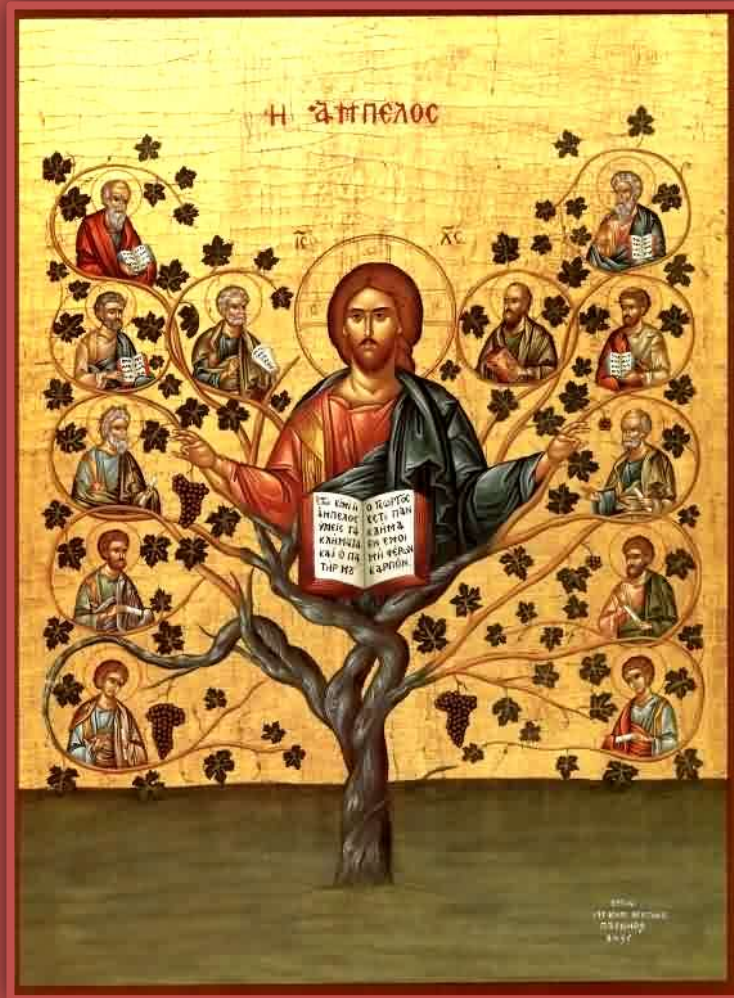


FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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SUNDAY MORNING

9:00a.m. – Divine Service

10:30a.m. – Adult Bible Study & Sunday School

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

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- Luke Bush**, suffering with abdominal pain
- Daniel Soso**, at home, recovering from an urinary tract infection
- Diane Currier**, Cindy's mother-in-law, on hospice living with lung and liver cancer
- Steven Cifelli, friend of Jody Henderson**, recovering from knee replacement surgery
- Christopher Chambers**, Delores Koller's grandson, being treated for melanoma in his lung
- Susan Jay**, at home receiving immune therapy infusions
- Daniel Conrad**, our missionary to Mexico
- Shut-ins:** Kathleen Neebe, Bill Nye, Troy & Louava Wideman

ALTAR FLOWERS



The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Don & Lysah Mitchell in celebration of their first wedding anniversary. May God bless you with many more.



BACKPACK BONANZA THANK YOU!

The California-Arizona-Nevada Collection Center of the Orphan Grain Train wishes to shout out a big THANK YOU to the PSD LWML ladies and all the congregations who participated in this joint effort to help the less fortunate. Your generous donations are truly appreciated.

	SERVANTS for THIS WEEK	SERVANTS for NEXT WEEK
Acolytes	Christian Vasquez	Samuel Lombardo
Altar	Bernice David	Anna Bush
Elders	Roger Loewecke	J.B. Bell
Finance	Robert Arnold & Steve Aimar	Mary Coppenger & Catherine Murano
Flowers	Don & Elizabeth Mitchell	Emily Crowley
Ushers	Steve Aimar & Tom Crowley	Steve Aimar & Tom Crowley

EVENTS THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	9:00AMDivine Service
	10:30AM Adult Bible Study & Sunday School
	11:45AMJr. Confirmation Class
TUESDAY	7:00PM Church Council Meeting
WEDNESDAY	9:30AMAdult Bible Study
SATURDAY	8:30AMAdult Bible Study



CELEBRATING CTK's 51ST ANNIVERSARY – SUNDAY, JUNE 6, AT 9:00AM

Join us for a grand celebration with special guests, a catered lunch, and a reminiscing slideshow showing the beginnings and life of our beloved Christ the King Lutheran Church over the last 51 years. You won't want to miss it!



PART-TIME MAINTENANCE AND GROUNDS KEEPING POSITION

Christ the King Lutheran Church and School is looking for a very competent and dedicated person to serve in a part-time position (20 hours) as a maintenance worker. Please see Mr. Michael Bush or Pastor Smith for more information. If you know of someone who would be an ideal fit for our marvelous operation, please take steps to put the right people together. Our phone number is (909) 793-5703. Thank you.

Lesson 4: In this week's lesson, "A Tree View," students learn about Zacchaeus, a wealthy tax collector, who anxiously awaits the arrival of Jesus. Short of stature, Zacchaeus climbs a tree to see the Savior. Despite criticism, Jesus invites Himself to the tax collector's home. Motivated by Christ's compassion, Zacchaeus confesses his sin and promises to make restitution. Families could discuss, "How does Jesus motivate you to make a difference in your world?"



BIBLE CLASS – ETERNAL ELECTION

Eternity is something even Christians have a difficult time wrapping their head around. Combine that with the notion that God chose us, apart from our will, apart from our effort, apart from anything we have done or could do and then our heads begin to spin. Election is, however, one of the most heavily Gospel-laden doctrines in Holy Scripture. In the coming weeks, we will explore the delightful terrain of Eternal Election in the Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. This will be a time of discovery and in-depth conversation. The product of such a study is a more confident heart, a bold and trusting spirit, and a thorough appreciation for the grace of God which is full view as we see our election. Please join the Adult Bible Class for this joyful adventure.

CONGREGATIONAL VOTERS' ASSEMBLY



Our Congregational Voter's assembly will be held on Sunday, May 16, in the Parish Hall immediately following the Divine Service. Topics include the adoption of the slate of officers and board members as well as approving the school budget.

2021/2022 CTK COUNCIL BOARD MEMBERS & NOMINEES

President

Steve Wolff Renew

Vice President

Thomas Crowley Renew

Secretary

Donna Crowley 2022

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Bill Phillips 2022

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Anna Smith (alt.) Renew

Joseph Vasquez 2022

Debbie Wolff (Bd. Acct.)..... 2022

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Steve Aimar 2022

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Loren Scott Renew

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David Alder Renew

Charles Baker Renew

Thomas Crowley Renew

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Don David 2022

Russ Gross 2022

Vic Haynes Renew

Roger Loewecke Renew

Anthony Lombardo (C) 2022

Loren Scott New

James Wilson Renew

Evangelism

Lorrie Hinkleman Renew

Dwayne Mugiishi 2022

Rebecca Mugiishi (C) 2022

Stewardship

Mary Coppenger Renew

Christian Education

David Alder Renew

Thomas Crowley Renew

Cindy Currier (C) Renew

Russ Gross Renew

Anthony Lombardo Renew

James Wilson Renew

School Board

Joe Belli (C) Renew

Kaye Deen Renew

John Mitchell 2022

Jeanie Nowak Renew

Alise Smith 2022

Erica Vasquez Renew



THE READINGS



ACTS 8:26-40

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place. ²⁷And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot."

³⁰So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. ³²Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter
and like a lamb before its shearer is
silent,
so he opens not his mouth.

³³ In his humiliation justice was denied
him.

1 JOHN 4:1-21

¹Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. ²By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, ³and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and

Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the
earth."

³⁴And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?"

³⁵Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" ³⁷And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. ³⁹And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

now is in the world already. ⁴Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. ⁵They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. ⁶We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. ¹⁵Whoever confesses that Jesus is the

Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. ¹⁶So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. ¹⁷By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. ²¹And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

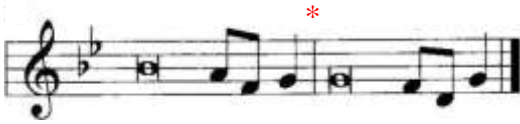
JOHN 15:1-8

¹[Jesus said:] "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. ²Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸By this my Father is glorified, that you

bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.



THE INTROIT *Ps.145:1-2, 8, 10, 21; antiphon: John 16:16*



A little while, and you will see me no | longer; *
and again a little while, and you will | see me.

**I will extol you, my v God and King, *
and bless your name forever and | ever.**

Every day I will | bless you *
and praise your name forever and | ever.

**The Lord is gracious and | merciful, *
slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.**

All your works shall give thanks to you, v O Lord, *
and all your saints shall | bless you!

**My mouth will speak the praise | of the Lord, *
and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and | ever.**

**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.**

A little while, and you will see me no | longer; *
and again a little while, and you will | see me.



THE COLLECT

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever..

THE GRADUAL *adapt. From Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6*

Christ has risen | from the dead. *

**[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and | honor,
he has given him dominion over the works | of his hands; *
he has put all things un- | der his feet.**
