



# CHRIST OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

## Gathering Rite on Holy Baptism

September 15, 2019 -Pastor Mark Voss  
Pentecost 14

### GATHERING RITE

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

### SING:

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Bap - tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly



Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low-ly, A-mong your saints, your cho-sen



host, Bur-ied with Christ and dead to sin. Your Spir-it now shall live with - in.

P: I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit.

C: **Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.**

*John 3:5-6*

P: Surely we were sinful at birth, sinful from the time our mothers conceived us.

*Psalms 51:5*

C: **But we were washed, we were sanctified, we were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.**

*1 Corinthians 6:11*

**SING:                    My loving Father, there you took me  
                              To be hence-forth your child and heir.  
My faithful Savior, there you let me The fruit of all your sorrows share.  
                              O Holy Spirit, comfort me When threat-ning clouds around I see.**

P: As baptized children of God, we confess our sins.

**ALL:    Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

**SING:                    My faithful God, you fail me never;  
                              Your promise surely will endure.  
                              Oh, cast me not away forever If words and deeds become impure.  
                              Have mercy when I come defiled. Forgive, lift up, restore your child.**

P: Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless (*Ephesians 5:25-27*). Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**SING:    All that I am and love most dearly – Receive it all, O Lord, from me.  
                              Let me confess my faith sincerely, And help me your own child to be!  
                              Let nothing that I am or own Serve any will but yours alone.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep us who are baptized into Christ faithful in our calling as your children and make us heirs with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

*Liana Martha Miller's baptism is affirmed today. May God keep Liana and her parents, Alex and Kim, safely in his arms.*

# GOD'S WORD

## Hebrews 12:18-24 - The difference between Mt. Sinai and Mt. Zion

<sup>18</sup> You have not come to a mountain that can be touched and that is burning with fire; to darkness, gloom and storm; <sup>19</sup> to a trumpet blast or to such a voice speaking words that those who heard it begged that no further word be spoken to them, <sup>20</sup> because they could not bear what was commanded: "If even an animal touches the mountain, it must be stoned to death." <sup>21</sup> The sight was so terrifying that Moses said, "I am trembling with fear."



<sup>22</sup> But you have come to Mount Zion, to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, <sup>23</sup> to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the Judge of all, to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup> to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

Alleluia. Jesus Christ has destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia.

*1 Timothy 1:10b*

### **Luke 13:22-30 – A narrow door - a limitless horizon**

<sup>22</sup> Then Jesus went through the towns and villages, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem. <sup>23</sup> Someone asked him, “Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?”

He said to them, <sup>24</sup> “Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to. <sup>25</sup> Once the owner of the house gets up and closes the door, you will stand outside knocking and pleading, ‘Sir, open the door for us.’

“But he will answer, ‘I don’t know you or where you come from.’ <sup>26</sup> “Then you will say, ‘We ate and drank with you, and you taught in our streets.’ <sup>27</sup> “But he will reply, ‘I don’t know you or where you come from. Away from me, all you evildoers!’

<sup>28</sup> “There will be weeping there, and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but you yourselves thrown out. <sup>29</sup> People will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. <sup>30</sup> Indeed there are those who are last who will be first, and first who will be last.”

**HYMN OF THE DAY - "The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace" CW 288 vv 1-4**

# **A Narrow Door – An Unlimited Horizon**

**based on Luke 13:22-30**

## **THE THIRD ARTICLE**

**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.**

*What does this mean?*

**I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to him.**

**But the Holy Spirit has called me by the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way he calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.**

**In this Christian church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers.**

**On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.**

**This is most certainly true.**

## **OFFERING AND SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP REGISTER**

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**P: We pray for all who follow Christ -**

**Those who follow him through difficult decisions;**

**Those who follow him through sickness,**

**And those who follow him in time of crisis and protection.**

**C: Lead on, Lord Christ, with gentle healing, guidance, and protection.**

**P: We pray for those whose discipleship brings special challenges -**

**Those who live with disabilities every day;**

**The lonely whose services goes unnoticed;**

**And all whose ministry is hampered by opposition.**

**C: Lead on, Lord Christ, and, by your Spirit, empower your church.**

**P: We pray for all who await the Church's mission:**

**The poor and the alienated;**

**The lost who live without faith and hope of heaven;**

**The hungry and the homeless;**

**And the despairing facing the darkness of depression.**

**C: Lead on, Lord Christ, and move your Church to see the urgent needs around us and to respond without delay. In your strong name. Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER** 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen

# LORD'S SUPPER

*Our church practices membership communion. We ask that only members of our church body, the Wisconsin Lutheran Synod, partake of the sacrament.*

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTUION AND HYMN - *"We All Are One in Mission"*

CW 566

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## BLESSING

P: The almighty and merciful Lord - the Father, the Son, and the Holy spirit - bless us and keep us.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN - *"Almighty Father, Bless the Word"*

CW 323

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Al - migh - ty Fa-ther, bless the Word Which through your grace we now have heard.  
We praise you for the means of grace As home - ward now our steps we trace.

Oh, may the pre-cious seed take root, Spring up, and bear a-bun - dant fruit.  
Grant, Lord, that we who wor-shiped here May all at last in heav'n ap - pear. A-men.

# CALENDAR

Today	8 & 10:30a Worship with Communion 9:15a Sunday School 9:15a Town/Voter Meeting 12p Catechism
Monday	Calendar & Newsletter Deadline
Tuesday	7p COR Women's Group
Wednesday	7p Sunday School Staff 7:15p Choir
Thursday	8a Breakfast Bible Study 3:30p Snapology - COR School 7p Worship 7:45p Bible Study
Friday	3:15p School Open Forum

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FLOWERS:** The flowers adorning our altar this morning are given in honor of Ray and Stacey Seggelke's Twentieth Wedding Anniversary. Ray and Stacey were the first couple married here at COR after the dedication of our addition. God's blessings to them.

**THANK YOU:** Our thanks to everyone who helped put the FUN in our Family Festival and make it such a successful event. Well done!

**COR WOMEN'S GROUP:** We will meet this Tuesday at 7p. Please join us!

**TODAY:** Town/Voter Meeting! Please come and share this opportunity to hear about and discuss COR's ministry.

**SCHOOL OPEN FORUM:** Friday from 3:15-4:15p (time coincides with the students soccer drills). This is an opportunity to speak with Pastor and the Faculty. We'll be discussing the school year up to this point in time, upcoming events, and any other parent topics.

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at 7p

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- A warm welcome to our visitors. May the Lord bless your worship with us today. We ask that you please sign the friendship register located at the end of the pew.
- Children – Activity bags are available in the coat room, off the narthex. During our service a staffed nursery is located straight ahead and to your left as you exit the sanctuary. While we encourage young children to be in the service, families may like to use the nursery and are invited to do so.
- Please let an usher know if you require a larger print bulletin.
- Our services can also be viewed online. Go to our website [corchurch.com](http://corchurch.com) and click on Video Broadcast.
- As a member of Christ Our Redeemer we are connected to each other through our unity of faith and the public confession of that faith in Lord's Supper. To read what our profession of faith is, go to [www.corchurch.com](http://www.corchurch.com) and click on "Our Beliefs" or take a copy of the tract "What We Believe" in the Visitor Information Center kiosk. To become a member of our church family, please speak with the pastor.