

RECONCILING IN CHRIST SUNDAY

JULY 19, 2026 | 9:30AM



CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Welcome to worship at Christ Lutheran Church where we live in Christ and share God's love with all people.

CLC celebrates and affirms the sacred worth of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, including the LGBTQIA+ community; people of all cultures, ethnicities, and backgrounds; specifically Black, Indigenous, and People of Color; people of all ages and abilities; and people of all social and economic circumstances – as well as any who have experienced marginalization by the Christian Church.

We commit to the work of anti-racism and inclusion in a world that profits from our division. We remember Jesus' unambiguous call to love our neighbors as ourselves (Matthew 22:39). We pray that all may encounter the living, loving God, whose grace meets us in our authentic humanity and who sees each of us as beloved.

We gratefully acknowledge that we gather on the ancestral homelands of the Lummi Nation of the Coast Salish language group who have stewarded this land since time immemorial, and we commit to the ongoing care of our shared land and relationships with its indigenous peoples.

Younger friends are welcome in the Pray Ground (accessed outside the sanctuary entrance) for any portion of the service.

Hearing assist units and large print bulletins are available as you enter the sanctuary. Please see an usher for assistance with these or any part of the worship service.

For all attending, we invite you to sign in on the friendship pad in your pew. We encourage you to participate in worship at your comfort level. The congregation reads the bold print and *stands as they are able.*

SUNDAY, JULY 19 | PARTICIPATING IN OUR CHURCH

Presiding: Pr. Leigh DeVries

Greeters: Matt Durkee

Ushers: Steve and Beth Andres

Communion Assistants: Jan Schlack & Jenise Clausen

Reader: Steve Balentine

Prayers of Intercession: Susan Holmes

Cantor: Erin Beebe

Piano/Organ: Don Clausen

Music Director: Tony Malpica

Team: Becky McGrady, Erin Beebe, Don Clausen, Janet Wilhoite, Jenise Clausen, Mel King, Steve Andres, Tony Malpica

Violin: Joanne Donnellan

Flute: Nancy Tupper

Livestream: Beth Andres

Soundboard: Sam McGrady

Alter Guild: Linda Anderson

Liturgical Setting: Open the Doors Bonnie Drewes

Prayground Attendant: Solveig Shermer

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

WE ARE ALL ONE IN CHRIST

ELW# 643

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS BY OUR LOVE

WELCOME

PR. LEIGH DeVRIES

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity,† one God, whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin before God. Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

We confess to you all our sins.

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

In your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ's name we pray,

Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."

In the name of God,

Creator, redeemer, sustainer, †

your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God's love.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

GATHER US IN

ELW# 532

Leader For peace, O Lord to You we pray;
 heal - ing of our hears and lives;
 just - ice in this bro - ken world;
 hope — when our dreams run dry;

Cong. Lord have mer - cy,

Leader Christ have mer - cy. **Cong.** Lord have mer - cy. **1-3** For cy. **4** - Be

Leader with us through - out our days. **Cong.** A - men.

A - men. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

REFRAIN

To God be all glo - ry to

God be all praise! With all of cre - a - tion our voi - ces we raise! We

last time to CODA gath - er to - geth - er in this time and place, giv - ing all glo - ry to God.

God of mir - a - cles, God so wise. God whose Spir - it guides our lives.
 By Your grace we are set free. We pro - claim this mys - ter - y:



God who walked with us, flesh and bone, and died that we might live!
Je - sus ris - en from the dead. We wor-ship you and sing!

To



We give all glor - ry to God.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

You may be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 44:6-8

⁶ Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel,
and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts:

I am the first, and I am the last;
besides me there is no god.

⁷ Who is like me? Let them proclaim it; let
them declare and set it forth before me.

Who has announced from of old the
things to come?

Let them tell us what is yet to be.

⁸ Do not fear or be afraid;
have I not told you from of old and
declared it? You are my witnesses!

Is there any god besides me?
There is no other rock; I know not one.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: PSALM 86:11-17

¹¹ Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth;

give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

¹² **I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart,
and glorify your name forevermore.**

¹³ For great is your love toward me;

you have delivered me from the pit of death.

¹⁴ **The arrogant rise up against me, O God, and a band of violent people seeks my
life; they have not set you before their eyes.**

¹⁵ But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.

¹⁶ **Turn to me and have mercy on me;**

give your strength to your servant, and save the child of your handmaid.

¹⁷ Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to
shame; because you, Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

SECOND READING: ROMANS 8:18-25

¹⁸ I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the
glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the
revealing of the children of God, ²⁰ for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its
own will, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself
will be set free from its enslavement to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory
of the children of God. ²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning
together as it suffers together the pains of labor, ²³ and not only the creation, but we
ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for
adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in hope we were saved. Now hope that
is seen is not hope, for who hopes for what one already sees? ²⁵ But if we hope for
what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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THE GOSPEL: JOHN 13:34-35

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

The word of the Lord.

Praise to you O, Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

WILL YOU LET ME BE YOUR SERVANT

ELW #659

CONFESSION OF FAITH

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

Trusting in God's steadfast love for all God has made, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

God our source, protect your church from those who sow weeds among the wheat. Where we trade grace for judgment, restore us, and where we get lost among the complexities of life, guide us. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our creator, sustain creation in places not easily seen; the depths of oceans, microscopic plants and animals, galaxies beyond our own. May we share earth's dedication to hope for what we do not yet see. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our soil, we yearn to live on your lands and waters with justice and in righteousness. Renew the hearts of all in authority, that our leaders guide wisely toward the flourishing of all. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our rock, be a source of constancy for those whose lives have been uprooted by war, eviction, global climate change, unemployment, harassment, false witness to their character, or illness or injury. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our teacher, guide and provide for all summer camp staff and campers, daycare professionals, librarians, summer school educators and coaches, teachers preparing for the coming academic year, and youth becoming first-time babysitters. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our hope, the message of your salvation is planted among us in all times and places. We give you thanks for the witness of all the saints who shine like the sun in your presence. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Grateful for your abundant provision and trusting in your goodness, we cast all our cares upon you, through the abundant grace of Christ Jesus.

Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

You may be seated.

MEAL

GIFT OF MUSIC

“THE VILLAGE”

BY WRABEL

CALL FOR OFFERING

Stewardship is a response of gratitude and thanksgiving for what God has done for us. You are invited to respond to God’s gifts with your own financial gifts through the offering. You may use offering envelopes (found at the end of the hymnal rack) or give using any of these ways:

- Mail checks to the CLC P.O. Box 845 or send a check through your bank’s Bill Pay service. Please be sure to add “Attn: Financial Secretary” to the envelope;
- Give through the Church Center App (use QR code to access);
- Or through Church Center online: christ-lutheran-church-ferndale.churchcenter.com



TABLE HYMN

How can we be - gin to thank you Lord? What can we say?
Let the gifts we bring be from the heart. Fruits of our lives,

What can we of - fer? Our lives are filled with Your bles-sings, ac -
fruits of our lab - ors. Gi-ving gen' - rous - ly to oth - ers, for

cept these gifts of grat - i - tude. Yours. Bless this ta-ble as we
ev' - ry thing we have is

gath - er to receive the gift of Yourself. Bread is bro-ken, wine poured out;
suf - fring and love for the world and us all. We know Your good-ness

has no lim - its Lord; deep as the sky, wide as the o - cean.

rit. - -
So - we shall give - a-bund-ant-ly, for ev' ry thing we have is Yours.

OFFERING PRAYER

Loving God,

we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.

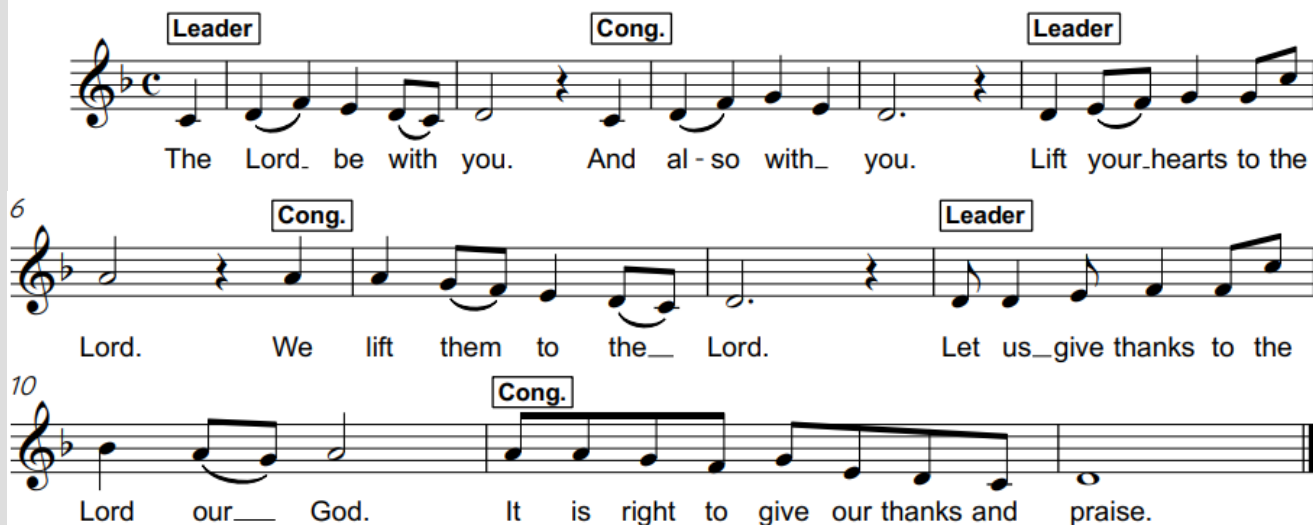
**Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.**

**We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.**

Amen.

INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



Leader **Cong.** **Leader**

The Lord be with you. And al-so with_ you. Lift your hearts to the

Cong. **Leader**

Lord. We lift them to the_ Lord. Let us_give thanks to the

Cong.

Lord our_ God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O God,
Maker of heaven and earth.
In the beginning, you spoke
calling all things into being,
claiming a covenant people,
choosing them to be a blessing.
You are the source of life;
you are the land of promise;
you are the hope of generations.

For your love and faithfulness
we give you thanks and praise,
joining the hymns of our ancestors:



Ho-ly ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er

wis-dom and might, hea-ven and earth are filled with Your glo-ry! Ho-san-na in the



Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night of his arrest,
took bread, and when he had given thanks,
he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said:
Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you.
This do in remembrance of me.

In the same way also he took the cup after supper,
and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying:
Drink of it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.
This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

As we receive this holy meal we remember Christ our passover,
proclaiming the mystery of faith:

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

Blessed are you, O God,
Spirit of wisdom and joy.
In this assembly, you pour out grace-
transforming the bread and the cup,
revealing the flesh and the blood,
building up the body of Christ.
You are our daily destination;
you are our earthly pilgrimage;
you are our heavenly home.

With heart and soul and might
we will love and serve you alone,
glorifying your holy name. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us in the language of our hearts.

1983 Version

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.**

1892 Version

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,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

You may be seated.

COMMUNION

All who desire a renewed relationship with Jesus are welcome to participate in Holy Communion. Children of any age, with the consent of a parent or guardian, are welcome to commune, or may come forward to receive a blessing instead. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. If you have any allergies or sensitivities to gluten, wheat, yeast, dairy, soy, nut, or corn, please ask for the wafer alternative, as they are made in a facility that is free of these allergens. If you prefer to take communion at your seat, please notify an usher to have it brought to you. As a part of your communion experience, you are additionally invited to **light a candle, use the prayer wheel, or seek additional prayer with a Stephen Minister** seated in the front pew near the candle station as you need.

COMMUNION HYMN: *LAMB OF GOD*

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Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of
God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us peace. Grant us peace, Lamb of
God.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

UBI CARITAS

ALTHOUGH I SPEAK WITH ANGELS TONGUE

CLC TEAM AND CONGREGATION

ELW #644

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Compassionate God,
 through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your
 love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as
 you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit
 nourishing us now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTH/BATHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES

*Happy birth/bathday to you, happy anniversary to you,
 may the Lord bless and keep you another year through.*

BLESSING

The Author of life,
 the Word of salvation,
 the Breath of new birth,
 ☩ one God, bless you
 and equip you for living and serving,
 today and every day.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS

ELW # 656

DISMISSAL

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.

7/22: Walk & Talk - Squalicum Creek Park

Squalicum Creek Park, a new destination for Walk and Talk, is on board for Wednesday July 22. Located in northern Bellingham off Squalicum Parkway, this once industrial site has been transformed into a space filled with 36 acres of recreational opportunities and enhanced habitat. Trails, ball fields, picnic tables, playground, and restrooms are among the amenities. From Squalicum Creek Park one can continue via trail to the waterfront at Little Squalicum, north to Birchwood Park, or east to Cornwall Park. Dogs are welcome on leash and in the designated off leash park. Carpool from CLC parking lot at 9:00 am or drive on your own and meet in the parking lot near the park entrance about 9:25. The address is 1001 Squalicum Parkway. You can learn more about the park and view a map at: <https://cob.org/services/recreation/parks-trails/parks-guide/squalicum-creek-park>

During the summer weeks as we roam farther afield from Ferndale we will often have a carpool departure time of 9:00 am. Be sure to check the time in each week's announcement.

Walk and Talk is sponsored by the Stewardship Team at Christ Lutheran Church. This is its fourth season of promoting Wellness and Relationships. Call or text Carolyn Jonson, 360-746-5653, for more information.

8/1: Whatcom ELCA Day at the Lake!

Members and friends of all the ELCA congregations/ministries in Whatcom County are welcome to gather on Lake Samish for Day at the Lake 2026 at Camp Lutherwood! Free afternoon activities include swimming (lifeguard on duty 1-5pm), kayaking/canoeing/paddleboarding (borrow one at camp or bring your own), crafts, hiking, and enjoying fellowship with each other! Bring your own picnic dinner and end the day with a campfire worship (s'mores provided)! Saturday, August 1, from 12:30-7:30pm at Camp Lutherwood (1185 Roy Road, Bellingham)!

- 1 x your support as 1 person/1 family by bringing in:
- 1 x 1 item for the Food bank (**July: Milk Alternative** dry milk or non-dairy shelf stable milk) and,
- 1 x 1 item for the Other Bank (**July: Monetary Donation!** We've gone through the majority of the Other Bank donation list and before starting the rotation of items again, we are suggesting monetary donations! You can contribute during the offering by noting your specific donation to "The Other Bank Ferndale" OR you can donate directly to the Other Bank using this QR code ).

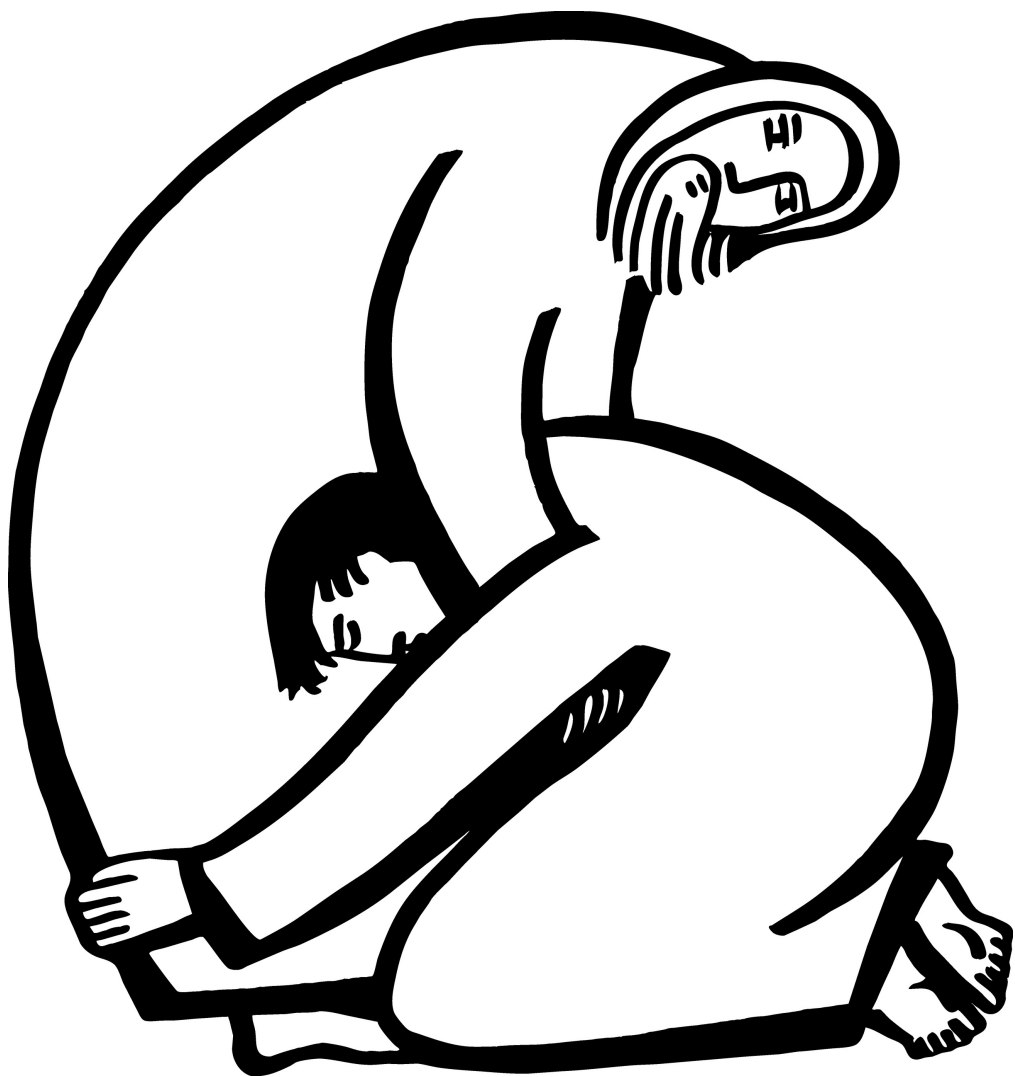
COMING UP AT CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, 7/26 8:30am Musician Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
9:30am Worship with Pr. Leigh DeVries(Sanctuary)
10:45am Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall)

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