Pentecost 22 Communion Service

The Book of Common Prayer, ACNA 2019

The congregational responses are in **bold italic** print. Please join us in saying the responses.

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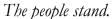
Vision Statement: "Our Culture"

As a church of Jesus Christ, Christ Church Westshore exists to help build a great community for all people through a movement of the gospel that brings personal conversion, discipleship in community, meeting needs in the neighborhood, and cultural renewal / revival to the Westshore and, through it, to the world.

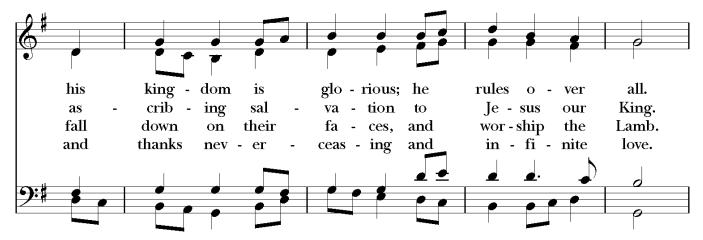
Know ¥ Grow ¥ Serve

Prayer Meeting Dates & Times

Morning Prayer – Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. Mid-Day Prayer – 1st, 2nd, 4th & 5th Wednesday at 12:00 p.m. Corporate Prayer – Monday, October 21st at 7:30 p.m.







Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Paderborn*, melody from *Catolisch-Paderbornisches Gesang-buch*, 1765; harm. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947)

Welcome

Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. *And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

Matthew 22:37-40

Song of Praise Good & Gracious King

Robinson, Ferguson, & Farren

Verse 1

I approach the throne of glory, Nothing in my hands I bring, But the promise of acceptance, From a good and gracious King.

Verse 2

I will give to You my burden, As You give to me Your strength, Come and fill me with Your Spirit, As I sing to You this praise. Chorus

You deserve the greater glory, Overcome I lift my voice, To the King in need of nothing, Empty-handed, I rejoice. You deserve the greater glory, Overcome with joy I sing. By Your love I am accepted, You're a good and gracious King.

Verse 3

O what grace that You would see me, As Your child and as Your friend. Safe, secure in You forever, I pour out my praise again.

Bridge

Holy, holy, Lord Almighty, Good and gracious, Good and gracious, Holy, holy, Lord Almighty, Good and gracious King.

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The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

Set us free, loving Father, from the bondage of our sins, and in your goodness and mercy give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Children's Blessing & Prayer

The people sit.

The First Lesson

1 Corinthians 13:1 – 7a

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 49:1 – 12 (Please pray responsively by half verse)

- 1. Hear this, all you peoples; * ponder it with your ears, all who dwell in the world,
- 2. High and low, rich and poor, * everyone with his neighbor.

- 3. My mouth shall speak of wisdom, *

 and my heart shall muse on understanding.
- 4. I will incline my ear to a parable, *

 and declare my dark sayings with the harp.
- 5. Why should I fear in the days of wickedness, *

 and when the wicked at my heels encompass me round about?
- 6. There are some who put their trust in their goods, * and boast in the multitude of their riches.
- 7. But no one can deliver his brother, * nor pay unto God a price for him;
- 8. For it is so costly to redeem their souls, *

 that we should never have enough to pay it,
- 9. So that they should live for ever * and should not see the grave.
- 10. For we see that wise men die, as well as the ignorant and foolish; * they perish alike and leave their riches for others
- 11. And yet they think that their houses shall continue for ever, and that their dwelling places shall endure from one generation to another, *

 and they call lands after their own names.
- 12. Man is like an ox that has no understanding; * he is like the beasts that perish.

Sequence Hymn Every Promise

Getty & Townend, v. 4

Hope that lifts me from despair,
Love that casts out ev'ry fear,
As I stand on ev'ry promise of Your word.
Not forsaken, not alone,
For the Comforter has come,
And I stand on ev'ry promise of Your word.
Grace sufficient, grace for me,
Grace for all who will believe,
We will stand on ev'ry promise of Your word.

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The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel Matthew 23:29 – 39

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon Rev. Gene Sherman

The Character of Love: "Bears All Things, Believes All Things"

The people stand.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The people sit.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For Steve, our Archbishop, Mark and Alan, our Bishops, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

We thank you for all the blessings of this life.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

We remember those that have died in Christ.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant concludes the prayers, and the congregation responds: **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God:

Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hear the word of God to all who truly turn to him:

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. (1 Timothy 1:15 ESV)

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with your spirit.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements / Birthdays / Anniversaries

Birthdays:

Bob Vasko 10/23 Carl Knappe 10/24

Question for Week 44

What is baptism?

By Baptism in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, with the outward sign of washing with water, we receive the inward and spiritual grace that cleanses us from sin and unites us to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Through faith in Christ and the gift of the Holy Spirit who now dwells within us, we are adopted and made members of God's family which is the Church we are called to live into as His disciples.

(Matthew 28:19)

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit....

The Offertory

Doxology Hymn 380, v. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise him, all creatures here below, Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The people remain standing.

The Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts,

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting love.

Therefore, we praise you joining our voices with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, who forever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people sit or stand.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son, Jesus Christ, into the world for our salvation.

By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore, let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy sacrament, and be made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the fullness of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *Amen.*

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

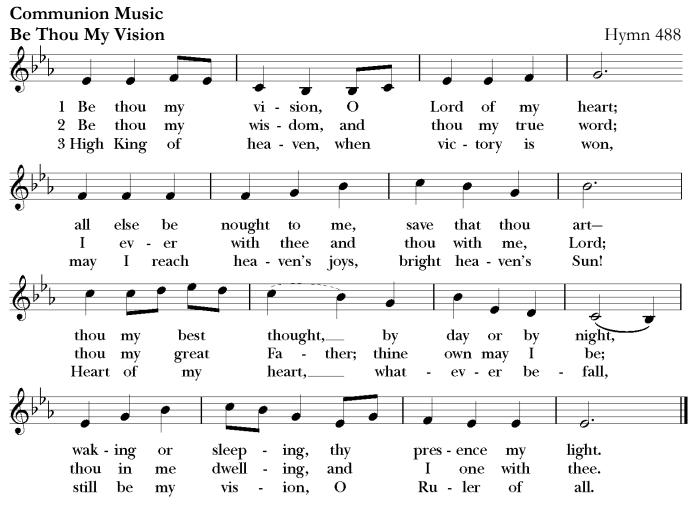
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the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

Alleluia, Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed once for all upon the cross.

Therefore, let us keep the feast! Alleluia!

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. Apart from your grace, we are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.



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Hallelujah for the Cross

Verse 1

Up to the hill of Calvary,
My Savior went courageously,
And there He bled and died for me.
Hallelujah for the cross.
And on that day the world was changed,
A final perfect lamb was slain.
Let earth and heaven now proclaim,
"Hallelujah for the cross."

Chorus

Hallelujah for the war He fought, Love has won. death has lost. Hallelujah for the souls He bought. Hallelujah for the cross.

Verse 2

What good I've done could never save,
My debt too great for deeds to pay,
But God, my Savior made a way.
Hallelujah for the cross.
A slave to sin, my life was bound.
But all my chains fell to the ground,
When Jesus' blood came flowing down.
Hallelujah for the cross.

Chorus

Verse 3

And when I breathe my final breath, I'll have no need to fear that rest. This hope will guide me into death: Hallelujah for the cross.

Chorus 2X

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Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing

The people respond: Amen.

The people stand.





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The Dismissal

Go, in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gratitude for the Ground & Garden Ministries – Thank you to all the volunteers that joined us on Saturday morning to help beautify our grounds in preparation for Synod! We appreciate each and every one of you! CCW Staff

October 27th, Sunday Morning Discipleship Classes – All the Sunday morning Discipleship classes at 8:45 am will not meet. The Sunday morning Discipleship classes will resume at their normal time on Sunday, November 3rd.

November 15-November 25, Operation Christmas Child Drop Off – "It's nearly time to start packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child! Please begin praying for the children whose lives will be touched through this amazing ministry. Boxes are available in the Sanctuary, and we would love your help in filling a box or two. Christ Church Westshore serves as an area Drop-Off Center during Collection Week, and we will be looking for volunteers to help serve during collection hours. There will be morning, afternoon, and evening ministry times available, and we would appreciate your help. A sign-up sheet will be posted later this month. If you have any questions, please call Amy Jackson at 440-935-7315. Thank you so much for sharing the love of Jesus with children who otherwise might never hear the Gospel and know the joy of Christ's redeeming love." Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is part of the Samaritan's Purse International Relief with the goal of providing God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Since 1993, more than 188 million children in more than 170 countries and territories have received an Operation Christmas Child shoebox. For many of the children receiving these boxes, this is their first gift ever!

Election Day – Tuesday, November 5, 2024 – CCW will serve as a polling place for the General Election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. The Lorain County Board of Elections is expecting a large voter turnout. The CCW offices will be open, but we are requesting that other church activities be kept to a minimum for that day. Voting will be in the Fellowship Hall and

the Hearth Room will be used as a break room for the election workers. Thank you for your cooperation.

Monday, November 18th, Community Resource Services (CRS), Santa's Workshop – CRS will begin setting up the Fellowship Hall for Santa's Workshop on Monday November 18th, with CRS client shopping from Monday, December 9th through Thursday, December 12th, and the breakdown will be on Friday, December 13th! There will be many volunteer opportunities for Santa's Workshop, and they will be sent out/posted in the beginning of December. Please call Iris or Marie Tench with any questions or concerns.

CRS Update – CRS is currently in need of cereal, jams or jellies, hearty soups, snack crackers, canned fruit, apple sauce, boxed macaroni & cheese, & canned meats. In addition, they are completely out of pasta! Donations can be brought to church and placed in the collection area outside the sanctuary.

Health/Revive Team Update Communication from Stacey Litzler

Members of the CCW Health/Revive Team met in early October to analyze the results of a brainstorming session held to discern how best CCW can move through the REVIVE renewal process that was put forth by the American Anglican Council. The **REVIVE** process involves five areas of renewal: personal, relational, missional, structural and cultural, and CCW is presently focusing on the first two areas.

The next goal for the CCW body, as set by the team, is to Increase Engagement among members. To optimize that goal there will be both an external and an internal focus. Externally, and with the help of an advertising grant from Google, CCW will promote sermons, services and seasonal activities. Front and center will be Christmas services and Christmas community engagement, such as Operation Christmas Child, Santa's Workshop and the Women's Holiday Luncheon. Internally, the Health/Revive Team will work to ignite a renewed focus on corporate and personal PRAYER – from developing prayer lives of members to increasing awareness of – and participation in – existing prayer meetings, after-service prayer sessions and the CCW Intercessory Prayer Team.

How can you help? Please pray for the Health/Revive Team for discernment. Prayerfully consider who you might invite to CCW – especially for Christmas services. Mark your calendar to attend one of the many weekly and monthly morning and evening prayer sessions at CCW. Engage with the Intercessory Prayer Team; join in the after-service prayer time with Cody; and/or let a member of the Health/Revive Team know how we can be praying for you!

Prayer is foundational to Christian living. We are commanded by God to do it. It glorifies Him, in a world that usually does not. It helps us tap into His resurrection power and overcome trials in our lives. It helps us discern his will for us. And prayer draws us closer and closer to Him as we seek to know Him more and more.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

The members of the Health/REVIVE Team are as follows:

Gene Sherman
Cody Lang
Carol Ball
Bob Drusendahl
Stacey Litzler
Gay Borchert
Rich Kurak
Iris Neel
Sybil Mundy

Please feel free to get in touch with any of us with any questions or concerns.

Sermon Text: 1 Corinthians13:1 – 7a

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

⁴Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice at wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth.

⁷Love bears all things, believes all things,

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Giving

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God
By Dave & Jane Godfray
& Jim & Peggy Joyce
In loving memories of their parents,
Jim & Julie Marquardt

2024 Financials

| Through Sunday | 10/13/2024 |
|---|------------|
| Current Month Total Expense Budget | \$43,379 |
| Current Month Actual Revenues | \$19,284 |
| YTD Total Expense Budget | \$467,033 |
| YTD Actual Revenues | \$427,641 |
| Annual 2024 Total Expense Budget | \$555,002 |

Attendance for 10/13/2024

10:00 am - 100

Wednesday -15

Online -22