

# Christ the King Lutheran Church

## Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, August 10, 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  $\text{†}$  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  $\text{†}$  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, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

READING: Genesis 15:1-6

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

READING: Psalm 33:12-22 (*To be read responsively*)

<sup>12</sup> Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD!

**Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!**

<sup>13</sup> The LORD looks down from heaven, and sees all humankind.

<sup>14</sup> **God sits firmly enthroned and watches all who dwell on the earth.**

<sup>15</sup> God fashions all their hearts and observes all their deeds.

<sup>16</sup> **A king is not saved by the size of the army, nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.**

<sup>17</sup> The horse gives vain hope for victory; despite its great strength it cannot save.

<sup>18</sup> **Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O LORD, upon those who wait for your steadfast love,**

<sup>19</sup> to deliver their lives from death, and to keep them alive in time of famine.

<sup>20</sup> **Our innermost being waits for you, O LORD, our helper and our shield.**

<sup>21</sup> Surely, our heart rejoices in you, for in your holy name we put our trust.

<sup>22</sup> **Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, be upon us, even as we place our hope in you.**

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

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

***Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!***



**\*GOSPEL READING: Luke 12:32-40**

(NT page 70)

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

***God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens***

**ELW 771**

**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	David Tillotson
Lector	Holly Hauer
Prayers	Chris Gabel
Director of Music Ministry	Kristi MacKay

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### SUNDAY – August 10

**9:30a Worship with Holy Communion**

10:30a Maranatha Christian Congregation  
Lounge

10:30a Postcards – Social Hall

**Altar flowers in honor of Mary Peterson's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on August 8<sup>th</sup>, from her daughter, Diane & Jim.**

**In your prayers this week, please remember:**

- **Continuing Prayers:** **Jim and Arlene Knutson**, **Jacque 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), **John Munson** (friend of Kristi's), **Matthew Howell** (nephew of Jean Stoll), **Isaac Hill** (grandson of Gail & John, nephew of Melissa), **Jackie Schmeidlin** (friend of Sean Bernier), **Shirley Gentz**, **Bev Oelrich** (cousin of Bonnie Erickson) and **Christine Gibson** (Carol Juneau's daughter), **Barb Rhodes**, **Joanne** (Jan Gasterland's cousin), **Pastor David** and **Diane Lerseth**
- **Denny Becker** 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**
- **Pastor Lin Qiu**, Bethel Bible Series Director for China

### **"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>

## This Week at Christ the King

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

### MONDAY – August 11

8:30a Church Chore Crew  
11:00a Funeral for Donna Smith

### TUESDAY – August 12

10:00a Staff Meeting – Office  
6:30p Yoga

### WEDNESDAY – August 13

9:00a Bible Study – Lounge  
**6:00p Worship**  
7:30p Health Cabinet Meeting

### THURSDAY – August 14

9am-Noon Country Jammers – SH



### Volunteers for August

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

**Assisting Minister 8/17, 8/24, 8/31**

**Greeter 8/24, 8/31**

**Prayers 8/17, 8/24, 8/31 Reader 8/24, 8/31**

**Communion prep on 8/24**

**2 Communion servers 8/17, 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 17

**9:30a Worship with Holy Communion**  
10:30a Maranatha Christian Congregation – Lounge  
Noon SHINE – Gasterland's Lake Home

### Bible Reading for next week:

Jeremiah 23:23-29 Psalm 82  
Luke 12:49-56

### 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/](http://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

### 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: [llynort@ctkb.org](mailto:llynort@ctkb.org) or Cell: 612-770-5986.

**August 20** Normandale Lake - Meet at the 84th Street Parking lot

### Community Garden Party - Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>

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 movie with freshly popped popcorn.

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