



**Fourth Sunday of Easter  
April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> 2026**

**Christ the King Lutheran Church**  
Ministers: All the Baptized  
Pastor Timothy Anderson

**Worship Speakers: Ron and Anna Fleischmann**

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

**HYMN**

***Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!***

**ELW 385**

**GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. *(2 Corinthians 13:13)*

**C: And also with you.**

The word is near you,

**C: on your lips and in your heart.**

If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord,

**C: and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.**

Faith comes from what is heard,

**C: and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.**

*(Romans 10)*

**KYRIE**

**ELW p.203**

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**C: God of all power, you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep. Send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured, and to feed one another with knowledge and understanding; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

## **FIRST LESSON: Acts 2:42-47**

<sup>42</sup> [The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

<sup>43</sup> Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. <sup>44</sup> All who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup> they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup> Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM: Psalm 23**

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is my shepherd;  
I shall not be in want.

**C: <sup>2</sup> The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.**

<sup>3</sup> You restore my soul, O LORD,  
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

**C: <sup>4</sup> Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no  
evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

<sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

**C: <sup>6</sup> Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

## **SECOND LESSON: 1 Peter 2:19-25**

<sup>19</sup> It is a commendable thing if, being aware of God, a person endures pain while suffering unjustly. <sup>20</sup> If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do good and suffer for it, this is a commendable thing before God. <sup>21</sup> For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

<sup>22</sup> "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."

<sup>23</sup> When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. <sup>24</sup> He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, having died to sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup> For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia!*

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**GOSPEL: John 10:1-10**

The Holy Gospel according to John.

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

[Jesus said:] <sup>1</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. <sup>2</sup>The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup>The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup>When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. <sup>5</sup>They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” <sup>6</sup>Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

<sup>7</sup>So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who came before me are thieves and bandits, but the sheep did not listen to them. <sup>9</sup>I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**SERMON**

**HYMN**

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

**ELW 502**

**CREED**

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.**

*(Ephesians 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.**



**HYMN**

***God Be with You Till We Meet Again***

**ELW 536**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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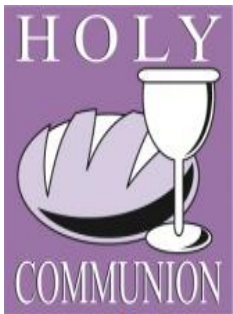
**Please stay after services for a meeting to adopt the Amended Church Constitution.**



**Musicians:** Connie and Bruce 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.

**Adult Education**

**Women's Bible Study has resumed studying the women in the Bible. We will continue to meet at 3:00 p.m. on Mondays.**

**Men's Bible Study has resumed on Saturdays at 8:00 a.m.**

**The Adult Bible Study has resumed on Mondays at 7:00 p.m.**

 IN OUR   
*Thoughts and Prayers*

*Jill Wise and Family upon the passing of Bob Wise*

*Alan Forstner recovering from back surgery*

*Ken and Mary Ann Thorn's son, Don, undergoing chemo treatments for cancer*

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

*Stacy Rewitzer is recovering at home from back surgery*

*Peg Isaacson resuming treatment for cancer*

*Deb and Dan Alsleben dealing with multiple health issues*

*Kyle Howk recovering from surgery*

*Brian Kloos recovering from foot surgery*

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

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

*Help!*

The Sewing Group meets Thursday at 1:00pm. We are off to a good start! So far we have made a number of quilts and some bean bags for the Youth Group. They use these to play games when they visit the residents of Prairie Senior Cottages. **However – we could use your help!** We need cotton or cotton/polyester fabrics, clean and gently used blankets and sheets for batting and backing, and newer thread of any color. If you have any of these items laying around at home, or if you would like to make a financial donation to the Sewing Group for supplies, then please contact Mary at the Church office, 507-354-4672, or Beth Wendinger, 507-276-2525.

**Just a reminder.....Christ the King t-shirts and sweatshirts can still be ordered. Please see Geri to place your order.**



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

Pasta & Spaghetti Sauce	Toilet paper
Pasta, Tuna & Cream of Mushroom Soup	Paper towels
Canned vegetables	Cleaning supplies
Canned fruit	Personal Hygiene
Canned pasta such as Ravioli or Spaghetti Os	Diapers & Wipes
Boxed Meals	Cereal

***The Caregivers Support Group*** continues to meet Thursday's at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The next meeting will be May 7th. 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! Many thanks to Patty Nelson for her presentation of *Laughing through Stress with Yoga!* It was so much fun!



Have you seen the GIFT card? Please be sure to take a card to remind you to use your GIFTs of Fellowship with one another to meet and greet, follow up with new acquaintances, and thank someone for their time and effort!

The ***Gerten's plants and gift cards*** will arrive on **Wednesday, April 29th** and will be available for pick up that day after 4pm. Contact Geri if you have any questions.

### **Shared Ministry in Worship**

- We are continuing to build our May worship schedule and invite you to serve in one of our worship roles. There are still opportunities available — we invite you to take part in a way that fits your schedule.
- If you haven't yet volunteered, we encourage you to consider giving it a try. You won't be on your own — others will be there to guide and support you.
- 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.

## **Christ the King Softball Team**



We are looking for 10-15 (the more the merrier) slow pitch softball players for games on Sunday nights at Harman Park in New Ulm. This is a co-ed league, and games start at 6:00 PM. All are welcome, from experienced players to those just looking to get out of the house and have fun. The league is open to men, women, boys, and girls, with a minimum age of 13 to play. If you have any questions, contact Chris Weymann at [cjweymann@gmail.com](mailto:cjweymann@gmail.com) or 507-276-2115, or better yet, scan the QR code..

**Flandrau Concession stand** - June 4-7 from noon to 5 - Youth and their families are asked to consider helping out at the Flandrau State Park Concession stand as the funds raised will be used for youth activities and scholarships. If you are interested or able to help out with this, please let Geri know.

## **Youth News**



- **April 26th - Cinnamon Roll Sunday**
- **May 17th - Graduate Sunday/Sunday School Celebration**
- **June 4-7 – Flandreau Concession Stand noon until 5:00pm**
- **June 14th- Brat Stand**
- **June 28-July 1- Youth Mission Trip to Madison Wisconsin**
- **July 27-30 - VBS**
- **August 9th - Brat Stand**

**Club 1515** will not be held Wednesday, the 29<sup>th</sup> due to the Gerten's plants pick up.

Thank you to all who ordered plants or gift cards from the **Gerten's Youth Fundraiser!** We were able to raise over \$900 to use toward youth activities and scholarships. The plants and gift cards will arrive on **Wednesday, April 29th** and will be available for pick up that day after 4pm. Contact Geri if you have any questions.

**2026 High School Graduates-** We would like to get a picture and future information from you to display on Graduate Sunday, May 17th. Please either drop off or email your information to the office by May 10th.

**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.

**Build VBS** will be July 27-30 from 9-11:30am. Registration is now open. If you are interested in helping with making props and decorations, please contact Geri.

**THIS COMING WEEK: APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH MAY 3<sup>RD</sup>**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Sunday  
Service, FB Live  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School

**MONDAY, APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>**

3:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study  
6:30 p.m. Adoption Group

**TUESDAY, APRIL 28<sup>ST</sup>**

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

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>**

5:15 p.m. Worship TV on Public  
Access  
6:45 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY, APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>**

1:00 p.m. Sewing Group

**SATURDAY, MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>**

8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study  
5:33 p.m. Worship and FB Live

**SUNDAY, MAY 3<sup>RD</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship and FB  
Live  
*Coffee and Cookies after services*  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School

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