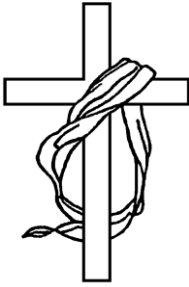


**Welcome to Central Lutheran Church  
Bellingham WA**



**Evangelical Lutheran Worship –  
Setting 3  
Regular ~ Communion**



**“Celebrating together  
in *grace*, we nourish  
*faith*, proclaim *hope*,  
and share *love*.”**

**PLEASE NOTE**

**Assisted Hearing Units**

Assisted hearing units are available in the Narthex. Please ask an usher to assist you with one for our services today.

**Nursery**

The nursery is available during worship. Silent pagers are also available.

**Children**

Coloring bags are available on the right side of the big window in the Narthex. Please return the bag after the service. Kids may take their artwork home.

**Kids' Central Preschool**

KCP is an all-year-open-enrollment preschool. For more information, click on the Preschool Link at [www.centrallutheran.net](http://www.centrallutheran.net)

**Prayer Chain**

If you know someone in need of prayer, please contact the church office at 360.734.7180.

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Prelude

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Announcements

Worship Insert

\*Call to Worship

Worship Insert

\*Confession & Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us and, for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

\*Gathering Song

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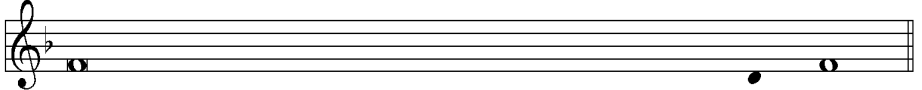
\*Greeting

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

\*Kyrie



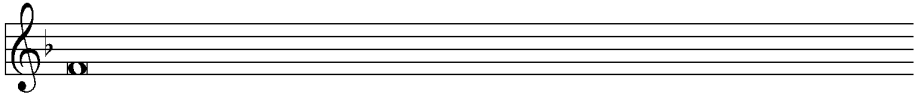
**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



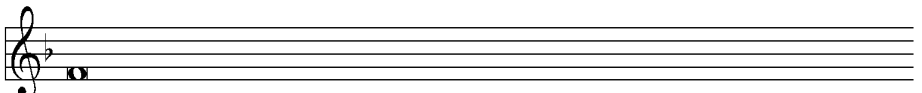
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



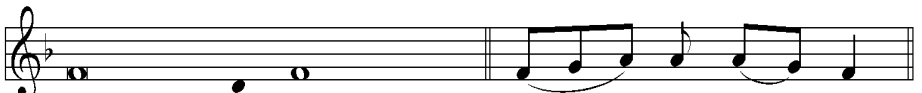
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



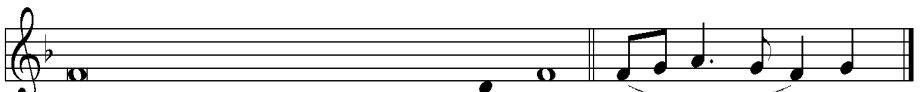
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

\*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. ☐ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was

slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. ☐ Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. ☐ Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and

might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - - men.

\*Please Stand as you are able.

☩ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu - ia,  
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. ☪ For the Lamb who was  
 slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.  
*Final refrain*  
 ☩ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**\*Salutation**

The Lord be with you.

☩ And al - so with you.

**\*Prayer of the Day**

**Worship Insert**

**Anthem**

**First Reading**

**Worship Insert**

**Psalm**

**Worship Insert**

**Second Reading**

**Worship Insert**

**\*Gospel Acclamation**

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The musical notation consists of two staves in G major (one sharp) and common time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The melody starts with a quarter rest, followed by quarter notes G4, A4, B4, and C5. The second staff continues with quarter notes D5, E5, F#5, and G5, followed by quarter notes G5, F#5, E5, and D5. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

**\*Gospel**

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*The gospel is announced.*



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

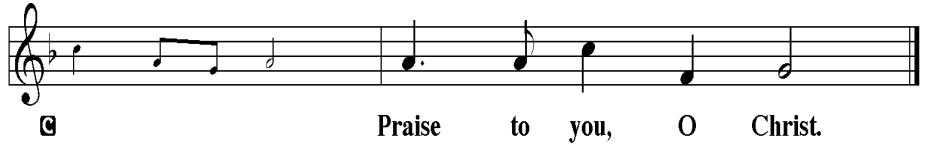
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**\*Holy Gospel**

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**Worship Insert**

*The gospel is proclaimed, concluding: The gospel of the Lord.*



Praise to you, O Christ.

The musical notation is on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and common time. It begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of quarter notes G4, A4, B4, and C5, followed by quarter notes D5, E5, F#5, and G5. The piece ends with a double bar line.

**Sermon**

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**Hymn of the Day**

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**Worship Insert**

\*Apostles' Creed

**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.  
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 Christian church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Prayers of Intercession

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 portion of the prayers:*

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

\*Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*The ministers and congregation may greet one another...*

**Peace be with you. Peace be with you.**

Offering

Please fill out an attendance/communion card and place it in the offering plate.



\*Offertory

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Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our  
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

\*Great Thanksgiving

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The Lord be with you. 

☒ And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. 

☒ We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



☞ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy. . . (Here the minister continues with the preface appropriate to the day or season concluding), we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



☞ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



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.

### \*Words of the Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

\*Lord's Prayer

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**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.**

Communion

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*As the ministers give the bread and wine, they say these words to each communicant: The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. The communicant may say: **Amen.***

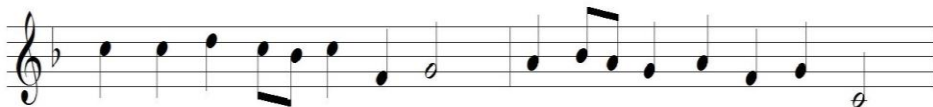
Communion Hymns

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*After all have returned to their places, the minister may say these or similar words: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.***

Post Communion Canticle

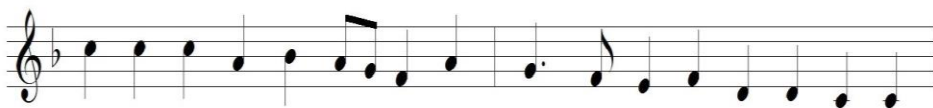
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Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud - ly bear his name.



He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**\*Prayer**

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Let us pray. Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. **Amen.**

**\*Blessing**

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**"May the Lord"**  
Music by Jeff Fox



1. May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless you and keep you for - ev - er,



Give you peace, per-fect peace, cour-age in ev-'ry en - deav or.



Lift up your eyes and see his face, and his grace shall be for - ev - er.



May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless you and keep you for er - er.

**\*Sending Song**

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**Overhead**

**\*Purpose**

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**Celebrating together in *grace*,  
we nourish *faith*, proclaim *hope*,  
and share *love*.**

**\*Dismissal**

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Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

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## **Welcome to Kids' Central Preschool!**

*"Where your child and God's love are Central."*

We are extremely blessed and excited to be the first step in your child's educational journey. We are dedicated to working with you so that this is a positive, happy, and educational experience for your child.

Kid's Central Preschool is a Christian preschool with emphasis on quality education, faith and diversity. It is our commitment to show your child the love of Jesus; the grace and mercy He provides us.

We believe that all children are blessings from God and we cherish each child's individuality. At Kid's Central, we celebrate our differences and value teaching others about those differences. It is our hope that through this education your child will learn the beauty of diversity and the valuable lesson of accepting and loving others for who they are.

Kid's Central Preschool is open to every child in the community, because we believe that enriching our children at an early age through education, diversity, and most importantly the love of God, sets a foundation of better citizens for our future.

# **Sternberg Hall: Residing Together in Faith**

Central Lutheran Church has repurposed our Education Building to host a faith based intentional student community residence hall. This will be an intentional community of college students who wish to live together with other students who share faith and faith values. Primarily focused in the Lutheran tradition of the Christian Faith, these students may attend any of the three colleges in Bellingham. The building itself has been remodeled to comply with the standard required facilities for a residence hall. While a kitchenette with microwaves and table top appliances is planned for occasional individual meal preparation, food service will not be provided here as it is available on school campus.

The primary focus of this activity is Central Lutheran Campus Ministry. CLCM's goal is to provide a congregational based campus ministry that incorporates college students into the ongoing ministry of the congregation while attending college. For many of these students, attending college means being away from their home town congregations. Although not required, students are welcome and invited to participate in the very traditional activities of the congregation, such as Sunday Worship, bible studies, and fellowship and service activities provide a means for students to be connected to familiar faith practices.

CLCM offers more. Students are encouraged to develop mature identities that reflect their education goals, define faith identities, and to develop leadership and mission skills. College is a time for developing life strategies for the big questions of identity, faith, and response to the world's needs and benefits. CLCM encourages students to explore the intellectual and spiritual aspects of values and ethics through discussion and life experiences. Worship and study of the scriptures becomes the gate way to service projects and involvement with structures of modern society. This creates an organized response and action in response to the issues faced in everyday life.

Within CLCM is a safe place for students seeking a new, or even first, relationship with, and, understanding of God and God's activities in the world. While most of these activities are held within the main building itself, CLCM will reach out beyond the building for many of these experiences and activities. By the nature of being a college student organization, much of the organizing and planning is student directed, or at least heavily influenced by student involvement.

While many of these activities are currently part of the larger ministry of CLC, the residence hall will create an additional component of an intentional residential community, where students may engage as a group in these efforts. The residential community, will offer a supportive and safe atmosphere that is faith based and faith friendly. Nurtured within the community will be relationship and a communal strength between students that will allow for new experiences and opportunity that individually would be difficult.

## About Holy Communion

As Lutheran Christians, we believe the Sacrament of the Altar belongs alone to the Lord Jesus Christ, and at His command, invite and encourage all God's baptized who believe that Jesus is truly present and grants forgiveness of sin through the sacrament to join with us in receiving God's gift of salvation in Holy Communion.

We are using a single setting method of coming to the table. At the direction of the ushers, each side of the church will begin two lines to the altar rail from the front of the church. Moving up the center isle and filling in the altar rail section on the same side of the church that you were sitting. Each section of the altar rail is filled from back to front.

You will be handed a wafer with the words, "The body of Christ given for you." Take and eat the wafer. Next you will be presented with the glass tray with the words, "The blood of Christ shed for you." Take a glass and drink placing the empty glass on the altar rail. Grape juice is available in the center of the tray for those who prefer and young children. Young children who commune should cup their hands above the rail. Children who do not commune but wish to receive a blessing may come to the table and keep their hands below the rail. After receiving the elements and when ready, return to congregation using the side steps.

Those that wish to have communion served to them in the pews will have communion brought to them.