

Welcome to Worship with Holy Communion



**Bringing Christ To All People
Today And Every Day**

GATHERING TOGETHER

WELCOME - Make a special effort to welcome our visitors!! Christ Lutheran Church is a weapon, smoke, vape and tobacco free church and campus. We share Joys, News, and Concerns.

PRELUDE

We take a quiet moment to prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.

GATHERING HYMN/CHOIR ANTHEM - Stand As You Are Able

YOUTH/YOUNG IN SPIRIT MESSAGE

APOSTOLIC GREETING

[P] The grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the love of GOD our Father, and the communion of The Holy Spirit be with you all!

[C] And also with you!

CONFESSION

[P] Blessed be The Holy Trinity, ✝ One God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper!

[C] Amen!

[P] Trusting in God our Father's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God our Father and of one another!

Silence for reflection and self-examination

[P] Merciful and loving God our Father,

[C] we are your stiff-necked people. At times we trample on your needy people. At times we grumble about your grace to others. At times we turn away from your poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen!

[P] Even when we are faithless, God our Father remains faithful. His Son Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord came into His world to save sinners. We who were lost have been found. In the Holy Name of ✝ Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven!

[C] Amen!

SHARING THE WORD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

[P] Let us pray!

[C] By The Holy Spirit's power, continue to direct us, O Lord God our Father, in all our actions, words and deeds with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your Holy Name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen!

PRAYER FOR THE WORLD

P Let us pray!

C Let us pray for all victims of any forms of violence, terror, human trafficking, and all displaced peoples; all victims of ethnic, racial, gender, sexual, political, and religious discrimination and violence; all victims of natural disasters or human made disasters; all victims of war or warlike activity, conflict, oppression and strife including in Gaza, Israel and Ukraine; and for Jesus' Gospel to reach the Hindu Kurmi People in India. Gracious GOD our Father of healing and wholeness, through the power of The Holy Spirit, bring relief in every way you see fit for those impacted by natural disasters, human made disasters, conflicts, persecutions and wars. Empower all peoples to reach out to those impacted through the healing power of Jesus Christ. GOD our Father, † Son and Holy Spirit, we admit our human frailties and recognize we live in a fallen creation. Restore us each and every way as you see fit so that your will is done. In Jesus' Holy Name we pray. Amen!

SCRIPTURE HYMN/CHOIR ANTHEM

GOSPEL - Stand As You Are Able

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED - Stand As You Are Able

P Living together in faith, trust, and hope, let us confess our faith together!

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 into hell. 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!

THE BANQUET

COMMUNION LITURGY

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened His arms to all.

- 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.

- Remembering, therefore, His death, resurrection, and ascension, we await His coming in glory.

- Pour out The Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

- Through Him, with Him, in Him, in the unity of The Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever!

C Amen!

LORD'S PRAYER - SING

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Come to the Banquet, for all is now ready!

C Thanks be to God!

All Baptized Christians who believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome at the Lord's Table. We receive His continuing forgiving presence in our lives, along with His mercy, salvation, and promise of eternal life. You are also invited to come forward for a blessing. Pick up a communion wine cup from the cup stand. Receive the host bread from the Communion Assistant and the wine from the Pastor. Tell the Communion Assistant if you prefer gluten-free bread and the Pastor if you prefer grape juice. Return your used cup to the tray from the Communion Assistant.

HOLY COMMUNION HYMN/CHOIR ANTHEM

TABLE BLESSING

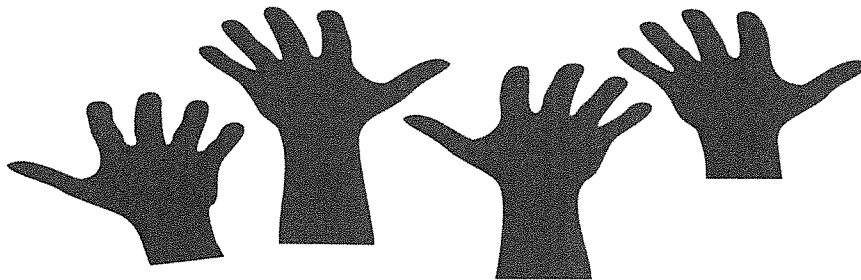
P The Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in His grace now and forever!

C Amen!

THE SENDING

BLESSING - SING - Stand As You Are Able

C Blessed be the Name of the Lord; He is worthy to be praised and adored; So we lift up holy hands in one accord, singing, "Blessed be the Name, blessed be the Name, blessed be the Name of the Lord!" We are Jesus strong! Amen!



SENDING HYMN/CHOIR ANTHEM

FINAL SENDING

P Continue to bring Christ to all people today and everyday! Go in Peace! Share the good news!

C We will with thanks to GOD! Amen!

LESSONS & FINANCIALS

Time After Pentecost, September 14, 2025



Worship Services
with Holy Communion
At 9:00 am & 10:30am

Christ Lutheran Church
15699 SE 80th Avenue
Summerfield, FL 34491
352-307-6900
Mailing Address
P.O. Box 693,
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Website: christlutheranchurchelcm.org

*Bringing Christ To All People Today
And Every Day*

GOSPEL: St. Luke 15:1-10

L Jesus teaches two parables that suggest a curious connection between the lost being found and sinners repenting. Jesus takes the initiative to find sinners, each of whom is so precious to Jesus that their recovery brings joy in heaven.

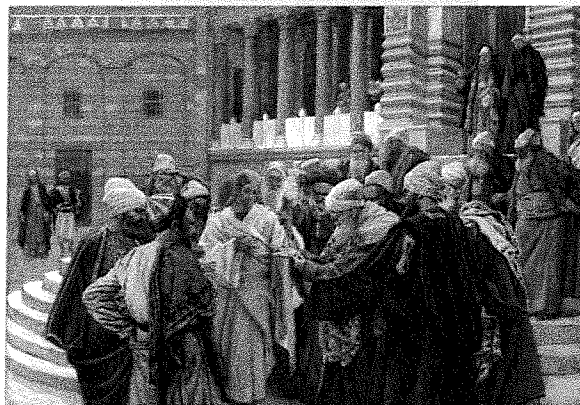
L The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 15th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

L ¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." ³So he told them this parable: ⁴"Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. ⁸Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

L The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.



FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

L The sinfulness of the Lord God's people of the southern kingdom of Judah will surely bring their destruction. The Lord God's searing wind of judgment, in the form of a massive foreign army, will reduce the land to its primeval state of waste and void, as it was at the beginning of Genesis.

L ¹¹At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse—¹²a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them. ²²"For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good." ²³I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. ²⁴I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. ²⁵I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. ²⁶I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the LORD, before his fierce anger. ²⁷For thus says the LORD: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. ²⁸Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 14

The LORD looks down from heaven upon us all. (Ps. 14:2)

¹Fools say in their hearts, "There ¹ is no God."

They are corrupt, every deed is vile; there is no one who does ¹ any good.

²**The LORD looks down from heaven up- ¹ on us all,
to see if there is anyone who is wise, who seeks ¹ after God.**

³They have all proved faithless; all alike ¹ have turned bad;
there is none who does good; ¹ no, not one.

⁴**Have they no knowledge, all those ¹ evildoers
who eat up my people like bread and do not call up- ¹ on the LORD?**

⁵See how they trem- ¹ ble with fear,
because God is in the company ¹ of the righteous.

⁶**Your aim is to confound the plans of ¹ the afflicted,
but the LORD ¹ is their refuge.**

⁷Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come ¹ out of Zion!

When the LORD restores the fortunes of the people, Jacob will rejoice and
Israel ¹ will be glad.

SECOND LESSON: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

L The letters to Timothy and Titus are called the pastoral epistles because they contain advice especially intended for leaders in Jesus' holy catholic church. Here the mercy shown to St. Paul, who once persecuted Jesus' church, is cited as evidence that even the most unworthy may become witnesses to the grace, mercy and love of Jesus.

L ¹²I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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pastoral epistles

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS for 9/15/25 BULLETIN

	<u>Operating Funds</u>
Balance @ 01/01/25	\$ 90,689
YTD Income	\$ 259,272
YTD Expenses	<u>\$ 245,307</u>
Balance @ 9/07/2025	<u>\$ 104,654</u>

Offering for 9/07/2025

Operating Fund	\$ 4,265
Loose	\$ 66
Mortgage Fund	\$ 864

Designated Giving:

- Food For The Poor	\$ 90
- Salvation Army	\$ 55
- Lutheran World Relief	\$ 15
- ELCM Missions	\$ 25
- Fellowship	\$ 8
- Feed My Starving Children	\$ 529
- Flowers	\$ 65

Total Offering	<u>\$ 5,982</u>
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FM SC Net Fundraising for 2026 Pack:	\$ 29,122
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Mortgage Debt Balance as of 8/28/2025	\$ 817,167
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2025 Annual Giving Sustained Increase-31 Giving Units, Total \$ 31,341

Note: If anyone would like further details on Church financials, please see Barb LeFevre, Treasurer.

CHURCH INFORMATION & EVENTS-SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

Meetings--Monday, September 15-Full Nurture-1:30pm, Tuesday, September 16--Pastor's Bible Study-2pm. Michele Harney, 352-307-6900.

Hearing Aid Devices-We have Blue Tooth and T Coil. In case your connection isn't working we have some really nice headphones you can use. **Joe Pence, Facilities Manager, 352-307-6900.**

Feed My Starving Children-The net proceeds collected to date are \$29,122 towards our January 2026 goal of \$35,000 goal. **Mark Ferrera, FMSC Chair, 407-616-1576.**

2025 UPCOMING EVENTS AT CLC



Children & Youth Ministry



*Prayer Shawl
BP CLINIC*

OTHER CLC EVENTS

Spaghetti Dinner w/Dessert Sale & Auction, THIS Friday, September 19, Carry Out 4:30 Eat In 5pm \$15 for 1 \$25 for 2 (FMSC)

Scooter the DJ-THIS Saturday, September 20, 6-9pm, American Legion, Tickets \$10 (FMSC)

Joyful Praise Quartet-THIS Sunday, September 21, 3:30pm (FMSC)

G.I.F.T. Breakfast in Bethlehem-Saturday, September 27-3-6 pm (Youth Ministry)

Ice Cream Social & Juke Box Bingo-Sunday, October 5, 1pm (FMSC)

Halloween Boo Fest -Saturday, October 18, 1-6pm (Youth Ministry)

Moonlighters Concert-Sunday, October 26, 3pm (snacks/beer/wine) (FMSC)

Blood Mobile-Sunday, November 2, 8-12:30pm

Social & Pastor Derrel/Elvis- Sunday, November 2 at 1pm (FMSC)

Joyful Praise Quartet-Sunday, November 9 at 3:30pm (FMSC)

Putt Putt Golf-Thursday, November 13 at 3pm, Lunch to follow (FMSC)

Thanksgiving Party-Saturday, November 22-Set Up-1pm, Party-3-6pm (Youth Ministry)

Social & Juke Box Bingo-Sunday, Sunday, December 7 at 1pm (FMSC)

Christmas with Santa & Pizza-Saturday, December 20 from 1-6pm (Youth Ministry)

**Recurring Monthly Events for 2025:First Sunday of Every Month-
Second Sunday of Every Month, Third Sunday of Every Month-BP
Check-10am-Library, Fourth Sunday of Every Month -**

Second Wednesday-Prayer Shawl Meeting-11:30am

CONTACTS

Medical & Prayer Shawl, Darlene Baney, Coordinator, 419-367-0373.

G.I.F.T. Minister-Skyler Forsythe, 352-299-5471

FMSC, Mark Ferrera, Chair, 407-616-1576

Family Ministers-Ashley Runyon, 980-925-9959

Fellowship-Kay Bertzyk, 352-245-0346 or Joe Capelli, 352-445-2616, Co Chairs.

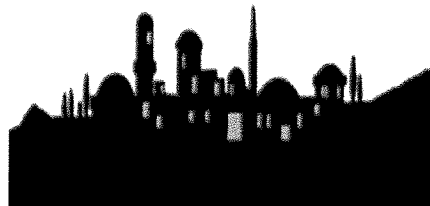
CHURCH INFORMATION & EVENTS CONTD.

Prayer Shawls-On the window side of the Fellowship Hall there are Prayer Shawls ready to be given to people who you feel might like to wrap themselves in Prayer. Please feel free to take one. Just let us know where you sent it. We need more shawls. Please join the Prayer Shawl Meeting the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 11:30am. to help make shawls. **Darlene Baney, Coordinator, 419-367-0373.**

Altar Guild-Meeting, **TODAY**, Sunday, September 14 at 12pm. We want to meet everyone! We are looking for interested new members. **Joan Knight, 802-309-4019** or **Jane Gouge, 352-233-9233, Co-coordinators.**

The Rock- Lake Weir Middle School is back in session for the 2025-26 school year. The students have returned with their needs and necessities. If you care to help out, they need deodorant for males and females, combs and hair brushes as well as two pack hand sanitizer. As the semester progresses the needs will be more plentiful. **Carolyn Korpics, 352-693-8543, Coordinator.**

Walk to Bethlehem-Let's arrive in Bethlehem on Christmas Day. If we all join in the 2929 miles is easy, of course that does not include the ocean miles! Along the way we will learn about other countries and cultures. Sign up sheet and upcoming info are on the table in Fellowship Hall. **Darlene Baney, Coordinator, 419-367-0373.**



Live Plant Garden-The calendar has openings for IMO/IHO Live Plant Gardens. Please sign up for available dates in the Fellowship Hall. **Michele Harney, Parish Admin. Minister, 352-307-6900.**

Phil's Friends-If someone you know has cancer, volunteers in our Hope Centers create and assemble hopeful care packages with comforting items that our friends with cancer need and enjoy. **Linda Scholfield, Coordinator, 352-307-3063.**

COLLECTIONS

Cell Phones-We will still be collecting cell phones. They are taken to Interfaith. **Michele Harney, Parish Administration Minister, 352-307-6900.**

Domestic Violence Center (C.A.S.A.)-We are collecting items at this time. They need Cleaning Supplies, Hygiene Items, Diapers and Wipes, Paper Towels, Paper Napkins & Toilet Paper. Clean and like new condition business attire is also needed. **Cindy Kelly, Coordinator, 440-221-4027.**

Hands of Mercy Everywhere-Needed: Paper Towels, Paper Napkins & Toilet paper. **Cindy Kelly, Social Ministry Chair, 440-221-4027.**

St. Theresa Roman Catholic Church Food Pantry-Thank you for continuing to donate. Keep those donations coming. Non-perishable supplies are always needed. Be sure to check the expiration date. Questions call **Pastor Dave Connell, 352-307-6900.**

Interfaith Shower Ministry in Ocala-for the homeless. We collect supplies: bath towels and wash cloths, men's socks and underwear, personal and full size shampoo, conditioner, body wash, soap, deodorant, tooth brushes, and tooth paste, and men's shoes. **Susan Blusewicz, Interfaith Shower Ministry Coordinator, 352-674-9434.**

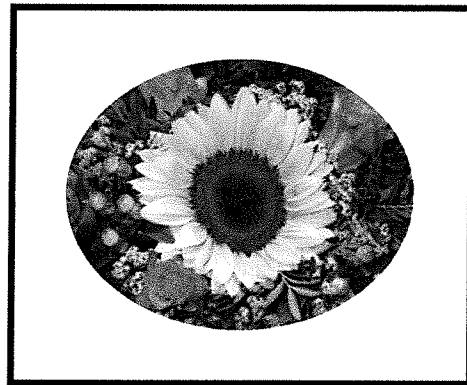
Interfaith Free Clinic Medical Center- needs any Over The Counter medicines that are **NOT** opened and **NOT** expired. Cold medicine, cough drops, regular aspirin and low dose aspirin are needed too. **NO RX MEDS.** **Michele Harney, Parish Administration Minister, 352-307-6900.**

We acknowledge a gift to:



**The Live Plant Garden Is Given:
To the Glory of God
&**

**In Honor Of: Bob & Chris Messersmiths'
60th Wedding Anniversary
By: Bob & Chris Messersmith**



We express Christian Sympathy to the family and friends of:



**A
Celebration
of Life**

Ron Blake- CLC Parishioner Member's Celebration of Life is on Friday, November 28 at 1pm at CLC.

PRAYERS

Pray - Council, Ministry Team Leaders / Teams, and Parishioners - Today

for: Frank Ancona & Doris Howery; Sharon Avery; Dean & Sue Ann Babbitt; Walt & Darlene Baney; Diane Beavers; Anita Beck; Renee Beck; Marvin & Nancy Becker; Rose Bell; Kay Bertzyk; Joel & Peggy Best; and all baptized, confirmed, married, memorialized, new parishioners, and all at Christ Lutheran Church.

Give Thanks - Healing: Ken Geach (left leg cath 1 stent implant repair surgery rehab - OK); Dick Knight (back cyst recurrence removal repair surgery rehab - OK); Lu Lickas (heart blood clot filter insertion surgery rehab - OK); and Carolyn Wright (heart health issues tests results - OK).

Pray - Parishioners (short term): Jillian Acles (neurological health issues next steps pending); Sandie Capelli (back spinal discs cyst removal repair surgery 9/16 - Shands Hosp.); Martha Fernez (facial nose squamous cancer removal repair surgery radiation therapy & skin graft plastic repair surgery rehab pending); Ken Geach (right leg cath 10/10); Jim Hopper (internal cancer PET scan results w/Dr. pending); Earl Howell (fractured tailbone & 2 pelvis fractures health issues rehab - Freedom Pointe Rehab # 100); Mary Ellen Howell (auto accident rehab); Ed Israel (right shoulder torn rotator cuff next steps pending); Larry Lee (neck spinal discs pain repair surgery next steps w/surgeon Dr. pending; 2nd opinion w/another surgeon Dr. 9/23 - Shands Hosp.); Susan Long (right elbow & internal health issues next steps w/orthopedic Dr. 9/18); John Lotz (heart & respiratory health issues rehab); Christine Messersmith (fractured pelvis health issues rehab); Frank Neumann (right knee replacement repair surgery pending); Perry Olyer (back spinal discs pain next steps w/surgeon Dr. pending); Custer Redman (add'l internal cancer medication rehab); Jackie Romeo (neck & back spinal discs pain rehab); Ashley Runyon (internal non-cancer health issue repair surgery 12/1 - Moffitt Cancer Center); and John Simmons (post-previous surgeries chest pain scar tissue removal repair surgery & add'l incision multiple area infections & 8 add'l infection removal & repairs surgeries health issues rehab).

Pray - Parishioners (long term - hospital): No one.

Pray - Parishioners (long term - Hospice): Tom Taylor (Marion County EW & Lucille Cates Hospice House # 11, Ocala, FL).



Attendance: 9am: 80
10:30am: 48 Total: 128
YouTube: 44

LESSONS FOR NEXT WEEK
Jeremiah 8:18-22, 9:1
Psalm 79:1-9
1 Timothy 2:1-7
Gospel-St. Luke 16:1-13

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As always, thank you for your continued support and help.

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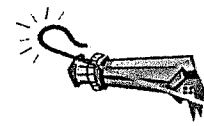
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LIGHTHOUSE**

**THUR., SEPTEMBER 18
5 - 8PM**

10%

DONATION NIGHT

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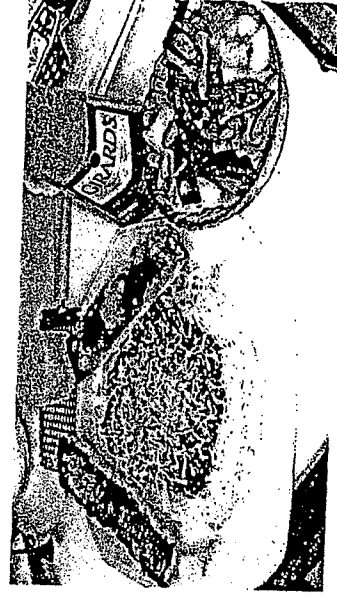
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High energy, contemporary Gospel
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See you there!

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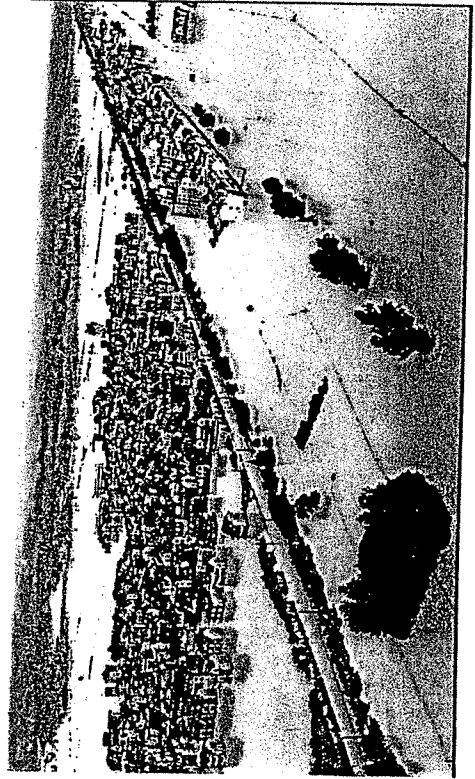
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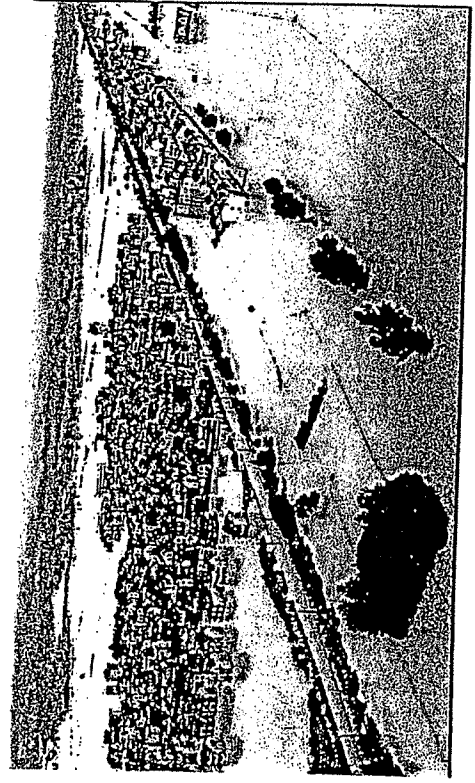
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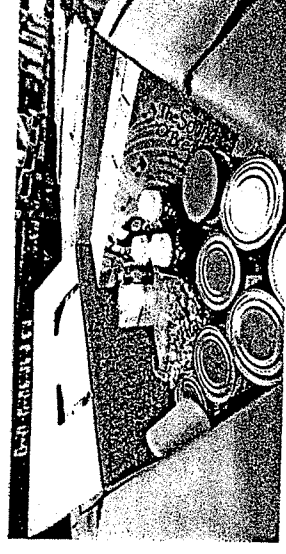
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Quiet Moment-In His Time-Choir

1. Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart (Verses 1-4 ONLY) ELW 873
2. I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say ELW 611
3. **Communion-** A. It is Well with My Soul ELW 785 B. O, God, Why are You Silent ELW 703
4. Blest Be the Tie That Binds ELW 656