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Grasping the Friendship

No one has greater love than this: to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants anymore, because a servant doesn't know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have heard from my Father (John 15:13-15).

Jesus refers to His disciples as friends in the above verses. I believe that friendship with Christ is something that many believers have a hard time grasping. Maybe it's because they've had negative experiences or the thought of friendship with a Holy God is just too informal.

Phillipps Brooks, an Episcopalian pastor in the 1800s is most noted for authoring O Little Town of Bethlehem. However, his following quote contains a depth that when grasped, will challenge one into a blessed friendship with God.

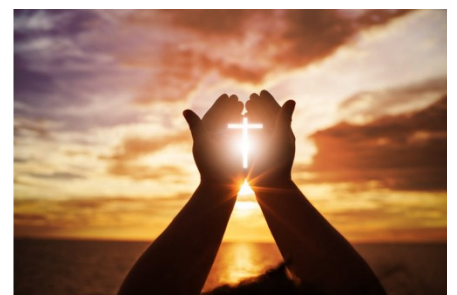
"The great danger facing all of us...is not that we shall make an absolute failure of life, nor that we shall fall into outright viciousness, nor that we shall be terribly unhappy, nor that we shall feel [that] life has no meaning at all – not these things. The danger is that we may fail to perceive life's greatest meaning, fall short of its highest good, miss its deepest and most abiding happiness, be unable to tender the most needed service, be unconscious of life ablaze with the light of the Presence of God – and be content to have it so – that is the danger. That someday we may wake up and find that always we have been busy with husks and trappings of life and have really missed life itself. For life without God, to one who has known the richness and joy of life with Him, is unthinkable, impossible. That is what one prays one's friends may be spared – satisfaction with a life that falls short of the best, that has in it no tingle or thrill that comes from a friendship with the Father."

How many people's faith has no tingle or thrill that comes from a friendship with God? A good friend is one who knows you so well that you can be yourself. They know your shortcomings and they know your strengths. They understand you like no one else. They know how you think and what you will do given certain circumstances. They will weep with your struggles and rejoice with your successes. They will challenge you when you are wrong because they care about you. You know they are there for you and with you.

That is the kind of friendship Jesus is talking about. It's a friendship that will even lay down His life for you and actually has. You can fail, but He still wants to be with you. In fact, He wants you to experience the richness and joy of life with Him. He wants to direct you to life's greatest meaning; to life's deepest and most abiding happiness.

He is your friend. Use this summer time to get to know Him more. Go for friendship walks with Jesus. Look for the beauty of His creation. Let His Word dwell in you. Let His presence set your life ablaze. The glory of His light will bless you.

In Friendship, Pastor Tim



July SERMON SERIES



WISDOM Series

July 5	Wisdom's Mystery	1 Corinthians 2:6-16	Pastor Matthew
July 12	Wisdom's Maturity	1 Corinthians 3:1-23	Pastor Tim



WORRY Series

July 19	A Question of Value?	Matthew 6:25-30	Pastor Tim
July 26	A Question of Trust?	Matthew 6:31-24	Pastor Tim
August 2	A Question of Focus?	Matthew 7:7-12	Pastor Matthew



Mark your calendars for
 July 14-15, 2020.
 6:00 - 8:30 PM!

AFLC Conference Information

WILL HE FIND FAITH?
 Luke 18:8

Host: ARC - Association Retreat Center,
 Osceola, WI

AUGUST 10- 12, 2020

PLEASE PRAY for the AFLC Annual Conference

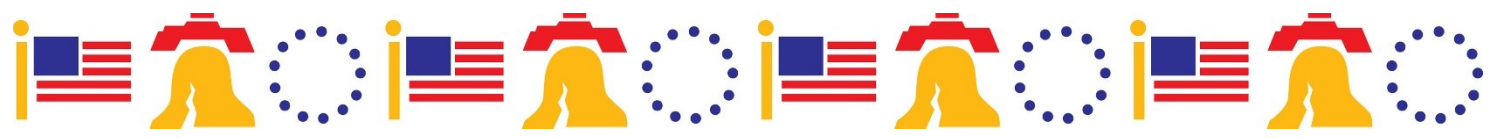
We will be following capacity guidelines therefore:
 Tuesday will be 3 year olds to 2nd grade
 Wednesday will be 3rd-5th graders.
 Games, Songs, Snack, Craft, and Bible Time

If you are interested in the opportunity to help with a class or help with a whole host of other activities contact Laurie Bruns, Brandie Hulstein, or the church office.

	<u>May 31, 20</u>		<u>May 20</u>
ASSETS		Revenue	
Checking/Savings		Building and Grounds	200.00
SBA Cares Acct	3,752.28	General Revenue	20,138.87
Checking Account		Outreach Revenue	<u>5,664.85</u>
Building		Total Revenue	<u>26,003.72</u>
Altar Guild	324.67	Expenditures	
Building Fund Account	<u>7,236.09</u>	Building & Grounds	1,036.34
Total Building	<u>7,560.76</u>	Discipleship Expenditures	465.52
General Total		Family Support	100.00
General	41,638.82	Misc.	19.89
Truth Help	<u>308.09</u>	Office	355.16
Total General Total	<u>41,946.91</u>	Outreach Disbursement	
Outreach		20 %Outreach	3,275.13
20% Offering	5,233.60	PAS Wellness	100.00
Children's Mission Offering	531.25	Banquet	1,000.00
Thrivent	<u>1,769.00</u>	Special Outreach	<u>197.20</u>
Total Outreach	<u>7,533.85</u>	Total Outreach Disbursement	<u>4,572.33</u>
Share And Care	504.49	Payroll Expenditures	16,380.91
Special Accounts		Share And Care	<u>80.00</u>
Internship Fund	100.00	Total Expenditures	<u>23,010.15</u>
Local Outreach Ministry	2,048.70	Net Revenue	<u><u>2,993.57</u></u>
Church Missions	1,493.74		
Marriage Ministry	307.98		
Scholarship	322.26		
Youth	<u>10,325.19</u>		
Total Special Accounts	<u>14,597.87</u>		
Total Checking Account	<u>72,143.88</u>		
Total Checking/Savings	<u>75,896.16</u>		
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>75,896.16</u></u>		

The results of the congregational vote
for entering a loan agreement to finance the shingle project was 89 yes, 8 no. The project will begin when the contractor can schedule a time. Thank you for your response to this important vote.

UPDATE: The shingle project is scheduled to begin on Monday



Trustee Meeting Minutes Christ The King Free Lutheran Church

June 11, 2020 7 PM

Present: Dave Sutherland, Jim Otter, Brandie Hulstein, Laurie Bruns, Jim Gawerecki, Matthew Amdahl, Heather DeWilde, Morgan McNickle, Bill VanderPlaats **Absent:**
Also Present: Pastor Tim, Pastor Matthew, Collene Landgren

President Jim Gawerecki called the meeting to order. Social distancing was observed. Devotions were led by Bill VanderPlaats from a devotional on wisdom based on Proverbs 28:26. He who trusts in his own heart is a fool, but he who walks in wisdom is delivered. The devotional goes on to explain this verse covers it all. The most important decision made is what will be your attitude for the day. It keeps going or ruins the day, it all depends on our own attitude and is the only thing we are responsible for. Bill V. led in prayer. Dave S. will lead devotions in July.

Elders' Consultation: The Elders last meeting involved how to begin face to face services. They also had the joint meeting with the Trustees on May 28 to discuss procedure for services.

COVID 19 Preparedness Plan: Laurie Bruns submitted a COVID 19 Preparedness Plan for Christ the King for dealing with reopening services and dealing with the COVID 19 situation. Brandie H. moved to approve the plan and have it available to the congregation, seconded by Bill V. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report for May was presented. Dave S. moved, to accept treasure's report. Seconded by Laurie B. Motion carried.

The Payment of bills, Brandie H. moved to approve the bills, seconded by Heather D. Motion carried.

Outreach was discussed; Jim O. moved to approve outreach, seconded by Matt A. Motion carried.

AFLC \$ 733.60 Food Shelf \$ 100. Alpha Center \$ 300
CRU: -Jeff \$ 500. -Paul \$ 500. -Tim & Sheila Steele \$ 100.
Brazil Student \$ 100. Matthew & Ednay Abel \$100.

Kvale's(Wycliffe) \$ 500. San Antonio Church Plant \$ 200.
Atlas \$ 200 Children's Life \$ 200. Intern Account \$ 200.
Local Outreach Ministry \$ 300. PAS Wellness Room \$ 100.
Lost Timber Camp \$ 200. Lake Bento Food Shelf \$ 100
Tree House Ministry \$ 200. Deb's House (ATLAS) \$ 500.

The secretary's report for the May 14, 2020 meeting was presented. Dave S. moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Laurie B. Motion carried. Minutes from the special joint Elder and Trustee meeting from May 28, 2020 was presented. Heather D. moved to approve, seconded by Brandie H. Motion carried.

Youth Ministry and Family Ministry Reports:

Youth Ministry: Pastor Matthew reported for the Youth ministry: They had been holding regular Zoom meetings on Wednesday nights. They will begin meeting at the homes of youth on a rotating basis twice a month. They are looking for outreach opportunities for the youth to be

involved in & 3 or 4 youth to develop leadership roles.

Family Ministry: Has not met since March, there really isn't anything planned for now. Might consider a kickball & pool party later this summer.

Pastors' Report: **Pastor Tim** submitted a report of activities for the last month. Much of the contact with people has been through phone calls or zoom meetings. Live streaming appears to be going well but it is good to be meeting in person again.

Pastor Matthew submitted a report of activities for the last month. Most of his contact has also been through phone calls or zoom meetings. The youth have started to meet in person.

Old Business: Replace Door: The bottom sweep has been adjusted.

Roof: Jim G. reported on the process of approval for a loan; 92 votes have been cast for securing a loan for the shingle project, 84 yes, 8 no. Votes are to be in the office by June 13. The loan will be an unsecured loan at 4.25 % interest rate. Depending on the final vote count, Collene L. will contact Mike Morgan to initiate the process and have the paperwork available for signatures.

Flower Planters: Ginger M. and Brandie H. planted the flowers donated by Ginger. Thank you, ladies.

Serving at the Banquet: People have signed up to help on June 16.

VBS alternative: Brandie H. and Laurie B. will meet following the worship service on Sunday, June 14 to determine the level of interest in helping with and bringing their children. An announcement in the bulletin asking anyone interested in helping with a VBS day camp type activity to meet or contact Laurie or Brandie.

New Business: Revisions to Constitution: Jim G. would like a group to review CTK's constitution for any areas that might need to be updated and to add a provision on how to deal with issues, like the shingle project, when there can't be a congregational meeting. Tabled.

Salad Luncheon: Rose B. and the fundraising committee has indefinitely postponed the annual salad luncheon for the year due to the covid 19 restrictions.

Missionary Update: Matthew & Ednay Abel will be at CTK on June 21 to share about their ministry. A love offering will be collected for them.

FLY Beyond video production: Pastor Matthew requested to use the livestream computer and AV cables to take to the ARC for the FLY Beyond conference July 19-23. Morgan M. moved to approve, seconded by Heather D. motion carried.

Dave S. moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jim O. Pastor Matthew closed in prayer. Jim G. adjourned the meeting.

Collene Landgren, recording secretary {Draft subject to approval by the trustees}




Pastor Tim & family
will be on vacation
June 22 - July 6




- 1 Jim Woelber
- 2 Christie Swanson
- 3 Blanche Quincey
- 4 Jessie Carlson
- 6 Debby Bullis
- 8 Brylie Uilk
- 9 Mary Moffitt
- 10 Kevin Carlson
- 11 Annika Forness
- 12 David Sutherland
- 12 Rylan Dupont
- 13 Malva DeVine
- 13 Tanner Thomson
- 14 Joshua Stangeland
- 14 Logan VanderPlaats
- 16 Cole Zephier
- 18 Lisa Masica
- 18 Samuel Wollman
- 20 Laurie Bruns
- 20 Joanne Griebel
- 21 Jon Stangeland
- 22 Dustin Olsen
- 22 Michael Brockberg
- 24 Diana Uilk
- 25 Gabriel Schiebout
- 26 Ruby Carlson
- 27 Tami VanderPlaats
- 27 Adlee Woitaszewski
- 30 Kyle DeWilde
- 30 Jodi Haag
- 30 Cole Paulson
- 31 Donna Berg

Chatter-sewers
(Quilting)
will be
Meeting
July 7 @ 1 PM




Trustee Meeting
Thursday
July 9
7 PM



Youth Ministry
Watch for information
about meeting



Messenger
Articles
Due July 19



Elders
business meeting
Thursday, July 16
7:00 PM @ CTK



**FAMILY
Ministry** Watch for
information
for meeting



**Pastor Brent & Emily
Raan & their children**
Amaleah, Sarala & Isaiah

are missionaries to Uganda, Africa. Brent & Emily began their work there in September 2017. The Raans will be with us on Sunday, August 2 tentatively at 7 PM to share with us about their ministry.

Ladies of CTK

The Annual Salad Luncheon will not be held this year due to the restriction due to COVID 19. Thank you for your participation in past fundraising events.



Friends at Christ the King,

Thank you so much for all the prayers for our granddaughter when she was exposed to the COVID-19 virus. Thankfully, none of the residents at her home contracted the virus and all remained healthy. Thank you again for all the prayers and concern.

Alvin & Joanne Griebel

Christ the King

Thank you for serving supper on June 16th. Your group served 370 meals. The Banquet guests are truly grateful for the gifts they receive through this life-changing ministry. We could not continue to serve the most vulnerable people in our community without your financial commitment. Please call Wendy or go online to schedule your next date!

God Bless, The Banquet.

Dear Christ the King Church

Thank you to all my church family for all your support, for the inspirational book, the rose arrangement, and a special thank you to the quilt ladies for the awesome quilt.

Thank you for the awesome service honoring the 2020 seniors.

Thank you so much! Gabe Schiebout



A special thank you to those who took time to represent Christ the King Free Lutheran Church at the Banquet on June 16th. Here is a summary of their

visit: Christ the King sponsored the evening meal at The Banquet in Sioux Falls on Tuesday, June 16. Sixteen volunteers from CTK prepped and served 370 meals. Thanks to those who helped. It was a very rewarding experience. Those serving meals were: Leasa Kulm, Caden Kulm, Brielle Kulm, Jacie Williams, Sharon Amdahl, Pastor Matthew, Julia & James Pillman, Pastor Tim & Cindy Johnson, and Marcine Olsen. Those preparing the meal: Pat Woelber, Jane & Wayne Smith, Bill & Judy Steuck, and Irene Warner

Members of the Christ the King Church,
WE thank you again for your donation to our local food shelf. We will put it to good use. We appreciate it very much

Take care and stay safe

Lake Benton Food Shelf Committee

To the Members of Christ the King-

ATLAS for Life is so appreciative of the financial support you give us on a regular basis! This has been such an encouragement to us and allows us to continue with the ministry that God calls us to. Thank you too for your prayer support that you offer. We are blessed to partner with you to share hope and encouragement in Pipestone. Thank you!! From everyone at ATLAS for Life

Christ the King Church

Carol and I have been blessed by the proclamation of the WORD originating at Christ the King! In this COVID season it was good to worship with you in Spirit and Truth!

To God be the glory, great things He is doing in Pipestone and beyond!

Pastor Lee & Carol Hoops

Christ the King Church

Your business is truly appreciated and it was a pleasure serving you. If I can ever be of further assistance - please do not hesitate to call.

Please accept our thanks.

Lowe's Installed Sales



Watch the bulletin for information about Aftershock events. Activities will be scheduled during the summer.



Coming Events:

- July 7 & 8 Student Leadership Retreat
- July 8 Youth Group @ Pillmans
- July 14 & 15 VBS
- July 19-23 FLY Beyond
- July 26-31 Pickerel Lake Camp Jr & Sr High
- August 2 Brent & Emily Raan here to share



Pickerel Lake Lutheran Bible Camp

is a summer camp for youth. It is a week to build your relationship with Christ, unite with friends from camp, and make new friends. Registration cost is only \$75 and Christ the King youth ministry can help defray this cost.

Ask Pastor Matthew for more details.

Junior & Senior High is July 26-31 (register by July 7)

FLY Beyond 2020 (July 19-23)

FLY Beyond is a biennial, national youth equipping conference put on by AFLC Youth Ministries. It is held at the Association Retreat Center in Osceola, WI. The theme this year is Mysterious Hope. The first registration deadline has been extended to June 30 with a deposit of \$150. Remaining travel and registration costs will be covered by Christ the King youth ministry.



PLEASE NOTE: This event is not for everyone! We highly recommend this event for students that are ready to grow deeper in their confidence as a spiritual leader. Students will be challenged and equipped by apologetics training and Biblical teaching.

Missionary of the Month:

Missionaries to Uganda, Africa Pastor Nate and Rhoda Jore ;
Elijah, Judah, Hannah, Jeremiah, Julia, & Evie Mae

Nate and Rhoda began their work there in 2006. They have been able to study the language and culture and build close relationships with the Ugandan people. In addition to ministering to the people, they specifically work with the training of pastors and leaders of the churches.

Nate is involved with the Ambassador Institute team but is looking towards starting Free and Living congregations in the country of Uganda.

From the Jores: Thank you so much for your message. We're so grateful & honored to be chosen to be your missionaries of the month for July.

Thank you for asking how you can pray for us. Here are a few of our prayer requests: Thank you! Serving Him together with you, Rhoda & Nate Jore



Prayer Concerns

- * The group of men that Nate disciples here in Nabukosi. Pray for a deeper hunger for Christ and an increased commitment / desire to reach our community for Him.
- * Our family -- we are more aware than ever of our need for Christ. We would be grateful for your prayers as we seek to grow in love and compassion and in our commitment to obey Christ in all things. Nate and I need wisdom and perseverance in teaching and raising our kids... please pray with us that their hearts would be captured by Christ and that they would grow in their understanding of His mercy, His love, and His purposes for them.
- * We would persevere at learning Lusoga, the local language. Nate is near fluent, but the kids and I have a long ways to go.
- * The Ambassador Institute as they are soon to begin meetings / classes again after a 3 month "break" due to Covid-19 restrictions.
- * For revival... in our hearts, in Uganda, in the U.S., in the world. We feel a renewed urgency to share Christ, to see prisoners set free, and to see His kingdom grow.



Children's Offering for July



Give a Filter to a Family Sitheang's son was frequently sick from drinking contaminated water. She didn't understand the importance of clean water until Samaritan's Purse gave her family a water filter and taught them about proper hygiene. Now, everyone is much healthier, and through the witness of our teams, Sitheang and many of her neighbors repented of sin and accepted Christ as Savior! Your gift of \$100 makes it possible for us to give a family a household filter—providing an ongoing source of pure water—and share the Lord's great love with them. "Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God" (1 John 3:1).



¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."
Matthew 28:19-20

Altar Guild

Jane Smith

Serve Communion

Acolytes

Family of the Week

- July 5 Terri Moeller; Jesse
- July 12 Mary Moffitt
- July 19 Jim Monk
- July 26 Dave & Jan Muller

Money Counters/ Trustees

Dave Sutherland
Jim Gawerecki

Nursery

Kitchen Clean-up

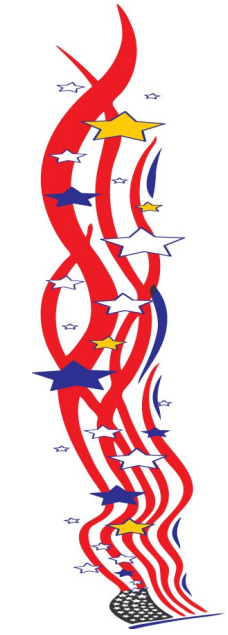


Ushers

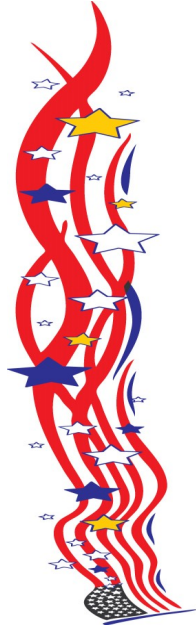
Hospitality Greeters

Worship Leaders

- July 5 Denis Parsley, Laurel Berg, Susan Parsley
- July 12 Bill Steuck, Lynn Glidewell, Irene Warner, Judy Steuck
- July 19 TBD
- July 26 Matthew Amdahl, Jane Smith, Janelle Brockberg, Susan Parsley



JULY



Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

	— Pastor M	Matthew & Family Vacation June 29 - July 1----	Vacation June 22	July 6		4 God Bless America
5 9:00 AM Worship Service & Live Stream	6 9:00 AM Worship Service & Live Stream	7 1 PM Quilters Student Leadership Retreat	8 6:30 PM Youth Group @ Pillmans	9 7: PM Trustee Meeting	10	11
12 9:00 AM Worship Service & Live Stream	13 9:00 AM Worship Service & Live Stream	14 6: - 8:30 PM VBS for 3 year old to 2nd Grade	15 6: - 8:30 PM VBS for 3rd to 5th Grade	16 7:00 PM Elders @ CTK	17	18
19 9:00 AM Worship Service & Live Stream	20 Coordinating Committee Meets @ AFLC	21 FLY Beyond	22 July 19-23	23	24	25
26 9:00 AM Worship Service & Live Stream	27	28 Pickereel Lake Camp	29 Joint Jr & Sr High July 26-31	30	31	

