

# Christ the Servant - Lakeview



*Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*  
*July 5, 2026*

*I will  
give you  
rest*

**MATTHEW 11:28**



The mystery of God's ways is sometimes hidden from the wise and intelligent. The prophet describes an everlasting realm that contrasts with earthly nations, one marked by peace, humility, and freedom. Jesus associates with those excluded from the religious community. Like Paul, we struggle with selfish desires; we lament flawed systems; and we seek God's mercy and forgiveness. We gather around word, water, and meal by Christ's invitation: "Come to me, all you that are weary." Here we find rest for our souls and hope for life in beloved community.

*Welcome to Christ the Servant Lutheran Church*

## **PRELUDE**

## **WELCOME**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, source of hope in every nation, rest for the weary, glory and peace to the ends of the earth.

**Amen.**

Let us bring every burden to God.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God of all mercy,

**we have sinned against you, our neighbors, and your creation. Within ourselves and our communities, our desire to do what is good is at war with the evil that dwells in us. We lament the evil that holds us captive. We repent of the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Rescue us, forgive us, and restore us for lives of compassion and courage through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

All-merciful, Almighty God forgive you all your sins through the grace of † Jesus Christ, and by the Spirit's power strengthen you in doing what is good.

**Amen.**

## **GATHERING HYMN - GOOD, GOOD FATHER**

### *VERSE 1*

*I'VE HEARD A THOUSAND STORIES  
OF WHAT THEY THINK YOU'RE LIKE  
BUT I'VE HEARD THE TENDER WHISPER  
OF LOVE IN THE DEAD OF NIGHT  
YOU TELL ME THAT YOU'RE PLEASED  
AND THAT I'M NEVER ALONE*

### *CHORUS*

*YOU'RE A GOOD GOOD FATHER  
IT'S WHO YOU ARE  
IT'S WHO YOU ARE  
IT'S WHO YOU ARE  
AND I'M LOVED BY YOU  
IT'S WHO I AM  
IT'S WHO I AM  
It's who I am*

Verse 2

*I've seen many searching for answers  
Far and wide  
But I know we're all searching for answers  
Only You provide  
Because You know just what we need  
Before we say a word*

Bridge

*You are perfect in all of Your ways  
You are perfect in all of Your ways  
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us*

Verse 3

*Love so undeniable I can hardly speak  
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think  
As You call me deeper still  
As You call me deeper still  
As You call me deeper still  
Into love love love*

**GREETING**

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

**And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

**FIRST READING - Zechariah 9:9-12**

<sup>9</sup> Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!  
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!  
See, your king comes to you;  
triumphant and victorious is he,  
humble and riding on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

<sup>10</sup> He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim  
and the war horse from Jerusalem;  
and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall command peace to the nations;  
his dominion shall be from sea to sea  
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

<sup>11</sup> As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,  
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

<sup>12</sup> Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;  
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 145:8-14**

<sup>8</sup> The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

<sup>9</sup> **LORD, you are good to all,  
and your compassion is over all your works.**

<sup>10</sup> All your works shall praise you, O LORD,  
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

<sup>11</sup> **They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom  
and speak of your power,**

<sup>12</sup> that all people may know of your power  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

<sup>13</sup> **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion  
endures through-out all ages. You, LORD, are faithful in all  
your words, and loving in all your works.**

<sup>14</sup> The Lord upholds all those who fall  
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

**SECOND READING - ROMANS 7:15-25A**

<sup>15</sup> I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want,  
but I do the very thing I hate. <sup>16</sup> Now if I do what I do not want, I  
agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup> But in fact it is no longer I who do it but  
sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup> For I know that the good does not dwell  
within me, that is, in my flesh. For the desire to do the good lies  
close at hand, but not the ability. <sup>19</sup> For I do not do the good I want,  
but the evil I do not want is what I do. <sup>20</sup> Now if I do what I do not  
want, it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me.

<sup>21</sup> So I find it to be a law that, when I want to do what is good, evil  
lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup> For I delight in the law of God in my inmost  
self, <sup>23</sup> but I see in my members another law at war with the law of  
my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my  
members. <sup>24</sup> Wretched person that I am! Who will rescue me from

this body of death? <sup>25a</sup> Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Word of God, Word of Life.  
Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL - MATTHEW 11:16-19, 25-30

The Gospel according to Matthew, the eleventh chapter.  
Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] <sup>16</sup> “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

<sup>17</sup> ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

<sup>18</sup> “For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; <sup>19</sup> the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

<sup>20</sup> Then he began to reproach the cities in which most of his deeds of power had been done because they did not repent. <sup>21</sup>

“Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. <sup>22</sup> But I tell you, on the day of judgment it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon than for you. <sup>23</sup> And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven?

No, you will be brought down to Hades.

“For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. <sup>24</sup> But I tell you that on the day of judgment it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom than for you.”

<sup>25</sup> At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup> yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup> All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

<sup>28</sup> “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and

learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON - Pastor Jon

HYMN OF THE DAY -

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - RESPONSE: Hear our prayer.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERING HYMN - HOW GREAT THOU ART



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der Con-sid-er  
2 When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der, I hear the  
3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar-ing, Sent him to  
4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac-cla-ma-tion, And take me



all the \*worlds thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the \*roll-ing  
birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; When I look down from loft-y moun-tain  
die, I scarce can take it in, That on the cross my bur-den glad-ly  
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad-o-



thun-der, Thy pow'r through-out the u-ni-verse dis-played;  
gran-deur And hear the brook and feel the gen-tle breeze;  
bear-ing He bled and died to take a-way my sin;  
ra-tion And there pro-claim, "My God, how great thou art!"



Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to thee, How great thou



art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to



thee, How great thou art! How great thou art!

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## OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, for waves of grain and harvesters,  
fruitful vines and winepresses, for our labor and our rest,  
for the gifts of your hand in this land. Transform us and what  
we offer into the banquet of your compassion, serving your  
love without limits through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
Amen.

## HOLY COMMUNION

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.  
And also 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.

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### LORD'S PRAYER

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

### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

#### COMMUNION HYMN - BECAUSE HE LIVES

Verse 1  
God sent His Son they called Him Jesus  
He came to love heal and forgive  
He bled and died to buy my pardon  
An empty grave is there to prove  
My Savior lives

Chorus  
Because He lives I can face tomorrow  
Because He lives all fear is gone  
Because I know He holds the future  
And life is worth the living  
Just because He lives

Verse 2  
How sweet to hold our newborn baby  
And feel the pride and joy he gives  
But greater still the calm assurance  
This child can face uncertain days  
Because Christ lives

Verse 3  
And then one day I'll cross that river  
I'll fight life's final war with pain  
And then as death gives way to vict'ry  
I'll see the lights of glory  
And I'll know He reigns

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

We thank you, God of heaven and earth, that you fill our  
deepest need with the very gift of Jesus Christ, broken and  
poured out for us. Pour us out into a broken world. Channel  
our common life toward the common good, following the way  
our Savior leads us now and forever.  
Amen.

### COMMUNITY LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### BLESSING

#### SENDING HYMN - FOR THE LORD OUR GOD

Verse 1  
Let the earth and heavens rejoice  
For the Lord our God reigns  
Ev'ry child of God lift your voice  
For the Lord our God reigns

Chorus  
Jesus Emmanuel  
He has set us free  
Hopeless souls redeemed to tell

For the Lord our God reigns  
For the Lord our God reigns

Verse 2

Ev'ry heart be filled with His light  
For the Lord our God reigns  
All the hopeless dance with delight  
For the Lord our God reigns

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Seek liberty and justice for all.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

## Announcements

### Statistics

The attendance on Sunday, June 28 was 56. 17 attended online.  
This week's offerings to General Fund: \$1,933 Received online:  
\$2,201

### First Monday Book Club

The First Monday Book Club will meet on Monday, July 6 at 10:30 at church to discuss their current read, *Five Wishes of Mr. Murray McBride*. All are welcome to join the book club! Next month's read is *Peace Like a River*.

### El Paso Mission Trip

Four adult participants from CSLC will be traveling to El Paso, TX to host a VBS in Juarez, Mexico July 18-25. The group will also be providing lunch for the children attending VBS. (It could be up to 150 children!) Stay abreast of the trip happenings via the CSLC website and Facebook page.

CSLC members Mary Barlau, Cindy Karrick, Lori Moore, and Wendy Schulze are each paying their own way, but could use some help with the supplies they'll need. Mark your donation "Mission Trip Support."

### Did You Know?

CSLC has a lost and found located in the coat room nearest the office. If you have lost anything at church in recent months check there, and if you find something missing its owner please deliver it to the lost and found.

### Simply Giving

CSLC participates in a program called Simply Giving® that allows members to set up recurring contributions directly from a savings or checking account with zero fees to the church. Forms are available at the Welcome Desk. If you have questions about the program, contact Terri at [office@cslcvh.org](mailto:office@cslcvh.org).

### UPCOMING DATES:

July 18-25	El Paso Mission Trip
August 4	Night to Unite
August 6	Blood Drive
August 10-16	Vadnais Heights Days
August 16	Worship in the Park (Koehler Meadows)
August 23	Bp. Justin Grimm preaching

**THIS WEEK AT CHRIST THE SERVANT**

**Today: Sunday, July 5 - Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

9:30 AM - Worship  
10:30 AM - Sunday Funday Outdoor Celebration

**Monday, July 6**

9:00 AM - Package Bread and Delivery  
12:00 PM - Piecemakers (FH)

**Tuesday, July 7**

7:00 AM - Bread Preparation (FH)  
8:30 AM - Bread Distribution (FH)  
6:00 PM - VH Green Team  
6:30 PM - AA (FH)

**Wednesday, July 8**

10:00 AM - Bible Study (FH)  
6:00 PM - Youth  
7:00 PM - AA Meeting (Class A)

**Thursday, July 9**

**Friday, July 10**

**Saturday, July 11**

11:00 AM - Revelation Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
12:00 PM - UCG Church (S/K/FH)

**Sunday, July 12 - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

9:00 AM - Worship  
10:00 AM - Fellowship

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY! THANK YOU!**

Greeter: Katie Wright  
Ushers: Tigges family  
Reader: Linda Wigdahl  
Sound Booth: Tim, Tom, Peter, Kim, Jayson, Tony  
Communion Assistants: OPEN  
Musicians: Jim Mason  
Coffee Servers: Jacky & Karen  
Bread Pickup: Jan Jarvinen  
Counters: Mike Woehrle, Tim Kelvie, Sandy Meyer  
Flowers: Kathy Payne, in honor of Emily's birthday.

**PRAYER REQUESTS...**

We pray for those in need of healing and mercy:  
Dale, Mark (Joan's son), Margie P., Nita L., Crystal (daughter in law of Linda S.) Sarah K., Carol W., Mark (brother of Sarah K.) Michelle, (Sister of Linda W.), Mary-Kay L., Laiden S., Sharon G., Brian I, Steve, Paul S., Roger K., Salomie (sister-in-law of Peter), Patty W. (sister of Mike W.) , Greg and Pam, Greg was recently diagnosed with cancer (sister/brother in-law of Dawn N.) Jerry, injury in a fall (brother of Linda W.), Mary J., Clarice, Mark, Kurt S., Jean A., Joan W., Cortni, Jayden & family

(Please call the church office with prayer concerns or updates.)

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