

# Christ the King Free Lutheran Church

## September 3, 2023

OUR MISSION: CHANGED LIVES!

To EVANGELIZE the lost;

To ESTABLISH Us in Christ;

To EQUIP Us for Service!

### Welcome

Opening Scripture Acts 2:36 - 47 CSB

\*Worship Hymns # 677 (Hymnal) *They'll Know We are Christians*  
# 473 (Hymnal) *Make Me a Blessing*

### Praise & Prayer Time

### Children's Message

Special Music *Let There be Peace on Earth* Donna Smith

\*Confession of Faith Philippians 2:5 - 11 ESV

Message **I Am a Church Member: I Will...**

*Not Make Church About Me* Philippians 2: 1 - 4 Pastor Joe

### Celebration of Communion

\* Confession of Sin

### \*Benediction & Announcements

\*Closing Song (ISing) *He Will Hold Me Fast*

*\*Denotes congregation to stand*

Please note: The offering plates are on tables in the back of the sanctuary.

**Welcome to worship this morning!**  
**We are a fellowship who believes the Bible is the inspired, inerrant**  
**Word of God which emphasizes a personal,**  
**living relationship with Jesus Christ.**

**Connecting to God's Glory:**

- \* Praise God for His faithfulness and the hope found in Jesus.
- \* Praise God for those participating at the State Fair in 4-H & FFA
- \* Praise God our Sunday school students and staff.

**Connecting to God's Heart:**

- \* Keep Pastor LeRoy C. Petersen and his wife, Marcia, from Moscow Mills, MO, in your prayers this week.
- \* Pray for Matthew & Ednay Abel: Zoey, Ian, Boaz in Paraguay. \*We need strategies to reach the men. We need a move of the Holy Spirit to reach the men. And we need women to embrace change and reject idolatry. \*Safe travel and good health while on furlough & those transitions during the month of September. \*The ministry in Paraguay while we are on furlough. That the believers would continue to walk in faith \*Kyle as he discerns God's will and discovers how God will use his life in the kingdom. Also for more short-term volunteers to set apart time to serve in Paraguay.
- \* Pray for Stephanie & Glenn Conrad, Deb Blaue's daughter, as she had a baby girl who is doing well but is 1.78 pounds and in an incubator.
- \* Pray for those involved in the Sunday School program as they begin to prepare for the Sunday School year & for teachers.
- \* Pray for Donna Berg as she transitions to hospice care
- \* Pray for students and teachers as they begin to return to school & the students returning to college.
- \* Pray for the unspoken prayer concerns.

**\*Cancer Patients:** Mary Stangeland, Sharon Minet **Health Concerns:** Craig Stangeland, Bernie Uilk, Barb Hubner, Kyle Swanson **Nursing & Assisted Living :** Charlie Sowden, Sharon Claussen, Rich & Kathy Hess, Carol Meyer **Hospice:** Donna Berg **Military:** Sam Kolle, Jesse Petersen, Aaron Halbersma, Marcus Westfield, Ethan Amdahl, Derrick Timm **Mission:** Kvaales

Please let the church office know if you are going into the hospital or have other prayer needs

**Message for next Sunday: Church Member: I Will...**

*Pray for My Church and Leaders* 1 Timothy 2: 1 - 6 Pastor Tim

**Christ the King Announcements/Events**

**Family of the Week:**

Jon & Mary Stangeland

**Morning worship,** even as we begin to meet in person; will continue to be available by live stream:

[www.ctkpipestone.com/live](http://www.ctkpipestone.com/live)

**There will be a prayer time** every Sunday morning in the multipurpose room from 8:45 - 9:15 AM for our church family and world. Anyone is welcome.

**ATTENDANCE FROM LAST WEEK:** 91

**OFFERING FROM LAST WEEK:**

**General Offering:** \$ 4,020.00

**Children's Mission:** \$ 145.00

Total Children's offering for August \$ 170.00

**Building:** \$ 00.00

Total Building fund for August \$ 80.00

**TOTAL OFFERING: \$ 4,165.00**

Total general offering received for August: **\$ 20,393.00**

General offering needed each month to meet budget: \$ 29,375.00

**Ankeny Church Plant:** August offering \$ 4,182.37

CTK Outreach giving to Church Plant \$ 500.00

**Christ the King Announcements/Events**

**Quilters will be meeting Wednesday, September 6 @ 1 PM**

**Sunday School & Fall Schedule** will begin on Sunday, September 10. Worship service at 9:30 AM, brunch at 10:30 & all ages Sunday School begins at 10:50 AM with Sunday School ending between 11:30 - 11:40. September 10 will include Stones Cry leading worship. A freewill offering will be received.

**Needed: Prayer Partners for confirmation students.** Please consider praying for and encouraging a confirmation student this school year. Commitment involves praying for the student, encouraging them when you see them and occasional notes of encouragement throughout the year. Let Pastor Tim know if you are willing to bless a student in this way. The blessing is a two-way street.

**CTK Women:** Make plans to come and enjoy a day together with other women who love the Lord at our District Fall Rally, Saturday September 16 from 9:00 to 2:30. We will have worship and praise, inspirational sharing and Bible Study by Pastor Matthew Pillman, wonderful food prepared by our CTK and Good Shepherd Women, a fun mini-concert by the F.R.O.G.S., door prizes and great fellowship. Sign up in the Narthex if you can to help us know how many to expect. This event has been partially funded by the generosity of Thrivent.

**A Message for the Generations, September 16 - 17 @ CTK with Daniel Keinanen** who has 20+ years of experience integrating a multigenerational youth & family ministry centered around Christ & His Word.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 5 - 8 PM**

Session 1—Relationship, Challenges & Culture – What causes youth to stay or pull out?

Pizza & Fellowship (FREE)

Session 2—Intergenerational Ministry

Session 3—Journey & Hopes

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

9:30 AM Worship Message "Receive Grace" (2 Corinthians 12:9-10)

10:45 AM Sunday School —Wrap-Up & Q & A

## Youth and Family Ministry Scheduling Notes from Pastor Joe:

**Sunday Evening Studies:** We're aiming to have our family + youth studies meet on Sunday evenings. These studies are focused on the youth and their families, but other families are welcome to come if you are plugged in to our weekly family devotional, which will serve as the basis for our lesson. These devotionals will be distributed to youth families (and others interested) to help facilitate family devotions the week before and prepare hearts for the Sunday evening studies. **The proposed schedule for the Sunday night studies will look something like this:**

4:30 pm - Meet at the church to carpool to host home

5 to 5:45 - Eat and enjoy fellowship

5:45 to 6:15 - Lesson time

6:15 - Gradually depart back to church for follow-up activities (more visiting, community youth group, etc.)

If you are interested in attending these events and I have not connected with you by Labor Day about how to get the devos or sign up as a host, reach out to me anytime at 320-305-9521 and we can chat about it.

**Youth Sunday School:** After some feedback from youth families, we are planning on having a youth-age Sunday School class that will meet at the regular Sunday School time. Students from *8th grade up even through college* are welcome, as it will be student focused. 7th graders will have confirmation during this time, so 8th grade and older students are the focus. I'll be coordinating this group with Tad serving as the primary substitute. I will also plan on teaching 2nd year confirmation during this time, so if you are interested in helping teach the youth occasionally, please let me know, your support and prayer is invaluable.

## Community Events

**Understanding Our Times Seminar** with Olive Tree Ministries Ken Mikle of Minneapolis. One night only at the First Presbyterian Church of Holland, MN. Sunday Evening, September 10 at 7 PM. **Topics include:** What in the world is happening? Are we stuck in this "new normal"? Are things going to get better or worse? Are you prepared for what may come next? Is there more beneath the surface than we realize?

Public Access Channel 3 on **Wednesdays** at 1:00 PM & 6:00 PM

Radio Ministry KLOH 1050 AM **Sundays** at 7:30 AM

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## Acts 2:36-47 CSB

<sup>36</sup> “Therefore let all the house of Israel know with certainty that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”

<sup>37</sup> When they heard this, they were pierced to the heart and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?”

<sup>38</sup> Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, each of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> For the promise is for you and for your children, and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God will call.” <sup>40</sup> With many other words he testified and strongly urged them, saying, “Be saved from this corrupt generation!” <sup>41</sup> So those who accepted his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand people were added to them.

<sup>42</sup> They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching, to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread, and to prayer.

<sup>43</sup> Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and signs were being performed through the apostles. <sup>44</sup> Now all the believers were together and held all things in common. <sup>45</sup> They sold their possessions and property and distributed the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup> Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple, and broke bread from house to house. They ate their food with joyful and sincere hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. Every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

## *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

### Verse 1

We are one in the Spirit, We are one in the Lord,  
We are one in the Spirit, We are one in the Lord,  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored;

And they'll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love  
Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.

### Verse 2

We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand,  
We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand,  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land;

And they'll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

### Verse 3

We will work with each other, We will work side by side,  
We will work with each other, We will work side by side,  
And we'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride;

And they'll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love  
Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.

### Verse 4

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son  
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one;

And they'll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

## *Make Me a Blessing*

### Verse 1

Out in the highways and byways of life,  
Many are weary and sad;  
Carry the sunshine where darkness is rife.  
Making the sorrowing glad.

Make me a blessing, Make me a blessing  
Out of my life may Jesus shine;  
May Jesus shine;  
Make me a blessing O Savior, I pray.  
Make me a blessing to someone today.

### Verse 2

Tell the sweet story of Christ and His love.  
Tell of His power to forgive.  
Others will trust Him if only you prove  
True, every moment you live.

Make me a blessing, Make me a blessing  
Out of my life may Jesus shine;  
May Jesus shine;  
Make me a blessing O Savior, I pray.  
Make me a blessing to someone today.

### Verse 3

Give as 'twas given to you in your need,  
Love as the Master loved you;  
Be to the helpless a helper indeed,  
Unto your mission be true.

Make me a blessing, Make me a blessing  
Out of my life may Jesus shine;  
May Jesus shine;  
Make me a blessing O Savior, I pray.  
Make me a blessing to someone today.

## Confession of Faith

### Philippians 2:5-11

<sup>5</sup> Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## *Confession of Sin*

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer,  
we poor sinners confess to You  
that we are by nature sinful and unclean,  
and that we have sinned against You  
in thought, word and deed.  
Therefore, we flee for refuge  
to Your infinite mercy  
and ask You for Christ's sake,  
grant us forgiveness of all our sins,  
and by Your Holy Spirit  
increase in us true knowledge of You  
and of Your will  
and true obedience to your Word,  
to the end that by Your grace  
we may come to eternal life,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.