

Christ the King Lutheran Church

6th Sunday after Easter, May 5, 2024

We believe that Jesus taught and exemplified a life of love.
We commit to **welcoming, loving, and celebrating** the sacredness of all people

(* = please stand as you are able)
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP
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*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM
 Look, here is water! **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

*GATHERING HYMN *We Know That Christ Is Raised* ELW 449

GREETING
 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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (front of ELW page 140)

PRAYER OF THE DAY
O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

READING: 1 John 5:1-6 (NT page 231)
 Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Be Not Afraid* ELW 388



*GOSPEL READING: John 15:9-17 (NT page 104)
 The Holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord!**
 The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ!**

SERMON

In the newness of Easter morning, in voices joined together as one, let us confess our faith in a new way, using the words of this Easter Creed:

I believe in the God of Easter morning who awakes us from our darkest dreams and leads us into the light of a new day, who meets the world's pessimism with stunning hope of angelic proclamation.

I believe in the God of Easter Day who beats us to the obstacles in our lives and empties the dark tomb for us; who appears in surprising ways when we least expect it; who walks with us in our wandering.

I believe in the God of Easter evening who breaks into our closets and prisons, bringing peace and crushing our fear. I believe in the risen Lord who meets us with wounds on his hands and feet; who grants us his spirit, sending us out to bring Shalom to the world. Amen.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE Risen Lord, in your mercy; **hear our prayer.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

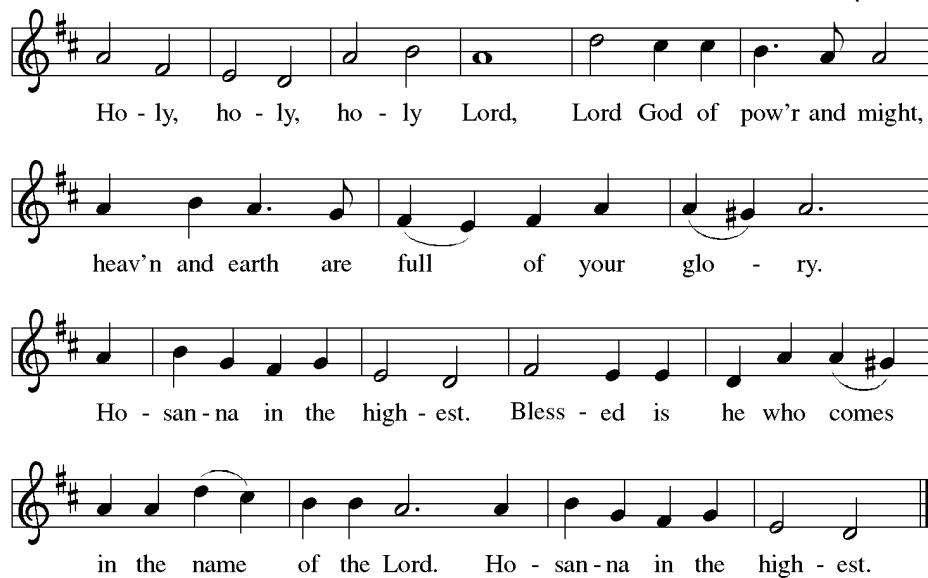
OFFERING *In Christ There Is No East or West / Breathe on Me, Breath of God* - arr. Mark Albrecht
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OFFERING PRAYER

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

(front of ELW page 153)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER AND PROCLAMATION

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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.*

COMMUNION MUSIC *Be Known to Us* on screen
God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens - arr. Mark Albrecht

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
BLESSING

SENDING HYMN *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* ELW 836

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE *At Eastertide* Charles V. Stanford

Worship Leaders

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| Preaching | Pastor Per Halaas |
| Presiding | Pastor Rory Philstrom |
| Children's Message | Kristina Elder |
| Lector/Prayers | Tom Butala |
| Music Director/Organist | Bjorn Gustafson |
| Special Music | Denise Hagedorn, Flute |

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SUNDAY – May 5

9:00a Kerala Christian Congregation – WC
9:30a Worship with Holy Communion
10:30a Maranatha Christian Congregation-LG
10:45a Open Forum – Social Hall
10:45a BLAST & Parenting Village
Noon SHINE Women's Group

In your prayers this week, please remember:

- **Nettie Beckler and her family at the death of her husband, Ed.** Funeral at 11am on Tuesday, 5/7.
- **Continuing Prayers: Jim and Arlene Knutson, Jacquie Craig** (Jodi Greiner's sister), **Christine & Sean Austin** (sister & brother-in-law of Carolyn Tillotson), **Brian Radman** (Rick Turnquist's brother-in-law), **Diane Backus** (niece of Carol Thornton), **Isaac Hill** (grandson of Gail & John, nephew of Melissa), **Ryan Jones** (Jane B's nephew), **Don Ganje** (Jan Gasterland's cousin), **Robert Thornton** (Carol's husband), **Donna Woodward** (sister of Dan Pierce), **Lisa Stanford** (friend of John & Marilyn Akimoto), **Pam Novak** (friend of Chris Gabel), **The Davis, Collins & Bjerke Families**, **Dean Jones** (Del Smallfield's nephew), **Bonnie Radman** (Rick Turnquist's sister), **Chuck Jax** (Friend of Jim & Jean Stoll), **Lavonne Kenndy** (Clare Erickson's sister), **Kay Marotz, Elizabeth Olson, Jackie Irely** and **Pat Halverson**
- **Marion Anderson** and all who are homebound
- **Our sister in China, Peace Center for the Blind in Jerusalem**
- **Diakonia AIDS Ministry**, Soweto, Johannesburg, South Africa

Spring Plant Sale Pick-Up - May 14

Plants and gift cards will be ready for pick up on **Tuesday, May 14** from 4:00-6:00 PM at CTK in the courtyard by the gazebo. Please let us know if you will be unable to pick up your plants and/or need delivery help. If you have questions about pick up or delivery, please contact Jane V. in the office or at jvevea@ctkb.org. **HELP IS NEEDED—if you are available to help unload the plant truck and organize plants from 1:30-3:30pm—please call Jane V.**

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| <p>This Week at Christ the King Loaves & Fishes provide a free drive-up meal Monday-Friday from 5-6pm</p> <p>MONDAY – May 6 8:30a Church Chore Crew 9:00a Quilters – Social Hall 2:00p Staff Meeting - Office</p> <p>TUESDAY – May 7 11:00a Celebration of Life for Ed Beckler 6:00p Chapel Ringers 6:30p Yoga – Commons</p> <p>WEDNESDAY – May 8 9:00a Bible Study – Narthex 2:30p Prep for Loaves & Fishes 6:00p Worship 6:00p WOW – Room 36 7:00p CROWD/Confirmation</p> | <p>Next Weekend at Christ the King SUNDAY – May 12 – Mother’s Day 9:30a Worship with Holy Communion 10:30a Maranatha Christian Congregation – Lounge 10:45a Open Forum – Social Hall 10:45a BLAST & Parenting Village</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sunday Open Forums</u></p> <p>May 5 – Unconditional Forgiveness May 12 — Innovation Hub - Pastor Per What does it mean to be a “public church”? How can CTKB be a better neighbor to our surrounding community? Come learn more about the work we are doing with Augsburg University’s Riverside Innovation Hub. May 19 – Pentecost/Confirmation Sunday— Confirmation Reception May 26 - Send-off for Pastor Rory’s sabbatical</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Bible Reading for next week: 1 John 5:9-13 John 17:6-19</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Medalist Concert Band “Wild Symphony” Monday, May 13, 2024 Free at Christ the King – children welcome! Instrument Petting Zoo 6:15pm-7:00pm Concert 7:00pm</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">May’s GIFT of LOVE - VEAP</p> <p>Christ the King and VEAP have been partners for a very long time and together we can continue to care for our neighbors. Please consider making a financial donation in May. You are also welcome to drop items off at the VEAP table (by the office). They are always in need of household staples and baby items. Thank you for your generosity!</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Volunteers for May</p> <p>If you would like to greet, read, serve/prep communion or serve coffee: Greeters & Communion servers needed 5/12 & 5/26 Reader on 5/26 Communion prep 5/26 Coffee on 5/26 Please call the office 952-881-8600 or email Jane V!</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">CTK Golf Classic @ Birnamwood Golf Course</p> <p>Join us at Birnamwood Golf Course 12424 Parkwood Dr., Burnsville, on the afternoon of Sunday, June 16th. Open to CTK Congregation & Family, Friends or Relatives. All ages and abilities are welcome. More details on our website. Register in the office or at ctkb.org/golf – Register by June 6th!</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">2024 Bryant Park Community Garden</p> <p>There are 35 tall & large boxes (5.5 ft. x 3 ft. x 2 ft.) to rent for only \$20 a box for the season. Go to our website at https://www.ctkb.org/pages/bryant-park-community-garden--12 to fill out an online application or paper copies can be found on the coffee counter in the commons.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">CTK Foundation Scholarship Applications for 2024 are now being accepted until May 15th.</p> |
| | <p style="text-align: center;">CTK Loaves & Fishes—Wednesday Night Dinner 5/8 and 5/22</p> <p>On 5/8 and 5/22 CTK will be preparing and serving drive-up meals. We will help prepare & get the meals ready and hand them out. The <u>prepping schedule is from 2:30pm-4:30pm and handing out is 4:30 to 6pm.</u> If you would like to help, please contact the office—952-881-8600. Thank you!</p> |
| | <p style="text-align: center;">VBS at CTK June 10th -13th 5pm-7:30pm Registration opens soon</p> |