



Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Set Free

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

12:00 pm



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From Fear

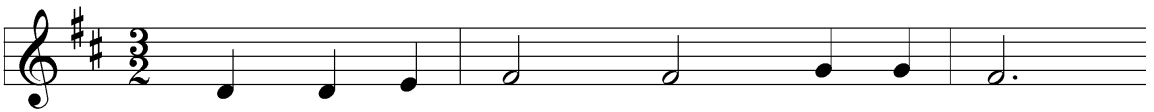
Matthew 10: 24-33

Worship Leader **Pastor Timothy Denney**
Preacher **Pastor Mark Braun**

Prayer: O God, release me from the emptiness of a life of sin. In the midst of my oppressive weakness, restore to me the joy of your salvation. Remind me of the cross on which your Son bore the guilt of my sin. Remind me of the empty tomb by which he gained for me the freedom to live. Thank you, God my father, for the joy and peace that revive me and restore me to live in and for you. In your Son's name I pray. Amen.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

“O Gracious Lord, with Love Draw Near”

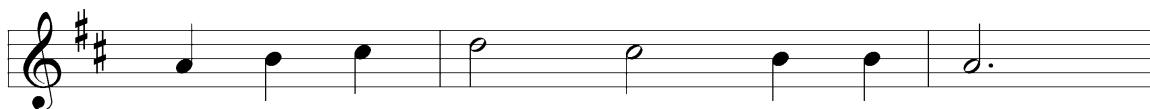


1 O gra - cious Lord, with love draw near
2 Com - plete the work you have be - gun
3 De - liv - er them from ev - 'ry wile,
4 Lord, keep them firm in their in - tent
5 O Fa - ther grant that by your grace
6 Then robed in white be - fore your throne,

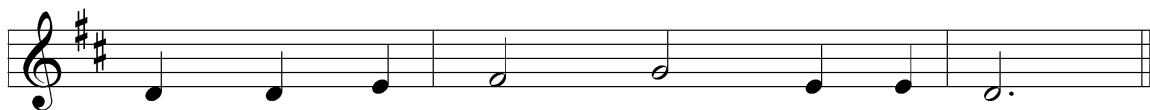


To these, your chil - dren gath - ered here;
In these u - nit - ed to your Son,
From all that would their hearts be - guile,
To you, your Word, and sac - ra - ment.
They may your will each day em - brace,
Your ho - ly saints, by you fore - known—

To avoid disruptions, please silence your cell phones before worship.



The Spir - it's gift in them re - new:
For in that pure bap - tis - mal flood
From world - ly ways and Sa - tan's lies,
Oh, make them bold, their faith to share;
With fruits of faith their lives now bless,
Pre - des - tined, called, and jus - ti - fied,



The gift of faith that clings to you.
They have been cleansed by Je - sus' blood.
That they may not your Word de - spise.
And make them strong, their cross to bear.
Till they at death your name con - fess.
Shall, crowned in light, be glo - ri - fied.

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: We worship in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Teach me, LORD, the way of your decrees, that I may follow it to the end.

C: Give me understanding, so that I may keep your law and obey it with all my heart.

P: Direct me in the path of your commands, for there I find delight.

C: Turn my heart toward your statutes and not toward selfish gain.

P: Turn my eyes away from worthless things;

C: Preserve my life according to your Word. (Psalm 119: 33-37)

CONFESSION OF SINS AND FORGIVENESS

P: So often we have despised Gods' Word and have failed to gladly hear and learn it. For this and all our sins, we bow before God and humbly ask for his forgiveness.

C: 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.

P: God gave his Word so "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name." (John 20:31) The Scriptures testify about Jesus, who lived a perfect life for you, died on the cross to pay for all your sins, and rose again to assure you of your salvation. 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.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON *Jeremiah 20: 7-13*

You deceived me, LORD, and I was deceived;

you overpowered me and prevailed.

I am ridiculed all day long;

everyone mocks me.

Whenever I speak, I cry out

proclaiming violence and destruction.

So the word of the LORD has brought me

insult and reproach all day long.

But if I say, "I will not mention his word

or speak anymore in his name,"

his word is in my heart like a fire,

a fire shut up in my bones.

I am weary of holding it in;

indeed, I cannot.

I hear many whispering,
“Terror on every side!
Denounce him! Let’s denounce him!”

All my friends
are waiting for me to slip, saying,
“Perhaps he will be deceived;
then we will prevail over him
and take our revenge on him.”

But the LORD is with me like a mighty warrior;
so my persecutors will stumble and not prevail.
They will fail and be thoroughly disgraced;
their dishonor will never be forgotten.
LORD Almighty, you who examine the righteous
and probe the heart and mind,
let me see your vengeance on them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

Sing to the LORD!
Give praise to the LORD!
He rescues the life of the needy
from the hands of the wicked.

EPISTLE LESSON *1 Peter 3: 12-18*

“For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous
and his ears are attentive to their prayer,
but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.”

Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. “Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened.” But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. For it is better, if it is God’s will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit.

HYMN 855 "The Church's One Foundation"



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth;
 3 The Church shall nev - er per - ish. Her dear Lord, to de - fend,
 4 Tho' with a scorn - ful won - der the world sees her op - pressed,
 5 Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the Word.
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
 to guide, sus - tain, and cher - ish, is with her to the end.
 by schisms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 Tho' there be those that hate her and strive to see her fail,
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up, "How long?"
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
 a - gainst both foe and trai - tor she ev - er shall pre - vail.
 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.

SERMON TEXT *Matthew 10: 24-33*

“The student is not above the teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for students to be like their teachers, and servants like their masters. If the head of the house has been called Beelzebul, how much more the members of his household!

“So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs. Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father’s care. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don’t be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

“Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. But whoever disowns me before others, I will disown before my Father in heaven.”

SERMON THEME HERE’S WHAT A DISCIPLE CAN EXPECT

I. Undeserved suffering

II. Unlimited protection

III. Unending approval

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker 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 into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**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.**

PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

P: We thank you, O Lord, for the great love you have shown for us in your living, dying, and rising from the dead. Give us caring hearts to love and seek the lost. Overcome our fear and give us courage to share our hope of salvation with those who have no hope. Make us faithful in our daily lives so that all we say and do gives glory to you.

C: Amen.

P: The grace of our Lord (†) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: Amen.

HYMN 626 "My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness"



1 My heart is filled with thank-ful - ness to him who bore my
 2 My heart is filled with thank-ful - ness to him who walks be -
 3 My heart is filled with thank-ful - ness to him who reigns a -



pain, who plumbed the depths of my dis - grace and
 side, who floods my weak - ness - es with strength and
 above, whose wis - dom is my per - fect peace, whose



gave me life a - gain, who crushed my curse of sin - ful -
 causes fears to fly, whose ev - 'ry prom - ise is e -
 ev - 'ry thought is love. For ev - 'ry day I have on



ness and clothed me in his light and wrote his law of
 enough for ev - 'ry step I take, sus - tain - ing me with
 earth is giv - en by the King. So I will give my



right - eous - ness with pow'r up - on my heart.
 arms of love and crown - ing me with grace.
 life, my all, to love and fol - low him.

SILENT PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome!

If you are visiting, please fill out a visitor connection card or sign our guest book and come back and worship with us soon! We are happy to have you worship with us today.

The Lord's Supper: Today we have the privilege of receiving Christ's body and blood for the assurance of the forgiveness of our sins, and as an expression of the common faith we share. What a blessed means of God's grace the Lord's Supper is! Because the Lord's Supper is an important expression of unity in faith, we ask visitors who desire to commune to speak with one of the pastors before the service. Communion Cards can be deposited into the labeled boxes in the gathering area.

Available Services: Our ushers are glad to provide **large print bulletins** for those who need them. Our **hearing induction loop system** is functional throughout the sanctuary and works through the T coil function of hearing aid apparatuses. **Restrooms** are in the coatroom area and the parents' room. Parents are welcome to use the **parents' room** in the corner of our sanctuary. You can hear and view the service there. You will find a **diaper changing station** in the parents' room and in both restrooms located in the coatroom area.



Offerings can be deposited into the labeled boxes in the gathering area. To make a one-time or recurring gift online, scan the QR code, or use the "Online Giving" link at the homepage of our church website, www.christpewaukee.org (or visit <https://secure.myvanco.com/YK3N/home>).

Call Update: On May 1 we called Pastor Scott Henrich of Sheperd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Knoxville, Tennessee to be our outreach pastor. Please pray for him in the coming weeks as he deliberates this call. Any questions may be directed to Pastor Richard Krause.

This Week at Christ Lutheran

Today	Worship Services with Lord's Supper 12:00 & 6:30 pm Board of Elders 4:00 pm Lambs of Christ Staff Meeting 4:30 pm
Thursday	<i>Newsletter Deadline</i> Enduring Word Bible Study 9:00 am Kirkland Crossings Worship 1:30 pm Confirmation Examination Service 6:30 pm Confirmation Photos 7:15 pm
Friday	Lambs of Christ STEM Night 6:00 pm
Saturday	Confirmation Service 2:00 pm Worship Service with Lord's Supper 5:00 pm
Sunday	Worship Services with Lord's Supper 8:00 & 10:30 am Christian Education Classes 9:10 am Wauwatosa Worship 11:00 am Erin Worship 5:00 pm
Monday	Women's Bible Study 9:00 am Board of Directors 6:00 pm Lutheran Pioneers 6:30 pm
Tuesday	Early Risers 8:00 am Piecemakers 9:00 am
Wednesday	Prayer Partners 10:00 am Worship Services with Lord's Supper 12:00 & 6:30 pm Lambs of Christ Bible Class 4:30 pm

Announcements & Events



Confirmation: This year the public examination of confirmands is Thursday, May 15, at 6:30 pm. The confirmation service is Saturday, May 17, at 2:00 pm, where our confirmands will make public vows of their faith and be confirmed. Our confirmands this year are Natalie Bauer, Silas Cera, Abbey Demitros, Liam Fladhammer, Kendall Ford, Adalyn Haeuser, Natalia Hammel, Brody Honl, Luke Kopec, Jayne Lindee, Erin Moloney, and Noah Uitz.

Volunteers Needed for Screen Team: The 10:30 am Sunday worship service does not have enough screen team members to operate the screens during this service. We are looking for volunteers who would like to be on the screen team and be scheduled for Sundays at 10:30 am (about once per month or even less if we have enough people). This task is not difficult, and new volunteers will be trained. We would like to get these positions filled as soon as possible. If interested, please contact Brett Weed at 262-364-8350 or brettjeanweed@gmail.com.

Food Pantry: We're blessed with many donations to the Christ Pewaukee food pantry. The pantry has a supply of non-perishable food and personal care items. It is open to any church member who may need assistance. If you would like to use the food pantry, please reach out to the church office or email foodpantry@christpewaukee.org.

Choirs Picnic: Bells and Adult Choirs and their families will have an end-of-the-year picnic at the home of Tom & Sue Speidel on Thursday, June 5, starting with dinner at 5:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share. Contact Andrea Valerio for more information.

Outdoor Worship & Picnic: We will offer an outdoor worship service, weather permitting, in our lower level entrance area at 10:30 am on Sunday, June 8, followed by our church picnic. Volunteers are needed for setup, cleanup, and to bring food. Please sign up on the yellow sheets in the gathering area.

Gardening Help Is Wanted: We are in need of volunteers to help keep our flower beds and plantings looking beautiful this summer. This requires a small time commitment of about an hour a month from mid-May to mid-September and can be done at your convenience. You would only be responsible for one of the plantings to maintain. This can be a single or family activity, and hand garden tools will be supplied. Please use the signup sheet in the gathering area. If you have any questions, please contact Mark Gall at rgall1@wi.rr.com or call/text 262-527-9899.

Mini Golf Outing: Join us for an evening of mini golf at Tee-Aire (located at 21700 Gumina Road, Brookfield) on Thursday, June 19! Bring your family and friends for fun for all ages! We'll meet at 6:00 pm at Tee-Aire. Cost is \$7 per person (paid at the golf course) and we are limited to 30 people. We'll have water and juice available at the course. You are also welcome to join us after mini golf for ice cream at Culver's. Please sign up in the gathering area by June 15 if you plan to join us. Contact Barb Brandt at 262-366-0121 or bbrandt@christpewaukee.org if you have any questions.

Vacation Bible School will be held at Christ Pewaukee on July 14-17, 2025 for children age 3 through 6th Grade. We are looking for teens and adults of various talents to help with VBS. Scan the QR codes or visit www.christpewaukee.org to learn more and register.



Scan for Registration for



Children

Volunteers



Path to Victory Basketball Camps will be held on August 4-6, 2025 at Christ Pewaukee. Children entering Kindergarten through 2nd Grade will meet from 12:15-2:15 pm, and children entering 3rd through 5th Grade will meet from 2:30-4:30 pm. Learn more and register online at www.christpewaukee.org/sports-camps.

Wednesday Worship

April 30 – June 4, 12:00 & 6:30 pm

Set Free

In our world, people tend to value being independent and often see self-reliance as the means to get there. But are they as free as they really think they are? Mental health, addiction, and guilt are burdens that many carry. Not to mention the negative emotions that can take us captive. Christians are not immune from these battles either. Imagine a life where we are released from these ugly oppressors. In our new sermon series, “Set Free”, God’s Word gives us a clear picture of how our Lord helps us amid these hardships and struggles. Through Christ, we are given peace and victory.

4/30	From Anger	<i>Matthew 18: 21-25</i>	5/21	From Greed	<i>Luke 12: 13-21</i>
5/7	From Guilt	<i>Romans 3: 19-28</i>	5/28	From Loneliness	<i>Psalms 68: 1-6</i>
5/14	From Fear	<i>Matthew 10: 24-33</i>	6/4	From Worry	<i>Colossians 1: 13-20</i>

Christian Education Classes

Bible Information Class (New Member Class) is offered every Sunday from 9:10-10:10 am in the church office conference room. Contact Pastor Krause with any questions. Everyone is welcome to join us!

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class meets on Sundays at 9:10 am in the grand hall with Pastor Gerbing to study “The Glory of Jesus’ Suffering, Death, and Resurrection.” Please note that we will not meet on May 25 (Memorial Day Weekend).

Sunday School for children 3 years old to 6th grade meets on Sunday, May 18 from 9:10-10:10 am in the lower level classrooms. We will take a break for the summer and resume September 7.

The Teen Bible Class meets on Sunday, May 18 at 9:10 am in the lower level teen room. We will take a break for the summer and resume September 7.

Adult Sunday School meets on Sunday, May 18 at 9:10 am in the lower level fellowship hall. This class is open to all adults, and is especially ideal for parents of Sunday School children as we follow the same lessons and meet at the same time. We will take a break for the summer and resume September 7.

Early Risers Bible Class meets on Tuesdays at 8:00 am in the lower level confirmation classroom to study the book of Revelation with Pastor Gerbing.

The Enduring Word Bible Class meets on Thursdays at 9:00 am in the lower level confirmation classroom. We are studying the Gospel of Mark with Pastor Gerbing.

Women’s Bible Study: Ladies, join us on Monday mornings through May 19 from 9:00-10:30 am in the lower level confirmation classroom. Contact Corinne Blaauw if you have any questions at cblaauw@wi.rr.com or 262-719-4479.

Prayer Partners will meet on Wednesday, May 21 at 10:00 am in the conference room. We study Psalms and pray for individuals who have requested prayers. All are welcome!

SCHEDULES

Date	Ushers	Screens
Wed. May 14, 12:00 pm	Mark Ramthun	Scott Page
Wed. May 14, 6:30 pm	Dale Lindenberg, Wayne Lindenberg	Janet Herr

Date	Ushers	Greeters	Screens	Coffee Fellowship
Sat. May 17, 2:00 pm	Brett Weed, Tom Lindner		Janet Herr	
Sat. May 17, 5:00 pm	Derek Leopold, Franz Schaller		Barb Brandt	
Sun. May 18, 8:00 am	Gary Hanke (O), Brad Tessmann, John Johnson, Cory Loppnow, Allen Rosenthal	Scott & Tammy Monroe	Andrew Buss	John & Kathleen Ford, Rachel Rehn, <i>Clara N. (bake)</i>
Sun. May 18, 10:30 am	Richard Zirbel (O), Craig Harstad, Mike Panno, Dan Zirbel, Nathan Verbeten	Mark & Sue Neumann	Jack Gulrajani	Mary Bohren, Elizabeth Gabb, <i>Jo Stahl (bake)</i>
Wed. May 21, 12:00 pm	Tom Lindner		Joel Berth	
Wed. May 21, 6:30 pm	Jordan Nelson, Franz Schaller		Gary R.	

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