

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

SUNDAY OF FULFILLMENT
(Last Sunday in the Church Year)



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SUNDAY MORNING

9:00a.m. -- Divine Service

10:30a.m. – 11:30a.m. -- Sunday School & 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.



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PRAYER CONCERNS

- Marianne Anderson**, enduring breathing difficulty
Charles Baker, recovering from a bout of cellulitis
Dwayne Danielson, recovering from eye surgery again
Diane Ronchetto, experiencing severe hip pain
Susan Jay, at home receiving immune therapy infusions
Daniel Conrad, our missionary to Mexico
Shut-ins: Marianne Anderson, Bill Nye, Troy & Louava Wideman



ALTAR FLOWERS



The flowers today are given by John & Betty Mitchell to the glory of God in thanksgiving and celebration of their wedding anniversary.



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 also available on our website at:
<https://www.ctlredlands.org/sermons-online/sermon-manuscripts/>

Acolytes	SERVANTS for THIS WEEK	SERVANTS for NEXT WEEK
8:00am	Lauren Hathaway & Alex Hathaway	Ethan Haarala & Dustin Hogue
10:30am	Samuel Lombardo & William Lombardo	Brooke Cleary & Emma Hansen
Altar	Erica Vasquez	Margaret Nowak
Elders	Roger Loewecke	James Wilson
Finance	Steve Aimar & Judy Alder	Steve Aimar & Judy Alder
Flowers	John & Betty Mitchell	Deloris Koller
Ushers	Tom Crowley Glenn Henderson	Loren Scott Steve Aimar

EVENTS THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 8:00AM.....Divine Service
 9:30AM..... Adult Bible Study
 10:30AM.....Divine Service
 11:45AM..... Jr. Confirmation Class
 WEDNESDAY 7:00PM..... Thanksgiving Eve Service (No a.m. bible study)
 FOLLOWING..... Choir Practice in the Sanctuary
 SATURDAY 8:30AM.....Adult Bible Study (Parish Hall)

DAILY LECTIONARY READINGS – LSB pg. 302

LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR		Nov 22	Dan. 2:24-49 Rev. 19:1-21	Nov 23	Dan. 3:1-30 Rev. 21:1-8
Nov 24	Dan. 4:1-37 Rev. 21:1-8	Nov 25	Dan. 5:1-30, 7:1-8:27 Rev. 21:9-27	Nov 26	Dan. 6:1-28, 9:1-27 Rev. 33:1-21
Nov 27	Is. 1:1-28 1 Peter 1:-12	Nov 28	Is. 2:1-4:6 1 Peter 1:13-25		



EVERY SUNDAY - MITES BOX COLLECTION

Please support our Mites' Missions by donating a dollar or two or some change into one of the mite buckets hanging on the offering chair in the church overflow. Thank you, LWML

CONTINUING - "NOT OF THIS WORLD" ADULT BIBLE STUDY CLASS TODAY



Not of this world. It is a phrase that conveys so much of our Christian faith. Jesus spoke this phrase multiple times in multiple settings. It is certainly a phrase that has captured the imagination of popular Christian culture – the bumper stickers are everywhere! Like theological baklava – this plain and direct statement has multiple layers. In this new Bible class, we will explore the various contours of what Jesus meant when He said that He (and, by extension, we) are not of this world. To be sure, the world is in turmoil. While there's nothing particularly new about that, we are governed by a different reality. The result of participating in this study will be peace of heart and mind that the world cannot give. You are lovingly invited to engage this phrase and learn of the depth of meaning that is behind our Lord's priceless words.



ADOPT A PRE-SCHOOL EMPLOYEE FOR CHRISTMAS

CTK is adopting the preschool employees in order to give them something special in the joy of Christmas giving. In the narthex, under the sign-up board "Adopt a Preschool Staff" is a basket with a staff member's name and likes taped to a candy cane. Please take one or two of them, then record your name and theirs on the sign-up board. Please bring your wrapped and tagged gifts and put them into the Christmas box in the narthex by December 13th. Thank you

Dates to Save in December



Tuesday, December 8 at 11:30a.m.: The LWML Women's Christmas Luncheon
(Location, menu, and cost will be announced in an upcoming bulletin.)



Sunday, December 13th at 5pm-8pm: Christmas Wassail Party

Pastor and Alise Smith have graciously offered to host this year's Wassail party in their home. This is an adult only evening of food, fellowship, laughter, and singing. There will also be an optional white elephant gift exchange. You don't need to buy a gift. You can just grab something odd lying around the house that you aren't using and wrap it up. So bring a **heartly** appetizer, a gift for the white elephant gift exchange, and your best Christmas caroling voice for this festive evening.



Friday, December 18th at 6:00pm: CHRISTMAS CAROLING!

EVERYONE is INVITED!! We will meet at CTK to van pool to our Christmas caroling destinations to sing in front of the homes for some of our shut-ins around Redlands. Afterwards, we will return to CTK for pizza, cookies, and hot cocoa.



ADVENT SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY EVENING VESPERS AT 7PM

The marvelous and grace laden season of Advent is near. Our hope and prayer is that all the saints of Christ the King would grow in faith and be prepared for our Lord's return as we journey through these Advent weeks. Ultimately, we will celebrate with exceedingly great joy the gift of Immanuel, God with us, the birth of the infant Savior. During Advent we will gather on Wednesday evenings for Vespers (a brief worship service) at 7pm. This time of quiet reflection on the goodness of God and the fulfillment of our salvation in the person of His Son is a fruitful time for our soul and we will discover how hope flourishes within us by way of His Word. Let us prepare for His arrival.

December 2nd
**THE INCARNATION
AND THE PAST**

December 9th
**THE INCARNATION
AND THE PRESENT**

December 16th
**THE INCARNATION
AND THE PRESENT**



Preceding the Advent Vespers Services will be a soup/salad dinner at 6:00pm. Please come and join us for food and comaraderie! Sign ups are in the narthex.



THE READINGS



EZEKIEL 34:11-16. 20-24

¹¹"For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I Myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out My sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of My sheep, and I Myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶I

will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

²⁰"Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I Myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, ²²I will rescue My flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. ²³And I will set up over them one shepherd, My servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴And I, the LORD, will be their God, and My servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.

1CORINTHIANS 15:20-28

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at His coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For He must

reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death. ²⁷For "God has put all things in subjection under His feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that He is excepted who put all things in subjection under Him. ²⁸When all things are subjected to Him, then the Son Himself will also be subjected to Him who put all things in subjection under Him, that God may be all in all.

MATTHEW 25:31-46

[Jesus said:] ³¹"When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne. ³²Before Him will be gathered all the nations, and He will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³And He will place the sheep on His right, but the goats on the left. ³⁴Then the King will say to those on His right, 'Come, you who are blessed by My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ³⁵For I was hungry and you gave Me food, I was thirsty and you gave Me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed Me, ³⁶I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ³⁷Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink?' ³⁸And when did we see You a stranger and welcome You, or naked and clothe You?

³⁹And when did we see You sick or in prison and visit You?' ⁴⁰And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these My brothers, you did it to Me.' ⁴¹"Then He will say to those on His left, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴²For I was hungry and you gave Me no food, I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome Me, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' ⁴⁵Then He will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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By the Cross of Christ We Enter the Kingdom of Our God and Father

When the crucified and risen Lord Jesus comes to judge the living and the dead, "*He will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats*" (Matt. 25:32). "*To those on His right,*" who have been crucified and raised with Him through repentance and faith in His Gospel, He will grant the blessed Kingdom of His Father (Matt. 25:34). Having been justified by His grace, they live unto righteousness in Him (Matt. 25:35–40). But "*those on His left,*" who trust in themselves and despise their neighbor, will depart "*into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels*" (Matt. 25:41). Until that day, the Lord searches for His sheep "*as a shepherd seeks out his flock*" (Ezek. 34:11–12). Through His preaching of repentance He disciplines the proud sheep and goats, "*the fat and the strong,*" but through the preaching of forgiveness He rescues the lost, binds up the injured, strengthens the weak, and feeds "*the lean sheep*" (Ezek. 34:16, 20). In this way, He destroys the power of death in the children of Adam by His Cross, so that "*in Christ shall all be made alive*" by His Resurrection (1 Cor. 15:20–26).

THE INTROIT (*Ps. 39:4-5, 7-8, 12a; antiphon: 2Peter 3:12*)



In keeping with His promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a | new earth,*
the home of | righteousness.

O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure | of my days;*
let me know how fleeting | I am!

Behold, You have made my days a few | handbreadths,*
and my lifetime is as nothing be- | fore You.

And now, O Lord, for what | do I wait?*
My hope | is in You.

Deliver me from all my trans- | gressions.*
Do not make me the scorn | of the fool!

Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry; hold not Your peace | at my tears!*
For I am a sojourner with You, a guest, like all my | fathers.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen

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the home of | righteousness.

THE COLLECT

Eternal God, merciful Father, You have appointed Your Son as
judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of His
return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for Your own
from the foundation of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord,

THE GRADUAL (*Rev. 7:14b; Ps. 84:5*)

These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.*

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood | of the Lamb.
Blessèd are those whose strength is | in you,*
in whose heart are the highways to | Zion.
