Reformation Sunday
October 24 and 25, 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

ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen
Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins to God our Father, imploring him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us ***forgiveness***.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C: who made heaven and earth.

I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.
C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.
Almighty God, merciful Father:

C: I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended you and for which I justly deserve your punishment. But I am sorry for them, and repent of them, and pray for your boundless mercy.
For the sake of the suffering and death of your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being; forgive my sins, give me your Holy Spirit for the amendment of my sinful life, and bring me to life everlasting. Amen

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen

CALL TO WORSHIP
Give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good; for his mercy endures forever.
C: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he has redeemed from the hand of the enemy.
For God satisfies the longing soul, and fills the hungry soul with goodness.
C: Give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good; for his mercy endures forever. *(Psalm 107:1-2, 9)*

HYMN ***A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*** **ELW 504**

GREETING/INVOCATION
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C: And also with you.

KYRIE **ELW p. 203**

HYMN OF PRAISE **ELW p. 204**

PRAYER OF THE DAY
The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.
Almighty God, gracious Lord, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; 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: Jeremiah 31:31-34
31 The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant
with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. 32 It will not be like the covenant
that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out
of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband,
says the LORD. 33 But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel
after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it
on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 34 No longer
shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they
shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will
forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 3:19-28

19 Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the
law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held
accountable to God. 20 For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by
deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

21 But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is
attested by the law and the prophets, 22 the righteousness of God through faith in
Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, 23 since all have
sinned and fall short of the glory of God; 24 they are now justified by his grace as
a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God put forward
as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to
show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over
the sins previously committed; 26 it was to prove at the present time that he
himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.
27 Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of
works? No, but by the law of faith. 28 For we hold that a person is justified by
faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

The word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ***Thy Word*** ***See picture***

GOSPEL: John 8:31-36
The Holy Gospel according to John.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

31 Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word,
you are truly my disciples; 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will
make you free." 33 They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and
have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be
made free'?"
34 Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a
slave to sin. 35 The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the
son has a place there forever. 36 So if the Son makes you free, you will be free
indeed."
The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN ***Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*** **ELW 517**

CREED
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

THE PRAYERS
Lord in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

OFFERING ***As the Grains of Wheat (Saturday)*** **ELW465**
Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me (Sunday) ***Choir***

OFFERING PRAYER
Let us pray.

Generous God,
C: all good gifts come from your gracious hand. We offer you this bread, wine, and money, the harvest of our time and labor. Make us wise stewards of all your gifts, that your name may be exalted in all the world, through Jesus Christ our 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 and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; 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 the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS **ELW p. 207**

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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on us and given your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for the priceless grace you have bestowed upon us through Jesus Christ, who died upon the tree of Calvary and rose again to make us living branches, drawing our life from him and bearing fruit in all the world. Send your Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth and power, to renew our faith as we receive our crucified and risen Lord who comes to us in his body and blood.

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

O Lamb of God	**ELW p. 208**
Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound	**ELW 779**
Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing	**ELW 886**

PRAYER
Let us pray.

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Grant that we who have received the sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.
C: Amen

CHARGE TO THE PEOPLE
Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak, and help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

BENEDICTION
Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
C: Amen.

HYMN ***My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*** **ELW 597**

DISMISSAL
Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

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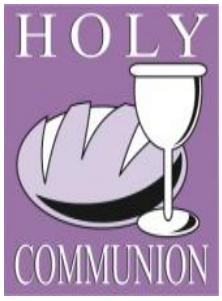
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***The loose offering will go to Helping Hands.**

Coffee money will go towards Youth Activities.

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 507-354-4652. Thank you for visiting today and we pray you were spiritually fed by the Word of God.



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 507-276-3551 or the church office at 507-354-4672.

The Caregivers Support Group continues to meet the first and third Thursday's at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The next meeting will be **November 5th**. 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!

Prayer Shawl- meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays of every month from 1:30 to 3:00 pm. We are a fun group of ladies crafting some meaningful shawls for people in need. This is not cost to you, we provide the yarn!

Choir- meets every Wednesday at 6:45 p.m. Parents, if you have a son or daughter in Confirmation, please consider joining us for choir at this time. We

practice and prepare some beautiful choir pieces and have a lot of fun at the same time!

Women's Bible Study - meets Mondays at 3:00 pm. They are studying the book of Job.

Grief Support – meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Next meeting is **November 17th.**

Men's Bible Study – meets Saturdays at 8:00 am. They are studying the book of Ezekiel.

Silent Auction – November 14th through November 22nd. All proceeds from the Auction go towards Helping Hands. Please bring your items between October 30th and November 11th.

Coat Drive – November 23 through December 13. Donations will be accepted, and coats will be available for selection through December 13th. Any remaining coats will be donated where they are needed. Drop-offs may be made at the church beginning November 2nd.

Bake Sale – November 21st and 22nd. Please bring one or two plates of your favorite Christmas treats and decorate your donations. No prices are needed; treats will be available for a free-will offering. Please drop off donations in the church kitchen by 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 21st.

45th Anniversary Celebration – Everyone is welcome at the 45th Anniversary Dinner, even if you haven't signed up. Join us for pulled pork and sides—there's plenty for everyone!

Jasmine Miller -- would love to hear from people and would appreciate some friendly correspondence. The Holidays are right around the corner and the Cardmaking Event on November 21st would be a fun way to personalize some cards made by you, to send to Jasmine!
Her address is:
455 EFSS
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Christ the King Lutheran Church continues to be a recycle collection station for crushable plastics, sponsored by The Lions Club. Please be sure to read the top and front of the bin for instructions on what items can or cannot be recycled. Thanks for your support!



All donations are gratefully appreciated! Thanks so much, especially to those who have brought in food and personal items for the Pantry the last couple of weeks

Personal Hygiene products
Pasta & Spaghetti Sauce
Toilet paper
Pasta, Tuna & Cream of Mushroom Soup
Paper towels
Canned vegetables
Cleaning supplies
Canned fruit
Baby Food
Canned pasta such as Ravioli or Spaghetti Os
Diapers & Wipes
Boxed meals such as Tuna Helper and a can of tuna
Cake Mixes
Pancake Mix & Syrup
Cereal



Youth News

Upcoming Events:

Children's Christmas Program
Dec. 13 at 10:30 am

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.



Jan Borg, the mother of Anna Fleischmann
Barbara George
Dale and Mickie Witt
Lloyd Christenson

Diane Bode
Joanne Cherrington
Steve and Barbara Reinhart's son, Matt
Peg Isaacson
Kyle Howk and Allison Howk
Please pray in uplifting the family of Jason and Heidi Rewitzer.
Please pray for the families of Jackie Nelson and Baylee Geiger, Shelby and Keith Hartmann, also Patrick and Melissa Nelson.

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

Pastor Appreciation Month

During October's Pastor Appreciation Month, we thank Pastor Tim for guiding our congregation. Much of his work goes unseen or is taken for granted. Thank you, Pastor Tim, for all you do for our church family! Please join us for coffee and cupcakes after the 9:00 am service!

Notes from members:

Jami Walth……. Pastor Tim was one of the driving reasons we joined Christ the King. He is thoughtful and funny, and makes having faith in God feel genuine and attainable for everyone.

Viktoria Davis…….I have so appreciated witnessing Pastor Tim share the gospel with my kids. Due to other commitments and distance, neither of my kids could regularly attend Confirmation classes. Tim has always taken the time to talk to them individually and strengthen their faith. This has also strengthened my faith. He has truly ministered to me.

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A Note from Helen – Thank you to the following who shared what Christ the King means to them, during the past worship services in October:

- Preston and Gay Lynn Cowing
- Miriam Waldner
- Karl Davis
- Carla Fjeld
- Tyson Goold
- Terri Arnoldt

Thank you, everyone, for your donations of goods and money for our NUMAS Haus collection project. The total amount for the coins collected was $490.68! Awesome! We were also able to take a nice sized pickup load to NUMAS Haus. This is a good time of the year to show our thanks to God for what we have been blessed with, and to share with others in need.



Pieces of Christ the King History:

The construction of the new additions to the church building continued with members of the congregation completing much of the staining and varnishing of the interior woodwork and painting the exterior siding. When completed the builders would install the finished wood. This provided for savings in the cost of the building and also pride by the members for the work completed. On November 19, 1995 the congregation celebrated with worship in the finished sanctuary.

The congregation was honored that Pastor Jon Anderson was nominated and chosen to be the Bishop of the Southwestern Minnesota Evangelical Lutheran Church Synod in 2003. This brought change again to the congregation and our pastoral staff. Pastor Dean Larsen (03-04), Pastor David Sperstad (04-05), Pastor Scott Jakel (04-06), Pastor Gloria Anderson (05-07) and Pastor Duane Hetland (07-08).

In 2008, Pastor Tim Anderson began his call to serve with Christ the King. We continue to grow in faith and community under his guidance.

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THIS COMING WEEK: OCTOBER THROUGH NOVEMBER

SUNDAY
9:00 a.m. Worship & Streaming on CTK website, coffee and fellowship following
CONFIRMATION 10:30 A.M. SERVICE

MONDAY
3:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

TUESDAY
9:00 A.M. NL FOLD
9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
10:00 a.m. Worship TV Public Access
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WEDNESDAY
5:00 p.m. Worship on TV
6:30 p.m. Confirmation
6:45 Choir

THURSDAY
1:00 p.m. Sewing Group

SATURDAY
8:00 a.m. Men's
5:33 p.m. Worship and streaming on CTK website

SUNDAY
9:00 a.m. Worship and streaming on CTK Website
45th Anniversary Celebration, Pulled Pork meal and activities following service.

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