
THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH REDLANDS, CA

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SUNDAY MORNING

8:00a.m. & 10:30a.m. – Divine Service

9:30a.m. – Adult Bible Study

TO GUEST AND VISITORS

We welcome you to our congregation in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please leave a record of your visit in our guest book near the main door. We pray that the Holy Spirit would richly bless your hearing of God's Word with a living trust in Jesus Christ who died and rose for you. **For more information regarding Baptism, instruction in the Christian faith, and communicant membership, please see Pastor Smith.**

RECEIVING THE LORD'S SUPPER AT CHRIST THE KING

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church throughout her history, "Closed Communion" is observed in this congregation, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those:

- A) who have been **baptized** in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
- B) who have been **instructed** in the truth of Holy Scripture as taught in the **Lutheran Confessions**, who have been **confirmed** in this Lutheran Faith, and who **now confess** the same doctrine that is taught in this congregation, holding membership in a congregation of the **Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod**;
- C) who believe that in this sacrament the **real body and blood** of Christ are truly distributed to them and **orally received** by them, bestowing on them the **forgiveness of sins, life and salvation**;
- D) who **sincerely repent** of all their sins, and **desire to receive** God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

HYMNS for TODAY'S DIVINE SERVICE

Processional Hymn: Christ, Our Human Likeness Sharing	847
Hymn of the Day: Salvation unto Us Has Come	555 (vs. 1-5)
Distribution Hymns: What Is the World to Me.....	730
God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It.....	594
Recessional Hymn: Salvation unto Us Has Come	555 (vs. 6-10)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Judy Alder, praises to God, Judy is cancer free!
Linda and Josh Whittier, their son Benjamin is with our Lord in His loving eternal home
Natalie & Rodney Nelson, Susan Jay's daughter and son-in-law, they may have lost their home in Forest Falls do to the fire
Karen Prill, receiving a very good report following her 5th treatment for B Cell Lymphoma
Dwayne Danielson, recovering from eye surgery
Samuel Smith, riding his bicycle across the country
Susan Jay, at home receiving immune therapy infusions
Daniel Conrad, our missionary to Mexico
Shut-ins: Bill Nye, Troy & Louava Wideman



ALTAR FLOWERS



The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Dwayne & Rebecca Mugiishi in celebration of both of their birthdays. Happy Birthday you two!



*To my dear brothers and sisters at Christ the King,
 I am so grateful for all the cards, phone calls, and emails I received from my church family during my experience with cancer surgery and the ensuing four weeks of radiation. I am especially appreciative of your prayers. I know there were many, and God did indeed grant me the strength to meet the challenge. I am now finished with radiation, have been pronounced cancer free, and am feeling great!
 Thank you for supporting me with your love and prayers. I love you all! Judy Alder*

SERVANTS for THIS WEEK		SERVANTS for NEXT WEEK
Altar	Erica Vasquez	Margaret Nowak
Elders	Vic Haynes	Roger Loewecke
Finance	Cindy Hanson & Anna Smith	Robert Arnold & Steve Aimar
Flowers	Dwayne & Rebecca Mugiishi	Don & Bernice David
Ushers	Tom Crowley & Joseph Vasquez	Tom Crowley & Joseph Vasquez

EVENTS THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	8:00AM.....	Divine Service
	9:30AM.....	Adult Bible Study
	10:30AM.....	Divine Service
	11:30am.....	Confirmation Meeting (Parish Hall)
TUESDAY	7:00PM.....	Evangelism/Stewardship Meeting
WEDNESDAY	9:30AM.....	Adult Bible Class (Parish Hall)
	7:00PM.....	New Members Class (Parish Hall)
SATURDAY	8:30AM.....	Adult Bible Class with Deacon Russ

DAILY LECTIONARY READINGS – LSB pg. 302

16TH SUNDAY		Sep	Neh. 4:7-23	Sep	Neh. 5:1-16; 6:1-9, 15-16
AFTER PENTECOST		20	1 Tim 3:1-16	21	1 Tim. 4:1-16
Sep	Neh. 7:1-4; 8:1-18, Ezra 1:1-10:19	Sep	Neh. 9:1-21	Sep	Neh. 9:22-38; 10:1-13:31
22	1 Tim. 5:1-16	23	1 Tim. 5:17-6:2	24	1 Tim. 6:3-21
Sep	Mal. 1:1-14	Sep	Mal.2:1-3:5		
25	Matt. 3:1-17	26	Matt. 4:1-11		

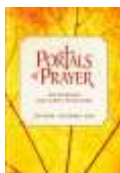
Today's service will be broadcast live, and for later viewing, on Christ the King's YouTube page: <https://www.youtube.com/user/CTKRedlands>

✦ Sermon manuscripts are now available on our website at:
<https://www.ctlredlands.org/sermons-online/sermon-manuscripts/>



EVENTS NEXT SUNDAY AT THE 8AM SERVICE AND FOLLOWING

Christ the King Church has two special events happening on Sunday, September 27th. During the 8:00am Divine Service we will receiving of new members. Following the same service will be the dedication of Pastor Paulus's Memorial. Following these two events we will have a cake and refreshments reception. (No bible study that day.) Everyone is invited to attend.



WHAT'S UP? LET ME TELL YOU!

What a joy it is for folks to see a familiar face from CTK! Since the pandemic, some of our members have not been to church nor seen any of their CTK sisters or brothers in Christ for months! Here's an opportunity to show that we are missing them and maybe enjoy a short visit with them. Every quarter the Portal of Prayer booklets are available in the church narthex. Then how do these members get one? By mail? No! Instead of mailing the Portals of Prayer, we, as a church body, are going to hand deliver them to our beloved members. Some folks will welcome a visit and some will just appreciate the delivery with a little note attached. In the narthex there is a list of names and the towns they live in. Please sign up to contact one or two members (their phone numbers are in your directory.) Then take one Portals of Prayers per household to deliver. Maybe you'll get a short visit in too. Bless you for your help

KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE



Every Sunday morning, God's people gather together to receive the wonderful gifts of salvation. The gifts that our Lord has for us are delivered in different ways. One of these very important ways is the sermon.

Why is the sermon so important?

Some people don't like the sermon. They think it is too long, or maybe it is too boring. Some people even try to think of other things while the pastor is preaching. When we are tempted to think this way, we must remember what the sermon is all about. In the sermon, **the wonderful Gospel message of Christ** and all that He has done for us on the cross is proclaimed. Through the sermon, the pastor brings this great message to people right where they are. Though we see and hear our pastor in the pulpit, The words of the Gospel are spoken to us and all people by Jesus, saving all from their sins. Wow! What a great way to actually hear the voice of our Savior!



Parents: Before church, remind your children that Jesus speaks to them directly during the sermon. Let them know that the message is not just for adults, but for Jesus' little lambs too! Encourage them to sit and listen to Jesus as he tells them the Good News. If they get lost in the sermon, comfort them by, after the service, explaining things that might have been confusing.



THE READINGS



ISAIAH 55:6-9

⁶ "Seek the LORD while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;
⁷ let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his
thoughts;
let him return to the LORD, that he may
have compassion on him,
and to our God, for he will

abundantly pardon.
⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways,
declares the LORD.
⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the
earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

PHILIPPIANS 1:12-14, 19-30

¹²I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, ¹³so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. ¹⁴And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear....

¹⁹for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, ²⁰as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to

depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. ²⁴But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. ²⁵Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

²⁷Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. ²⁹For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, ³⁰engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

MATTHEW 20:1-16

¹[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' ⁵So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' ⁷They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' ⁸And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the

first.' ⁹And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹²saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius?' ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first last."

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Disciples Live in Their Vocations by Grace through Faith in Christ

Those who are sent as "*laborers for his vineyard*" (Matt. 20:1) depict the wide diversity of vocations to which the disciples of Christ Jesus are called. Whatever our particular stations in life may be, we are called to live and serve by faith in His promises. Our labors do not merit anything before Him, for He is already generous to one and all without partiality. In mercy He has chosen to bear "*the burden of the day and the scorching heat*" on our behalf, to make us equal to Himself, and to give us what belongs to Him, that is, the Kingdom of heaven (Matt. 20:12–15). This way of the Lord is foolishness to the world and foreign to our thoughts, but He draws near, so that "*He may be found*" (Is. 55:6), that "*He may have compassion*" and "*abundantly pardon*" (Is. 55:7). So it is that we are found in Christ Jesus, and He is honored in our bodies, "*whether by life or by death*" (Phil. 1:20), by "*fruitful labor*" (Phil. 1:22), or by suffering. It is by faith in His forgiveness that our works are "*worthy of the Gospel*" (Phil. 1:27).



