Christ the King Lutheran Church Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, August 17, 2025

(* = please stand as you are able)

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of ⊕ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen.**

*GATHERING HYMN

Come, All You People

ELW 819

GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Let us pray: O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

READING: Jeremiah 23:23-29

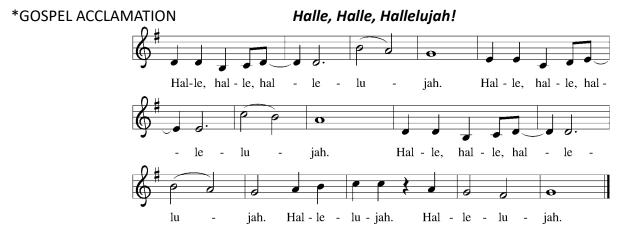
(OT page 745)

Word of God. Word of life. Thanks be to God.

READING: Psalm 82 (To be read responsively)

- ¹God stands to charge the divine council assembled, giving judgment in the midst of the gods:
- ² "How long will you judge unjustly, and show favor to the wicked?
- ³ Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy;
- ⁴ rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the power of the wicked.
- ⁵ They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- ⁶ Now I say to you, 'You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High;
- ⁷ nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.' "
- ⁸ Arise, O God, and rule the earth, for you shall take all nations for your own.

Word of God. Word of life. Thanks be to God.



*GOSPEL READING: Luke 12:49-56 (NT page 71)

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light

ELW 815

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Hear us, O God, your mercy is great.

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

OFFERING

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OFFERING PRAYER

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS (front of ELW page 173)

*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER AND PROCLAMATION

LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION We commune at two stations in front of the pulpit and lectern. Come down the side aisles, receive the bread; proceed to the wine or grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are available. Return to your seats by the center aisle. All are welcome.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

Lamb of God Eat This Bread, Drink this Cup (front of ELW page 174)

rink this Cup ELW 492

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN Sent Forth by God's Blessing ELW 547

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Worship Leaders

Ministers All of you!

Presiding Pastor Per Halaas

Assisting Minister Jack Carlson

Lector Lynda Tysdal

Prayers Kristina Elder

Director of Music Ministry Kristi MacKay

Special Music Akiko Durbin, violin

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SUNDAY – August 17

9:30a Worship with Holy Communion10:30a Maranatha Christian Congregation

Lounge

Noon SHINE – Gasterland's

In your prayers this week, please remember:

- Continuing Prayers: Jim and Arlene Knutson, Jacquie Craig (Jodi Greiner's sister), Brian Radman (Rick Turnquist's brother-in-law), Ryan Jones (Jane B's nephew), Robert Thornton (Carol's husband), Donna Woodward (sister of Dan Pierce), Pam Novak (friend of Chris Gabel), Lavonne Kennedy (Clare Erickson's sister), Jim Wegge (Bev Wegge's brother), Carol Hinze (Caitlyn Johnson's grandma), Jim Votaw (Michelle Smith's dad), Matthew Howell (nephew of Jean Stoll), Isaac Hill (grandson of Gail & John, nephew of Melissa), Jackie Schmeidlin (friend of Sean Bernier), Shirley Gentz, Christine Gibson (Carol Juneau's daughter), Joanne (Jan Gasterland's cousin), Pastor David and Diane Lerseth
- New Prayers: Jacob Schmidt and Steve Olson
- Erik Carlson and all who are homebound
- Our sister in China, Lutheran Church of Christ in Nigeria, El comunidad de fe bilingue/ The bilingual faith community of Tapestry Lutheran Church in Richfield
- ReconcilingWorks: Lutherans for Full Participation

"Welcome Home": CTK Mid-year Stewardship Campaign

This year our goal is to raise \$10,000 with \$5,000 going to our operating budget and the \$5,000 to be donated to the ministries of Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota that serve youth experienceing homelessness. And we're nearly halfway there!

Add your gift now to help support safe and sustainable housing for Twin Cities teens and to keep the home fires burning here at CTK!

For questions about the variety of ways you can contribute, please call the church office.

For more information about what LSS-MN is doing to help un-housed youth in the state: https://www.lssmn.org/services/youth-homelessness

This Week at Christ the King

Loaves & Fishes provide a free drive-up meal Monday-Friday from 5-6pm

MONDAY – August 18

8:30a Church Chore Crew 9:00a Quilting – Social Hall

TUESDAY – August 19

10:00a Staff Meeting – Office6:30p Yoga

WEDNESDAY – August 20

9:00a Bible Study – Lounge

10:30a Walk & Talk

5:00p Garden Party – Patio

6:00p Worship

THURSDAY - August 21

9am-Noon Country Jammers - SH

Summer Walk and Talk Schedule

We are enjoying the Bloomington/ Richfield/Edina outdoor walking areas on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at

10:30am. If anyone needs to car pool contact Lynn. Email: llenort@ctkb.org

or Cell: 612-770-5986.

August 20 Normandale Lake - Meet at the

84th Street Parking lot

Volunteers for August

If you would like to assist, greet, read, serve/prep communion:

Assisting Minister 8/24, 8/31 Greeter 8/24, 8/31

Prayers 8/24, 8/31 Reader 8/24, 8/31

Communion prep on 8/24

1 Communion servers 8/24

Please call the office 952-881-8600 or email

Jane V at jvevea@ctkb.org.

Next Weekend at Christ the King

SUNDAY – August 24

9:30a Worship with Holy Communion

10:30a Maranatha Christian Congregation – Lounge

Bible Reading for next week:

Isaiah 58:9b-14 Psalm 103:1-8 Luke 13:10-17

Gift of Love - Bridging, Inc.

The mission of Bridging, Inc. is to bridge com-munity resources with existing needs by providing the economically disadvantaged in transition with quality furniture and household items free of charge. Bridging serves people in need based on qualified referrals from Social Service agencies and churches in the seven county Twin Cities area. Learn more about this organization "serving over 5,300 Minnesota families each year" online at: www.bridging.org/.

VEAP

VEAP needs donations. They need donations of food, personal hygiene items, diapers, etc. Or you can give by check, \$10.00 can feed a family for one month. Medicaid and SNAP are being cut which will leave people needing VEAP more than ever. Please donate and help our neighbors. Let's fill the table by the office and cover the floor around it and overflow the area. Thank you. Elizabeth Olson

Community Garden Party - Wednesday, August 20th

Our Community Health Initiative team invites you to our Annual Bryant Park Community Garden Party on August 20th from 6PM-10PM

6:00PM-8:00PM—Join us for beverages, tasty salads, live music and yard games.

8:00pm - We will be showing a family friendly movie with freshly popped popcorn.

This is a fun event for all ages. Spread the word to our neighbors.

September Newsletter Deadline - Monday, August 18

Please email newsletter articles to jvevea@ctkb.org or leave a hard copy in the church office.