

THE BROTHERS & SISTERS IN CHRIST OF
CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH
WELCOME YOU TO THE DIVINE SERVICE!
SEPTEMBER 29, 2024 – 10:40 A.M.



HOLY SPIRIT GUIDES US IN GOD'S ABUNDANT LIFE IN CHRIST

Christ the King Lutheran Church

A member of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC)

Declaring new life in Jesus Christ & encouraging all to take their next step of faith with Jesus!

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Our vision: All people will ***know God*** personally through Jesus Christ.

Our mission: Inward ***searching***, outward ***seeking***, ***forward*** together with Jesus Christ.

Psalm 139:23--Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.

Luke 19:10 – For the Son of Man came to ***seek*** and to save the lost.

Matthew 4:19 – “***Come, follow*** Me,” Jesus said, “and I will make you fishers of men.”

Michael & All Angels

September 29, 2024

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Welcome! We're glad you're here...

OUR INVITATION: Our family of faith invites you to participate in our mission to share the Gospel (which means “good news”) of Jesus Christ, as we gather to hear the word of God and share the presence of Christ in Holy Communion and Christian fellowship. The Gospel is that Almighty God is for us and with us, and we know this with certainty through Jesus Christ. With your participation, our God-given mission to spread this good news to the world and the surrounding community can only be strengthened. Our pastor and members are here for you!

Sunday School Classes and Rooms (all classes meet at 9:20 a.m.):

“Gospel of John” led by Ralph Hyatt & Pastor Chris in Library.

Oasis with Martha Green & Maizie Nelson, in the Luther Room foyer.

Disciple 2 led by Anita Humphries in the Luther Room.

Children’s Sunday Education - NURSERY IS available for infants & children 3 years of age during each worship service, and education time. Following are where everyone will meet:

Nursery (infant - 3 years old) ~ Main blg Nursery

4th – 5th grade ~ Disciple Room

3K & K ~ John Room

Jr. High ~ Jr High Room

1st – 3rd grade ~ Matthew & Mark Room

Sr. High ~ Youth Room

TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS NOTES: *The archangel Michael is pictured as a prince and a general of the heavenly army, defeating the dragon (the ancient serpent, the devil, Satan). It is important, though, to see in Revelation 12:11 that God’s victory ultimately comes by Jesus’s death and the testimony of his followers. The power of God’s truth gives us confidence in the face of evil on earth, even in the face of our own death.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PASTOR: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people...

Congregation: And kindle in us the fire of your love!

CALL TO WORSHIP & SEPTEMBER MEMORY VERSE:

“For God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.” John 3:16

BRIEF ORDER for CONFESSION of SIN and FORGIVENESS:

LEADER: Let’s quietly examine our hearts and our lives before the Lord...(quiet)...Let’s confess together.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment.

For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your way to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

LEADER: Through God's grace and your faith in the person and work of God's Son, Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven so that Holy Spirit may lead us in abundant and everlasting life. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

"10,000 Reasons"

Chorus Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

Verse 1 The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Chorus Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

Verse 2 You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Chorus Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

Instrumental

Verse 3 And on that day, when my strength is failing,
The end draws near, and my time has come;
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

Chorus Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

Ending I'll worship Your holy name, I'll worship Your holy name.

THE GREETING: P: 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.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY: *(Spoken by all)* Everlasting God, you have wonderfully established the ministries of angels and mortals. Mercifully grant that as Michael and the angels contend against the cosmic forces of evil, so by your direction they may help and defend us here on earth, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God whom we worship and praise with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME: Trust and follow Jesus. He gives you power, love, and self-control.

♪ **PRAISE TEAM ANTHEM: “Come Alive (Dry Bones)”**

Verse 1 *Through the eyes of man it seems there's so much we have lost. As we look down the road where all the prodigals have walked; And one by one the enemy has whispered lies and led them off as slaves.*

Verse 2 *But we know that You are God, Yours is the victory. We know there is more to come, that we may not yet see, So, with the faith You've given us, we step into the valley unafraid.*

Chorus *We call out to dry bones, “Come alive, come alive.” We call out to dead hearts, “Come alive, come alive.” Up out of the ashes let us see an army rise. We call out to dry bones, “Come alive.”*

Verse 3 *God of endless mercy, God of unrelenting love; Rescue ev'ry daughter, bring us back the wayward sons And by Your spirit breathe upon them. Show the world that You alone can save. You alone can save.*

(Chorus)

Bridge (2x) *(So) breathe, oh breath of God, now breathe, oh breath of God. Breathe, oh breath of God, now breathe. (Chorus)*

Ending *We call out to dry bones come alive*

THE FIRST LESSON: Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3

The Introduction: *Daniel trembles in the presence of an angel. That angel tells the prophet about the good and terrible future when the dead will be resurrected and the archangel Michael will usher in the deliverance of the nation.*

The Reading:

¹⁰Then behold, a hand touched me and set me trembling on my hands and knees. ¹¹He said to me, “O Daniel, man of high esteem, understand the words that I am about to tell you and stand upright, for I have now been sent to you.” And when he had spoken this word to me, I stood up trembling. ¹²Then he said to me, “Do not be afraid, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart on understanding this and on humbling yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I have come in response to your words. ¹³But the prince of the kingdom of Persia was withstanding me for twenty-one days; then behold, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I had been left there with the kings of Persia. ¹⁴Now I have come to give you an understanding of what will happen to your

people in the latter days, for the vision pertains to the days yet future.”

^{12:1}“Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt. ³Those who have insight will shine brightly like the brightness of the expanse of heaven, and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

*(Lector: “This is the word of the Lord!” then, **all, “Thanks be to God!”**)*

THE PSALM: Psalm 103:1-5, 20-22

(Congregation has verses in bold)

The Introduction: *Bless the LORD, you angels, all you hosts of God.*

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.

**²⁰ Bless the LORD, you angels, you mighty ones who do God's bidding,
who obey the voice of God's word.**

²¹ Bless the LORD, all you hosts of God,
you servants who do God's will.

**²² Bless the LORD, all you works of God, in all places where God rules;
bless the LORD, O my soul.**

(Lector: "This is the word of the Lord!" then, all, "Thanks be to God!")

♪ **THE GOSPEL VERSE:** You have saved us, You have won. Sin is broken, death is gone. Freedom's found us, breakthrough's near. In Your presence, no more fear. Our Savior's here, our Savior's here.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 10:17-20

The Introduction: *The missionary church ("the seventy") is given magnificent power. Greater than this gift of power over the enemy, however, is the gift of salvation: their names are written in heaven.*

The Gospel:

¹⁷ The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name." ¹⁸ And He said to them, "I was watching Satan fall from heaven like lightning. ¹⁹ Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over

all the power of the enemy, and nothing will injure you. ²⁰ Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are recorded in heaven."

(Lector: This is the word of the Lord. Congregation: Thanks be to God!)

THE PRAYER AND SERMON:

*Pentecost Theme: "Holy Spirit Will Guide Us"
Today - Chaplain Kathy Stepanski*

“Revelation Song”

Verse 1 (2x) Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain. Holy, holy is He.

Sing a new song to Him Who sits on heaven's mercy seat.

Chorus Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, Who was, and is, and is to come.

With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings.

You are my ev'rything, and I will adore You.

Verse 2 Clothed in rainbows of living color, flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder,

Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be to You, The only wise King.

Chorus Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, Who was, and is, and is to come.

With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings.

You are my ev'rything, and I will adore You.

Verse 3 Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder, at the mention of Your name.

Jesus, Your name is power, breath and living water, Such a marv'lous mystery.

Chorus Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, Who was, and is, and is to come.

With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings.

You are my ev'rything, and I will adore You.

THE APOSTLES' 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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

After each petition, the leader says, “Lord, in your mercy” and all respond, “Hear our prayer.”

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE:

Greetings celebrate God bringing us peace together with Himself through Christ.

MINUTE for MISSION:

& GIVING THANKS to God with His tithes (*first 10% income*) & our offerings (*beyond 10%*).

Our Mercy Ministry basket today supports Sav-a-life

Prayer requests can be written on prayer cards and turned in here and/or sent to office@ctkbham.org.

Offerings are appreciated: plates are at the back of the sanctuary or give at www.ctkbham.org, or mail a check to:

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♪ PRAISE TEAM OFFERTORY: "Glorious Day"

Living, He loved me, dying He saved me. Buried, He carried my sins far away. Rising, He justified freely forever. One day He's coming, O glorious day, O glorious day. Glorious day, O glorious day

THE OFFERING OF PRAYER:

P: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**CELEBRATING & SHARING
CHRIST'S PROMISED PRESENCE IN HOLY COMMUNION:**

THE 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.

HOLY COMMUNION:

THE BLESSING, PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

"You Are My King (Amazing Love)"

Verse 1 I'm forgiven because You were forsaken. I'm accepted; You were condemned.
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me, Because You died and rose again.
(repeat Verse 1)

Chorus Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true; and it's my joy to honor You. In all I do, I honor You.

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Chorus Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true; and it's my joy to honor You. In all I do, I honor You.

Bridge You are my King, You are my King. Jesus, You are my King. Jesus, You are my King.

Chorus Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, would die for me?

Amazing love, I know it's true; and it's my joy to honor You.

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Amazing love, I know it's true; and it's my joy to honor You.

In all I do, I honor You. In all I do, I honor You.

THE DISMISSAL: P: In the strength of Christ, let's go in peace; and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

PRAISE TEAM POSTLUDE:

"Lord, I Lift Your Name On High - Reprise"

The altar flowers & eternal candle are sponsored by Alicia & Philip Melton in celebration of Brooks Melton's 18th birthday.

If you'd like to sponsor altar flowers or the eternal candle, please sign up outside the library door or contact the church office.

THE SCRIPTURE TO CONSIDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S (10/6) WORSHIP:

Genesis 2:18-24; Psalm 8; Mark 10:2-16

THE SCRIPTURE TO CONSIDER FOR THIS WEDNESDAY'S WORSHIP:

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, ² in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world. ³ And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power. When He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴ having become as much better than the angels, as He has inherited a more excellent name than they.

^{2:5} For He did not subject to angels the world to come, concerning which we are speaking. ⁶ But one has testified somewhere, saying, "What is man, that You remember him? Or the son of man, that You are concerned about him?" ⁷ "You have made him for a little while lower than the angels; You have crowned him with

glory and honor, And have appointed him over the works of Your hands; ⁸ You have put all things in subjection under his feet." For in subjecting all things to him, He left nothing that is not subject to him. But now we do not yet see all things subjected to him. ⁹ But we do see Him who was made for a little while lower than the angels, namely, Jesus, because of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, so that by the grace of God He might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰ For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to perfect the author of their salvation through sufferings. ¹¹ For both He who sanctifies and those who are sanctified are all from one Father; for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren, ¹² saying, "I will proclaim Your name to My brethren, In the midst of the congregation I will sing Your praise."

God's Path for Growth as a Disciple/Follower of Jesus:

Save the Lost – Luke 19:10

Pastor the Saved – Acts 2:41-47

Equip the Pastored – Ephesians 4:11-16

a. prayer b. evangelism c. discipleship d. team

Send the Equipped – Matthew 28:18-20

Disciplemaker's Prayer

from Deut. 6:1-9; Mark 3:13-14; 12:30-31; Matt. 28:18-20; John 17:20; Acts 1:8; 1 Cor. 4:16-17

Heavenly Father, Thank you for giving me a disciplemaking way of life in Christ Jesus. **As I go through every part of this day, help me to love you and love the people who cross my path -- starting with my family.** Don't let me miss the adventures you are sending my way to live or the exciting opportunities to speak the Good News about Jesus today. Draw my heart to you and to specific people you want me to pull close for Jesus-like disciplemaking friendships. By your Word and Spirit, transform me into a follower of Jesus who loves you, loves people, and makes disciples who make more disciples, ad infinitum. In Jesus' name, Amen.