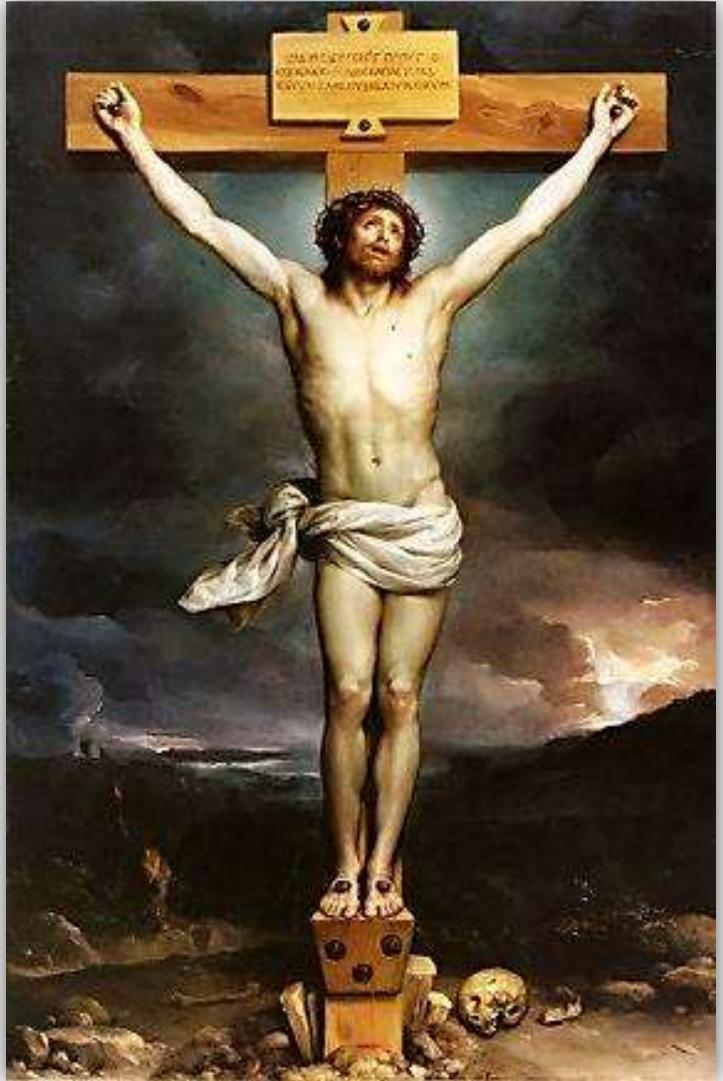


**THE
SIXTH
SUNDAY
AFTER
PENTECOST**

JULY 4, 2021



“He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him.” (John 1:11)

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CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH REDLANDS, CA**

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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

Processional Hymn: Come, Thou Almighty King 905
 Hymn of the Day: O Christ Our True and Only Light 839
 Distribution Hymns: Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus..... 660
 Jesus Comes Today with Healing..... 620
 God Bless Our Native Land 965
 Before You, Lord, We Bow..... 966
 Recessional Hymn: Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer 918

PRAYER CONCERNS

Diane Currier, and her family, Cindy's mother-in-law, for God's peace and comfort
Ernie Hauschild, Rev. Hauschild's brother, at home, on oxygen, dealing with pneumonia
Susan Jay, recovering from two back surgeries
Christopher Chambers, Delores Koller's grandson, being treated for melanoma in his lung
Diane Ronchetto, experiencing severe joint pain
Astrid Johnson, Ingrid Umland's sister, has been in the hospital for 4 months suffering with leukemia

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 & Bernice David in celebration of their son, Roy, and granddaughter, Audrina's birthdays.

GLORIA'S NEW CONTACT INFORMATION



Hi Everyone, It is much easier for me to have visitors now. Thanks for all your prayers, Gloria Paulus, 945 Salem Dr. #8, Redlands, CA 92373
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SERVANTS for THIS WEEK		SERVANTS for NEXT WEEK
Acolytes	Jilian Belli & Brooke Cleary	Dominick Vasquez & Christian Vasquez
Altar	Anna Bush	Nicole Creavy
Elders	Vic Haynes	Roger Loewecke
Finance	Steve Aimar & Robert Arnold	Steve Aimar & Robert Arnold
Flowers	Don & Bernice David	Dwayne & Cynthia Danielson
Ushers	Joe Belli & Tom Crowley	Mike Nauman & Hayden Ramsay

EVENTS THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 9:00AM.....Divine Service
 10:30AM..... Adult Bible Study & Sunday School Classes
 TUESDAY 7:00PM.....Church Council Meeting
 WEDNESDAY 9:30AM..... Adult Bible Study
 SATURDAY 8:30AM..... Adult Bible Study



Dearly beloved saints of Christ the King,

Alise and I are so grateful that so many of you were able to celebrate over at our place last Sunday. It was a banner day for the Smiths and you helped raise the joy of the day to celestial heights. The ring is a special gift and a personal treasure which will be a constant reminder of the love and support that we have received while serving here in our beloved congregation. Thank you for all your kindnesses and well wishes. God has certainly blessed us during our 25 years at Christ the King Lutheran Church and School.

Peace be with you, Pastor.

MISSION MINUTE – WILEY JONES SMITH



"Where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am among them" (Matthew 18:20). Topic: Godly Stations in Life



TODAY: PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN IN THE NARTHEX

CTK wants your picture on the CTK Faith Family wall. It's a great way for you to see who folks are and for folks to see who you are. Please meet in the narthex following today's Divine Service. Cindy Currier will be there to take you picture.

Christopher Blank
Rick & Jill Brua

The Hoffmann Family
Jared & Sarah Dean

And anyone else who would like to have a picture taken.

CONFIRMANDS
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Josh Hoffmann



SANCTIFYING YOUR VOCATIONS WITH THE WORD OF GOD

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: What I Wish My Non-Lutheran Family Knew about Election; The Colors of the Church Seasons & Festivals; The Seven Deadly Sins; Political Censorship and more. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider

KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

What is a “Gospel Procession”?

You may sometimes see the Gospel reading take place in a different part of the church. On special Sundays, the Bible is carried into the center of the congregation where the pastor reads the Gospel to the people. There may also be some festive music or singing. After the reading, while the Bible is being carried back to its place, there may be more music and singing. This ceremony is called the Gospel Procession.

Why do we have a Gospel Procession?

Jesus is the living Word. He set us free from the burden of sin through His life, death and resurrection. A Gospel Procession reminds us that this wonderful news is to be carried into the whole world. Jesus came for all people and He offers eternal life to all who believe by the power of the Holy Spirit! Wow! A Gospel Procession is a wonderful thing!



Parents: Before or after the Divine Service, remind your children of the meaning of the Gospel Procession. When it is taking place, point out the reverent way the pastor, crucifer, and/or assistants move. Reverence and humility are shown to the One who is truly among us declaring the Good News of forgiveness of sins by His Word! Read John 1:1–3, 14 and discuss it with your children. How is Jesus described in this reading?



THE READINGS



EZEKIEL 2:1-5

¹He said to me, "Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you." ²And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. ³And he said to me, "Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me. They and their

fathers have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD.' ⁵And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that a prophet has been among them

2 CORINTHIANS 12:1-10

¹I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. ²I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. ³And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—⁴and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. ⁵On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than

he sees in me or hears from me. ⁷So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ⁹But He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

MARK 6:1-13

¹[Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his

hands? ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household." ⁵And he

could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. ⁶And he marveled because of their unbelief.

And he went about among the villages teaching.

⁷And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their

belts— ⁹but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. ¹⁰And he said to them, "Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. ¹¹And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. ¹³And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.



THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Ministers of Christ Are Sent with His Authority to Forgive Sins and Give Life

The Prophet Ezekiel was raised up by the Spirit of the Lord and sent to speak an unpopular Word to the rebellious house of Israel. As a prophet, he was not to speak his own word, but to preach the Law and the Gospel: "Thus says the Lord God," whether the people "hear or refuse to hear" (Ezek. 2:4–5). So, too, in the footsteps of the Prophets before Him, the Lord Jesus "went about among the villages teaching" (Mark 6:6). In His hometown, as elsewhere, "many who heard Him were astonished," marveling at His wisdom and at the "mighty works done by His hands," and yet, "they took offense at Him" (Mark 6:2–3). The offense culminates in His Cross, which is, ironically, the heart and center of His "authority over the unclean spirit" (Mark 6:7). It is by that authority of His Cross that those He sends preach repentance, "cast out many demons," and heal the sick (Mark 6:12–13). Thus, the Apostle Paul boasts in the Cross of Christ and in his own weaknesses, knowing that God's grace is sufficient, and that the power of Christ "is made perfect in weakness (2 Cor. 12:8–9).

THE INTROIT (*Ps. 132:13-16; antiphon: Ps. 34:8*)



Oh, taste and see that the | Lord is good!*

Blessed is the man who takes ref- | uge in him!

For the Lord has chosen | Zion;*
he has desired it for his | dwelling place:

“This is my resting place for- | ever;*

here I will dwell, for I have de- | sired it.

I will abundantly bless her pro- | visions;*
I will satisfy her | poor with bread.

Her priests I will clothe with sal- | vation,*

and her saints will | shout for joy.

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.

Oh, taste and see that the | Lord is good!*

Blessed is the man who takes ref- | uge in him!



THE COLLECT

O God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy. Grant us the fullness of Your grace that we may be called to repentance and made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

THE GRADUAL (*Romans 11:33, 36*)

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowl- | edge of God!*
How unsearchable are his judgements and how inscrutable | his ways!
For from him and through him and to him are | all things.”
To him be glory forever. | Amen.
