

HOLY COMMUNION



Christ brings a dead boy back to life
June 6, 2010 + 10:00 a.m.

Central - in the heart of the city, welcomes all people to celebrate, discover and share the love of Christ

Christ is the compassionate physician who cares for us

The Time after Pentecost is a teaching time, a growing time, in the life of the church. Today's texts celebrate God's ability and intention to provide us with a new lease on life. To that end we gather today with the whole people of God to be instructed by the word and nourished in the blessed sacrament.

*The Holy Spirit gathers
us in unity
on the first day
of the week, the day of
Christ's resurrection*

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Quartet in d minor"

Georg Philipp Telemann

*At the sound of the carillon the assembly stands
and faces the cross as it is carried into the sanctuary during the hymn.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

(hymn) 836

stanza 2 in harmony

GREETING

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

A And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

*God speaks to us in
scripture reading,
preaching,
and song*

*Having offered hospitality to
Elijah, a widow in Zarephath
loses her son to an illness.
Through prayer, Elijah
restores the boy to life, and
the joyful mother
acknowledges that Elijah is
indeed a man of God.*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☞ ...who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
- ☞ **Amen.**

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children are invited to come forward; parents are welcome to come with their children.

FIRST READING *Elijah revives a widow's son* 1 Kings 17:17-24

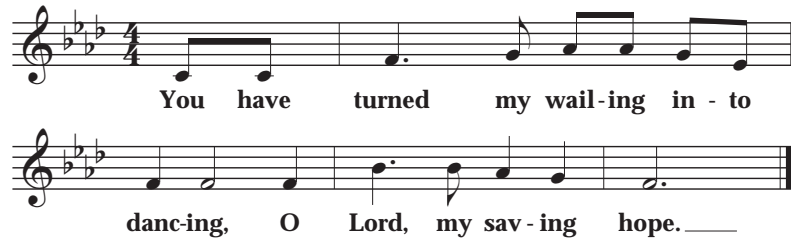
The son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill; his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him.
¹⁸ She said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance, and to cause the death of my son!"
¹⁹ But he said to her, "Give me your son."
 He took him from her bosom, carried him up into the upper chamber where he was lodging, and laid him on his own bed. ²⁰ He cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I am staying, by killing her son?"
²¹ Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again."
²² The LORD listened to the voice of Elijah; the life of the child came into him again, and he revived.
²³ Elijah took the child, brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and gave him to his mother; then Elijah said, "See, your son is alive." ²⁴ So the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

Word of God, word of life.

- ☞ **Thanks be to God.**



A Refrain
All Refrain



A I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up,
 and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
 O Lord my God, I cried out to you,
 and you restored me to health.

You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead;
 you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
 Sing to the Lord, you servants of his;
 give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

All Refrain

A God's wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye,
 God's favor for a lifetime.
 Weeping may spend the night, but joy comes in the morning.

While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.
 You, Lord, with your favor, made me strong as the mountains."
 Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.

All Refrain

A I cried out to you, O Lord;
 I pleaded with the Lord saying,
 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit?
 Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?"

Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper.
 You have turned my wailing into dancing,
 you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.
 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;
 O Lord, I will give you thanks forever.

All Refrain

SECOND READING *Jesus Christ is revealed* Galatians 1:11–24

The apostle and church-planter Paul tells the story of his ministry given to him by Jesus Christ. In the midst of grave tension in his church in Galatia, he assures his congregation that his work is centered in the pure gospel of Jesus Christ, unlike the other teachers among them.

Paul writes:
 I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin;¹² for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

¹³ You have heard, no doubt, of my earlier life in Judaism. I was violently persecuting the church of God and was trying to destroy it.¹⁴ I advanced in Judaism beyond many among my people of the same age, for I was far more zealous for the traditions of my ancestors.¹⁵ But when God, who had set me apart before I was born and called me through his grace, was pleased¹⁶ to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with any human being,¹⁷ nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were already apostles before me, but I went away at once into Arabia, and afterwards I returned to Damascus.

¹⁸ Then after three years I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days; ¹⁹ but I did not see any other apostle except James the Lord's brother. ²⁰ In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie! ²¹ Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia, ²² and I was still unknown by sight to the churches of Judea that are in Christ; ²³ they only heard it said, "The one who formerly was persecuting us is now proclaiming the faith he once tried to destroy." ²⁴ And they glorified God because of me.

Word of God, word of life.

AD Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly welcomes the Gospel.



Jesus' ministry bears witness to God's coming reign, where the lowly are shown mercy and the dead are raised. Here, Jesus ministers to a widow by raising her only son to life.



GOSPEL *Jesus revives a widow's son* Luke 7:11-17

The holy gospel according to Luke.

AD Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus] went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. ¹² As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. ¹³ When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, "Do not weep." ¹⁴ Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, rise!" ¹⁵ The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. ¹⁶ Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us!" and "God has looked favorably on his people!" ¹⁷ This word about him spread throughout Judea and all the surrounding country.

The gospel of the Lord.

AD Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Kristen Jacobson

HYMN OF THE DAY

(hymn) 452

"Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death"

stanza 1 - all; 2 - men; 3 - all in harmony; 4 - women; 5 - all in harmony

APOSTLES' CREED

A We have been made God's people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.**

*God feeds us
with the presence
of Jesus Christ*

**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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
let us pray for the church, those in need,
and all of God's creation.

after each petition:

God of mercy,

AD **hear our prayer.**

P Receive these our prayers, O God,
and give us all that we need for this day and the days to come.
In Jesus' name we pray.

AD **Amen.**

MEAL

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

AD **And also with you.**

The assembly is invited to share God's peace with one another.

GATHERING OF GIFTS

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set. After the offering is gathered, bread, wine, money, and other gifts are brought forward. The assembly stands as the procession reaches the chancel.

"Sheep May Safely Graze"

J. S. Bach

Offertory Prayer

A Let us pray together.

AD **God of sun and rain, farm and flower, we praise you for your wonderful creation and your all-sustaining care. Receive these tokens of our gratitude, and may our lives reflect the goodness and love shown in your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

AD **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

AD **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

AD **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



All are invited to receive these gifts of God.

Children are welcome to receive communion or a blessing.

Communion at this service is served standing by individual chalices. Please follow the direction of the ushers to a communion station. You are invited to kneel following communion if you desire.

Grape juice and gluten-free bread are available upon request.

God blesses and sends us in mission to the world

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... join their unending hymn:

The presider continues with the Great Thanksgiving concluding:

Lord's Prayer (1975)

A **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.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread and Invitation to the Table

Communion

"Concerto in a minor"
 "Ave Maria"
 Selections from "Capriol Suite"

Georg Philipp Telemann
 Igor Stravinsky
 Peter Warlock

Prayer after Communion

P ...through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A **Amen**

silence for reflection

SENDING

BLESSING

A **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

"You Are the Way"

(hymn) 758
 stanzas 2 & 3 in harmony

DISMISSAL

Please face the processional cross for the dismissal.

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

A **Thanks be to God.**

The carillon sends the assembly into mission.

Please exit the north doors for fellowship on the north plaza.

Brief sanctuary tours will be offered this morning following the postlude.

POSTLUDE

“Arrival of the Queen of Sheba” from *Solomon*

G. F. Handel

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SERVING TODAY

Pastor D. Foy Christopherson	<i>presiding</i>
Pastor Kristen Jacobson	<i>preaching</i>
Melanie Freimuth	<i>assisting minister</i>
Mark Sedio	<i>cantor/organist</i>
Diane Nimmer	<i>reader</i>
Stringwinds,	<i>music ensemble</i>
Sara Preus	<i>violin</i>
Mary C. Preus	<i>flute</i>
Jonathan Preus	<i>clarinet</i>
Terry Wilson	<i>bassoon</i>
Debbie Richman	<i>psalm cantor</i>
Mark Brodin	<i>sound operator</i>
Richard Stegall	<i>sacristan</i>
Leon Tibben	<i>crucifer</i>
Harold Clough	<i>radio announcer</i>
Shanti & Anika Austvold, Dick & Linda Shinofield, Chuck & Joyce Anderson	<i>hosts and greeters</i>



Chancel flowers today are given in celebration of Orville and Phyllis Skaalrud's 60th wedding anniversary on June 10th by Lee and Janet Skaalrud, Tasha and Val, Diane and Larry Abbas, Derek and Kevin. If you wish to donate flowers contact Gloria Hahn at 952-545-6109.

ASK THE PRESIDERS

Pastor Christopherson, today's presiding minister and our pastor for worship and hospitality, will be available after worship this morning in the west transept chapel to answer any questions you may have about today's liturgy, our worship life, or our hospitality ministries. Guests are welcome. He'll meet you there after greeting worshipers on their way to north plaza fellowship. This is part of our tours and docents ministry at Central.



Large print service folders,
assisted listening devices, and access seating
are available to aid your participation in worship.
Please inquire with an usher.



WELCOME!



Everyone is welcome. As a community of the people of God, the members of Central Lutheran Church are called to welcome all people regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ “there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male or female” (Galatians 3:28). Christ has made us one.

Guests are welcome. We are pleased you are worshiping with us today. We invite guests to complete the “Welcome to Central” card found in the pew racks and leave it with an usher or place it in the offering plate. If you would like more information about Central, please contact us at 612-870-4416, or email info@centralmpls.org.

Children are welcome at all services. Worship bulletins for children and activity bags are available at sanctuary entrances. If you would prefer to use Central’s nursery (available for children ages four and younger), you will find it up the steps from the information desk at the south entrance (across from the fellowship hall). An usher or greeter will be glad to assist you.

Welcome to the Lord’s Table. All are welcome at the Lord’s Table. Please follow the guidance of the ushers and instructions in the order of service. During communion, ministers will bring bread and wine to persons in designated access seating areas. If you are not in a designated access seating area and desire to commune where you are seated, please notify an usher who will direct communion ministers to come and serve you. Communion may be received in one kind (only bread or only wine) from any station if wheat bread or alcohol presents a health concern. Gluten-free breads and alcohol-free wine are available by request at most liturgies from most communion stations.

We envision becoming a thriving, vibrant model of urban Lutheran ministry for the 21st century. This lofty vision requires us to ask each day if our goals for worship, learning, and service are clearly reaching a diverse neighborhood and city in language and action that reflect the world as well as our heritage.

Sunday worship is broadcast locally on WDGY 740 AM at 11 a.m.; or listen online from anywhere at wdgyradio.com. To sponsor a Sunday morning radio broadcast or refreshments in honor or memory of a loved one or a special occasion, contact Barbara Brown at 612.767-9210.

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