

Sunday, June 19, 2022

**He  
went away,  
proclaiming...**

**how much**

**JESUS**

**had  
done  
for him**

LUKE 8:39

***Christ's Lutheran Church  
Murrysville, Pennsylvania***

# **CHRIST'S CHURCH FOR ALL PEOPLE**

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**We welcome you** to our church's house of worship. If you are new to worship in the Lutheran church, this introduction will guide you through the worship service. The prayers, responses, and service music are all printed in this bulletin. You will need to use the red Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) hymnals for the hymns.

**Communion** - All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion during today's service. Children, who have not previously received Holy Communion, may also come forward for a special blessing. When you come to the altar, you can either kneel or remain standing. We offer both wheat and gluten-free wafers, and both wine and grape juice during our celebrations of Holy Communion. If you would like to receive grape juice today, please take a glass from the tray that has already been filled with juice when you come forward. If you would like to receive a gluten-free wafer, all that you need to do is let Pastor Wayne know when he is giving you the bread.

**Children are always welcome at worship.** If your child needs to move around, please feel free to walk him/her in the rear area of the sanctuary. The rest rooms (with diaper decks) are located in the hallway to the right of the entryway. At the back of the sanctuary, you'll find a basket with cloth bags containing activities for children age 3 and older. Feel free to allow your child to borrow a bag for quiet entertainment during services. With the exception of any artwork your child creates (feel free to tear out), we ask that you return the contents to the bag, and the bag to the basket at the back of the church, after our service.

**Please take a moment to silence your cell phone. Thank you.**

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# **The Second Sunday after Pentecost**

*(Please take a moment to silence your electronic devices)*

## **PRELUDE**

*"Festive Trumpet Tune"*

David German

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SHARING OF CONCERNS**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

**C: Amen**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: Merciful God,

**C: we confess that we have not followed your path  
but have chosen our own way.**

**Instead of putting others before ourselves,  
we long to take the best seats at the table.**

**When met by those in need,**

**we have too often passed by on the other side.**

**Set us again on the path of life.**

**Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

P: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

**C: Amen**

## **GATHERING HYMN**

*"God Whose Almighty Word"*

ELW #673

## **GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world, In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

## FIRST READING: Isaiah 65:1-9

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask,  
to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here I am, here I am,"  
to a nation that did not call on my name.

<sup>2</sup> I held out my hands all day long  
to a rebellious people,  
who walk in a way that is not good,  
following their own devices;

<sup>3</sup> a people who provoke me  
to my face continually,  
sacrificing in gardens  
and offering incense on bricks;

<sup>4</sup> who sit inside tombs  
and spend the night in secret places;  
who eat the flesh of pigs,  
with broth of abominable things in their vessels;

<sup>5</sup> who say, "Keep to yourself;  
do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."  
These are a smoke in my nostrils,  
a fire that burns all day long.

<sup>6</sup> See, it is written before me:  
I will not keep silent, but I will repay;

I will indeed repay into their laps

<sup>7</sup> their<sup>[a]</sup> iniquities and their<sup>[b]</sup> ancestors' iniquities together,  
says the LORD;

because they offered incense on the mountains  
and reviled me on the hills,

I will measure into their laps  
full payment for their actions.

<sup>8</sup> Thus says the LORD:

As the wine is found in the cluster,  
and they say, "Do not destroy it,  
for there is a blessing in it,"

so I will do for my servants' sake  
and not destroy them all.

<sup>9</sup> I will bring forth descendants from Jacob  
and from Judah inheritors of my mountains;  
my chosen shall inherit it,  
and my servants shall settle there.

## SECOND READING: Galatians 3:23-29

<sup>23</sup> Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup> Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be reckoned as righteous by faith. <sup>25</sup> But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, <sup>26</sup> for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. <sup>27</sup> As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. <sup>28</sup> There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup> And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring,<sup>[b]</sup> heirs according to the promise.

## Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

## **GOSPEL: Luke 8:26-39**

<sup>26</sup> Then they arrived at the region of the Gerasenes,<sup>[a]</sup> which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup> As he stepped out on shore, a man from the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had not worn<sup>[b]</sup> any clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup> When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, shouting, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me," <sup>29</sup> for Jesus<sup>[c]</sup> had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) <sup>30</sup> Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup> They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. <sup>32</sup> Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding, and the demons<sup>[d]</sup> begged Jesus<sup>[e]</sup> to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup> Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd stampeded down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. <sup>34</sup> When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup> Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they became frightened. <sup>36</sup> Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. <sup>37</sup> Then the whole throng of people of the surrounding region of the Gerasenes<sup>[f]</sup> asked Jesus<sup>[g]</sup> to leave them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup> The man from whom the demons had gone out begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup> "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

*Pastor Wayne Gillespie*

*(please be seated)*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"*

ELW #611

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe 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, 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.

## THE PRAYERS

P: Lord in your mercy, (*after each petition*)

C: hear our prayer.

## TODAY, WE ARE INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN OUR PRAYERS:

Patty Badali, Katie Buehner, Patti Federovich, James Holt, Kurt Landsberg, Jr., Charlie Meade, Tom Moog, Linda O'Donnell, Karen Pfeleiderer and Susan Werner.



P: Gracious God, we lift to you these prayers and the prayers of our hearts, trusting in your everlasting love and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

**OFFERING for God's work through the Church** (*please be seated*)  
*This is a time in our service that we use to remember that all that we are, all that we have and all that we do is an offering to God. If you would like to support our ministry through automatic, electronic giving, you can*

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*The Offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared.*

## OFFERTORY

*"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

Paul Manz

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus.

C: Amen

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Musical notation for 'The Great Thanksgiving' in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . (*concluding*)  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
 pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### LORD'S PRAYER *(all)*

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.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

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.

## HOLY COMMUNION

*(When Communion is finished, please stand)*

**P:** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen.**

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**A:** Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friends and strangers, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

**C: Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

**P:** The God of peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

**C: Amen**

## “AARON’S BLESSING”

Pastor Wayne Gillespie

**May the Lord bless and keep you forever.  
May the Lord always be by your side.  
May the Lord make His face shine upon you,  
and be gracious to you ev’ry day.  
May the Lord give you peace on your journey.  
May God’s love and peace fill your heart.  
May the Lord bless and keep you forever.  
May the Lord always be by your side.**

## SENDING HYMN

*“Lord of Glory, You Have Brought Us”*

ELW #707

## THE DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Jesus is with you on the way.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*“Toccata on Gaudemus Pariter”*

*James Biery*

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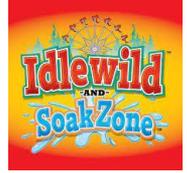
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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. A big “Thank You” is extended to our readers, worship assistants, reconcilers, Tech Team, and to the many other helpers who made this weekend’s services possible. This week, we especially thank: Amy Lederer, Susie Lasher, Cindy Shaner, Pam Zimmerman and Sandy Buehner.
2. **Family Picnic!** Join us for a Family Day Picnic at Idlewild Park on July 23<sup>rd</sup>! We look forward to spending the day together riding rides, soaking up the sun and enjoying each other’s company followed by a short worship service at the park. Members can

receive tickets for 50% off! Look for the sign-up sheets in the entryway and more details to follow!



3. We are excited to announce that our Monthly Men's Breakfast has resumed. We will continue to meet in our Church's lower Social Hall on the third Saturday of the month. Look for a sign-up sheet in the Lobby as we get closer! We are looking forward to re-connecting and seeing some new faces! There is only one requirement is that you bring an appetite! See you there – Ron Spagna & George Meade
  
4. **Sanctuary Singers!** rehearsals on Sunday mornings have begun and we still have openings for additional singers. We begin rehearsal at 9:00 a.m. in the choir room and finish around 9:45 a.m. Come join us on Sunday mornings and become a part of the music ministry of Christ's Lutheran Church.
  
5. You will notice that some "old friends" have returned. We have returned the Baptismal Font to its usual place and invite you to pause at the Font and, perhaps, draw the sign of the Cross on your forehead as a way of remembering your Baptism when you come forward for Holy Communion. We have, also, placed the Book of Blessings in the Entryway and are encouraging you to take a moment to think about a way that God has blessed you in the last week and write that blessing in the book.
  
6. We are broadcasting our Sunday morning worship service each week. If you do not want to be seen during the broadcast, we are asking you to not sit in the front two pews. You can, also, avoid being seen during the broadcast during Holy Communion if you commune on the left (pulpit) side of the church.
  
7. Please remember that you need to send any announcements that you would like us to include in our weekly bulletins to the Church Office no later than noon on Wednesday (to provide time needed for bulletin preparation and printing). The deadline for submitting

information you want us to include in our monthly newsletter is due at the end of the business day on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the preceding month.

- CHRIST'S LITTLE PANTRY!** Are you, or someone you know, experiencing food insecurity? Our church now has "Christ's Little Panty". If you need food, "Take what you need". If you have extra food to share, "Leave what you can". Please share our story, so no one goes hungry. **If you have food to donate, please feel free to put it into the pantry at any time.** The Pantry is in our lower parking lot.



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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – June 26, 2022

## Sunday 6/19

10:00 am

7:30 pm

## Happy Father's Day

Sunday Morning Worship

NA Meeting

## Monday 6/20

5:00 pm

8:00 pm

NOCC Meeting – Upstairs

AA Meeting

## Tuesday 6/21

9:00 am

9:00 am

Kindermusik

Sewing Group

## Wednesday 6/22

10:30 am & 5:30 pm

6:00 pm

Kindermusik

Girls Scouts

## Thursday 6/23

9:00 am

Kindermusik

## Friday 6/24

## Saturday 6/25

6:00 pm

Saturday Evening Worship

## Sunday 6/26

10:00 am

7:30 pm

Sunday Morning Worship

Narcotics Anonymous Meeting