

Complete my joy

by being like-minded

having the same love
BEING IN FULL ACCORD
of one mind

Philippians 2:2

Knowing Jesus

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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 **SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY**, formerly between services, has moved to Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom. Please contact the office or Pastor Mark if you would like to attend.

The **MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY** is **every Wednesday** in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. Lana Wold leads a study of the Gospel of John. Attendance is limited to ten and masks are worn in a social-distanced setting.

The **MEN'S FELLOWSHIP** 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 959-9953 if you are interested in attending. They are continuing the study of "**(Biblical) Stuff They Didn't Teach Me In Sunday School**".

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.

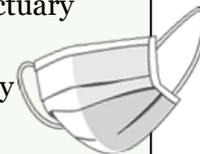


HOLY COMMUNION: is celebrated at both services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays.

LWML MITES: Collection for September was \$36.49. Mahalo for your faithful support!!

KEEPING SAFE: Praise God, our congregation has thus far remained COVID-free! 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:

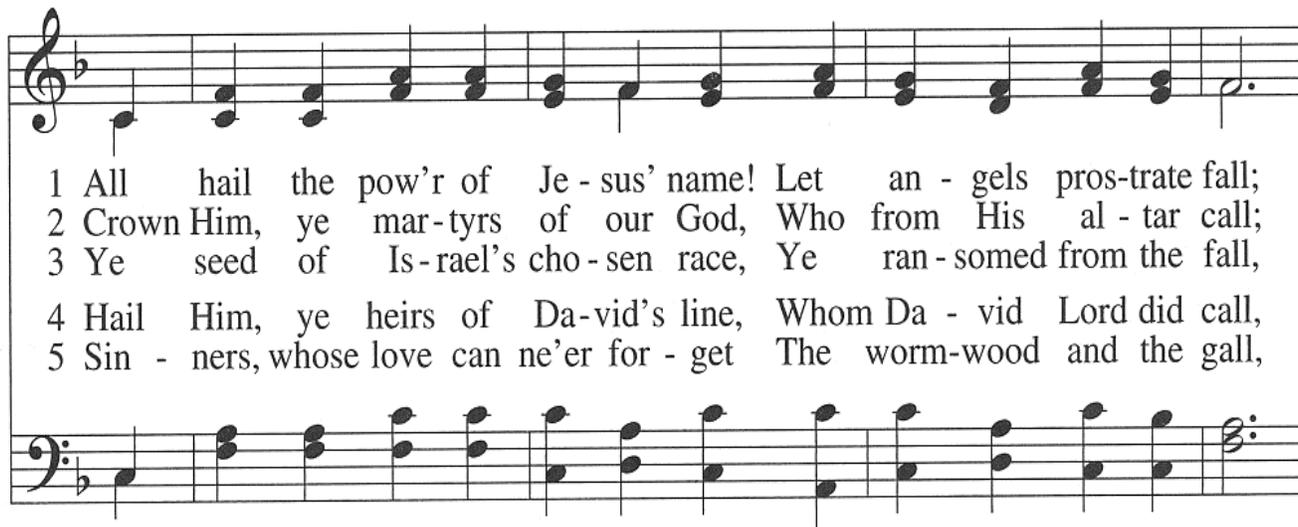
- ❖ Hand sanitizers are installed at the entrance portico and also at the entrance to the Sanctuary (twenty seconds is the recommended application).
- ❖ Your temperature will be measured as you come into the Sanctuary. As a precautionary measure, individuals with a fever of 100.4 or higher are invited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



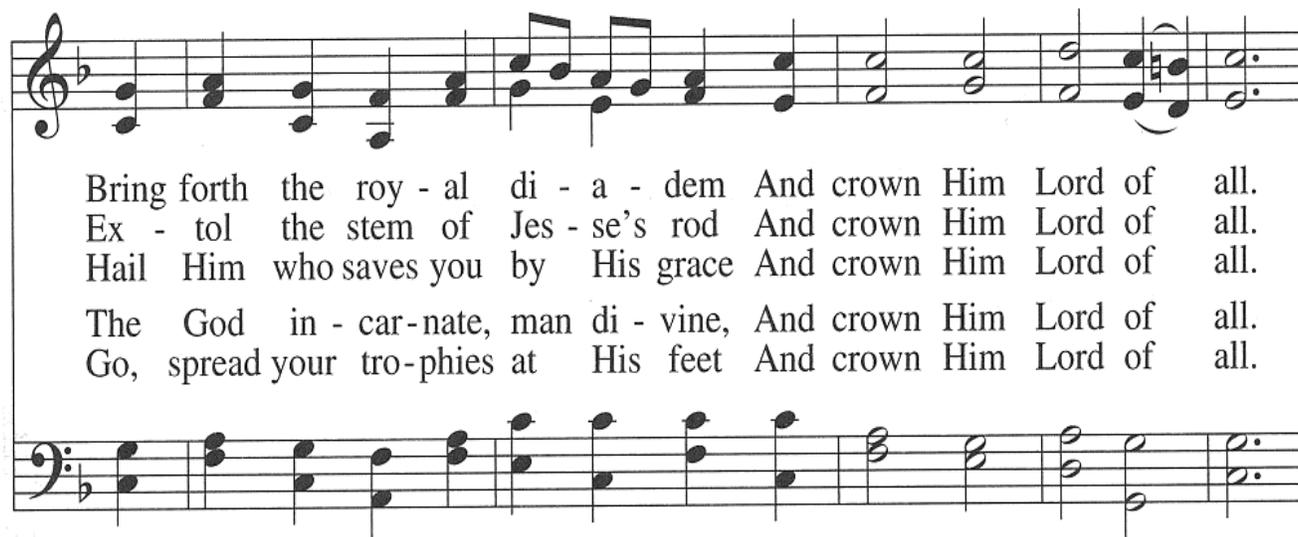
Welcome and Greeting

(Please Stand)

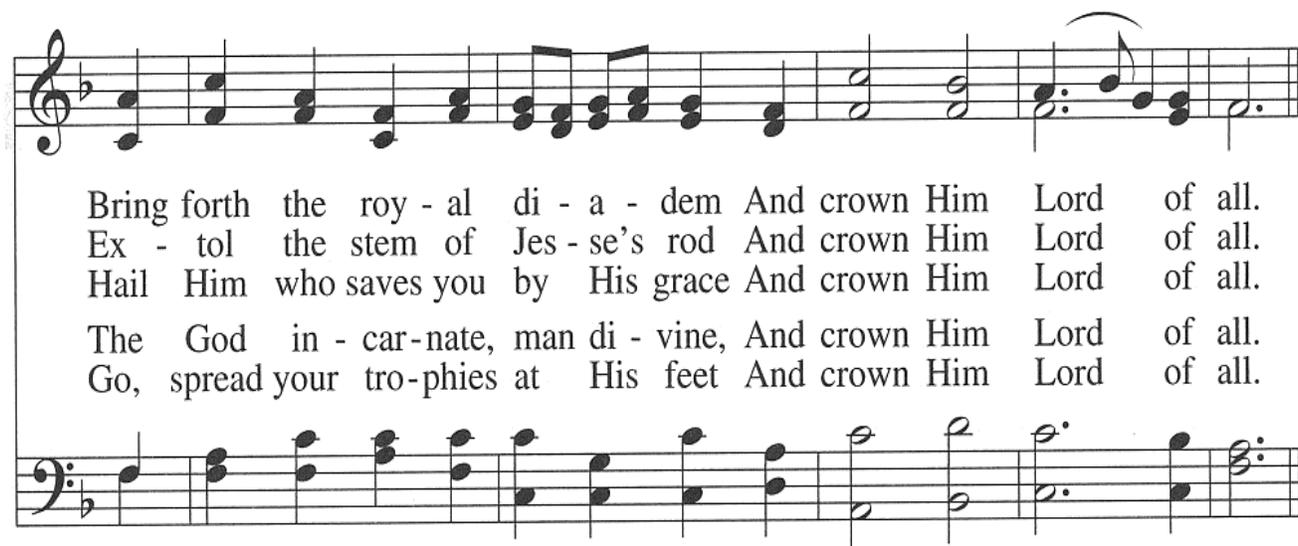
Opening Hymn: #549 LSB vs 1, 3 & 5 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall;
2 Crown Him, ye mar-tyrs of our God, Who from His al - tar call;
3 Ye seed of Is-rael's cho-sen race, Ye ran-somed from the fall,
4 Hail Him, ye heirs of Da-vid's line, Whom Da - vid Lord did call,
5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get The worm-wood and the gall,



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.
Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se's rod And crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.
The God in - car-nate, man di - vine, And crown Him Lord of all.
Go, spread your tro-phies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.



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Call to Worship

Pastor: We gather in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen!

P: Let us pray:

Almighty God, today we not only hear of your forgiveness for us in Christ, but we will also taste and see that Your love for us is real. Before we do so, we need to be honest about our sin and our need for Your mercy. Give us the power of Your Holy Spirit to believe Your promise as we confess our sin.

C: Through faith in Jesus we pray. Amen.

We take a moment to reflect of our need for God's forgiveness. (Please be seated)

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Father of mercies and God of all comfort and peace:

C: We know that we have failed to live as Your children. We have sinned against You in our thoughts, words and actions; by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ we humbly ask You to forgive us, free us, and make us clean once more. Help us to grow more fully into who You created us to be in Christ. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

P: Sisters and brothers we have great news! Almighty God has heard our prayer and gave us His only Son, Jesus Christ to take our punishment. For His sake, God forgives us all our sins! It is by His authority that I have the privilege to declare His forgiveness to you, in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

C: Praise God, we are forgiven!



Praise Hymn: "This is the Feast" (Please stand)



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength, and



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -



- le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Scripture Readings *(Please be seated)*

First Reading – Philippians 2:1-18

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.



Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Do all things without grumbling or disputing, that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

A: This is the word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 21:23-32 (Please stand)

P: The Holy Gospel According to Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

And when he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus answered them, “I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?” And they discussed it among themselves, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ But if we say, ‘From man,’ we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet.” So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

“What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ And he answered, ‘I will not,’ but afterward he changed his mind and went. And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered, ‘I go, sir,’ but did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.



Apostles' Creed

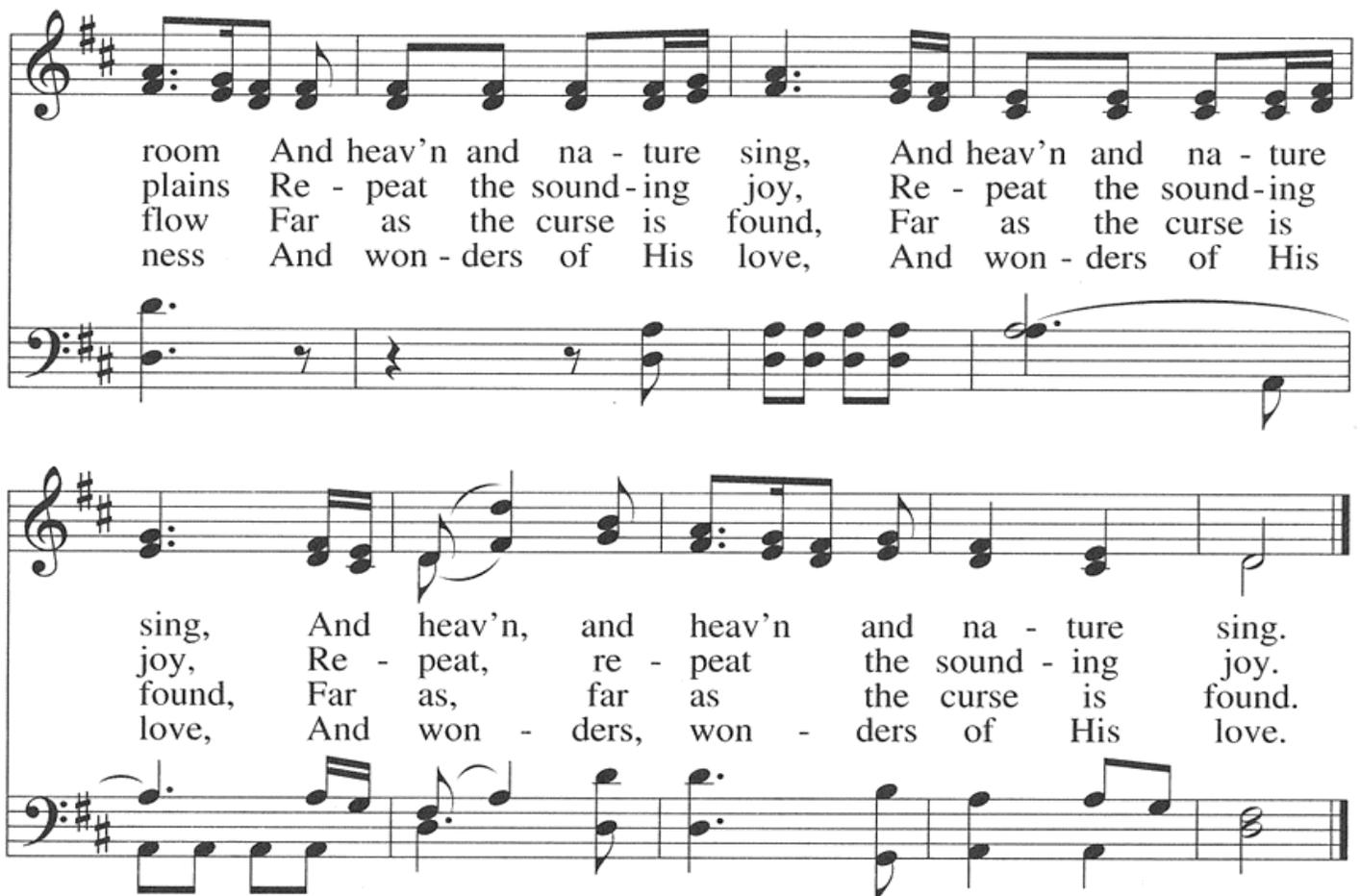


I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: #387 LSB "Joy to the World" (*Please be seated*)

1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re - ceive her
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let men their songs em -
3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow Nor thorns in - fest the
4 He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the na - tions

King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Him
poy, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
ground; He comes to make His bless - ings
prove The glo - ries of His righ - teous -



room And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
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 found, Far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, And won - ders, won - ders of His love.

Message:
“Completing Joy”

Philippians 2:1-18

A Word About Our Offerings for Mission & Ministry

Prayers of the Congregation

P: Lord, In Your Mercy

C: Hear Our Prayer.

The 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.

Words of the Institution *(Please remain standing)*

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.



Distribution by Pastor Continuous

(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.)

Table Blessing

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

Closing Hymn #918 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"

1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
 stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar
 fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,

Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,
 Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,
 Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,

bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
 strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
 songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to

more; Feed me till I want no more.
 shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.
 Thee; I will ev - er give to Thee.

Dismissal

Pastor: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

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

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Our Life of Joy Sermon Series

Oct. 4th: Taking Hold of Joy
Philippians 3:1-14

Oct. 11th: The Secrets of Joy
Philippians 4:4-13



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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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Wendee Mahoney - Sept. 29

Alida Gandy - Sept 30

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Gary & Dinnie Kysar - Oct. 2

We have asked Jesus to lead us as individuals and the church to the work he calls us to join him in, within our neighborhoods and communities. We are only a small part of His body, the Church, but we are called to do our part where we are placed and then pray for the Church as a whole.

All those who want to be my disciples must come and follow me, because my servants must be where I am. John 12:26

The Church, the body of Christ, following Jesus across the world

1. Pray for the worldwide Church and that it will remain strong and true in the Word of God.
2. Pray that as the Church follows Jesus in this time of division and fear, that many will see and desire God's love, unity, and peace through Jesus.
3. Pray that we will remember and support all those who have followed Jesus around the world. May they be safe and receive all they need both physically and spiritually to do his work.