

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

Every worship service opens by invoking the name, the presence, and the power of the one true God, the God in whose name and by whose power we became members of the Holy Christian Church in our Baptism.

(Pastor) In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

(Everyone) Amen.

Confession & Absolution

(Pastor) Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

(Everyone) Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

(Pastor) Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As your called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the + Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Hymn of the Day

Pianist: Aretta Engelhardt

A Mighty Fortress # 26

Children's Sermonette

Pastor Chris Gallagher



JESUS

Light of The World

We Worship Through Our Giving

We express our gratitude to God as we give to support the work of the church so that more people may hear the Good News about Jesus. Please ask an usher if you need an envelope.

We Worship Through Speaking and Hearing the Word of God

We read the Word of God to strengthen, encourage, and challenge us for the week ahead.

Old Testament Lesson for the Day

Job 38:4-18 (NASB)

⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell *Me*, if you have understanding,
⁵Who set its measurements? Since you know. Or who stretched the line on it? ⁶“On what were
its bases sunk? Or who laid its cornerstone, ⁷When the morning stars sang together And all the
sons of God shouted for joy? ⁸“Or *who* enclosed the sea with doors When, bursting forth, it went
out from the womb; ⁹When I made a cloud its garment And thick darkness its swaddling band,
¹⁰And I placed boundaries on it And set a bolt and doors, ¹¹And I said, ‘Thus far you shall come,
but no farther; And here shall your proud waves stop’? ¹²“Have you ever in your life commanded
the morning, *And* caused the dawn to know its place, ¹³That it might take hold of the ends of the
earth, And the wicked be shaken out of it? ¹⁴“It is changed like clay *under* the seal; And they
stand forth like a garment. ¹⁵“From the wicked their light is withheld, And the uplifted arm is
broken. ¹⁶“Have you entered into the springs of the sea Or walked in the recesses of the deep?
¹⁷“Have the gates of death been revealed to you, Or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?
¹⁸“Have you understood the expanse of the earth? Tell *Me*, if you know all this.

Epistle

Romans 10:5-17 (NASB)

⁵For Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on law
shall live by that righteousness. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith speaks as
follows: “DO NOT SAY IN YOUR HEART, ‘WHO WILL ASCEND INTO HEAVEN?’ (that is, to bring
Christ down), ⁷or ‘WHO WILL DESCEND INTO THE ABYSS?’ (that is, to bring Christ up from
the dead).” ⁸But what does it say? “THE WORD IS NEAR YOU, IN YOUR MOUTH AND IN YOUR
HEART”—that is, the word of faith which we are preaching, ⁹that if you confess with your
mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you
will be saved; ¹⁰for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with
the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation. ¹¹For the Scripture says, “WHOEVER
BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew
and Greek; for the same *Lord* is Lord of all, abounding in riches for all who call on Him;
¹³for “WHOEVER WILL CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED.” ¹⁴How then will
they call on Him in whom they have not believed? How will they believe in Him whom
they have not heard? And how will they hear without a preacher? ¹⁵How will they preach
unless they are sent? Just as it is written, “HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE THE FEET OF THOSE WHO
BRING GOOD NEWS OF GOOD THINGS!” ¹⁶However, they did not all heed the good news;

for Isaiah says, “LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT?” ¹⁷ So faith *comes* from hearing,
and hearing by the word of Christ.

(Reader) This is the Word of the Lord.

(Everyone) Thanks be to God!

(Please stand)

(Pastor) The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, from the 14th chapter.

(Everyone) Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 14:22-33 (NASB)

²²Immediately He made the disciples get into the boat and go ahead of Him to the other
side, while He sent the crowds away. ²³After He had sent the crowds away, He went up
on the mountain by Himself to pray; and when it was evening, He was there alone.
²⁴But the boat was already a long distance from the land, battered by the waves; for the
wind was contrary. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on
the sea. ²⁶When the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said,
“It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them,
saying, “Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.” ²⁸Peter said to Him, “Lord, if it is You,
command me to come to You on the water.” ²⁹And He said, “Come!” And Peter got out
of the boat, and walked on the water and came toward Jesus. ³⁰But seeing the wind, he
became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” ³¹Immediately
Jesus stretched out His hand and took hold of him, and *said to him, “You of little faith,
why did you doubt?” ³²When they got into the boat, the wind stopped. ³³And those who
were in the boat worshiped Him, saying, “You are certainly God’s Son!”

(Pastor) This is the Gospel of the Lord

(Everyone) Praise to you oh Christ

We Respond to God’s Word by Confessing Our Faith

*As we recite together the words of the Apostles’ Creed, we join the worldwide chorus of followers of
Jesus, who, for centuries, have confessed their faith through this simple declaration.*

(Everyone) 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, dead,
and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He
ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the
Father Almighty; from there He shall 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.***

Sermon Hymn

O God Our Help in Ages Past # 52

Sermon

“Light Casts Out Darkness” Pastor Chris Gallagher

General and Lord’s Prayer

(Everyone) 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!

Benediction

A blessing we receive to send us out into the world once again.

Sending Hymn

O for a Thousand Tongues # 76

Go In Peace and Serve the Lord!

(Everyone) Thanks be to God

Message Notes: _____

Mark Your Calendars!

- September 2, Saturday, Women’s Bible Study and Meeting -- At 10:00 am.
- September 10, Sunday, Second Sunday -- *Preschool Kids sing. Potluck lunch following worship service.*
- September 16, Saturday -- Free Food Distribution--At the Shack from 9:30 to 10:30 am. If you know of someone who could benefit from the free food distribution, please let them know. Please come and lend a hand with handing out food to those in need. If you can help with set-up, please come at 8:30 am. If you can come later and stay until about 11:00 am to help with putting away leftover food, tables and chairs, your help will be greatly appreciated. Join us in thanking God for the continuation of this ministry!
- September 16, Saturday, Women’s Bible Study with Debbie Giles -- At church at 11:00 following the food distribution.

August 2017 Birthdays and Anniversaries

Here at Community we celebrate our birthdays/anniversaries each second Sunday of the month. If your birthday is this month, and your name is not on this list, please put a note in the offering plate so we can include yours!
(PS) after the name denotes one of our Preschoolers’ birthday.

Birthdays

Things going on during the week:

Monday—Little Blessings Christian Preschool: Theme: Making New Friends
Bible: Jonathon & David

Wednesday—Choir Rehearsal: At church at 5 pm.

Thursday—Potluck Dinner & Bible Study: Potluck Dinner starts at 6:15 pm followed by Bible Study at 7:00 pm.

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Kristen Erwin, Preschool Director

Building Committed Followers of Jesus Christ

Prayer Chain Requests

In order for us to be sensitive to everyone's needs regarding prayer requests, please mark the Connection Card very clearly as to whether you want our prayer chain to pray for you or if it is something you want kept private between you and Pastor. Our prayer chain encompasses a large percentage of our members. We will try calling/emailing if we are unsure how you want your request handled.

Weekly Schedule:

Sundays	10:00 am	Worship Service & Sunday School
	11:15 am	Community Fellowship Time <i>Refreshments in the Courtyard</i>
Second Sunday		Preschool Kids Sing during Worship, Potluck Lunch following Worship
Wednesdays	5:00 pm	Choir Practice—At church at 5 pm
Thursdays	6:15 pm	Dinner and Bible Study
Thursdays	6:00 pm	“4th Thursday”—Dinner for the Preschool Families <i>The <u>Fourth</u> Thursday of each month</i>
Saturdays	10:00 am	Women's Bible Study <i>The <u>First</u> Saturday of each month.</i>
	10:00 am	Free Food Distribution <i>The <u>Third</u> Saturday of each month. from 9:30—10:30 am</i>
	11:00 am	Women's Bible Study with Debbie Giles <i>The <u>Third</u> Saturday of each month.</i>