

## The Apostles' +Creed+

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

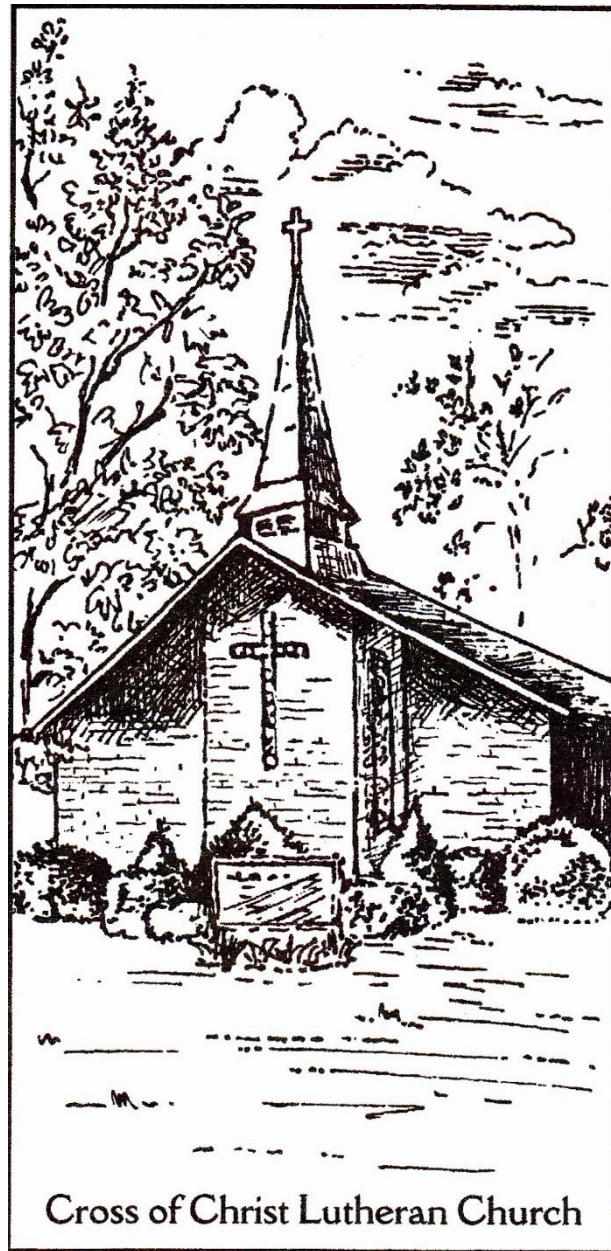
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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.**

## The LORD'S Prayer

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.**



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*Cross of Christ Lutheran Church* has been in Babylon since 1923, originally with a different name, and in a different location. The church was initially called "First Lutheran Church of Babylon". It began with a small group of Lutherans worshipping weekly in private homes. Later, after meeting in a hall, the first church was built on Locust Avenue.

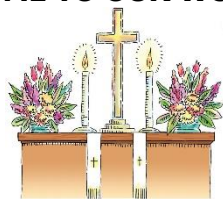
Many years later, many pastors later, in a different building with some new people, and in a new era, one thing has not changed: the mission of this church. We are here to preach the Good News of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. We are here to conduct worship, administer the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Baptism, study God's Word, teach children, and reach out in love and service to all God's people.

Our mission statement is printed in this brochure. Many of our activities are listed as well. We welcome you to join us for worship, and to consider membership in our congregation.

Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father but by me." Please join us as we celebrate the love of Christ, and work together to learn more about Him, and to serve God and God's people.

Yours in Christ,  
**Pastor Joanne Bond**

## WELCOME TO YOUR WORSHIP! WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP!



### WORSHIP

Welcome to God's work! You are a worshipper not a spectator. You are invited to listen to God's Word and to receive Holy Communion, to confess your faith, to praise God, to pray, to offer yourself for God's mission, and to share the peace of the Lord. Whenever we gather to hear the Word and to receive the Sacraments, Jesus is then in our midst.

Our worship services are held every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. The Eucharist is part of most every service.



### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CONFIRMATION

The Sunday School schedule coincides with our 10:00 a.m. church service. Sunday School provides structured Christian classes for 3-year-olds through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

Our confirmands (6<sup>th</sup> grade and up) are given instruction which prepares them for Confirmation. Upon completing the course, they are confirmed on Pentecost Sunday. Confirmation is the affirmation of our Baptism.

### YOUTH GROUPS



**Junior LYO** – 1<sup>st</sup> grade to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.

**Intermediate LYO** – 4<sup>th</sup> grade to 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Senior LYO** – 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up.

**Confirmandos** – Already confirmed through college.

### CHURCH COMMITTEES



Our church committees aid in ministering to the members of this congregation and to all persons who can be reached with the Gospel of Christ. Committees meet monthly.

*Worship and Music  
Parish Fellowship  
Social Ministry  
Youth Ministry  
Property*

*Educational Ministry  
Evangelism Ministry  
Stewardship  
Preschool  
Finance*



### FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**Prime Timers** – For all who are 50 years or older. Meet Wednesdays at noon for a "brown bag" lunch and Christian fellowship. Coffee and cake are provided.

**Adult Bible Study** – Classes meet Mondays at 11 a.m. to further our knowledge and understanding of our faith.

### NEW MEMBER CLASSES

Welcome  
To Our  
Church



New member classes are offered twice a year. This is also a great opportunity for current members to brush up on Lutheran fundamentals.

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH



These are programs supported or sponsored by our church:

- ❖ *Tuesday "Feeding the Flock" Food Pantry*
- ❖ *Tuesday "Feeding the Flock" Supper*
- ❖ *Cross of Christ Lutheran Preschool*
- ❖ *Summer Fun Preschool Program*
- ❖ *L.I. Lutheran Basketball League*
  - ❖ *Compassionate Friends*
    - ❖ *AA Meetings*
    - ❖ *Boy Scouts*
    - ❖ *Tai Chi*

**BE AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT** – Joining our church family can help you discover your God given talents. We all have special talents. Choose to serve God as part of His ministry in various ways, such as:

*Church Committee Member  
"Feeding the Flock" Volunteer  
Chaperone Youth Activities  
Teaching Sunday School  
Junior Choir  
Youth Choir  
Senior Choir  
Bell Choir  
Orchestra  
Altar Guild*



*We are a community united  
in Jesus Christ,  
sharing God's love through  
word and deed.*