



**6th Sunday after Pentecost
July 5, 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**

PRELUDE

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

ELW 888

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.

GATHERING HYMN

Shout to the Lord

ELW 821

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

Insert

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Let us pray.

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

FIRST LESSON: Zechariah 9:9-12

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

See, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰ He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations;
his dominion shall be from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹ As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹² Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 145:8-14

⁸ The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**C: ⁹ LORD, you are good to all,
and your compassion is over all your works.**

¹⁰ All your works shall praise you, O LORD,
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

**C: ¹¹ They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power,**

¹² that all people may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

**C: ¹³ Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures
throughout all ages.**

You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.

¹⁴ The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 7:15-25a

¹⁵ I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶ Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷ But in fact

it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸ For I know that the good does not dwell within me, that is, in my flesh. For the desire to do the good lies close at hand, but not the ability. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me.

²¹ So I find it to be a law that, when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²² For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³ but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴ Wretched person that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ^{25a} Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Seek Ye First

WOV 783

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] ¹⁶ “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷ ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

¹⁸ “For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; ¹⁹ the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

AFFIRMATION OF CHRISTIAN VOCATION IN CIVIC LIFE

People of God, you are chosen and named as God's beloved. You have received the gift of Christian vocation, a holy calling lived out in various dimensions of your life, your relationships and communities, your work and your rest. Daily and richly we live in the promises of holy baptism, sustained by grace to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

I ask you, therefore:

Will you endeavor to pattern your life on Jesus Christ, in gratitude to God and in service to others?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you strive to pursue the common good in public life, nurturing mutual care among neighbors near and far?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you pledge to bear witness in word and action, commending what is true and right, renouncing what is unjust and harmful, and working to mend what is flawed?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

*The presiding minister continues with the **Prayers of Intercession**, finishing with the following prayer.*

Sovereign God, your Son Jesus lived within the structures of society even as he spoke truth to those in power and challenged systems of oppression. Give to your servant courage, patience, and vision in their commitment to serve in Christ's name. Empower us all in our Christian vocation to be courageous disciples and responsible citizens. Grant that our life in the public realm be grounded in love for our neighbors, care for the most vulnerable, and respect for the common life we share, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer 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

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 HYMNS *Lamb of God (Young)*
What a Friend We Have in Jesus

ELW 195
ELW 742

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

The Author of life, the Word of salvation, the Breath of new birth, + one God, bless you and equip you for living and serving, today and every day.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG *Lord of All Hopefulness*

ELW 765

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Seek liberty and justice for all.

C: Thanks be to God.

Affirmation of Christian Vocation in Civic Life

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (Augsburg Fortress, 2006, Affirmation of Christian Vocation (p. 84)

From sundaysandseasons.com.

Copyright © 2026 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved.

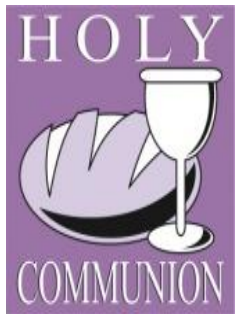
Music Copyright © 2022 under OneLicense.net A-704207 and CCLI #943207

Streaming under OneLicense.net A-704207 and CCLI#20616482

Musicians: Connie and Bruce Jacobs

*** 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 July 16th. 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!

IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

Lloyd Christenson is currently hospitalized in the cities

Lanis Curtis' sister, **Mary** is in hospice in the Cities

Mary Lammers and Family upon the passing of **John Lammers**

Elaine Poulson and Family upon the passing of **Richard Poulson**

Pete Lemke recovering from triple bypass

Sheila Friske recovering from knee replacement surgery

Ken and Mary Ann Thorn and Family upon the passing of
their son, **Don**

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

Peg Isaacson resuming treatment for cancer

Kyle Howk 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 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

Toilet paper

Paper towels

Cleaning supplies

Personal Hygiene

Diapers & Wipes

Cereal

Shared Ministry in Worship

- We are continuing to build our July 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.

Mankato MoonDogs - If you are interested in going to the Moondogs game on August 2 at 5pm- please let Geri know so she knows how many tickets to get.



Youth News

- **July 27-30 - VBS**
- **August 2 – Moondogs Mankato event**
- **August 13-15 – Flandreau Concession Stand**

Flandrau Concession stand August 13th-16th 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.

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. Scan the QR code to register.

THIS COMING WEEK: JULY 5TH THROUGH JULY 12TH

SUNDAY, JULY 5TH

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

MONDAY, JULY 6TH

5:00 p.m. Youth Ministry Mtg

TUESDAY, JULY 7TH

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
10:00 a.m. Worship TV on Public
Access
3:45 p.m. Personnel Committee Mtg
5:00 p.m. Grief Support Group

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8TH

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

SATURDAY, JULY 11TH

9:00 a.m. League of Women Voters
5:33 p.m. Saturday Evening Worship

SUNDAY, JULY 12TH

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

Christ the King Lutheran Church
1515 North Garden Street, New Ulm, MN 56073
Office Hours: Mon – Thu 8:00am to 4:00pm, Fri – 8:00am to 12:00pm
Office phone: (507) 354-4672
Pastor Tim's phone: (507)-980-0515
Email: office@christtheking-nu.org
Website: <http://www.christtheking-newulm.org>

OPENING DIALOG

Stand

J. Teach Jordan, adapt.

David Hass, 1986



Ho - ly God! Fill us this day with new breath!



And we shall be liv - ing words of praise!

MORNING HYMN

DH

SUMMIT HILL, 88998
David Hass, 1987



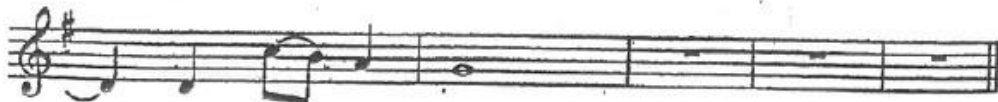
1. Sing your joy, pro - claim God's glo - ry! Rise and sing, the
2. All the earth is filled with re-joic - ing, Light and life the
3. May we learn to be - come your King - dom. May we be your
4. Light our way, O God of the liv - ing, May we learn to



morn - ing has come! Bless our God and praise all cre - a - tion;
won - der of God! Christ has tri - umphed! Ris - en for ev - er!
kind - ness and truth! Love is our call - ing, gift of your pres - ence;
see with new eyes! Je - sus the Lord, our pow - er and prom - ise;



Song of the earth, and light from heav - en: God is a - live!
Joy of our hearts, and hope of our dream - ing: God is a - live!
Chil - dren of God, and spir - it of Je - sus: God is a - live!
Light for the blind, and food for the hun - gry: God is a - live!



Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!