

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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**DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE
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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: O Holy Spirit, Enter In 913
 Hymn of the Day: O God, My Faithful God..... 696
 Distribution Hymns: No Temple Now, No Gift of Price 530
 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior 627
 Take My Life and Let It Be..... 783
 Now Thank We All Our God 895
 Recessional Hymn: God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It 594



PRAYER CONCERNS

Delores Koller, went in the peace to the loving arms of God
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 months 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 Glenn & Jodi Henderson with thanksgiving in celebrating their 20th wedding anniversary. Happy years to you.



ALTAR FLOWERS NEEDED FOR DIVINE SERVICES

Altar flowers for the Divine Service are needed for Sunday, August 29.
 Please sign-up on the flower chart that is in the narthex. Thank you.

SERVANTS for THIS WEEK		SERVANTS for NEXT WEEK
Acolytes	Samuel Lombardo & William Lombardo	Dominick Vasquez & Christian Vasquez
Altar	Nicole Cleary	Anna Bush
Elders	Tom Crowley	Dwayne Danielson
Finance	John Hinkleman, Jr. & Joe Vasquez	John Hinkleman, Jr. & Joe Vasquez
Flowers	Glenn & Jodi Henderson	Bill & Joy Phillips
Ushers	Steve Aimar & Loren Scott	Mike Bush & Robert DeCent

EVENTS THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	9:00AM.....	Divine Service
	10:30AM.....	Adult Bible Study & Sunday School Classes
	2:00PM.....	Pool Party!
WEDNESDAY	9:30AM.....	Adult Bible Study
	6:30PM.....	Men's Choir Practice
	7:00PM.....	School Board Meeting
THURSDAY	7:00PM.....	Elders Meeting
SATURDAY	8:30AM.....	Adult Bible Study

MITES BOX COLLECTION TODAY



Today is the day for you to rid yourself of all your heavy change, or light bills for our monthly mites collection. Look for a mite bucket and drop in your change. Look for the “2021-2023 Mission Grants” flyer on the LWML table in the narthex to learn more where and how your mite donations serve others. Thank you.



CURRENT CTK CHURCH DIRECTORIES ARE AVAILABLE

You can pick-up a copy of the current church directory today. They are in the basket on the table in the narthex. Please contact Cindy Currier with any changes or corrections.



TODAY'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON (Pre-K through 8)

Lesson 3: In today's lesson, “A Laughable Promise,” participants study the birth of Isaac. The Lord and two angels appear to Abraham in human form, promising the birth of a son to Abraham and Sarah within the year. Sarah conceives and gives birth to Isaac, as the Lord fulfills His promise of generations to come and the promised future Offspring—the Savior, Jesus.



TODAY: CHURCH POOL PARTY AND BBQ – EVERYONE IS INVITED!!!

Bring your swim suit and appetite **TODAY** from 2-6pm, for food, fellowship, and fun at the Mugiishi's home (1000 Holmes Street in Calimesa.) Bring a side dish, salad, snack, or dessert to share, if you'd like. Please sign up in the narthex.

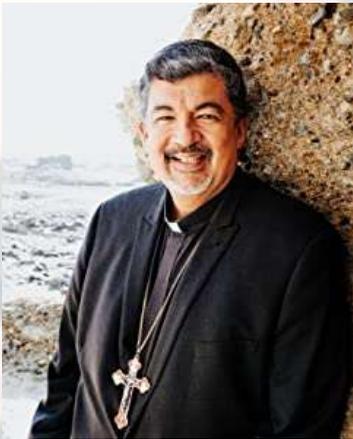
WHERE CHRISTIANITY MEETS CULTURE



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Save THE Date

SEPTEMBER 11TH – CONGREGATIONAL SEMINAR “FAITH THAT ENGAGES THE CULTURE”



On September 11, 2021, Christ the King Lutheran Church will be sponsoring a seminar conducted by the Rev. Dr. Alfonso Espinosa. The topic couldn't possibly be timelier: **Faith That Engages the Culture**. We are seeing the broader culture around us change dramatically. The temptation is to sit paralyzed as these convulsions rock society and retreat to those familiar quarters where everyone shares our opinion. If this were to be the strategy of the church in our era (any era), what would the long-term ramifications be? Do you believe that our Lord would have us adopt a passive perspective on life in the 21st century? Pastor Al Espinosa presents a different perspective, a joyous and uplifting perspective ~ Christ's perspective. Author of the book of the same title, Pr. Espinosa will lead us to understand and embrace our calling in this critical time. Save the date: September 11th, and sign up to attend this blessed event. The event is **from 9am-3pm in the Parish Hall**. A catered lunch will be provided.



PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE
NARTHEX

ALFONSO ESPINOSA



THE READINGS



JOSHUA 24:1-2a, 14-18

¹Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel. And they presented themselves before God. ²And Joshua said to all the people,...

¹⁴"Now therefore fear the LORD and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness. Put away the gods that your fathers served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you

dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

¹⁶Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods, ¹⁷for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our fathers up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight and preserved us in all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed. ¹⁸And the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

EPHESIANS 5:6-21

⁶Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. ⁷Therefore do not associate with them; ⁸for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), ¹⁰and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

"Awake, O sleeper,

and arise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you."

¹⁵Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, ²⁰giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

JOHN 6:51-69

⁵¹[Jesus said:] "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. ⁵⁵For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. ⁵⁷As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not as the fathers ate and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." ⁵⁹Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum.

⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" ⁶¹But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no avail. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) ⁶⁵And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."

⁶⁶After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus said to the Twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, ⁶⁹and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

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Jesus Is the Word and Wisdom of God, Who Gives You Life and Light in His Flesh

Jesus is the divine Word by whom all things were made, who has become flesh and dwells among us. He gives His flesh "*for the life of the world,*" not only as a sacrifice for sin, but as "*the living bread*" from heaven (John 6:51). Eat His flesh and drink His blood (John 6:54–57), and no longer walk in the darkness of sin, but walk in His light. "*Arise from the dead*" and live in Him, because you are "*light in the Lord*" (Eph. 5:8, 14). Being filled with His Spirit, confess Him to "*one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart*" (Eph. 5:18–19). Fear, love, and trust in Him, "*and serve Him in sincerity and faithfulness*" (Josh. 24:14). For He has brought you "*out of the house of slavery*" by His Cross and Resurrection, and now He does "*great signs*" in your sight (Josh. 24:17). Indeed, He is the divine Wisdom, who has built His house, prepared His feast, and set His table; who bids you to recline, to eat of His bread and drink of the wine He has mixed (Prov. 9:1–5).
