



**August 4 at 9:30AM ♦ In-Person Worship**  
Elevanth Sunday after Pentecost

**FIRST READING: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15**

**PSALM 78:23-29**

**2ND READING: Ephesians 4:1-16**

**GOSPEL: John 6:24-35**

***Pastor Morgan Preaching***

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*In the neighborhood...  
For good.*



**Pastor Tricia is on vacation from July 27th to Aug 4th. Pastor Morgan will be here for Sunday Aug. 4th. If you have an emergency, please call the office and leave a message, the Pastor on call will get back to you.**

*Give us  
this bread  
always*

JOHN 6:34



Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him. ~

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## CLC is "in the neighborhood, for good!"

Your regular support and presence at church is vital to the ministry of our congregation. We are known in the community for the work we do and the relationships we build, and for the ways we offer our time, talents, and treasures to serve our neighbor. As a committed member of the church, please remember to send your offerings regularly, check your Weekly Update, and find ways to participate in this community of faith.

If you're new here, or just visiting, please take some time to get to know us!



## CLC FOOD PANTRY

Donations are requested for  
**Shampoo & Conditioner,**  
**Spaghetti Sauce,**  
**Canned Fruit,**  
**Laundry Pods**  
**and Toilet Paper**



The Food Pantry is Open Mondays and Fridays from 9:30am to 11:30am, and on Wednesdays from 5pm to 7pm.

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## Food Pantry Volunteers:

If anyone is interested in volunteering at our Food Pantry, please talk with Pastor Tricia. The pantry serves the community every Monday and Friday from 9:30am to 11:30am and Wednesday from 5 pm-7pm. Everyone is welcome to help even if you cannot come every week but can only volunteer occasionally. Whatever help you can offer we will gladly accept.

We also receive a food truck once a month on the second Monday of the month from 412 Food Rescue and can always use help unloading.

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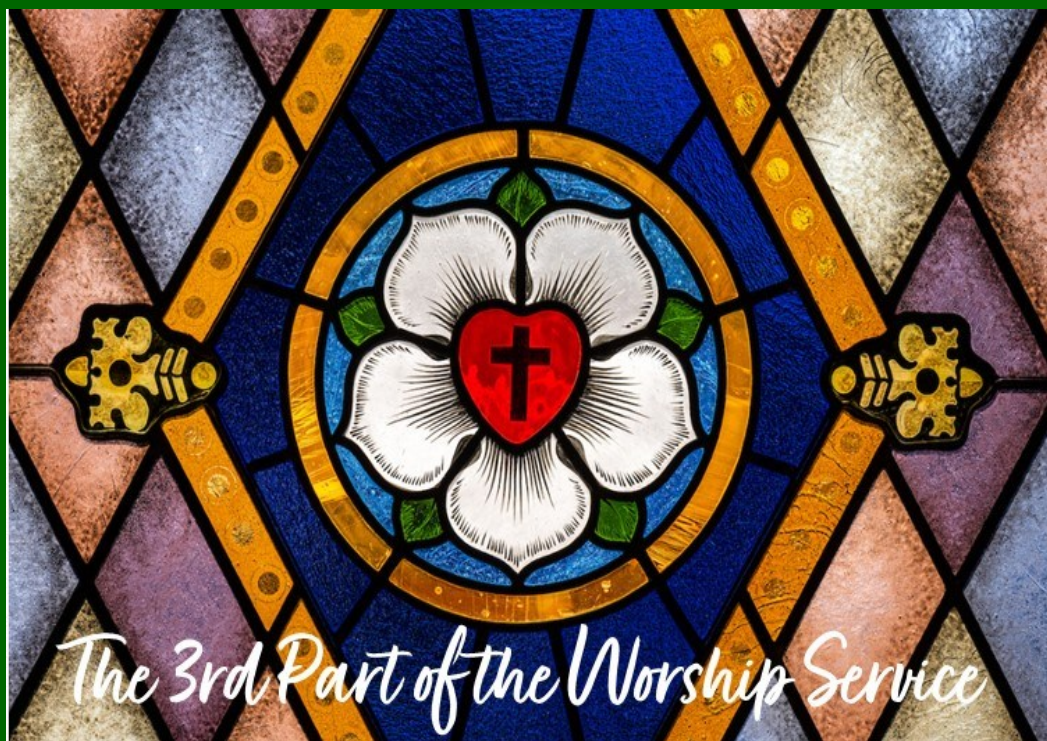
The Infant Room is temporarily closed. *If you need a Quiet Space, please use the room at the top of the stairs.*

Otherwise, all children are welcome in worship, and able to play quietly and interact at our Pray Ground in the side aisle.

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## Supper Time

Joseph Imhoff

Until this moment in the service everything we have done has been part ritual, part convention, much of it dating prior to the time Christ, readings and prayer and songs would have part of the service in the synagogue as would a sermon, Jesus himself on the Sabbath as St. Luke relates read from Isaiah then proclaimed, **“Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.**

**This is the moment we break with that tradition and defer to events happening on what we know as Maundy Thursday.** The institution of the Lord’s Supper, one of only the two activities Christ commanded his followers to do, we know them as sacraments.

Jesus gathered with the twelve to celebrate the first night of Passover with the traditional Seder meal, the Jewish people continue to celebrate anticipating the coming of the Messiah. After the supper he broke and passed the bread representing his body followed by the wine representing his blood commanding them to eat and drink, done for the forgiveness of sins. **That night a New Covenant, a New Mitzvah, was created by God through Jesus Christ with God’s chosen people, those who would believe and become his followers.**

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**Our remembrance begins with the acknowledgment of the gifts God has bestowed on us,** our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of his gracious love. The table is prepared as it would for any meal and the invitation extended. The congregation responds with 'Sanctus' or 'Holy, Holy' expressing the glory of God and blessings on Christ who came in his name. The Prayer of Thanksgiving is a masterful explanation of the Eucharist or The Lord's Supper, a blending of history from Creation and culminating in the Resurrection. The congregation now prays the prayer our Lord taught us. The banquet is now ready!

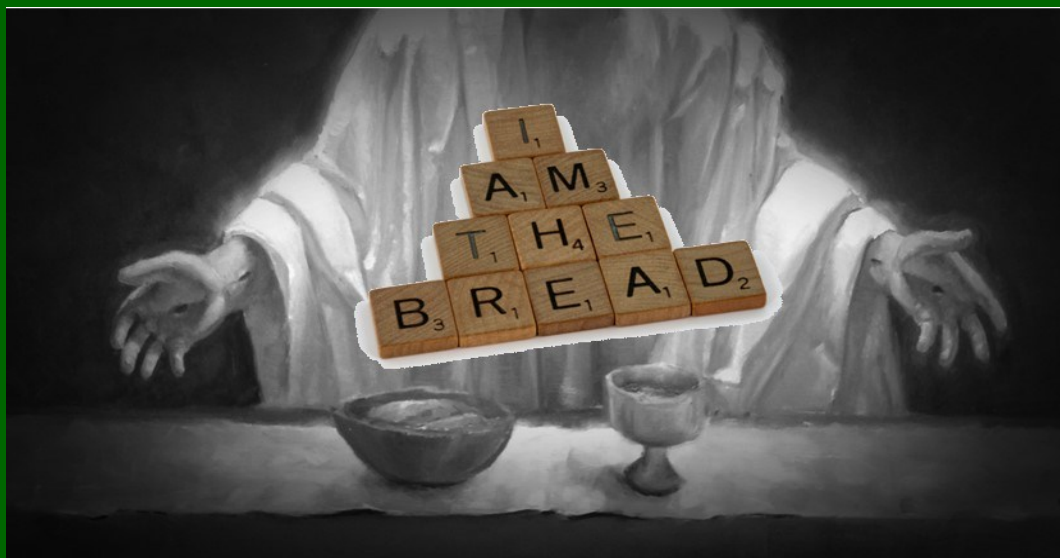
The form of the Communion is not important be it the bread and little cup of wine, intinction, or common cup, the importance lies in the words **"given for you"** and **"shed for you for the forgiveness of sins"**. This is realized in the response during the distribution, "Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us,...grant us peace."

A blessing is said and there may added "Now, Lord, let your servant go in peace your word has been fulfilled." **These are the words of Simeon upon seeing the baby Jesus presented in the Temple,** also reported by St. Luke. ~

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## What Are You Longing For?

In a world filled with seemingly endless options and an overload of information, it can be hard to know what we really want, and even harder to know what we actually need. As a society we are perhaps more mobile and more connected than ever. For those with a certain level of privilege, opportunities abound for careers, for education, for travel. Many of us own more stuff than we can reasonably use or even store in our homes. And yet, our collective mental health and overall well-being might be worse than ever. What are we missing? In a society of excess, what needs are going unfulfilled? What are we still longing for?

The crowds didn't seem to know what they were longing for either. They came to Jesus seeking more loaves of bread (a fair request!) but missed their deeper need: spiritual nourishment. They asked for the thing that could satisfy their hunger pangs, but almost missed out on the food that could transform not only their lives but the whole world. **They almost settled for the “food that perishes” when they were being offered the Bread of life.**

Jesus recognizes our hunger and offers himself as the ultimate nourishment for our deepest needs. Jesus is not fooled by our distractedness, our quick fixes, our tendency to gravitate toward things that will never truly satisfy. He seeks us out, offering his body for our sake— our ultimate sustenance, giving us all we need for the journey ahead.

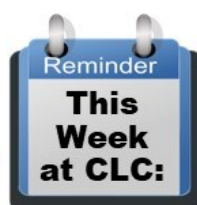
**The distractions in our world are many**, so we need to be reoriented regularly to Christ's gift for us. **We celebrate this gift each time we gather at the communion table to receive Christ himself: bread that fulfills our deepest longings for relationship with God and one another.** Nourished with this gift of life, **we, too, are sent forth as bread for a world in need.** ~



## **This Week at CLC:**

**Sunday, August 4**

**Sunday In-Person Worship Service  
at 9:30am**



**Monday**

**August 5 - 9:30-11:30am FOOD PANTRY**

5-6pm TOPS CLUB, 6pm Tai Chi, 7pm Pain Support, Violin

**Tuesday**

**August 6 - 9:30-11:30am ESL in Library, Violin**

**Wednesday**

**August 7 - 5-7pm FOOD PANTRY**

**Thursday**

**August 8**

**Friday**

**August 9 - 9:30 to 11:30am FOOD PANTRY**

6-8 Girl Scouts

7pm NA meets-Library

**Saturday**

**August 10 - 9am AA meets in the Library**

7pm NA meets in the Library

**Sunday**

**August 11**

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## Upcoming Commemorations



**Dominic, founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), died 1221**

**Thursday, August 8, 2024**

Dominic was a Spanish priest who saw the wealth of the clergy as a stumbling block for the church, so he formed a movement, the Order of Preachers (commonly called Dominicans) devoted to itinerant preaching and living in poverty.

**Lawrence, deacon, martyr, died 258**

**Saturday, August 10, 2024**

As one of the seven deacons of the church at Rome, Lawrence was responsible for the church's financial matters and for the care of the poor. Asked by the emperor to gather the church's treasure, he presented a collection of orphans, lepers, and the like. The enraged emperor had him put to death.



**The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you  
and be gracious to you. The Lord  
look upon you with favor and give  
you peace. ✝**

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