

Christ the King Lutheran Church

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, August 24, 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, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

READING: Isaiah 58:9b-14

(OT page 705)

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

READING: Psalm 103:1-8 (*To be read responsively*)

¹ Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

² **Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits—**

³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;

⁴ **who redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**

⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

⁶ **O LORD, you provide vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.**

⁷ You made known your ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel.

⁸ **LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

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***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!



***GOSPEL READING: Luke 13:10-17**

(NT page 71)

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

How Firm a Foundation

ELW 796

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)

***EUCCHARISTIC 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

Lamb of God

(front of ELW page 174)

COMMUNION HYMN

Have No Fear, Little Flock

ELW 764

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	Mike Vogel
Lector/ Prayers	Emily Gunyou Halaas
Organist	Mary Newton
Special Music	Akiko Durbin & Karen Bottge

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SUNDAY – August 24

9:30a Worship with Holy Communion

10:30a Maranatha Christian Congregation
Lounge

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**, **Jacob Schmidt** and **Steve Olson**
- **New Prayers:** **Phyllis Berg**
- **Gloria Strom** 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**
- **Loaves and Fishes**

"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 experiencing 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>

<p>This Week at Christ the King Loaves & Fishes provide a free drive-up meal Monday-Friday from 5-6pm</p> <p>MONDAY – August 25 8:30a Church Chore Crew 9:00a Quilting – Social Hall</p> <p>TUESDAY – August 26 10:00a Staff Meeting – Office 6:30p Yoga 7:30p Emotions Anonymous-110</p> <p>WEDNESDAY – August 27 No Bible Study or Worship</p> <p>THURSDAY – August 28 9am-Noon Country Jammers – SH</p>	<p>Next Weekend at Christ the King SUNDAY – August 31 9:30a Worship 10:30a Maranatha Christian Congregation – Lounge Noon Youth – Mini golf and ice cream</p> <p>Gift of Love - Bridging, Inc. The mission of Bridging, Inc. is to bridge community 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/.</p>
 <p>S.H.I.N.E. CTK Women's group We come together at noon on the first Sunday of each month to Support, Honor, Inspire, Nurture, and Encourage one another! September 7th at Noon We will be going to the EDINA Fall into ARTS Festival at Centennial Lakes. ART, Food Trucks and more! Please sign up</p> <p><small>Photo from August SHINE event Kristina- kelder@ctkb.org</small></p>	<p>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</p>
<p><u>Volunteers for August</u> If you would like to assist, greet, read, serve/prep communion: Assisting Minister 8/31 Greeter 8/31 Reader 8/31 Please call the office 952-881-8600 or email Jane V at jvevea@ctkb.org.</p>	<p>YOUTH Program Meeting September 3rd at 6:45 in the Lounge. For all Youth parents, guardians, and youth, as well as all adult youth leaders and volunteers. Please reach out with any questions – kelder@ctkb.org.</p>
<p><u>Reminder:</u> Pastor Per will be on vacation next week, so there will be no bible study or Wednesday night worship. Thank you!</p>	<p>Loaves & Fishes—Wednesday Night Dinner 9/10 and 9/24 Once again we will be volunteering for Loaves and Fishes. Starting on Wednesday, 9/10, CTK will be preparing and serving every other week. We will prep their meals and hand them out, as well as, have them available inside at CTK. If you want to help, please contact the office—952-881-8600 or email Jane V. Thank you! Prep @ 2:30p Hand out 4:30p</p>
<p>Youth Event - August 31, 2025 - Noon Mini golf and ice cream - Please see link for more information https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F4FAFAF2FA64-58026984-youth</p>	<p>Kick-Off Sunday—September 7th Please join us for worship, followed by coffee & donut holes and fellowship! Kids & Youth bring your backpacks to worship to be blessed!</p>