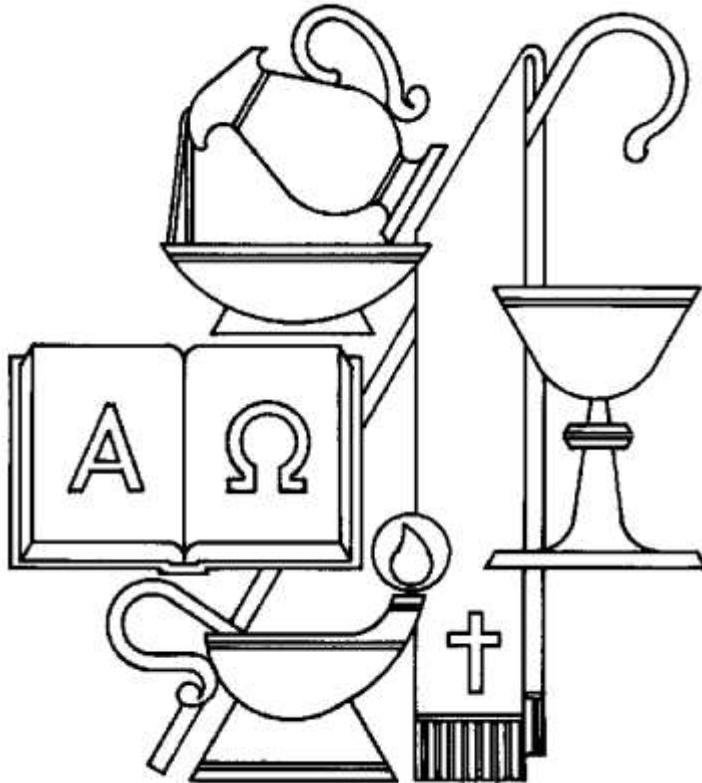


# SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



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**CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH REDLANDS, CA**

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## SUNDAY MORNING

9:00 a.m. – Divine Service

10:30 a.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 Christ, Our Hope, Our Hearts' Desire..... 553  
 Hymn of the Day: My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker ..... 820  
 Distribution Hymns: The Man Is Ever Blessed..... 705  
                           O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee ..... 632  
                           Our Father, Who from Heaven Above ..... 766  
                           Love In Christ is Strong and Living..... 706  
 Recessional Hymn: My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less ..... 575

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Christine Chernobieff**, her grandmother fell asleep in Christ  
**Lucy Becker**, recovering from eye surgery  
**Brian Romberg**, recovering from knee replacement surgery  
**Mark Wideman**, son of Troy Wideman, awaiting heart replacement  
**Diane Ronchetto**, hip replacement recovery. Diane is having a hard time with the pain. Please continue to pray for her.  
**Daniel Conrad**, our missionary to Mexico  
**Shut-ins:** Elsie Albanese, Pat Krahn, Bill Nye, Harriet Ouimette, Gloria Paulus, Troy & Louava Wideman, and Irene Pickering



**ALTAR FLOWERS**

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by  
 Tom and Donna Crowley in honor of their 35<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary!



**ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS**

Through Thrivent's member-advised charitable grant program, Thrivent Choice®, eligible members can recommend where some of Thrivent Financial's charitable outreach funds are distributed by directing Choice Dollars. You are warmly invited to consider directing your Thrivent Choice dollars to Christ the King Lutheran Church. Just call your Thrivent representative and he/she will walk you through the very simple process. It is absolutely "free money" which Thrivent distributes based on a percentage of your investments. Thanks so much for considering our beloved congregation as a recipient of your gift.

<b>SERVANTS for THIS WEEK</b>		<b>SERVANTS for NEXT WEEK</b>
<b>Crucifer</b>	Aiden DeCent	Hayden Hinkleman
<b>Acolytes</b>	Emma Hansen & Brooke Cleary	Dominick Vasquez & Christian Vasquez
<b>Altar</b>	Bernice David	Erica Vasquez
<b>Elders</b>	Loren Scott	James Wilson
<b>Finance</b>	Mary Coppenger & Steve Aimar	TBD & Roger Loewecke
<b>Flowers</b>	Tom & Donna Crowley	<b>Available for sign-up</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	Hayden Ramsey & Mike Bush	Hayden Ramsey & Mike Bush

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	9:00AM .....	Divine Service
	10:30AM.....	Adult Bible Study & Sunday School
	11:45AM .....	Confirmation Class
TUESDAY	7:00PM.....	Evangelism/Stewardship Meeting
WEDNESDAY	9:30AM .....	Bible Study
SATURDAY	8:30AM .....	Bible Study

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



**Lesson 2:** Today, we will study "Consuming Fire." Elijah challenges the people to stop "limping" between Baal and the true God. Gathering the 450 prophets of Baal, Elijah proposes a test to determine the truth: each side will butcher a bull for sacrifice and call on their god to send down fire. The prophets of Baal call upon their god, even cutting themselves to appease it, but nothing happens. Elijah drenches his offering with water, completely filling the trench around it. Then Elijah offers a simple prayer to the true God, who sends down fire from heaven to consume the offering, the wood, and even the water in the trench.



Lutheran Life Magazine- Living your faith in today's world.

*Lutheran Life* is a magazine for everyday Christians as they navigate life. It's for the parents trying to find time to do family devotions. For the college student wrestling with big questions. For the retiree finding purpose in a new vocation.

**We have the latest issue available in the narthex if anyone is interested!**

## Undie Sunday!

### **We Are Still Collecting!**

We are collecting NEW underwear and socks for men, women, girls and boys to be distributed to those in need.



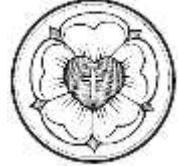
### Issues, Etc.,

2 CORINTHIANS BIBLE STUDY... *The Word of the Lord Endures Forever* is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon will begin a study this week on 2 Corinthians. You can listen on-demand at [thewordendures.org](http://thewordendures.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.





# THE READINGS



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## Genesis 45:3-15

<sup>3</sup> And Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence.

<sup>4</sup> So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." And they came near. And he said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. <sup>5</sup> And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. <sup>6</sup> For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. <sup>7</sup> And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. <sup>8</sup> So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. <sup>9</sup> Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; do not tarry. <sup>10</sup> You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. <sup>11</sup> There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty.' <sup>12</sup> And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. <sup>13</sup> You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." <sup>14</sup> Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. <sup>15</sup> And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

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## 1 Corinthians 15:21-26, 30-42

<sup>21</sup> For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup> But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup> Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death. <sup>30</sup> Why are we in danger every hour? <sup>31</sup> I protest, brothers, by my pride in you, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die every day! <sup>32</sup> What do I gain if, humanly speaking, I fought with beasts at Ephesus? If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." <sup>33</sup> Do not be deceived: "Bad company ruins good morals." <sup>34</sup> Wake up from your drunken stupor, as is right, and do not go on sinning. For some have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame.

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<sup>35</sup> But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" <sup>36</sup> You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. <sup>37</sup> And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. <sup>38</sup> But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. <sup>39</sup> For not all flesh is the same, but there is one kind for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. <sup>40</sup> There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another. <sup>41</sup> There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory.

<sup>42</sup> So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable.

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### **Luke 6:27-38**

<sup>27</sup> "But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup> bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. <sup>29</sup> To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. <sup>30</sup> Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. <sup>31</sup> And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

<sup>32</sup> "If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. <sup>33</sup> And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. <sup>34</sup> And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. <sup>35</sup> But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. <sup>36</sup> Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

<sup>37</sup> "Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; <sup>38</sup> give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

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## SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

### As the Son of God Is Merciful and Forgives Your Sins, You Also Be Merciful and Forgive

Your inheritance as a child of Adam is sin and death, but in Christ you are made alive through His resurrection from the dead (1 Cor. 15:21–22). As you have died with Him in Holy Baptism, so are you raised with Him to newness of life. Therefore, “do not go on sinning” (1 Cor. 15:34). Instead of serving your desires and harming your neighbors, live as “sons of the Most High,” and “be merciful, even as your Father is merciful” (Luke 6:35–36). Deal with others as you would have others deal with you (Luke 6:31, 37–38). As Christ loved you when you were at enmity with Him, as He blessed and prayed for those who abused Him, and as He did good to those who hated Him and hurt Him, so also “love your enemies, do good” (Luke 6:27–29, 35). For God sent His Son to bear the cross and suffer death, not to condemn the guilty, but “to preserve life.” So does He provide a place for you within His Church, where He is near and deals kindly with “you and your children and your children’s children” (Gen. 45:5–10).

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KIDS IN THE  
DIVINE SERVICE  
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### What is the “Offering”?

This is the time during the service when we offer gifts to God with the rest of the congregation. The Offering is concluded with the *Offertory*, which is the song that we sing while these gifts are being presented at the altar.



### Why do we give some of our money to the Church?

The money that we give goes to help support all the work of the church. If you think about it, all that we have is a gift from God. When we give an offering, we are saying thanks to God for all of His wonderful gifts. As

Christians, we give to God in response to what He has given to us: life; food; family; and, most important, our Savior Jesus! We don’t give because we have to, we give because, in faith, we want to!

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