



13th Sunday after Pentecost

August 23, 2026

Christ the King Lutheran Church

Ministers: All the Baptized

Pastor Timothy Anderson

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND LISTENING DEVICES
are here for you on the table in the Narthex**

***Hymnals Reference: ELW (Worship) – Red, hard covered hymnal
WOV (With One Voice) – Blue Paperback hymnal***

GATHERING SONG *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* ELW 645

GREETING

You are the treasured people of the LORD,

C: a people holy to the LORD our God.

Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.

**C: Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away,
when you lie down and when you rise.**

One does not live by bread alone,

C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

(Deuteronomy 26, 11, 8)

DIALOG AND MORNING PRAISE

See picture

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Let us pray.

**C: God of all creation, you reach out to call people of all nations to
your kingdom. As you gather disciples from near and far, count us
also among those who boldly confess your Son Jesus Christ as Lord.
Amen**

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 51:1-6

¹ Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the LORD.
Look to the rock from which you were hewn and to the quarry from which you were

dug. ² Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah, who bore you,
for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many.

³ For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places
and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD;
joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

⁴ Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation,
for a teaching will go out from me and my justice for a light to the peoples.

⁵ I will bring near my deliverance swiftly; my salvation has gone out,
and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me,
and for my arm they hope. ⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens and look at the
earth

beneath, for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a
garment,

and those who live on it will die like gnats, but my salvation will be forever,
and my deliverance will never be ended.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 138

¹ I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart;
before the gods I will sing your praise.

**C:² I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name,
because of your steadfast love and faithfulness;
for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.**

³ When I called, you answered me;
you increased my strength within me.

**C:⁴ All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD,
when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

⁵ They will sing of the ways of the LORD,
that great is the glory of the LORD.

**C:⁶ The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly,
perceiving the haughty from afar.**

⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand
shall save me.

**C: You will make good your purpose for me;
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the
works of your hands.**

SECOND LESSON: Romans 12:1-8

¹ I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, on the basis of God's mercy, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your reasonable act of worship. ² Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴ For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, ⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶ We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸ the encourager, in encouragement; the giver, in sincerity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God* WOV 783

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-20

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ And they said, "Some say John the Baptist but others Elijah and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵ He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." ²⁰ Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

ELW 597

CREED AND CONFESSION

In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.

(Eph. 1:13-14)

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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

Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

C: pray in the Holy Spirit.

(Jude 20)

Keep yourselves in the love of God;

C: look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

(Jude 21)

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

C: Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!

(Corinthians 5:17)

God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Silence for reflection and self examination.

Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C: Amen

THE PRAYERS

Lord in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

OFFERING

We Are an Offering

ELW 692

OFFERING PRAYER

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.

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

SPOKEN

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven 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 SONGS

*Lamb of God
Beautiful Savior*

**ELW 195
ELW 838**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen

HYMN

We All Are One in Mission

ELW 576

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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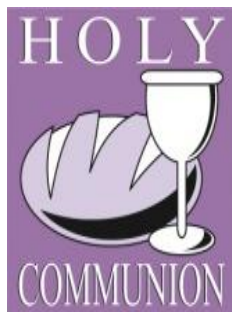
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Musicians: Bruce and Connie Jacobs, Bonnie Lantz

*** 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 Thursday, September 3rd. 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!

Laugh for the Health of It! Are you a caregiver or friend of a loved one with dementia? Come for an uplifting experience with a Wellness Coach, Thursday, August 27th CAST Senior Center, 10:30 – 11:30 AM.

IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

Tim Kruse as he is having surgery

Mike Buechner recovering from knee surgery

Joanne Cherrington recovering from a fall.

Lanis Curtis sister, Mary, as she has passed away.

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 and Allison Howk as they deal with medical issues

Brian Kloos recovering from foot surgery

Char Klocke is now residing at Valley View Home in Lamberton

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

Boxed Meals

Cereal

Toilet paper

Paper towels

Cleaning supplies

Personal Hygiene

Diapers & Wipes

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.

Youth News



- **August 24th – Final date for Gertens Fundraiser**
- **August 30th – Backpack blessing**
- **September 13th – Mission trip presentation**

Gertens - Get your orders in now! The Gertens Fundraiser closes at 10:00PM Monday, **August 24th**. There are Mums and other fall flowers and bulbs available. There are also gift cards available. 30% of sales go toward youth events!

Go to **www.gertensfundraising.com** and enter **Store ID: 1160**. Pickup will be September 9th here at the church.

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.

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.



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 September 16th for our first rehearsal!

NUMAS Haus - During the month of September, the Outreach ministry is collecting items for the local NUMAS Haus. The NUMAS Haus is a shelter for the homeless women and their children. The list below are items that can be donated in a box in the narthex. If you have any questions, please call the Church office at 507.354.4672. Thank you for your help!

Women's and girls' underwear, all sizes

Pots and Pans Sets

Kitchen Utensil Sets

Small Kitchen Drawer Dividers

Small Room Fans

Beach Towels

Dry Shampoo

**Make Up Remover Wipes
Cards**

Clothing Hangers

Alarm Clocks

Queen and full size sheets

Hand Lotion

Laundry Soap

Vacuums

Hair Dryers

Dish Soap

Household toolkits

Crock Pots

Fabric Softener

Shaving Razors

Bus Tokens

Gas Gift Cards

Grocery Store Gift

THIS COMING WEEK:

SUNDAY,

9:00 a.m. Worship Service,
livestream

on CTK website

*Coffee and Cookies after
services*

WEDNESDAY,

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

THURSDAY,

9 AM Newsletter Fold

MONDAY,

6:30 p.m. Adoption Group

SATURDAY,

5:33 p.m. Saturday Evening
Worship

TUESDAY,

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

10:00 a.m. Worship TV on Public

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A Piece of Christ the King History

From the first brochure:

Christ the King Lutheran Church -LCA

IF YOU ALREADY belong to a Christian congregation, we wish you the blessings of Christ the King. We want to be supportive of your faith and fellowship. Let's be good neighbors.

IF YOU ARE seeking or need a church home, we invite you to share in a very exciting adventure. We are beginning a new Christian community of faith founded upon the GOOD NEWS of God's forgiving love. We will share this love and forgiveness as we worship, study and serve in the name of Christ the King.

SUNDAY WORSHIP will begin on November 15th, 1981.

Pastor Doug Larson

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