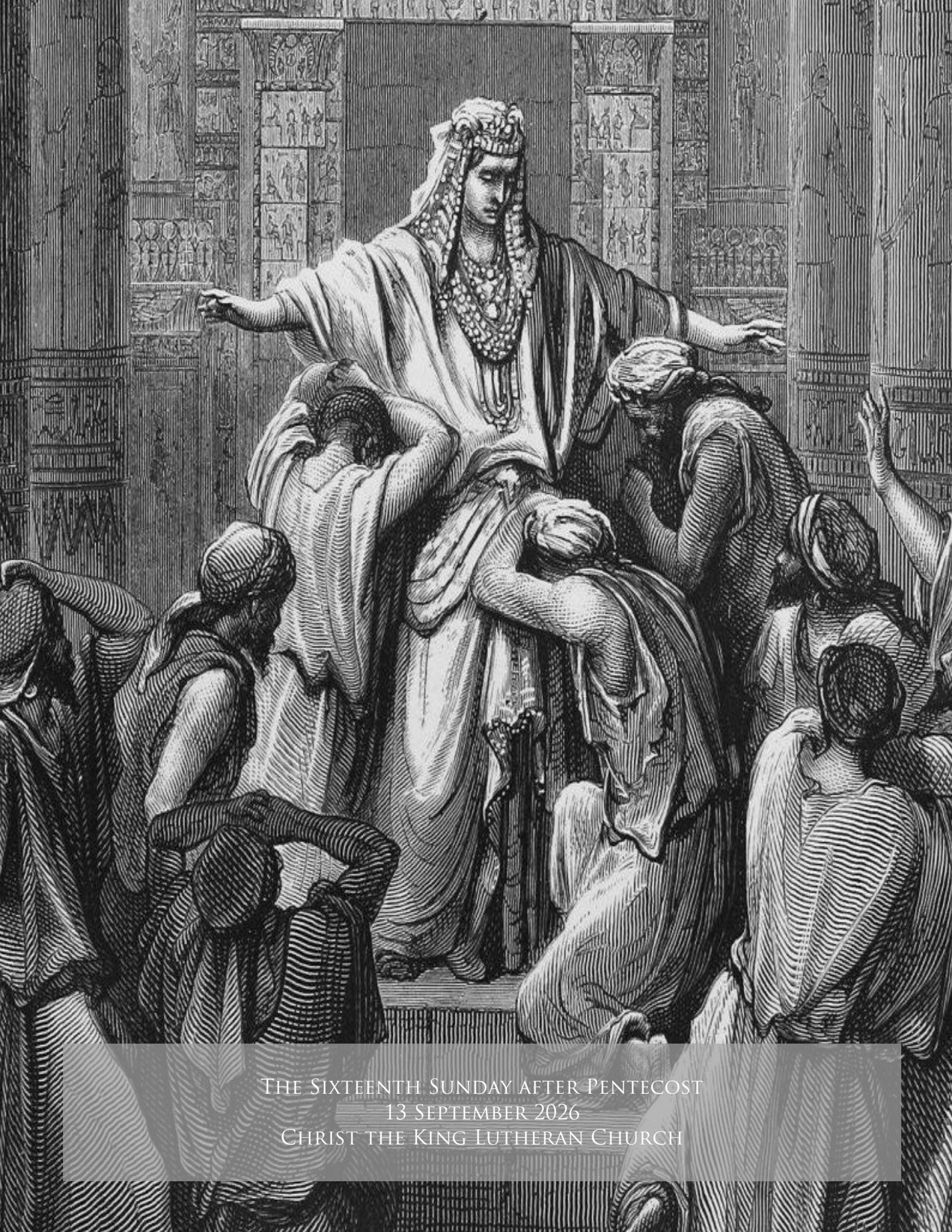




THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
13 SEPTEMBER 2026
CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Our Mission:
As God's forgiven family,
we grow in faith through
Word and Sacrament to
share the Gospel of
Jesus Christ.

WELCOME!

WE ARE HAPPY YOU WERE LED TO WORSHIP WITH US! IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME IN A LUTHERAN CHURCH, WE WANT YOU TO FEEL COMFORTABLE AND "AT HOME" IN OUR WORSHIP SETTING.

The Lord speaks to us through His Word and Sacrament and we respond with joy in song and prayer. This rhythm reflects our rich worship heritage built on the teachings of the Bible placing Jesus Christ at the center of all we do.

Check out the back of this bulletin for information on Bible Classes, upcoming events, how to get involved and more!

Holy Communion: CTK practices "close" communion. This expression means that all who receive the Sacrament believe in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in, with and under the bread and wine, and embrace the teachings of the Lutheran faith according to the Scriptures. If you are not a member of an LCMS congregation, we ask that you please contact one of the pastors prior to receiving the Sacrament. You are welcome to approach the altar with folded arms to receive a blessing.

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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD

AS WE GATHER We know that it is our calling in Christ to forgive one another, but that does not eliminate the question of how much or how often we should forgive others. It becomes a particularly vexing question when we are asked to forgive the same sin over and over again. The great temptation is for us to make forgiveness conditional upon the person no longer offending us with their words or actions, but God applies no such condition upon us. Our temptation is to count how often we forgive but to forget how often we are forgiven. Our weakness counts the sins of others, but could it be that God counts only the times we refused to forgive from the heart? We know the riches of the Lord's limitless grace to forgive us without counting the cost. Today, we pray that we may joyfully receive this precious gift of forgiveness and joyfully forgive others in Christ's name, counting not the cost to forgive but the cost to refuse forgiveness.

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ PREPARATION ✠

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" *LSB* 790

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!

Let all who hear Now to His temple draw near,

Joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning

And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.

Have you not seen All that is needful has been

Sent by His gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,

Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.

What need or grief Ever has failed of relief?

Wings of His mercy did shade you.

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;

Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.

Ponder anew What the Almighty can do

As with His love He befriends you.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!

All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!

Let the Amen Sound from His people again;

Gladly forever adore Him!

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INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Since we are here assembled to hear God's Word, to call upon Him in prayer, and to receive the body and blood of Christ, let us first think of our unworthiness; confess before God our sins of thought, word, and deed; and acknowledge also that we, by our own strength, cannot free ourselves from our sinful nature or the sins we have committed. Therefore, let us take refuge in the infinite mercy and grace of our heavenly Father, seeking and imploring Him to behold us through Jesus Christ, saying:

C: God have mercy on me, a poor, sinful being, forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and grant to me the Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful ways; through Jesus Christ, my Lord, I pray. Amen.

P: God, have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to life everlasting. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 50:15-21 (*"Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin."*)

¹⁵When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." ¹⁶So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, ¹⁷'Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸His brothers also came

and fell down before him and said, “Behold, we are your servants.” ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, “Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? ²⁰As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. ²¹So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones.” Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE Romans 14:1-12 (*Each of us must give an account before the Lord our God*)

¹As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. ²One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. ³Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand. ⁵One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. ¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹for it is written, “As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God.” ¹²So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

VERSE LSB 173

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 18:21-35 (“*Forgive your brother from your heart.*”)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹ Peter came up and said to [Jesus], “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” ²²Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. ²³“Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY “By Grace I’m Saved” *LSB* 566

**By grace I’m saved, grace free and boundless; My soul, believe and doubt it not.
Why stagger at this word of promise? Has Scripture ever falsehood taught?
No! Then this word must true remain: By grace you too will life obtain.**

**By grace! None dare lay claim to merit; Our works and conduct have no worth.
God in His love sent our Redeemer, Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth;
His death did for our sins atone, And we are saved by grace alone.**

**By grace God’s Son, our only Savior, Came down to earth to bear our sin.
Was it because of your own merit That Jesus died your soul to win?
No, it was grace, and grace alone, That brought Him from His heav’nly throne.**

**By grace! This ground of faith is certain; As long as God is true, it stands.
What saints have penned by inspiration, What in His Word our God commands,
Our faith in what our God has done Depends on grace—grace through His Son.**

**By grace to timid hearts that tremble, In tribulation's furnace tried,
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble, The Father's heart is open wide.
Where could I help and strength secure If grace were not my anchor sure?**

**By grace! On this I'll rest when dying; In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
For though I know my heart's condition, I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown Since I am saved by grace alone.**

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SERMON

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ and for all people according to their needs. Grant us, O Lord, wisdom to consider the manifold sins Your grace has forgiven and courage to show this forgiveness to others in Your name. Keep us from being stingy with the mercy You have so generously shown to us in Jesus Christ, our Lord, and teach us not to count the cost of forgiving. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Give boldness to Your church, that we who know the Gospel of Jesus Christ crucified and risen proclaim it to the ends of the earth. Bless the pastors who faithfully deliver these gifts to us in Word and Sacrament and the church workers who serve us in Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Deliver us, O Lord, from the burden of those who would lead us without the wisdom and counsel of Your Word and give to us in this land and throughout the world leaders who will act with integrity and justice to all. Bring peace to the troubled regions of our world and help us to work together for the common good. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Bless this congregation and all missions and mission fields with an abundance of Your Holy Spirit, that the work of Your kingdom would prosper among us for the glory of Your holy name. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Deliver, O Lord, the troubled in mind, the wounded in body, and those whose spirits despair, that by Your healing and strength they endure the day of their trial and be kept safe in Your arms to everlasting life, especially . . . Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Give Your blessing to the homes in which Your people dwell, to the married and single, to those with children, and to those whose desire for a child has not been fulfilled, that in every place and at every time we rejoice in Your goodness in ordering all things for our good. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Deliver us, O Lord, from every temptation that would befall us and teach us to lean upon Your strength and to be covered with the righteousness of Christ when the devil comes seeking whom he may devour. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: You know our needs and have promised to give us all things needful for this life and to bring us to everlasting life. Grant us also grateful hearts that we be cheered by Your mercies, new every morning, and live and rest in Your peace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OFFERING + Choir "Oh, How Wonderful Is the Lord" (J. Althouse)

Oh, how wonderful is the Lord. He is merciful and adored.

Voices raising, ever praising; Oh, how wonderful is the Lord.

Oh, how marvelous is the Lord. Sing His glories with one accord.

Voices raising, ever praising, Oh, how wonderful is the Lord.

Hallelu, hallelujah! Sing praises to the Lord.

OFFERTORY LSB 192

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. Colossians 3:1

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Psalm 136

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS LSB 208

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;

Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.

Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;

Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-11

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

PAX DOMINI

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

AGNUS DEI LSB 210

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

DISTRIBUTION

+ Choir "Sing a Song of Joy" (A. Lotti, arr. H. Hopson, based on Isaiah 55:1-2)

*Sing a song of joy, new life is given; Sing your song to all the earth.
Sing a song of joy, new life is given; Sing your song to all the earth.*

*Come, all who thirst; oh, come to the flowing waters.
You with no money, come, buy, and eat.
Come buy without a price.*

*Listen, for here is food to feed your hungry souls.
Sing a song of joy, new life is given; sing your song to all the earth.
Sing a song of joy, new life is given; sing your song to all the earth.*

“Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus” LSB 531

**Hail, Thou once despised Jesus! Hail, Thou Galilean King!
Thou didst suffer to release us; Thou didst free salvation bring.
Hail, Thou universal Savior, Bearer of our sin and shame!
By Thy merit we find favor: Life is given through Thy name.**

**Paschal Lamb, by God appointed, All our sins on Thee were laid;
By almighty love anointed, Thou hast full atonement made.
All Thy people are forgiven Through the virtue of Thy blood;
Opened is the gate of heaven, Reconciled are we with God.**

**Jesus, hail! Enthroned in glory, There forever to abide;
All the heav’nly hosts adore Thee, Seated at Thy Father’s side.
There for sinners Thou art pleading; There Thou dost our place prepare,
Ever for us interceding Till in glory we appear.**

**Worship, honor, pow’r, and blessing Thou art worthy to receive;
Highest praises, without ceasing, Right it is for us to give.
Help, ye bright angelic spirits, All your noblest anthems raise;
Help to sing our Savior’s merits, Help to chant Immanuel’s praise!**

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“How Firm a Foundation” *LSB* 728

**How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He has said
Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?**

**Fear not! I am with you, O be not dismayed,
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.**

**The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose
I will not, I will not, desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never, forsake!**

**When through fiery trials your pathway will lie,
My grace, all-sufficient, will be your supply.
The flames will not hurt you; I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.**

**Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove
My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love;
And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn,
Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne.**

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“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me” *LSB* 761

**Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood, From Thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.**

**Not the labors of my hands Can fulfill Thy Law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.**

**Nothing in my hand I bring; Simply to Thy cross I cling.
Naked, come to Thee for dress; Helpless, look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly; Wash me, Savior, or I die.**

**While I draw this fleeting breath, When mine eyelids close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown, See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.**

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P: Heavenly Father, we give You thanks and praise that You are always faithful in Your promises and in Your gifts. Grant that we may so receive the gifts of Your grace, that we be led by Your Spirit to live holy, upright, and godly lives, multiplying Your mercies by forgiving one another as You have forgiven us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

P: The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

C: Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer” *LSB 918*

**Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer, Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy pow’rful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more;
Feed me till I want no more.**

**Open now the crystal fountain Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv’rer, strong deliv’rer, Be Thou still my strength and shield;
Be Thou still my strength and shield.**

**When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death and hell’s destruction, Land me safe on Canaan’s side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to Thee;
I will ever give to Thee.**

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POSTLUDE

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In our prayers this week: Kathie Jenkins, Kim Weidenhamer, John Mewbourn, Margo McKee, Gene Mallett, Noah Rhoden, Floyd Bearly, Mark Lemley, Dylan Bruns, Bruce Forsythe, Jeff & Ellen Strum, Lori Nogueira, Julie Bourie, Stephanie Dublin, Zachary Rakow, Leigh Wilson, Zane Brooks, Sarah Gaddie, Lisa Chapman & family, Hannah Miller, Amy Brown, Sheila Gaia, Jeff & Cheryl Harrell, Judy Jacquez, Ross & Jackie Butler, Jean & Cliff Gorham, Jan Mathis, Kelly Swan, Diane Johnson, Dan Spry, Ann Schmitt, Sharon Adler, Pastor Bill Hugo, Mickey Croom, Bob Rogalski, Emily Mathis, Bonnie Nygaard, Tom Wilt, Norma Gullett & family, Merry & Sidney Crow.

Heavenly Father, we ask you to protect our troops and all service personnel. Lord of all nations, bring Your peace to our troubled world, especially in the Middle East and Ukraine, and guide all world leaders in wisdom. We continue to pray for persecuted Christians around the world.

The Altar flowers this week were given by
The Magness family in celebration of Molly's 19th birthday on September 16th

**Note there is a new bitly to sign up for flowers bit.ly/AltarFlowersCTK
Sign up online or contact the Church Office and we'll sign you up! Each vase is \$35.**

If you are a first-time visitor with us today, welcome! Please stop by the Information Desk in the narthex after the service so we can greet you with a gift of thanks for being with us today. May God bless your worship.

Those Who Serve

Proclaimer Rev. Matthew Lynch
Liturgist Rev. Mark Goble
Organist Michella Novy
Choir Director & Accompanist Chris Cardona
Acolytes Cannon Fowler, Karter Madden
Crucifer John Wilson, Elayna Smith
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Brian Hair (L), Glenn Maclin
Greeters Don & Carol Owens
Janet Rudd, Cynthia Blocker
Ushers Paul Howell, Bob Bortz, Jeff
Higginbotham, Danny Seward, Gary
Carlson, Ross Hornish
Matt Adler, Kyle Byrum, Brandon
McNeill, Mike Burton, Matt Davis,
Tommy Smith
Sound Walt Kosman, Murph Ellard, Kim
Goble, Peter Cothron, Aaron Winter
Live Streaming Tyler Wilkinson

CALENDAR

Today

- High School event, 5:00_{pm}, Youth Room

Monday, September 14

- Board of Elders, 6:00_{pm}, Room 201

Tuesday, September 15

- Men's Bible Study, 7:00_{am}, Parlour
- Nehemiahs, 8:00_{am}
- Room in the Inn, Host: CTK
- Andrews Small Group, 7:00_{pm}

Wednesday, September 16

- Adult Bible Class, 10:00_{am}, Room 201
- Pick-up Basketball, 5:00_{pm}, Gym
- Choir Rehearsal, 6:30_{pm}

Thursday, September 17

- LWML, 5:00_{pm}, Room 201
- Woodworking Small Group, 7:00_{pm}

Friday, September 18

- Spiritual First Aid, 6:00_{pm}, Fellowship Hall

Saturday, September 19

- Spiritual First Aid, 9:00am, Fellowship Hall

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

PK4- 6th grade. Children's Sunday School meets at 9:45 each Sunday. This week we are starting our fall semester with the amazing story of God's creation! Join us in the room adjacent to the gym for opening.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

7th and 8th graders. Class meets in Room 203 at 9:45AM

YOUTH (9th -12th Grade)

Hello, High Schoolers! Join Miss Paige in the youth room each week between services to talk about faith, life, and the Bible! Can't wait to see you there! pmielke@ctkmemphis.com

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES 9:50am

Adult Bible Class will meet in the Fellowship Hall

St. Paul's Epistles Led by Ernie Rakow in the Library. **New study:** St Paul's Epistles to the Thessalonians.

Adult Bible Class led by Matt Adler & Kyle Brown will hold a study on the Book of Daniel in Room 202.

Women's Sunday Bible Class led by Ashley Baskette will hold a study on Jesus and the Twelve in Room 201.

WEEKLY ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

Wednesday Bible Study A study of the Book of Revelation led by Pastor Chuck at 10:00am in Room 201.

Men's Bible Study A study of St Paul's letter to the congregations continues. Led by Gary Osing.

Middle School Parents, Hello Middle School Youth! Join Miss. Paige October 16-18th for a youth retreat at Camp Petit Jean! The cost is \$125 and the deadline is September 29th for forms and payment! If you are interested please reach out to Paige at pmielke@ctkmemphis.com.

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS TODAY! We're just one week away from the Spiritual First Aid training workshop and **you must register in advance.** Just follow the QR Code and you're in! Learn what to say and how to say it, as well as compassionate tools to minister to the whole person emotionally and spiritually, in the wake of a crisis. This biblically based training will be led by LCC President and CEO Rev. Chris Singer, and will include dinner on Friday, Sept. 18, and lunch on Saturday, Sept. 19, both catered by Jake Behnke. The registration fee is \$25 which covers LCC materials. Learn how to minister to those in stressed situations without becoming stressed yourself. For more information, check the table in the rotunda.



CHILI AUCTION NEWS! The silent auction is well on its way with one month to go! We have had some gracious donations from businesses and congregational members! We are so grateful! Thank you to **The Peabody Memphis, Memphis Botanic Garden, Drury Hotels, Malco Theaters, Discovery Parks & Resorts, The Memphis Zoo, Huey's Restaurants, Playhouse on the Square, The Children's Museum of Memphis, Kendra Scott, Memphis Pizza Cafe and Oh Clementine Jewelry** who have already donated gift cards and/or items! We have many other items not listed here, and, of course our themed baskets!

(More to come on those), wine donations that are coming in and even the bottles for the Battle of the Bourbons! We will have all new handmade items from Haiti this year! We love supporting our adopted school in Haiti and our many local non-profits whom we have adopted that benefit from this event! We could not do this without you! Thank you to all! To sign up, see us in the rotunda or scan the QR code to sign up online!

<https://bit.ly/Chili12>

Thank you all for signing up to bring items, volunteer or otherwise participate. We are 17 days away from our event! I would like to urge anyone who is bringing in wine to do so as soon as possible as we are gathering to wrap wines for the wine pull in the next few days. The sooner, the better. Also, if you are donating bourbon, tickets, or other items, we need to log these in and get them ready for bid sheets.

A brief training for all positions (especially judges) will be done on Saturday, the 26th, during set up. Servers do not need to do this. Come when you can. We should be there all day. Thank you for all your support and all you do! My cell if you need to reach me is 901.488.8960. Caroline

From **Room in the Inn** at CTK

As our summer season comes to a close, we want to thank our many dedicated volunteers who made this season possible. Each of you put your time and hearts into making our guests feel safe, protected, and cared for.. We have the month of September still to go and hope to see you on the 15th before having the month of October off. The link for the Sept 15 sign-up is **bit.ly/RITI-Sept15**.

With thankful & Blessed Hearts,
Inn Crew @ CTK

A new **GriefShare** class series begins Tuesday, Sept. 22 at 2:00pm in Room 201. A GriefShare support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. The group and leaders are comprised of people who have experienced loss and understand its impact on their lives. At this 13-week group, you will receive valuable guidance and tips leading you to relief, comfort and peace of mind. The class consists of discussion and sharing, video presentations and Biblical based scripture study. For more information or to sign up please contact the church office at churchoffice@ctkmemphis.com or 901-682-8404.

CTK's faculty invites our congregation to join with the students in learning their weekly Memory Work, crafted around the theme of "Lavishly Loved." The verse for this week is taken from Psalms 90:12 **"Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom"**

The **Stepping Stones Book Club** invites you to join us in reading Vicki Constantine Croke's nonfiction book *The Elephant Company*, the story of Jim Williams and the extraordinary elephants of Burma. The book explores their role in the teak trade, WWII supply efforts, and the remarkable bond between Williams and the elephant Bandoola. Our next meeting is Sept. 20 at 12:15pm in Room 202.

CTK School

Parents, are you ready for **holiday wrapping**? Let us help. Check out the table in the rotunda to order items that will help our Middle School students raise money for their class trip. All items will ship to your house! The deadline is September 28. It's also time for **Prayer Angels**! We have so many Preschool and Day School

families that have filled in request for prayers. Envelopes are available on the table in the rotunda-- Take one (or more).

By the grace of God, two of our students at Christ the King were baptized recently by Pastor Matt. We give thanks for the new life these students now have as baptized children in God's kingdom. We pray for the Holy Spirit to guide and keep them as they grow in faith.

Silverware Donations- Jake Behnke, our school's new hot lunch chef, is requesting donations of metal spoons and forks for students to use at lunchtime. Any unwanted silverware would be much appreciated. There will be a donation basket at the church office reception desk. Thank you for your support!

Small Group Ministry

Arlington Saints & Sinners Club - Join us—no dues required, just admit you're a saint *and* a sinner! We're beginning a new study on the book "Gentle and Lowly: The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers" by Dane Ortland. Now is a great time to join a Small Group and learn together. **Next meeting: September 15 & 29, 7:00pm.**

Jim Devan – Woodworking and Nehemiah

Woodworking: Meets Thursday nights at 7:00pm in the Nehemiah workshop. Learn, teach, create!

Nehemiahs: Meets every Tuesday, 8:00am. Projects around campus. Devotion with lunch provided.

Stepping Stones Book Club - Meets every six weeks at 12:15pm in Room 202. **Next meeting date: Sept. 20.** book: *The Elephant Company* by Vicki Constance Croke.

Salzgeber Small Group - We're reading the book "God at Work: Your Christian Vocation in All of Life" by Gene Veith. *"Given the enormous amount of time each of us spends working, we would do well to understand our callings and how God works through them."*

New participants are always welcome. **Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 22 at 7:00 pm.**

Pastor Matt's Group for 20's and 30's. **Next meeting: September 25 at 6:00pm.**

Billy & Carol Kutteh - Billy & Carol Kutteh - **Next date: Oct. 3** social gathering, with a new study of the Book of Micah beginning in 2027. For more info, contact Billy at wkutteh4@comcast.net.

Coming soon...a new Small Group! The "Chunky Knit Group" will begin with a Learning Session on **Tuesday, October 20 from 5:00-7:00pm.** See the table in the rotunda for details on this crafting group that will make blankets by hand-knitting!



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