

**CHRIST OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA**

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Saturdays: As needed

Sundays: 7:30 - 11:30

Worship Service – 9:30 AM Sundays (In-person & Online)

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**June 23, 2024**

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**WELCOME VISITORS!**

We are delighted that you are worshipping today at Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. May your experience with God here be a blessing!

ACCESS FOR ALL: While we stand often during the service, please assume a posture of reverence which you are able or comfortable. An accessible restroom is located in the Parish Hall through the kitchen. If you'd like Communion brought to your seat, our Pastor will gladly assist you. Young worshippers may visit our COR-KIDS Playspace in the rear of the sanctuary. Activity bulletins are available for children.

***How do I find worship music?***

ELW = Evangelical Lutheran Worship (the red book in your pew)

AAH - African American Heritage (the beige book in your pew)

Find us online at:

**Website:** <https://www.christouredeemerjc.org>

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/ChristOurRedeemerJerseyCity>

**Instagram:** [www.instagram.com/cor.jc](http://www.instagram.com/cor.jc)

Have questions? Interested in baptism or membership? Please speak with our ***Pastor Kimberly Vaughn*** after service Or, call 201.433.1836.

P-Pastor    C-Congregation

Prelude

Welcome

**GATHERING**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

*Please stand as you are comfortable.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

**C: Amen.**

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: God, our provider,

**C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

**C: Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn:**

Trust and Obey (AAH 380)

### **Apostolic Greeting**

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

**C: And also with you.**

### **Kyrie**

*ELW p. 147 (in front of book)*

A: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

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

**C: Lord have mercy.**

A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

A: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

A: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen**

### **Hymn of Praise**

*ELW p. 149 (in front of book)*

A: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God, Alleluia! Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever, Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### **Salutation**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

### **Prayer of the Day**

Front page of the *Celebrate* Insert

P: O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your

wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## WORD

### Lessons in *Celebrate* Insert

First Reading	Job 38:1-11
Psalmody	Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32
Second Reading	2 Corinthians 6:1-13
Gospel	Mark 4:35-41

### First Reading:

**Job 38:1-11**

*At the end of the book of Job, after Job and his companions have argued about the cause of the great suffering Job endures, God finally speaks. These verses begin that speech, which is a grand vision of creation, describing God's ordering of the cosmos and inviting Job to marvel at its beauty.*

<sup>1</sup>The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

<sup>2</sup>"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

<sup>3</sup>Gird up your loins like a man,  
I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

<sup>4</sup>"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?  
Tell me, if you have understanding.

<sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know!  
Or who stretched the line upon it?

<sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk,  
or who laid its cornerstone

<sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together  
and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

<sup>8</sup>"Or who shut in the sea with doors  
when it burst out from the womb?—

<sup>9</sup>when I made the clouds its garment,  
and thick darkness its swaddling band,

<sup>10</sup>and prescribed bounds for it,  
and set bars and doors,

<sup>11</sup>and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther,  
and here shall your proud waves be stopped?'

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm:**

**Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32**

*You stilled the storm and silenced the waves of the sea. (Ps. 107:29)*

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the Lord, for the <sup>1</sup> Lord is good,  
for God's mercy en- <sup>1</sup> dures forever.

<sup>2</sup>**Let the redeemed of the <sup>1</sup> Lord proclaim  
that God redeemed them from the hand <sup>1</sup> of the foe,**

<sup>3</sup>gathering them in <sup>1</sup> from the lands;  
from the east and from the west, from the north and <sup>1</sup> from the south.

<sup>23</sup>**Some went down to the <sup>1</sup> sea in ships,  
plying their trade <sup>1</sup> in deep waters. R**

<sup>24</sup>They beheld the works <sup>1</sup> of the Lord,  
God's wonderful works <sup>1</sup> in the deep.

<sup>25</sup>**Then God spoke, and a stormy <sup>1</sup> wind arose,  
which tossed high the waves <sup>1</sup> of the sea.**

<sup>26</sup>They mounted up to the heavens and descended <sup>1</sup> to the depths;  
their souls melted away <sup>1</sup> in their peril.

<sup>27</sup>They staggered and <sup>1</sup> reeled like drunkards,  
and all their skill was of <sup>1</sup> no avail.

<sup>28</sup>Then in their trouble they cried <sup>1</sup> to the Lord,  
and you delivered them from <sup>1</sup> their distress.

<sup>29</sup>**You stilled the storm <sup>1</sup> to a whisper  
and silenced the waves <sup>1</sup> of the sea. R**

<sup>30</sup>Then were they glad when <sup>1</sup> it grew calm,  
when you guided them to the harbor <sup>1</sup> they desired.

<sup>31</sup>**Let them give thanks to you, Lord, for your <sup>1</sup> steadfast love  
and your wonderful works <sup>1</sup> for all people.**

<sup>32</sup>Let them exalt you in the assembly <sup>1</sup> of the people;  
in the council of the elders, let them sing <sup>1</sup> hallelujah! R

**Second Reading:**

**2 Corinthians 6:1-13**

*Paul and his fellow workers experience great hardships and even rejection while carrying out their missionary work. Nevertheless, Paul continuously proclaims that God has not rejected us but is graciously working for our salvation.*

<sup>1</sup>As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says,

“At an acceptable time I have listened to you,  
and on a day of salvation I have helped you.”

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup>We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup>truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

<sup>11</sup>We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you.

<sup>12</sup>There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. <sup>13</sup>In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(In honor of God’s Good News to us in Jesus, we stand or assume a posture of reverence to receive the reading of the Gospel.)*

**Gospel Acclamation**

*ELW p. 151 (in front of book)*

**C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.**

**Alleluia.**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel:**

**Mark 4:35-41**

*Jesus' calming of the storm on the sea reveals his power over evil, since the sea represents evil and chaos. The boat on the sea is a symbol of the church and invites us to trust God amid life's turbulence.*

<sup>35</sup>When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Please be seated.)*

**Children's Time**

The Rev. Kimberly A. Vaughn

*(Children are welcome to come forward for a special message.)*

**Sermon**

The Rev. Kimberly A. Vaughn

*Please stand as you are comfortable.*

**Hymn of the Day**

Love Lifted Me (AAH 504)

**The Apostles' Creed**

P: Let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**C: 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**

Back page of the *Celebrate* Insert

P: We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

*A brief silence.*

P: Equip your faithful people to approach this world with a sense of wonder. Make your church a safe place to explore big questions, troubling doubts, and honest laments. Humble our hearts to repent of the ways that communities of faith have inflicted pain or trauma. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P: You spoke creation into order from the chaos of the swirling deep. May your name be praised by rivers and seas, wetlands and waterfalls. Secure clean water for all people and protect water sources from contamination or exploitation. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P: Amid whirlwinds of division, violence, and conflict, remind us again that you are as steadfast as the foundations of the earth. Rejuvenate peacemakers, advocates, and community organizers when they feel weary in their work (*especially*). Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P: Deliver your people from their distress, O God. We lift before you all who are sick or struggling (*especially*). Grant consolation and peace to all who live with chronic, terminal, or persistent illness. In times of affliction or hardship, sustain us in faith. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P: Enfold all travelers with your protection. Bless the comings and goings of this assembly as we travel for leisure or for work. Let all journeys be met with hospitality on the way, and let community members return to us with celebration. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*



P: Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation for all the redeemed of the Lord. Joined together with the great cloud of witnesses, we give thanks for your steadfast love and your wonderful works. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P: Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen.**

## MEAL

### Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*(We share a sign of Christ's peace—a wave, handshake, smile, hug—however you are comfortable!)*

*Please be seated.*

### Offering & Offertory Music

*(In response to hearing God's Word, we respond with joy in our offering.)*

*Please stand as you are comfortable.*

### Let The Vineyards

ELW 184

**C: Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.**

**Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all, unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

### Offertory Prayer

P: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## **Holy, Holy, Holy**

*ELW p. 153 (in front of book)*

**C: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## **Words of Institution**

P: 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 all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## **The Lord's Prayer**

P: Let us pray as Jesus taught...

**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**

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

*Please be seated.*

**Lamb of God**

*ELW p. 154 (in front of book)*

**C: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

**Communion Hymn:**

Precious Lord, Take My Hand (AAH 471)

**Distribution of Communion**

*(Please bring the communion back to your seat to eat and drink. Someone will collect the cups afterwards.)*

*Please stand as able.*

**Post-Communion Canticle:**

God is So Good

*GOD IS SO GOOD, GOD IS SO GOOD, GOD IS SO GOOD, HE'S SO GOOD TO ME.  
HE CARES FOR ME, HE CARES FOR ME, HE CARES FOR ME, HE'S SO GOOD TO ME.  
HE'S ALL I NEED, HE'S ALL I NEED, HE'S ALL I NEED, HE'S SO GOOD TO ME.*

P: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

**C: Amen**

*Please be seated.*

**Announcements**

*(Please see the last page.)*

**SENDING**

*Please stand as you are comfortable.*

**Benediction**

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**Sending Hymn**

Victory in Jesus (AAH 261)

## **Closing Anthem**

Jesus Remember Me

## **Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## **Please Remember Our Sick and Shut-Ins:**

James Gumbs	Jersey City, NJ	646-940-3464
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## **Worship Participants**

Ministers	The People of Christ Our Redeemer
Pastor	Reverend Kimberly Vaughn
Pianist	Kim Norton
Lector:	TBD
Counters:	TBD
Usher:	Corey Brooks and TBD

*Thank you to those who assisted in today's worship.*

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## Our Parish Calendar

### June Birthdays:

Rabone Gulsarran	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Bernice Hazel	8 <sup>th</sup>
Gary Carter Sr.	11 <sup>th</sup>
Baieyse Pugh	12 <sup>th</sup>
Shawn Norton	16 <sup>th</sup>
Jonathan Strong Sr.	27 <sup>th</sup>

### June Baptism Anniversaries:

Kyra Pugh	14 <sup>th</sup>
Kathryn Daggs-Connolly	26 <sup>th</sup>

### Worship Assistants for 6/30/2024

Lector:	Selena Carter
Counters:	TBD
Usher:	Corey Brooks and TBD

### Worship Assistants for 7/7/2024

Lector:	TBD
Counters:	TBD
Usher:	Cathy Wade and TBD

### Worship Assistants for 7/14/2024

Lector:	Ed Price
Counters:	TBD
Usher:	Cathy Wade and TBD

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

### Congregational:

- HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, CHRIST OUR REDEEMER! We celebrate God's work among us for many years, and for God's continued work through us into the future!
- CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES! Many blessings to all who are graduating this year and to those who will be promoted to a new school next year. God bless your studies and your endeavors!

- SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS: The Emma & Anna Eckhardt Scholarship application is now open for college students. Please consider applying.
- BIBLE STUDY: Join us Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. for conversation on “Daily Discipleship”. Bible study is offered both in-person and on Zoom.
- HOLY BAPTISM/FIRST COMMUNION: If you have questions about receiving the Sacraments of Holy Baptism or First Communion, please see Pastor Kimberly.
- LOOSE CHANGE: Got any spare change? Drop it in the jar after worship—all monies go towards the building fund.
- Please see above for the list of upcoming worship assistants. We are in need of worship assistants for upcoming months.

**NJ Synod and Community:**

- CROSS ROADS CAMP: We are delighted to participate in an area-wide Summer of Children’s Events! We will host Cross Roads Camp the week of July 29 - August 2. Children ages 3 (pre-K) through grade 5 may sign up to participate in each week’s events. Download the registration form [here](#).

# SUMMER CAMP(S) jersey city TOUR 2024

## MARTIAL ARTS

TRINITY LUTHERAN 195 CLAREMONT  
ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN 85 WAYNE

7/15-19, 9-12 NOON  
8/12-16 & 8/19-23  
9-12 NOON

## CROSS ROADS

TRINITY LUTHERAN 195 CLAREMONT  
CHRIST OUR REDEEMER 37 WARNER

7/22-26, 9-12 NOON  
7/29-8/2, 9-12 NOON

## INTERFAITH

OLD BERGEN CHURCH 1 HIGHLAND

8/5-9, 9-12 NOON

## VBS

GRACE EPISCOPAL 39 ERIE

8/26-29, 5:30-8PM

**126<sup>th</sup> YEAR OF WITNESS AND SERVICE TO CHRIST  
THROUGH GOD'S WORD,  
THE LIGHT AND THE TRUTH,  
WE INVITE ALL TO GROW IN CHRIST**

*† Connected to Christ † Connected to Each Other † Connected to Community*