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Reformation Sunday Sunday, October 26, 2025 8:00 & 10:30 am

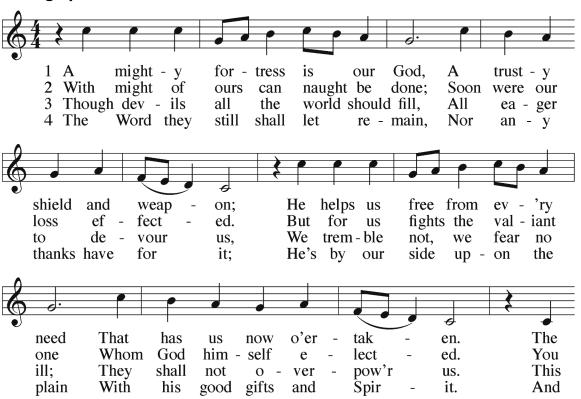


# Worship Leader Pastor Timothy Denney Preacher Pastor Richard Krause

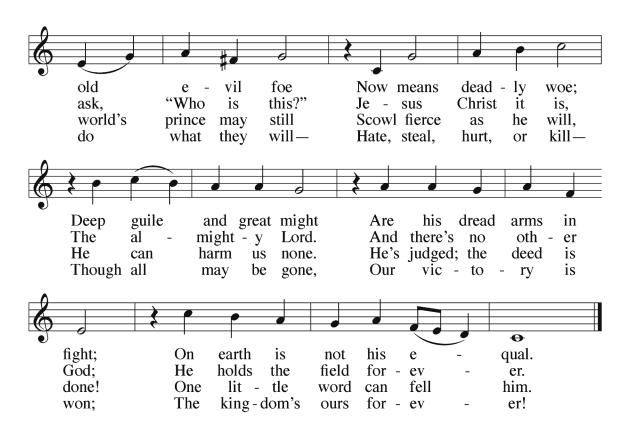
**Prayer:** Almighty God, our strength and fortress, we thank you for preserving your holy church against the forces of sin, death and hell. Through the precious gift of your Son you gave us the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection from the dead, and eternal life in heaven with you. Help us treasure the rich heritage of grace and truth which has been revealed to us through your Word. Continue to raise up faithful pastors and teachers through your Holy Spirit, so that we can carry on your saving work to the end of time. In our Savior's name we pray. Amen.

### **WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

### "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"



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



#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

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

C: Amen.

P: Your Word, O LORD, is eternal;

C: It stands firm in the heavens.

P: Your faithfulness continues through all generations;

C: You established the earth, and it endures.

P: May your unfailing love come to us, O LORD,

C: Your salvation according to your promise. (Psalm 119:89-90,41)

#### **CONFESSION OF SINS AND FORGIVENESS**

- P: God gave his Word so that we may "believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing we may have life in his name." (John 20:31) Yet so often we have despised God's Word and have failed to gladly hear and learn it. For this and all our sins, we come 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 with my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is wrong and have failed to do what is good; for this I deserve your punishment both now and forever. 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: The Scriptures testify about Jesus, who lived a perfect life for you, died on the cross for all your sins, and rose again to assure you of your salvation. Through him all your sins are forgiven! You are at peace with God.

C: Amen.

#### **PRAYER**

P: God our Father, we thank you for the love you have shown to us in Jesus, our Savior. Through him our sins have been forgiven and we are declared innocent before your holy throne. We now have the sure hope of eternal life in heaven. Keep us from fear, worry, temptation, and deception that we grow in faith and trust in your saving power through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

**BAPTISM** Liam John Olson (10:30 am Sunday Service)

**EPISTLE LESSON** Romans 3: 19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God. Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin.

But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteous-

ness, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished—he did it to demonstrate his righteousness at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. Because of what law? The law that requires works? No, because of the law that requires faith. For we maintain that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law.

### GOSPEL LESSON John 8: 31-36

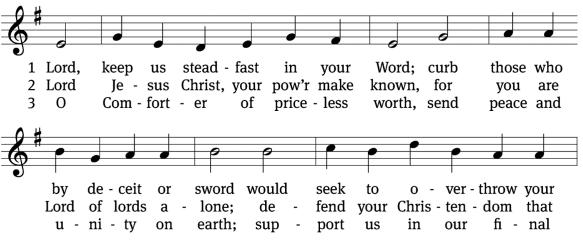
To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?"

Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

### **CHRIST KIDS** (10:30 am Sunday Service)

### HYMN 862 "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"





#### **SERMON TEXT** Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam
and the mountains quake with their surging.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells.

God is within her, she will not fall;

God will help her at break of day.

Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall;

he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Come and see what the Lord has done, the desolations he has brought on the earth. He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth. He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

### SERMON THEME GOD IS OUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH

I. In the midst of natural disastersII. In warfare against worldly enemiesIII. Against the power of evil



#### **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

#### DISTRIBUTION

#### **CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING**

P: Gracious and Almighty God, we give you thanks for the sacrament we have received and for filling us with your powerful Word. We ask that you keep us in steadfast faith, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, and defend us from all our enemies. Give to us, your Church, the saving peace that only comes from believing and trusting in our Savior, Jesus Christ. We pray in his name.

#### 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 924 "Abide, O Dearest Jesus"



- 1 A bide, O dear est Je sus, a mong us with your grace
- 2 A bide, O dear Re deem er, a mong us with your Word
- 3 A bide with heav'n-ly bright ness a mong us, pre cious Light;
- 4 A bide with rich est bless ings a mong us, boun-teous Lord;



Sa - tan may not harm us give place. that we sin nor to thus now and here - af - ter true peace and joy af - ford. and truth di - rect and keep us from er - ror's gloom - v vour in grace and wis - dom grow dai - ly through your Word. let us

- 5 Abide with your protection Among us, Lord, our strength, Lest world and Satan fell us And overcome at length.
- 6 Abide, O faithful Savior, Among us with your love; Grant steadfastness and help us To reach our home above.

#### SILENT PRAYER

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **NOVEMBER EVENTS VIDEO**

# 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.

Baptism: Liam John Olson, son of Samuel & Mackenzie Olson, will be baptized in our 10:30 am Sunday service. Pray that this young child may grow in the love and wisdom of our Savior.

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 tionline Giving" link at the homepage of our church website, www.christpewaukee.org (or visit https://secure.myvanco.com/YK3N/home). A friendly reminder that separate checks should be made to the General

Fund and Building Fund. (Each fund has its own unique bank account, and it can be difficult to "make change" when one check is written for offerings to both funds.)

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Carrissa Davis in memory of her son Wyatt and by Elaine Gamez in memory of her husband Alex and grandson Bret Miller.

The November Newsletter is available! It was emailed out to members on Friday. Members who receive a hard copy will find it in their call boxes today. Additional hard copies are available on the kiosk in the gathering area.

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God: The Song of Martin Luther" by Pastor Krause is available in the gathering area.

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# This Week at Christ Lutheran

**Today** Welcome Home Weekend

Worship Services with Lord's Supper 8:00 & 10:30 am

Blood Pressure Screenings 9:00 & 11:30 am Christian Education Classes 9:10-10:10 am

Wauwatosa Worship 11:00 am

Wauwatosa Trunk or Treat 1:00-3:00 pm

Erin Worship 5:00 pm

Monday English Classes 8:30 am

Women's Bible Study 9:00 am & 6:30 pm

Pioneers 6:30 pm

**Tuesday** Piecemakers 9:00 am

Newsletter Mailing 10:00 am Youth Confirmation 5:45 pm English Classes 6:30 pm

Wednesday Worship Services with Lord's Supper 12:00 & 6:30 pm

Thursday Lambs of Christ Closed

Enduring Word Bible Study 9:00 am

Bell Choir 5:15 pm

Youth Confirmation 5:45 pm

Adult Choir 6:30 pm

**Friday** Lambs of Christ Closed

Saturday Pickleball 9:00-11:00 am

Worship Service with Lord's Supper 5:00 pm

**Sunday** Daylight Savings

Worship Services with Lord's Supper 8:00 & 10:30 am

Christian Education Classes 9:10-10:10 am

Wauwatosa Worship 11:00 am

Erin Worship 5:00 pm

# Announcements & Events

Welcome Home! We are glad to see ALL of you here! There is great power in coming together as a family to worship our Savior, especially in a world that seems to be going in the wrong direction. It is here that we strengthen our bonds of friendship and grow in faith by hearing the Word of God and offering our thankfulness and praise to God. If you have been coming to worship on a regular basis, please keep doing so. If you have been absent for a while, it is wonderful you are here and we pray you will join your Christ family in worship again soon.

Wauwatosa Trunk or Treat: All are invited to join us at our Wauwatosa Campus for Trunk or Treat TODAY from 1:00-3:00 pm. Please contact Pastor Dan Krause to learn more or help support this event.

Lutheran Pioneers will meet on Monday, October 27 at 6:30 pm. Pioneers is open to boys and girls in grades 1-12. Info packets are available in the kiosk in the gathering area. You may also contact Carrissa Davis at risserbanne@gmail.com or 706-464-1693 with any questions. We would love to have you join us!

Lego Night: Join us for Lego Night on Friday, Nov. 7 from 5:00-7:00 pm! Legos will be available on tables in our grand hall. Duplo mats will be set up for the little ones. A light supper will be offered. Invite your friends and neighbors to join the fun. For more information or to volunteer to help, contact Alicia Ulm at aulm@christpewaukee.org.



Pickleball meets on select Saturday mornings. Sign up to reserve your time to play pickleball on our church website, www.christpewaukee.org/events, or scan # the QR code.

English Classes: The International Friendship Center's English Classes meet on Mondays at 8:30 -10:00 am and Tuesdays 6:30-8:00 pm. Flyers for potential students are found in the church entry and gathering area. Please share them with others in the community. Students can also sign up online at www.christpewaukee.org/ifc.

**Save the Date for the Ladies' Advent Celebration** on Sunday, November 30 at noon in the Grand Hall. This event is a wonderful opportunity for women of all ages to set aside some time to relax and recharge! Join us for lunch, music, prayer and activities that will sure to give you a personal and spiritual boost. A sign-up sheet is located at the back of the church. If you're interested in helping out or need more information, contact Karen Schroeder at 414-550-0674.

**Volunteers Needed for Stream Team:** We are looking for volunteers who would like to be part of the streaming team. This team runs the camera equipment in our church services to present God's Word for others to worship God wherever they are. Streaming on YouTube is part of our outreach program and is a service to our homebound and traveling members. Recording the Saturday 5:00 pm services are the first priority. We would like to fill this team as soon as possible. If interested, please contact Brett Valerio at 262-408-1803 or brett.valerio@wlc.edu.

**Ushers Needed:** We are looking for new ushers for Sunday worship services at both 8:00 and 10:30 am. New ushers will be trained by experienced team members. Ushering is a great way to serve our church. If interested contact Brett Weed (262-364-8350, brettjeanweed@gmail.com) or Kristopher Sardina (paesano1181@yahoo.com, 262-305-1200).

**Call Update:** On October 23 we called Pastor Eric Melso of Living Hope Lutheran Church in Chattanooga, Tennessee to be our outreach pastor. Please keep him in your prayers as he deliberates this call. Please contact Pastor Krause if you have any questions.

## **Christian Education Classes**

**Bible Information Class** (New Member Class) meets on Sundays at 9:10 am in the church office conference room. Contact Pastor Richard Krause with any questions. Everyone is welcome to join us!

**Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study** meets on Sunday mornings at 9:10 am. Pastor Mark Braun leads the study based on his book, "A Tale of Two Synods," about the split with the WELS and the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod.

**Sunday School** for children 3 years old to 6th grade meets on Sundays at 9:10 am in the lower level classrooms. Contact Superintendent Sarah Haeuser if you have any questions at shaeuser@christpewaukee.org.

**Youth Confirmation** for 7th-8th graders meets on Sundays at 9:10 am and Tuesdays/Thursdays at 5:45 pm.

Teen Bible Class meets on Sundays at 9:10 am in the lower level teen room.

**Adult Sunday School Bible Study** is open to all adults, and is especially ideal for parents of Sunday School children as we follow the same lessons, is held at the same time as Sunday School on Sundays at 9:10 am in the lower level fellowship hall.

Women's Bible Study: Ladies, join us on Mondays at 9:00-10:30 am or 6:30-8:00 pm for a study on Jesus' parables. Materials will be provided. Please contact Jane Eddinger if you have any questions at 262-347-8844 or jeddinger4@gmail.com. Please sign up on the sheet in the gathering area if you plan to join us.

**Prayer Partners** will meet on Wednesdays, November 5 and 12 at 10:00 am in the conference room. We study the Book of Ruth and pray for individuals who have requested prayers. All are welcome!

**Enduring Word Bible Class** meets on Thursdays 9:00 am in the lower level confirmation classroom with Pastor Mark Braun.

**Christ Connection** home Bible study groups begin this week! Locations and times vary by group. If you are interested, learn more and sign up on the sheets in the gathering area.





# Thanksgiving Worship

Wednesday, Nov. 26 - 12:00 & 6:30 pm Thursday, Nov. 27 - 9:00 am

Join your family at Christ Lutheran as we give thanks to God for his abundant blessings!

# PIE FEST

Wednesday, Nov. 26 - 7:30 pm

Join us for a time of fellowship at 7:30 pm (after the evening Thanksgiving worship service) on Wednesday, November 26 for our annual Pie Fest!

Please sign up in the gathering area.

# **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

# **Event Monitor**

Christ Ev. Lutheran Church is looking for I-2 people to serve as a part-time Event Monitor. The Event Monitor reports directly to the Activities Director. Responsibilities consist of, but are not limited to, serving as the on-site Event Monitor for rentals and special events programmed through the Activities Director; being responsible for facility preparations, event supervision, event take-down; providing a welcoming, positive, inclusive environment for participants/renters; and possessing strong communication skills. Must be available to work a flexible schedule including nights and weekends. Experience in event and customer service-orientated environments is preferred. Additionally, a Christ-oriented environment for renters/ participants at all times.

For more information about this position or to apply, please contact Erin Rausch at 262 -691-0720 ext. 260 or erausch@christpewaukee.org.



Help us share the message of Jesus's love to his little lambs at Lambs of Christ by caring for children ages 6 weeks to 5 years in our Lambs of Christ Learning Center.

Women and men ages 18 and older are encouraged to apply for positions including:

- 2K and Younger Classroom Assistants
- Morning Extended Care Assistants (6:30-8:30 am)
- Afternoon Extended Care Assistants (3:30-5:30 pm)

If you are considering part time work or a second job, you are encouraged to join our team. For detailed information, contact Elizabeth Melott, our Director, at emelott@christpewaukee.org or 262-737-6210, or scan the QR code, or visit www.christpewaukee.org/lclc-employment.



# **Three-Year Daily Bible Reading Program**

Daily readings for the next two weeks:

Oct 26 2 Chronicles 15-16	Oct 31 2 Chronicles 24	Nov 5 2 Chronicles 33
27 2 Chronicles 17-18	Nov I 2 Chronicles 25	6 2 Chronicles 34-35
28 2 Chronicles 19-20	2 2 Chronicles 26-28	7 2 Chronicles 36

29 2 Chr. 21:1-22:9 3 2 Chronicles 29:1–31:1 8 Esther I

30 2 Chr. 22:10-23:21 4 2 Chr. 31:2–32:33 9 Esther 2:1-18



# Christ Pewaukee

Available in App Stores









# **S**CHEDULES

Date	Ushers	Greeters	Screens	Coffee Fellowship
Sun. Oct. 26, 8:00 am	Scott Polzin (O), Alex Grill, Dennis Szymanski, Dan Nitz, Ben Melott	Brad & Cary Tessmann	Jacob Fralick	Marilyn Driscoll (bake), Uitz Family, Rachel Rehn
Sun. Oct. 26, 10:30 am	Richard Zirbel (O), Craig Harstad, Mike Panno, Dan Zirbel, Nathan Verbeten	Rick & Cindy Eastman	Stephanie Evans	Van Landegham and Dempsey Families, Jo Stahl (bake)
Wed. Oct. 29, 12:00 pm	Mark Ramthun		Janet Herr	
Wed. Oct. 29, 6:30 pm	Dale Lindenberg, Wayne Lindenberg		Tom Harstad	

 $Schedules \ are \ available \ at \ www.christpewaukee.org/downloads.$ 

Date	Ushers	Greeters	Screens	Coffee
Sat. Nov. I, 5:00 pm	Derek Leopold, John Kovacich		Kathy Keymar	
Sun. Nov. 2, 8:00 am	John Gilbert (O), David Fry, Jacob Schilling, Nathan Bilitz	John & Mary Gilbert	Edurardo Duarte	Terry Miller
Sun. Nov. 2, 10:30 am	Gary Zellmer, Peter Filber, Blake Lindner, Jayden Bauer	Glen & Deb Heuer	John Schweiger	
Wed. Nov. 5, 12:00 pm	Tom Lindner		Scott & Wendy Page	
Wed. Nov. 5, 6:30 pm	Jordan Nelson, Franz Schaller		Gary Rasmussen	



We want to do everything we can to facilitate family worship here at Christ. We also want to enable parents with young children to have the opportunity to listen to the sermon. That's where Christ Kids comes in.

- During the 10:30 am service everyone will worship together until the sermon hymn.
- At the sermon hymn children ages 3-6
  years will be invited to meet their Christ
  Kids teacher in the back of church and will
  be safely escorted to the Christ Kids room
  for Christ-centered learning and activities
  designed just for them!
- Following the service parents will pick their children up from the Christ Kids classroom.
   Note: Christ Kids is an optional service offered to families.

Christ Kids Teachers 10/26 Bethany Waala 11/2 Stephanie Cera

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worship services. Parents, please fill out this card and give it to the Christ the end of the 10:30 am Sunday worship service. Kids teacher when you drop off your children. Please pick up your children at is offered for children ages 3-6 during the 10:30 am Sunday

STEWARDSHIP				
2025 General Fund	2025-2027 Building Fund	Membership: 1693		
Last Week: \$26,059	Last Week: \$21,669	Church Attendance: 757		
Fund to Date \$1,197,660	Fund to Date \$590,593	Education: 210		

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If we can be of service to you, please feel free to contact one of the people listed below:

Rev. Dr. Richard A. Krause, Senior Pastor

Rev. Timothy R. Gerbing, Discipleship Pastor

Rev. Timothy S. Denney, Assimilation Pastor

Rev. Daniel E. Krause, Wauwatosa Campus Pastor

Rev. Lawrence R. Gates, Visitation Pastor

Rev. Dr. Mark Braun, Pulpit Assistant

Pastor Paul & Aneela, International Friendship Center

Mrs. Andrea Valerio, Music Director

Mrs. Elizabeth Melott, Preschool Director

Mr. Greg Heichelbech, Business Manager

Mrs. Laurie Nitz, Accountant

Mrs. Erin Rausch, Activities Director

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