

# Worship

May 18, 2025 | 10:00 AM  
5th Sunday of Easter



**Christ the Servant**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Whether you are a long-time member or a first-time guest, your presence is a blessing to us!  
Scan the QR code with your smartphone on the seat in front of you or below if you'd like to...








Let us know you are worshipping today  
Request prayers or share your care needs  
Explore upcoming ministries and RSVP  
Respond with generosity and give to our mission and ministry

## TO THOSE WITH YOUNG ONES

We embrace all the wiggles and giggles that the youngest in our midst might make!  
The noise of children is the sound of a church that is full of life and is welcome here!

### Here are some helpful tips:

-  If they need a break, take it!  
There is a room just past the bathrooms where little ones can play, parents can relax, and the service can still be heard.
-  Let them pick out activities from the Activities Cart!  
They can go back to it as much as needed!
-  Sit where your children can easily see what is happening.
-  Sing and respond loudly! Children learn by copying you.
-  Explain the parts of worship and teach them how to use the hymnal.

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EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ I'D LIKE TO RECEIVE WEEKLY EMAIL UPDATES: ☐ YES

PRAYER REQUEST: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ PUBLIC ☐ PRAYER TEAM ONLY ☐ PRIVATE

HOW LONG WOULD YOU LIKE US TO HOLD THESE IN PRAYER?

☐ 1 WEEK ☐ 2 WEEKS ☐ 3 WEEKS ☐ 1 MONTH ☐ UNTIL OTHERWISE NOTIFIED

*\*Please stand as you are able*

*Bold responses are spoken/sung by the congregation*

## **WELCOME**

### **\*EASTER ACCLAMATION**

He is risen!

**He is risen indeed!**

He is risen!

**He is risen indeed!**

He is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### **\*HYMN – *Come Thou Fount***

**Arrangement by Tyra Dennis for Music Mayhem**

Come Thou fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise

Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer, Here by Thy great help I've come  
And I hope by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home

Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God  
He to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood

Come Thou fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise

Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love

## **\*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,  
the fountain of living water,  
the rock who gave us birth,  
our light and our salvation.

**Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,  
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.  
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.  
We give you thanks, O God,  
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters  
and by your Word you created the world,  
calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.  
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.  
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.  
By water and your Word you claim us as your children,  
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,  
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.  
Shower us with your Spirit,  
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise  
through Jesus Christ our Lord  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **\*SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

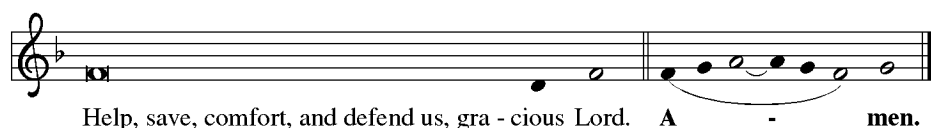
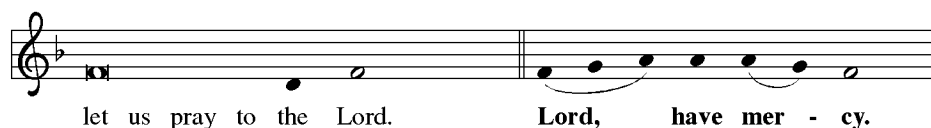
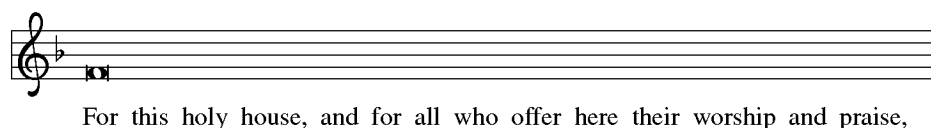
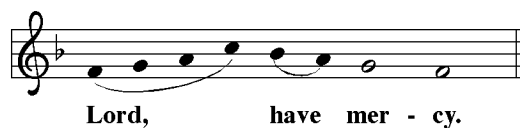
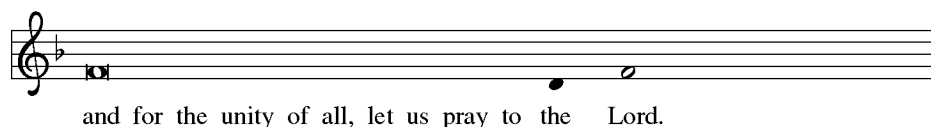
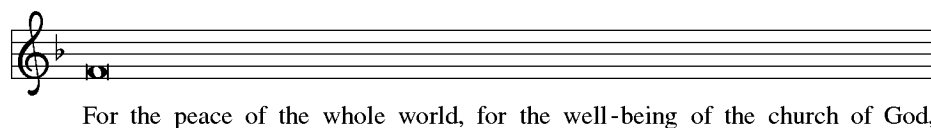
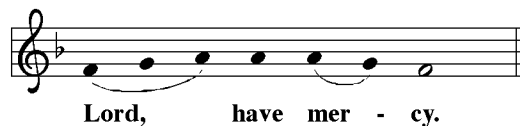
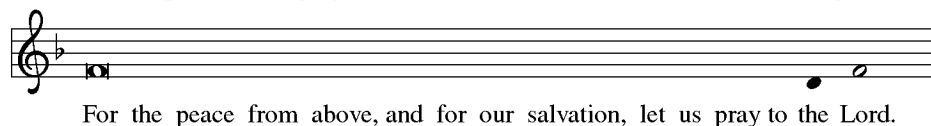
Please greet each other with the peace of Christ!

## **\*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



## \*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

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

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

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

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 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.

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 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.



## **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

## **FIRST READING: Acts 11:1-18**

<sup>1</sup> Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. <sup>2</sup> So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, <sup>3</sup> saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" <sup>4</sup> Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, <sup>5</sup> "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. <sup>6</sup> As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup> I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' <sup>8</sup> But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' <sup>9</sup> But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' <sup>10</sup> This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. <sup>11</sup> At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup> The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. <sup>13</sup> He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup> he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' <sup>15</sup> And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup> And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>17</sup> If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" <sup>18</sup> When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 148:1-13 (sung responsively; congregation sings the bold print)**

<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Praise the LORD <sup>1</sup> from the heavens;  
praise God <sup>1</sup> in the heights.

<sup>2</sup> **Praise the LORD, <sup>1</sup> all you angels;**

**sing praise, all you | hosts of heaven.**

<sup>3</sup> Praise the LORD, | sun and moon;  
sing praise, all you | shining stars.

<sup>4</sup> **Praise the LORD, heav- | en of heavens,  
and you waters a- | bove the heavens.**

<sup>5</sup> Let them praise the name | of the LORD,  
who commanded, and they | were created,

<sup>6</sup> **who made them stand fast forev- | er and ever,  
giving them a law that shall not | pass away.**

<sup>7</sup> Praise the LORD | from the earth,  
you sea monsters | and all deeps;

<sup>8</sup> **fire and hail, | snow and fog,  
tempestuous wind, do- | ing God's will;**

<sup>9</sup> mountains | and all hills,  
fruit trees | and all cedars;

<sup>10</sup> **wild beasts | and all cattle,  
creeping things and | flying birds;**

<sup>11</sup> sovereigns of the earth | and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers | of the world;

<sup>12</sup> **young | men and maidens,  
old and | young together.**

<sup>13</sup> Let them praise the name | of the LORD,  
whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over | earth and heaven.

## **\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



## **\*GOSPEL READING: John 13:31-35**

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>31</sup> When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' <sup>34</sup> I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

### **SERMON**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY – *How Great is Our God/How Great Thou Art***  
**Arrangement by Tyra Dennis; Music and Lyrics by Chris Tomlin (How Great is our God) and Carl Boberg (How Great Thou Art)**

#### *Verse 1*

The splendor of a King, clothed in majesty  
Let all the Earth rejoice, All the Earth rejoice  
He wraps himself in light, And darkness tries to hide  
And trembles at His voice, Trembles at His voice

#### *Chorus*

How great is our God, sing with me  
How great is our God, and all will see  
How great, how great is our God

#### *Verse 2*

Age to age He stands, And time is in His hands  
Beginning and the end, Beginning and the end  
The Godhead Three in One, Father Spirit Son  
The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb

#### *Chorus*

How great is our God, sing with me



How great is our God, and all will see  
How great, how great is our God

*Verse 3*

O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the works, Thy hands have made,  
I see the stars,, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy pow'r throughout, The universe displayed!

*Chorus*

Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee;  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee;  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

*Bridge*

You're the name above all names (how great is our God, sing with me)  
You are worthy of our praise (how great is our God, and all will see)  
And my heart will sing, How great is our God

*Chorus*

How great is our God, sing with me  
How great is our God, and all will see  
How great, how great is our God

**\*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 catholic church,

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

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each prayer petition will end with  
Hear us, O God,  
**Your mercy is great.**

## OFFERING

*In response to God's generosity, let us now consider our own generosity as a rebellion against the powers of this world and a demonstration of the faith and trust we have in our Creator through the gifts of our tithes and offerings.*

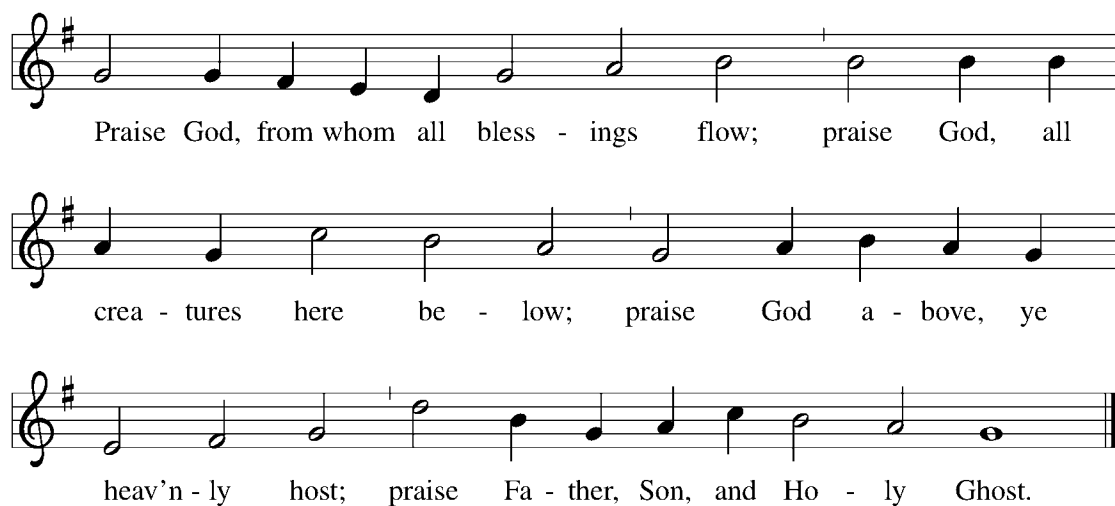
## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

### *Give Me Jesus*

**Music and Vocal Arrangement by Tyra Dennis for Music Mayhem**

## \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all  
crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye  
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, alt.  
Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

## **\*OFFERING PRAYER**

### **\*GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you!

**And also with you!**

Lift up your hearts!

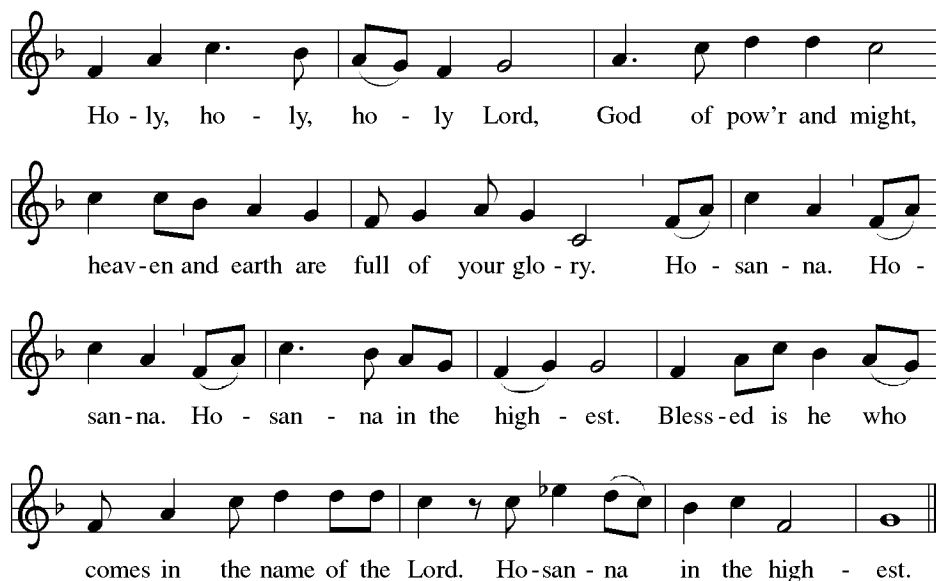
**We lift them to the Lord!**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

## **\*PREFACE**

### **\*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**



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.

### **\*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

See, God's home is among us. God will dwell with us as our God. We will be God's people, and God will be present to us.

**God will wipe every tear from our eyes. Death will be no more, mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.**

Christ has died! Christ IS risen!

**Christ will come again!**

It was in the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks, and broke it saying:

**"This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."**

And 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 in remembrance of me."**

Send your Holy Spirit to fill the hearts of all people  
With courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world.  
Come, Spirit of freedom! And let all God's people say Amen!  
**Amen.**

### **\*LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever.  
Amen.**

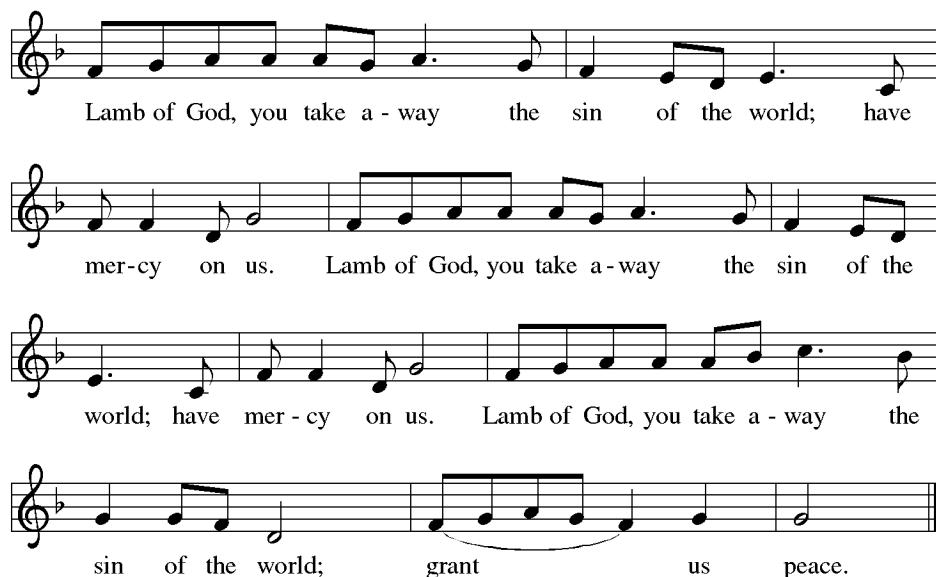
### **COMMUNION**

*The table at Christ the Servant Lutheran Church is not a Lutheran table, nor is it a pastor's table, or a specific church's table, it is Christ's table. And Jesus invites all people to come and partake in this meal! No matter your age or your faith background, whether you are high in faith or low in faith, you are invited to come and eat because Christ has invited you!*

You will come down through the center isle and will be handed a piece of bread. Take the bread and go to either side to dip the bread into the wine (the dark liquid) or the grape juice (the light liquid) and take them together. There is a gluten free option available in the center. If you'd prefer that, just ask as you come forward.

**Allergen Notice:** The communion bread is purchased from a commercial bakery and may contain or may have been exposed to one or more of the following allergens: peanuts, tree nuts, sesame, milk, eggs, wheat, soy, fish and crustacean shellfish. The gluten free wafers contain garbanzo bean flour, potato starch, tapioca flour, whole grain sweet white sorghum flour, fava bean flour and palm oil. They are manufactured on dedicated equipment in a dedicated facility and are gluten free, dairy free, egg free, peanut free, fish and shellfish free.

## COMMUNION MUSIC



## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

## \*THE BLESSING & BENEDICTION



The Lord bless you, and keep you. Make His face shine up-on you be gra-cious to you.



The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace.



A - - men, a - men a - men. A - - men, a - men, a - men.

## \*DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Celebrate! Think! Serve!

**Thanks be to God.**



# Ministry Opportunities

God calls us all to participate in God's kingdom building throughout the world. You are invited to participate in God's mission and the ministry of Christ the Servant Lutheran Church! As you participate, we hope you will discover belonging and we know you will have holy experiences because the Spirit is at work in and through you!

To discover more ministry opportunities and to register for ministries you feel called to, visit

[christsserves.churchcenter.com](http://christsserves.churchcenter.com)

or scan the QR code on the seat back in front of you!



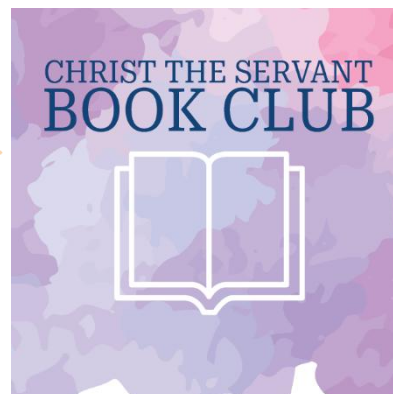
**TODAY**

Tyra Dennis will lead the congregation in worship and music on Sunday morning and then guide a conversation about how the diversity experienced through music impacts welcome.



**May 20 @ 7PM**

Each month, Pastor Kenny leads a theological discussion over the beverage of your choosing! You are invited to join the discussion at Aslin Brewery (767 Elden St., Herndon). Please RSVP on the registrations page.



**May 24 @ 11:30AM**

Book Club will be discussing *Throne of Grace* by Bob Drury and Tom Clavin. All readers are welcome. Please see the registrations page for more information.



**May 25**

The monthly packing of lunches for the Embury Rucker shelter will take place after worship



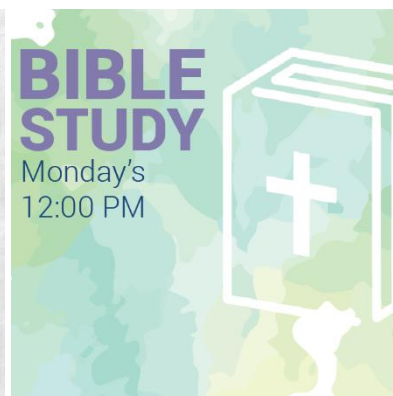
**May 26 @ 5:30PM**

The Hunters Woods Plaza Community Clean-Up will take place on Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup> beginning at 5:30pm. All are invited to lend a hand!



**June 1 @ 11AM**

Reston PRIDE will be held at Lake Anne Plaza. Be sure to stop by the Christ the Servant tent! If you would like to volunteer, please email [Heather@christsserves.org](mailto:Heather@christsserves.org).



**Mondays @ noon**

Bring your lunch and join Pastor Kenny in the classroom on Mondays to discuss the scripture and message from the day before.



We continue to accept your non-perishable food donations for the South Lakes Food Pantry. Items can be left in the church office.