God anymore, we can come to him honestly.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Prayer of Confession

P Let us pray:

C **God of the heights and depths, at our own peril, we turn away from you. When our shortcomings are exposed to your light, too often we rush to hide. We fear your judgment; we forget your mercy. When we are angry, we plot little revenges and shun your desire for reconciliation and compassion. Your ways are not our ways, for your ways are permeated with love. O God, surround and fill us again with your forgiving light, that we might live as people of peace, truth, and grace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

P We once walked in darkness, but now we have seen a great light! God's light has come into our world and into our lives in Jesus Christ in whom we put our trust. The darkness of our sin is cast away and new life is ours once more. Thank be to God, we are forgiven!

C **Thanks be to God we are set free to worship our King!**



804 O Worship the King

sts. 1-2, 4



1 O wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove.
2 O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
4 Thy boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?



O grate - ful - ly sing His pow'r and His love;
Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space;
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,



Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,
It streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,



Pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.
And sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.

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Prayer of the Day

Scripture Readings *(Please be seated)*

First Reading - Psalm 139:1-10

O Lord, you have searched me and known me!
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
You search out my path and my lying down
and are acquainted with all my ways.
Even before a word is on my tongue,
behold, O Lord, you know it altogether.

You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is high; I cannot attain it.

Where shall I go from your Spirit?
Or where shall I flee from your presence?
If I ascend to heaven, you are there!
If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!
If I take the wings of the morning
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading - John 1:43-51 *(Please Stand)*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

825 Rise, Shine, You People



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered
2 See how He sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;
3 Come, cel - e - brate, your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent His Son to save us.



Our hu - man sto - ry; God in Him is cen - tered.
He brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing.
Your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark - ness hurl - ing.
Tell of the Son, who life and free - dom gave us.



He comes to us, by death and sin sur -
All men and wom - en, who by guilt are
To all the world go out and tell the
Tell how the Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry



round - ed, With grace un - bound - ed.
driv - en, Now are for - giv - en.
sto - ry Of Je - sus' glo - ry.
na - tion His new cre - a - tion.

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SERMON:

GOD'S PROMISE OF PRESENCE

PSALM 139:1-10

A Word About Our Offerings for Mission & Ministry

Prayer of the Congregation

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

(Please remain standing)

Words of the Institution

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

(Please be seated)

Continuous Distribution by Pastor

*(Family units come forward to receive the elements and take them to their seats.
Please wait to eat and drink until instructed.)*

All Receive the Sacrament together

(Pastor will indicate when to take the wafer and then the cup.)

Thank the Lord

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Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what
He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a square symbol. The lyrics are: 'Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what'. The second staff continues the lyrics: 'He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -'. The music consists of quarter and eighth notes with some rests.

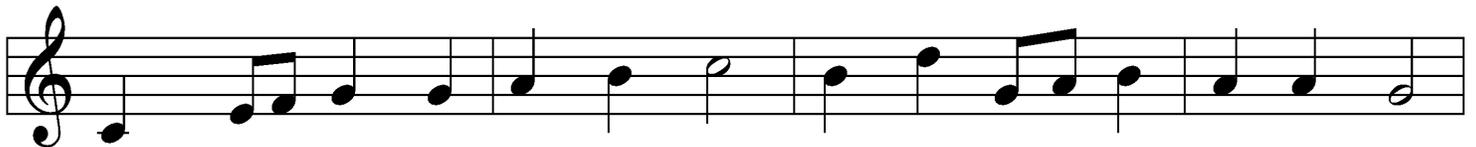


joyce and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-
 es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
 giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Benediction

830 Spread the Reign of God the Lord

sts. 1-4



1 Spread the reign of God the Lord, Spo - ken, writ - ten, might - y Word;
 2 Tell how God the Fa - ther's will Made the world, up - holds it still,
 3 Tell of our Re - deem - er's grace, Who, to save our hu - man race
 4 Tell of God the Spir - it giv'n Now to guide us on to heav'n.



Ev - 'ry - where His crea - tures call To His heav'n - ly ban - quet hall.
 How His own dear Son He gave Us from sin and death to save.
 And to pay re - bel - lion's price, Gave Him - self as sac - ri - fice.
 Strong and ho - ly, just and true, Work - ing both to will and do.

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Dismissal

P Go in Peace, serve the Lord.
C Thanks be to God!

Please be seated and please wait for the ushers to dismiss you.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Steve Hardash - Jan. 19

Philip Wozniak - Jan. 20

Janis Hamersma - Jan. 21

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Tom & Joyce Hanley - Jan. 24



Read ahead: In order to help you prepare for next week's service, here is the scripture passage and title for the message next Sunday. Take some time to read ahead and invite the Holy Spirit to start bringing God's Word to life for you.

"Accepting God's Call"

Mark 1:14-20

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Services are posted to our Facebook account at **Christ Lutheran Church Hilo**. Recordings of the services as well as the bulletin are also available at www.ChristHilo.org

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP

The men's BSF group have resumed meeting in the Fellowship Hall Monday nights at 6:55 p.m. (finishing around 8:15 p.m.) and continues the study of Genesis. Both in-person and zoom options are offered. Call group leader John Kwee at (808) 937-7904 if you have questions or would like to join.

The Monday (10:00 a.m.) and Tuesday (2:00 p.m.) small groups on the lanai are open for 2-3 more attendees. Both are studying the Book of Micah. Please contact Lana Wold at 345-3402 if you want to join the group.





CLC Vision Statement

The family of believers at Christ Lutheran Church understands and supports our mission by participating in our ministry efforts through education, development, assistance and outreach.

CLC Mission Statement

To know,
grow in,
serve
& share Christ
through
experiencing His
unconditional
love.

