

THE SEASON OF PENTECOST

After reliving the great events of the life of Christ, the worshipping Church spends half a year focusing on the teachings of Christ. The Church wears green (except for Trinity Sunday) during the season of Pentecost as the Spirit uses those teaching of Jesus to grow the faith of believers.

The coming weeks can be remembered with this theme:

THE BELIEVER FOLLOWS CHRIST...

Pentecost 6 Followers of Christ understand the call for total commitment

Today Pentecost 7 Followers of Christ support kingdom work

Pentecost 8 Series Break

Pentecost 9 Followers of Christ listen when God speaks

Pentecost 10 Followers of Christ pray boldly

Pentecost 11 Followers of Christ know that earthly wealth is meaningless

Pentecost 12 Followers of Christ find true treasure in trusting God's promises

FOR THE CHILDREN

A Staffed Nursery is available for your use at any time during the service. It is located in the hallway that leads to the school classrooms.

A Cry-Room area is available if your little ones need a moment. Simply use the hallway located out the gymnasium doors by the water fountains.

Children's Activity Sheets give activities and lessons pertaining to the Scripture lessons for the day. Ask an usher near the table as you enter the worship space.

CHRIST ALONE LUTHERAN CHURCH

He Did It All!

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PENTECOST 7

Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. In our service we gather before our almighty God to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God's holy and powerful word. Please take a moment to sign our guest register as you leave this morning.

- √ **Restrooms** are located across the hallway as you exit the gymnasium by the water fountains.



TODAY'S THEME:

FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST SUPPORT
KINGDOM WORK

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

OPENING HYMN: #484, *Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly*

INVOCATION

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

C(ongregation): **And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

L: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

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.**

L: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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.**

KYRIE¹

L: For all that we need in life, and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: **Christ, have mercy.**

L: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power, and keep us in your tender care.

C: **Amen.**

L: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

¹ The word *Kyrie* is a Greek word from the phrase *Kyrie eleison* which means, "Lord, have mercy!" This is the most heartfelt cry of a believer to his Lord. It is not a cry for forgiveness, but a cry for mercy that our Lord and King hear us and help us in our necessities and trouble. Christians have been praying the *Kyrie* at Sunday worship for more than 1700 years (that's why its name is Greek, the language most commonly spoken at the time). This morning, may it also be our heartfelt cry to our Lord and King.

O LORD, OUR LORD



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo-ri-ous is your name in all the earth.



Al-might-y God, mer-ci-ful Fa-ther, you crown our life with your love.



You take a-way our sin; you com-fort our spir-it; you make us



pure and ho-ly in your sight. You did not spare your on-ly Son,



but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord, how glo-ri-ous is your



name in all the earth. O Son of God, e-ter-nal Word



of the Fa-ther, you came to live with us; you made your Fa-ther known;



you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the



King of glo-ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,



how glo-ri-ous is your name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

The leader says the Prayer of the Day.

C: **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE FIRST LESSON: 1 KINGS 17:1-16

¹ Now Elijah the Tishbite, from Tishbe in Gilead, said to Ahab, "As the LORD, the God of Israel, lives, whom I serve, there will be neither dew nor rain in the next few years except at my word."

² Then the word of the LORD came to Elijah: ³ "Leave here, turn eastward and hide in the Kerith Ravine, east of the Jordan. ⁴ You will drink from the brook, and I have ordered the ravens to feed you there."

⁵ So he did what the LORD had told him. He went to the Kerith Ravine, east of the Jordan, and stayed there. ⁶ The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning and bread and meat in the evening, and he drank from the brook.

⁷ Some time later the brook dried up because there had been no rain in the land. ⁸ Then the word of the LORD came to him: ⁹ "Go at once to Zarephath of Sidon and stay there. I have commanded a widow in that place to supply you with food." ¹⁰ So he went to Zarephath. When he came to the town gate, a widow was there gathering sticks. He called to her and asked, "Would you bring me a little water in a jar so I may have a drink?" ¹¹ As she was going to get it, he called, "And bring me, please, a piece of bread."

¹² "As surely as the LORD your God lives," she replied, "I don't have any bread—only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. I am gathering a few sticks to take home and make a meal for myself and my son, that we may eat it—and die."

¹³ Elijah said to her, "Don't be afraid. Go home and do as you have said. But first make a small cake of bread for me from what you have and bring it to me, and then make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴ For this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: 'The jar of flour will not be used up and the jug of oil will not run dry until the day the LORD gives rain on the land.' "

¹⁵ She went away and did as Elijah had told her. So there was food every day for Elijah and for the woman and her family. ¹⁶ For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the LORD spoken by Elijah.

THE PSALM OF THE DAY: PSALM 66

Read responsively with the leader.

L: Shout with joy to God, all the earth.

C: **Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious!**



L: Praise our God, O peoples,

C: **let the sound of his praise be heard.**

L: He has preserved our lives

C: **and kept our feet from slipping.**

L: Come and listen, all you who fear God;

C: **let me tell you what he has done for me.**

L: If I had cherished sin in my heart,

C: **the Lord would not have listened;**

L: but God has surely listened

C: **and heard my voice in prayer.**

THE SECOND LESSON: PHILIPPIANS 4:10-20

¹⁰ I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. ¹¹ I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. ¹² I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. ¹³ I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

¹⁴ Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles. ¹⁵ Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; ¹⁶ for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when I was in need. ¹⁷ Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account. ¹⁸ I have received full payment and have more than enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. ¹⁹ And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

²⁰ To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

THE VERSE OF THE DAY



Cantor: Refrain

All: Refrain

Cantor: I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: Love one another as I have loved you.

All: Refrain

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 10:1-12, 16-20



¹After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. ²He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. ³Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. ⁴Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road.



⁵"When you enter a house, first say, 'Peace to this house.' ⁶If a man of peace is there, your peace will rest on him; if not, it will return to you. ⁷Stay in that house, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house.

⁸"When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is set before you. ⁹Heal the sick who are there and tell them, 'The kingdom of God is near you.' ¹⁰But when you enter a town and are not welcomed, go into its streets and say, ¹¹'Even the dust of your town that sticks to our feet we wipe off against you. Yet be sure of this: The kingdom of God is near.' ¹²I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

¹⁶"He who listens to you listens to me; he who rejects you rejects me; but he who rejects me rejects him who sent me."

¹⁷The seventy-two returned with joy and said, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name."

¹⁸He replied, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. ²⁰However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: #579, *Lift High the Cross*

SERMON:

Thank You!

1. I receive full payment and more
2. You give offerings God adores

Philippians 4:10-20

THE NICENE CREED²

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

²The Nicene Creed is the Church's statement of faith established at the city of Nicea (Greece). The first general church council met in Nicea in 325 A.D. to deal with the false teaching of Arius, who denied the deity and eternity of Jesus. The council stated its position by adopting this creed, which remains in use throughout the world today. The Nicene Creed was further modified and finalized by later councils at Constantinople (381) and Chalcedon (451). In the ninth century the phrase, "and the Son" (*filioque* in Latin), was added to the words, "who proceeds from the Father," in the statement on the Holy Spirit. This addition produced discord between the Eastern and Western Churches and was a factor in the separation of the two (a.k.a. *The Great Schism*) in 1054 A.D. What a blessing it is for us to profess the same Christian faith of generations past! It reaffirms God's Word and establishes our faith on firm footing: "*The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the Word of our God stands forever*"—*Isaiah 40:8*.

THANKSGIVING

THE OFFERING:

The members of Christ Alone Lutheran Congregation have joined together to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world. Visitors need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: *A Prayer for the Nation*

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

**C: 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.**

THE SACRAMENT

✓ *Christ Alone Lutheran Church practices close communion. We ask that only members partake of the Sacrament.*

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

L: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory forever and ever.



HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

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

The musical score is written on six staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The final measure of the sixth staff contains a circled number 8, indicating a repeat.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

L: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat. This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

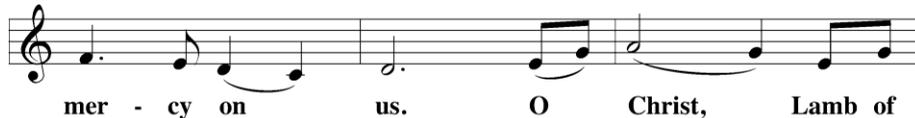
The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



THE DISTRIBUTION:

SONG OF DEPARTURE: #318, *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*



1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, Our true faith con -
 2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing, To God ev - er -



fess - ing, The peo - ple of God from his dwell - ing take
 liv - ing, The tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will



leave. The sup - per is end - ed; Oh, be now ex -
 face. Our faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er



tend - ed The fruits of this ser - vice in all who be -
 car - ing, Em - brac - ing his chil - dren of each tribe and



lieve. The seed of his teach - ing, Re - cep -
 race. With your feast you feed us; With your



tive souls reach - ing, Shall blos - som in ac - tion for
 light now lead us; U - nite us as one in this



God and for all. His grace did in - vite us; His
 life that we share. Then may all the liv - ing With



love shall u - nite us To work for God's
 praise and thanks - giv - ing Give hon - or to



king - dom and an - swer his call.
 Christ and his name that we bear.

THE LORD'S BLESSING

L: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING SONG: #619, *God Bless Our Native Land*

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Announcements

Welcome Visitors and Guests: We are glad that you are with us this morning, and we pray that you will worship with us again soon. God's richest blessings to you!

July 3 – July 10:

Today	10:00AM	Meet & Greet
	10:30AM	Worship with Holy Communion
	4:30PM	Ordination & Installation of Pastor Gunnar Ledermann
Wednesday	6:30PM	Canvassing
Sunday	10:00AM	Meet & Greet
	10:30AM	Worship

Pastor Gunnar Ledermann Ordination and Installation will take place this afternoon at 4:30pm. The service will be held at Divine Peace in Garland – 1346 Pleasant Valley Rd., 75040. A dinner will follow the service. Pastor Gunnar Ledermann graduated from our Seminary in Mequon, WI this past May and was assigned to start the mission church in Rockwall, TX. Please keep Gunnar and his wife, Marinda, in your prayers.

Congregational Canvassing: We'll head out to canvass again this Wednesday night. Start time is 6:30pm. We'll meet at Kay Granger before we go out. May the Lord open doors for us to proclaim his gospel to the people in our community.

Faithbuilders Class: Our Faithbuilders class is for people interested in becoming members of Christ Alone, or for people just looking to build their faith through the study of the basic teachings of the Bible. Classes will begin on Tuesday, July 28th from 7 to 8:15pm. We have approximately 10 committed to the class and we would love to welcome more! If you would like to attend, contact Pastor Seager. Free childcare is available. We'll be meeting in a comfortable conference room at our rented office space located at 9500 Ray White Rd in Fort Worth 76244 (across the street from Central High School).

Christ Alone Now Owns Land! This past Monday Christ Alone closed on nearly 11 acres of land on Main St. in Keller. (More detailed information will be coming). Special thanks goes to Joel Frey, our hard working Land Task Force Chair, Brian Larocque, our treasurer who donated many hours of time to this project, and Richard and Patty Machina, who worked as our hard working and invaluable brokers. A special thanks goes to all our Christ Alone family who raised over

\$90,000 for a down payment. We give thanks to the Lord for our national church body's Church Extension Fund who gifted Christ Alone \$166,000 free and clear for the purchase! Finally, all glory and thanks ultimately goes to our Lord for his great blessings in this effort. *Unless the LORD builds the house, the builders labor in vain – Psalm 127:1.* Stay tuned for further updates and "where we go from here."

Every Member Pastor Visits: Beginning in mid-August Pastor Seager will be visiting every member of Christ Alone. It's a fun way to bring God's word of comfort to you and to keep everyone connected to our Christ Alone mission through an enjoyable back and forth conversation. Please keep this on your radar.

July - August Volunteer Schedules

Sunday

Sunday	Friendship Register		Nursery	Video Taping
July 3	Ashley Horn	Pejah Berens	Tranberg/Murry	Dominic Gross
July 10	Eliana Seager	Max Narten	Bartels/G.Rogish	Peter Sampe
July 17	Nathan Covarrubias	Gabrielle Fleisher	Gross/J.Sampe	Julia Sampe
July 24	Ava Narten	Autumn Chatmon	Covarrubias/Lewis	Micah Berens
July 31	Samantha Fleisher	Aiden Chatmon	Murry/Fleisher	Dylan Sampe
Aug 7	Brenden Eicksteadt	Isaac Murry	G. Rogish/Tranberg	Garrett Bartels
Aug 14	Aurora DeAmicis	Jessica Horn	Bartels/Gross	Christopher Gross
Aug 21	Grant Thowe	Addison Fleisher	Covarrubias/J.Sampe	Stas Snapp
Aug 28	Landon Tranberg	Nadia Covarrubias	Lewis/Fleisher	Dalton Gross

Ushering Teams

July				August			
Frey	Joel	DeAmicis	Tony	Brown	Matt	Bassler	John
Murry	Keith(AV)	Sampe	Peter	LaRocque	Brian(AV)	Thowe	Travis
Bunch	Troy	Snapp	Stas	Narten	Don	Schrandt	Todd
Tranberg	Garin	Sampe	Pete	Covarrubias	Edgar	Sampe	Aaron
Berens	Chad	Sampe	Dylan	Becker	Michael	Hamil	Heath

ABOUT CHRIST ALONE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Christ Alone Lutheran Church is a new Christian congregation, a mission plant of the third largest Lutheran church body in America. Christ Alone congregation held its first service on January 10, 2010. By God’s grace, Christ Alone Lutheran remains focused on our mission of reaching out with the good news of the Savior Jesus Christ who died on the cross to pay for all sins and rose again to give eternal life.

Christ Alone Lutheran Church worships the Triune God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We accept the Bible as God’s inspired and errorless word. It is the only source of truth for life and for eternity.

Christ Alone is dedicated to preaching the truth, that God has prepared a way to save sinners from eternal damnation by sending His Son, Jesus Christ. By Jesus’ perfect life and innocent death, the sins of all people have been paid for in full. Jesus’ resurrection is proof of this! Whoever believes (trusts) in Jesus has the forgiveness of sins, possesses eternal life now, and has a certain future with Jesus in heaven. Believers in Jesus have been given the new life of faith by which they offer their lives in service to the Lord and all people.

The mission of Christ Alone is to proclaim this eternal gospel (the good news), *“that God was reconciling the world to himself **in Christ**, not counting men’s sins against them”* (2 Corinthians 5:19). It is this gospel that gives our church its name: Christ Alone Lutheran Church—*He did it all!*

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