

**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 15 and 16, 2026**

**Christ the King Lutheran Church**

Ministers: All the Baptized

Pastor Timothy Anderson

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND LISTENING DEVICES**

**here for you on the table in the Narthex**

***Hymnals Reference: ELW (Worship) – Red, hard covered hymnal***

***WOV (With One Voice) – Blue Paperback***

***hymnal***

**HYMN**

***How Great Thou Art***

**ELW 856**

**DIALOG AND MORNING PRAISE**

**See photo**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**C: 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 at 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**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**C: Almighty and ever-living God, you have given great and precious promises to those who believe. Grant us the perfect faith which overcomes all doubts, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8**

<sup>1</sup> Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come

and my deliverance be revealed.

<sup>6</sup> And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the Sabbath and do not profane it and hold fast my covenant—

<sup>7</sup> these I will bring to my holy mountain and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

<sup>8</sup> Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel: I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 67**

<sup>1</sup> May God be merciful to us and bless us,  
show us the light of his countenance, and come to us.

**C:<sup>2</sup> Let your ways be known upon earth,  
your saving health among all nations.**

<sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

**C:<sup>4</sup> Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations  
upon  
earth.**

<sup>5</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

**C:<sup>6</sup> The earth has brought forth her increase;  
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.**

<sup>7</sup> May God give us his blessing,  
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

**SECOND LESSON: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32**

[Paul writes:] <sup>1</sup> I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2a</sup> God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. <sup>29</sup> For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup> Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup> so also they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they also may now receive mercy. <sup>32</sup> For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## ACCLAMATION

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### GOSPEL: Matthew 15:10-28

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

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

<sup>10</sup> Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand: <sup>11</sup> it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.” <sup>12</sup> Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?” <sup>13</sup> He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. <sup>14</sup> Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” <sup>15</sup> But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” <sup>16</sup> Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? <sup>17</sup> Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach and goes out into the sewer? <sup>18</sup> But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. <sup>19</sup> For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. <sup>20</sup> These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.” <sup>21</sup> Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” <sup>23</sup> But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” <sup>24</sup> He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” <sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” <sup>26</sup> He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” <sup>27</sup> She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed from that moment.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## SERMON

### HYMN

*You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore*

ELW 817

### THE PRAYERS

Lord in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

### OFFERING

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Let us pray.

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.

**C: Amen.**

#### DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

#### PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places

give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power 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, hosanna in the highest.**

### **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

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**

**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**

**COMMUNION SONG     *Lamb of God***

**ELW p. 208**

***Here Is Bread***

**ELW 483**

***As We Gather at Your Table***

**ELW 522**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### **BENEDICTION**

The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us.

The Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace.

**C: Amen**

**HYMN**

***For the Beauty of the Earth***

**ELW 879**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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**Musician:** JoAnn Huss

**\* The loose offering will go to Helping Hands**

Coffee money will go towards Youth Activities

**Holy Communion**

Sustaining God, as we come to your table of Grace, you give to us the bread of life – your very self so we might never be hungry. As Christ come to us in bread and wine of Holy Communion, our deepest needs are fed.

Believing in the real presence of Christ, this church practices Eucharistic hospitality. All baptized persons are welcome to communion when they are visiting Christ the King Lutheran Church. Red wine and white grape juice are offered at Communion.

*Gluten Free Wafers are available*

**If you are visiting** Christ the King Lutheran Church today and would like information about the church, there is a table under the Welcome sign that has information for you to take with you. If you have any questions, please contact the church office 507-354-4672. Thank you for visiting today and we pray you were spiritually fed by the Word of God.

If you are interested in becoming a member of CTK and would like more information, please contact Helen Christenson at 507-376-3551 or the church office at 507-354-4672.

**The Caregivers Support Group** continues to meet Thursday's at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The next meeting will be August 20<sup>th</sup>. The group is enjoying this social time to share stories and talk about issues surrounding being Caregivers. Anyone is welcome to attend – just come on by! It's National Wellness Month in August, promoting self-care, stress reduction, and healthy daily habits.

**Laura Randall** dealing with thyroid cancer

**Tim Kruse** dealing with a blood clot

**Dale and Mickey Witt** dealing with health issues

**Mike Buechner** recovering from knee surgery

**Terry Prange** as he is receiving PT from a fall at Benedictine Living Community in St.Peter.

**Lloyd Christenson** recovering from a blood clot on the lung

**Joanne Cherrington** recovering from a fall.

**Lanis Curtis** sister, Mary has passed away

**Pete Lemke** recovering from triple bypass

**Sheila Friske** recovering from foot surgery

**Steve and Barbara Reinhart's son, Matt**, suffering from a massive stroke

**Peg Isaacson** resuming treatment for cancer

**Kyle Hawk** further complications from cancer

**Brian Kloos** recovering from foot surgery

**Char Klocke** is now residing at Valley View Home in Lamberton

**Duane Strasse**, Bonnie Hubert's brother, in nursing home after stroke

**Diane Mikkelson and family** upon the death of **Dan Mikkelson**

*\*\*There is a new Care List available in the office for those who would like to send cards\*\**

**Thanks so much for your continued donations to the Little Pantry!**

Pasta & Spaghetti Sauce

Pasta, Tuna & Cream of Mushroom Soup

Canned vegetables

Canned fruit

Canned pasta such as Ravioli or Spaghetti Os

Diapers & Wipes

Boxed Meals

Cereal

Toilet paper

Paper towels

Cleaning supplies

Personal Hygiene

## **Shared Ministry in Worship**

- You can sign up on the sheet in the narthex, on the church app, on the church website, or by contacting the church office at 507-354-4672.

## **Do You Like to Sing?**

**Hello singers! Remember to keep choir in mind while you are doing your fall planning. We meet Wednesday's from 6:45 - 7:45 pm. No pressure, no guilt, no auditions - and FUN! Feeling rusty? You can warm up your voice at worship on Saturday evening or Sunday morning (hint hint). See you in September!**

## **Youth News**

- **August 13-16 Flandrau Concession Stand**
- **August 30<sup>th</sup> – Backpack blessing**
- **September 13<sup>th</sup> – Mission trip presentation**

**2027 ELCA Youth Gathering** will be in Minneapolis next summer June 28-July 2. More information will be coming this summer and we will want to start registering this fall, so start pondering whether this will be an event for you. Youth in 8th-12th grade in the fall of 2026 are eligible. There is also a Young Adult Gathering as well for ages 18-35 during the same dates. If you are thinking about this event, please let Geri know so she has an idea of who is interested.

**August 30 - Backpack Blessing** - Children are encouraged to bring their backpack to church and receive a blessing and a backpack tag.

**September 13** – The kids that went on the Mission trip to Madison, WI will give a presentation of their experiences.

***THIS COMING WEEK: AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup>***

**SUNDAY,**

9:00 a.m. Worship Service, FB  
Live  
*Coffee and Cookies after  
services*

**MONDAY,**

1:30 p.m. Parkinson's  
7:00 p.m. Women of Today

**TUESDAY,**

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting  
10:00 a.m. Worship TV on Public  
Access

**WEDNESDAY,**

5:15 p.m. Worship TV on Public  
Access

**THURSDAY,**

1:00 p.m. Caregivers Support

**SATURDAY,**

5:33 p.m. Saturday Evening  
Worship

**SUNDAY,**

9:00 a.m. Worship Service, FB

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