Pentecost 23 Reformation Sunday Communion Service

The Book of Common Prayer, ACNA 2019

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Vision Statement: "Our Culture"

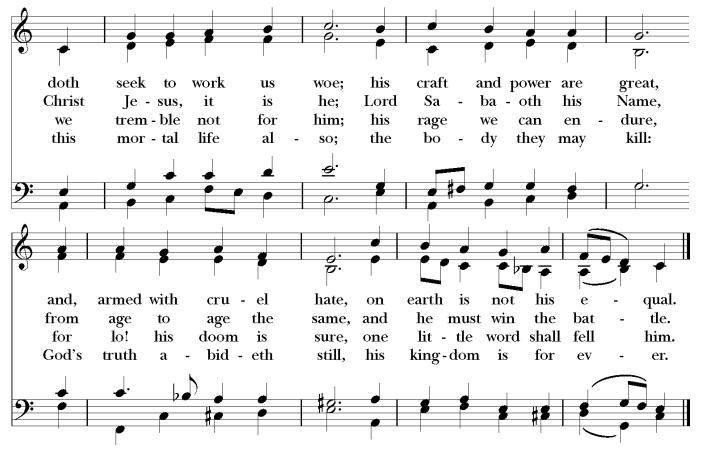
As a church of Jesus Christ, Christ Church Westshore exists to help build a great community for all people through a movement of the gospel that brings personal conversion, discipleship in community, meeting needs in the neighborhood, and cultural renewal / revival to the Westshore and, through it, to 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, November 13th at 7:30 p.m.





Words: Martin Luther (1483-1546); tr. Frederick Henry Hedge (1805-1890); based on Psalm 46 Music: Ein feste Burg, melody Martin Luther (1483-1546); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Welcome

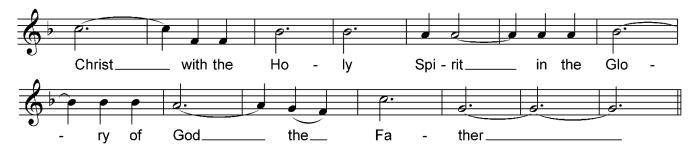
Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. *And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

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





Refrain



The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Children's Blessing & Prayer

The people sit.

The First Lesson

1 Corinthians 13:1 – 13

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 16 (*Please pray responsively by whole verse*)

- 1. Preserve me, O God, for in you have I put my trust.
- 2. O my soul, you have said unto the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."
- 3. All my delight is upon the saints who are on the earth, and upon those who excel in virtue.
- 4. But those who run after another god shall have great trouble.
- 5. Their drink offerings of blood I will not offer, neither make mention of their names with my lips.
- 6. The Lord himself is the portion of my inheritance and of my cup; you shall maintain my lot.
- 7. The boundaries have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 8. I will thank the Lord for giving me counsel; my heart also chastens me in the night season.
- 9. I have set the Lord always before me; he is at my right hand therefore I shall not fall.

- 10. Therefore, my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices. My flesh also shall rest in hope.
- 11. For you shall not leave my soul in the grave, neither shall you allow your Holy One to see corruption.
- 12. You shall show me the path of life; in your presence is the fullness of joy, and at your right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

Sequence Hymn

Speak, O Lord, v. 1

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Verse 1

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you, to receive the food of your Holy Word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us, shape and fashion us in your likeness, that the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us, all your purposes, for your Glory.

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel Matthew 7:21 – 23

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn

Speak O Lord, v. 2

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Verse 2

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility.

Test our thoughts and our attitudes, in the radiance of your purity.

Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see, your majestic love and authority.

Words of pow'r that can never fail; let their truth prevail over unbelief.

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The Sermon

Rev. Gene Sherman

The Character of Love: "Hopes All Things, Endures 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 Reformation Collect

Heavenly Father, you have set your Son Jesus Christ as head of the church and your Holy Spirit to guide her into all truth. We give you thanks for our fathers in the faith who reformed your church in ages past, and we pray that you would so guide her so that she is being continually reformed according to Your Word; we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, your son, our Lord. Amen.

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:

If anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 2:1-2 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 Andrew 10/31 Ricky Ricketts 11/1

Question for Week 45

The New City Catechism

Is baptism with water the washing away of sin itself?

No, only the blood of Christ and the renewal of the Holy Spirit can cleanse us from sin.

(Luke 3:16)

John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

The Offertory

By Faith

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Verse 1

By faith we see the hand of God, In the light of creation's grand design, In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness, Who walk by faith and not by sight.

Verse 2

By faith our fathers roamed the earth, With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts, Of a holy city built by God's own hand, A place where peace and justice reign.

Chorus

We will stand as children of the promise, We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward. Till the race is finished and the work is done, We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

Verse 3

By faith the prophets saw a day, When the longed-for Messiah would appear, With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death, And rise triumphant from the grave.

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In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev'ry corner of the earth

Verse 5
By faith the mountain shall be moved,
And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail,
For we know in Christ all things are possible,
For all who call upon His name.

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Doxology

All Creatures of Our God & King

Hymn 400, v. 7

Let all things their creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, Alleluia! Praise God the Father praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One: O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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.

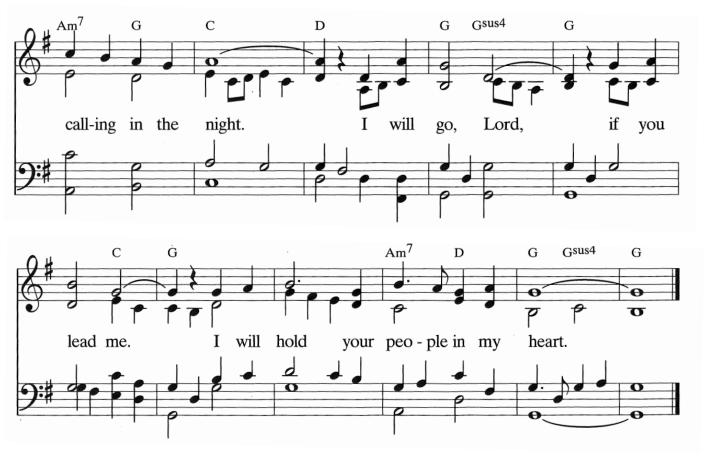
Therefore, let us keep the feast! Alleluia!

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.

Communion Music





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He Will Keep You (Psalm 121)

Kauflin & Zimmer

Verse 1

I lift my eyes and see
I need not be afraid.
All my help comes from the Lord,
Who the earth and sky has made.

Chorus

He will keep you from all evils Behind you and before. He will sustain you through this journey From now and evermore.

Verse 2

The Lord will never sleep.
My steps, He has ordained.
For the One Who holds the night
Is the Sovereign of my days.

Chorus 2X

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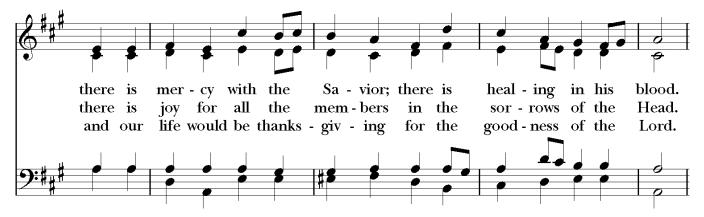
Let us pray.

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.





Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863), alt. Music: Beecher, John Zundel (1815-1882), alt.

The Dismissal

Go, in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Synod 2024 – A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who volunteered to make Synod 2024 a success! We are so grateful to each and every one of you who worked tirelessly on this event! You are a blessing to all whose lives you touch!

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, and our building and parking lot will be very busy. The CCW offices will be open, but we are requesting that other on-site church activities be kept to a minimum 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.

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!

Friday & Saturday, November 15th & 16th, "Making All Things Bright & Beautiful," at Rose Senior Living, hosted by June Love & Carroll Middlemiss – You are cordially invited to attend "Making All Things Bright & Beautiful" at Rose Senior Living (33200 Health Campus Blvd., Avon, OH) from Noon to 5:00 pm on the 15th and 10:00 am to 5:00 pm on the 16th. More information will be posted next week.

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.

November 23rd, 12:00-2:30 pm, Women's Holiday Luncheon at Cleveland Yacht Club from 12:00-2:30 pm – You are cordially invited for our annual Women's Holiday Luncheon, coordinated by Kristin Hewko! More details will be provided to you in the next couple of weeks.

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.

Sermon Text: 1 Corinthians 13

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, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹For we know in part, and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

¹³So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

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Giving

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God
By Sue Williams
In loving memory of her beloved son,
Tom Dailey,
on the date of his birth, October 29, 1969

2024 Financials

Through Sunday	10/20/2024
Current Month Total Expense Budget	\$43,379
Current Month Actual Revenues	\$24,472
YTD Total Expense Budget	\$467,033
YTD Actual Revenues	\$432,829
Annual 2024 Total Expense Budget	\$555,002

Attendance for 10/20/2024

10:00 a.m. — 114

Wednesday — 6

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