



The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost 14 September 2025

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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AS WE GATHER The charge against Jesus was always the same—He keeps the wrong company. But Jesus has come for sinners, and if you are not a sinner, He does not have anything for you. To emphasize why He has come, our Lord tells the stories of ninety-nine sheep left behind to find one who is lost and a woman who rejoices over finding one lost coin. You are that lost sheep and lost coin for whom Christ has come and in whom heaven rejoices. Jesus has come for you and for you He has offered Himself upon the cross and been laid in the tomb. This is the heavenly joy of the angels above, and it is our earthly joy as well. Christ came for us!

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ PREPARATION +

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Holy, Holy," LSB 507

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see, Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!

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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: O Lord, my God, I cry to You for help.
- C: Heal and restore me, O Lord.
- P: Most holy and merciful Father,
- C: like sheep, O Lord, we have strayed and wandered from You. We have sinned against You and one another. We have done the evil You forbid, and we have not done the good You desire. O merciful and divine Shepherd, cover our sins with Your forgiveness, clothe us with Your perfect righteousness, and preserve us in this faith and fear, that we may be kept to the day when Your Son comes to judge all people. Have mercy, O Lord, and fulfill Your Word to us in Christ, our Savior. Amen.
- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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.

KYRIE LSB 152

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Merciful God, Your Son, Jesus Christ, was lifted high upon the cross that He might bear the sins of the world and draw all people to Himself. Grant that we who glory in His death for our redemption may faithfully heed His call to bear the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C:Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

<u>OLD TESTAMENT READING</u> Numbers 21:4-9 (Moses raised up a serpent on a pole that those who see it might live.)

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." ⁶Then the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord and against you. Pray to the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

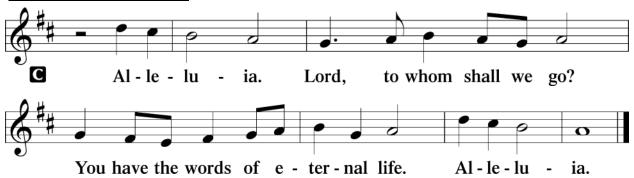
EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 1:18–25 (The cross is the wisdom and power of God.)

¹⁸The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." ²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE LSB 173



HOLY GOSPEL John 12:20-33 (Jesus said, "When I am lifted up, I ... will draw all people to Myself.")

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter. C: Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. ²¹So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²²Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him. ²⁷"Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." ²⁹The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." ³⁰Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." ³³He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" LSB 709

The King of love my shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am His And He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, My ransomed soul He leadeth And, where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love He sought me And on His shoulder gently laid And home rejoicing brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear Lord, beside me, Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!

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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 ourselves and for all people as they have need. O merciful Shepherd, You came into the world to save sinners. Grant to us forgiveness of our sins, renewal of our lost lives, and the grace to serve You in willing obedience all our days. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O merciful Shepherd, grant us grace that we know Your Word as the sound of Your voice. Grant to us faithful pastors who will rightly divide Your Word of truth and bless all church workers and those in training to serve us in Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O merciful Shepherd, guard against all false doctrine and against those who teach in conflict with Your Word that the sheep of Your flock be preserved in faith to know and believe rightly by the power of Your Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O merciful Shepherd, give us good and faithful leaders who will govern us according to Your will and lead us and all nations in the ways of peace, justice, and virtue, that we live good, holy, and upright lives without fear or threat. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O merciful Shepherd, You do not abandon Your sheep even when they are wounded and infirm. Deliver the weak, the suffering, the troubled in mind, and those with hearts weighed low with grief, especially We pray that they be healed and comforted according to Your will and delivered from all that afflicts them on the day when You raise Your people to everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O merciful Shepherd, You set Your Table before us in the presence of our enemies. Grant to all who commune this day repentance and faith that they receive this holy food for their good and keep us united as one in doctrine and life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into Your hands, O merciful Shepherd, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, and confident that You will hear and answers us, O Lord.

C: Amen.

OFFERING + Choir "Down to the River to Pray" (arr. S. Curry)

As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good ol' way And who shall wear the starry crown. Good Lord, show me the way.

O sisters let's go down, let's go down, come on down. O sisters, let's go down, down to the river to pray.

As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good ol' way And who shall wear the robe and crown. Good Lord, show me the way.

O brothers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down. Come on brothers, let's go down, down to the river to pray.

As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good ol' way And who shall wear the starry crown. Good Lord, show me the way.

O fathers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down. O fathers, let's go down, down to the river to pray.

As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good ol' way And who shall wear the robe and crown. Good Lord, show me the way.

O mothers, let's go down, come on down, don't-cha wanna go down. Come on mothers, let's go down, down to the river to pray.

As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about the good ol' way And who shall wear the starry crown. Good Lord, show me the way.

O sinners, let's go down, let's go down, come on down. O sinners, let's go down, down to the river to pray.

OFFERTORY LSB 956

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

 $\overline{P: The Lord}$ 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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 198

- O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

+ Choir "Fairest Lord Jesus" (D. Hakes)

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nations, O thou of God and man the Son, Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, Robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, And all the twinkling starry host; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels heav'n can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, Now and forever more be Thine!

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" LSB 711

Savior, like a shepherd lead us; Much we need Your tender care. In Your pleasant pastures feed us, For our use Your fold prepare. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have bought us; we are Yours. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have bought us; we are Yours.

We are Yours; in love befriend us, Be the guardian of our way; Keep Your flock, from sin defend us, Seek us when we go astray. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Hear us children when we pray. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Hear us children when we pray.

You have promised to receive us, Poor and sinful though we be; You have mercy to relieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Early let us turn to You. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Early let us turn to You.

Early let us seek Your favor, Early let us do Your will; Blessèd Lord and only Savior, With Your love our spirits fill. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have loved us, love us still. Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have loved us, love us still.

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"Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed" LSB 560

Drawn to the cross, which Thou hast blessed With healing gifts for souls distressed, To find in Thee my life, my rest, Christ crucified, I come.

Thou knowest all my griefs and fears, Thy grace abused, my misspent years; Yet now to Thee with contrite tears, Christ crucified, I come.

Wash me and take away each stain; Let nothing of my sin remain. For cleansing, though it be through pain, Christ crucified, I come.

And then for work to do for Thee, Which shall so sweet a service be That angels well might envy me, Christ crucified, I come.

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"On Eagles' Wings" LSB 727

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, Who abide in His shadow for life, Say to the Lord: "My refuge, My rock in whom I trust!" Refrain

Refrain: And He will raise you up on eagles' wings,

Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun,

And hold you in the palm of His hand.

The snare of the fowler will never capture you, And famine will bring you no fear; Under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield. Refrain

You need not fear the terror of the night, Nor the arrow that flies by day; Though thousands fall about you, Near you it shall not come. Refrain

For to His angels He's given a command To guard you in all of your ways; Upon their hands they will bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone. Refrain

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; 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 "Lift High the Cross" LSB 837 vv.1-4

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,

Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name.

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,

The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name.

All newborn soldiers of the Crucified

Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,

As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name.

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SPECIAL PRESENTATION (11:00)

POSTLUDE

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In our prayers this week: Kathie Jenkins, Kim Weidenhamer, John Mewbourn, Margo McKee, Gene Mallett, Marsha & Norman Mundinger, Noah Rhoden, Floyd Bearly, Mark Lemley, Violet Lakatos, Dylan Bruns, Bruce Forsythe, Jeff & Ellen Strum, Sally Hornish Malmi, Lori Nogueira, Julie Bourie, Stephanie Dublin, Zachary Rakow, Loraine Andrews, Leigh Wilson, Chuck Fields, Zane Brooks, Tamara Scott, Sarah Gaddie, Liz Kiley, Jeff & Cheryl Harrell, Judy Jacquez, Wilber Brown, Jackie Butler, Norma & Tom Moore, Jean & Cliff Gorham, Howard Troyer, Micah Helms, Lorna Schmidt, Donna Dyer, Doris Cagle, DeWayne Baskette, David Joffre, Marvin & Barb Ayers. Pastor Jeff Stephens. Please pray for the victims of the natural disasters as they mourn their losses and rebuild their homes and communities. Bless and guide our DCE Call Committee. We pray for peace throughout the world, for unity and civility in our nation, and for swift aid and comfort to reach those suffering in Gaza. Comfort the families and the community of Annunciation Catholic School as they grieve the loss of children and support those injured in the school shooting.

The Altar flowers this week were given by:

Dan & Lucy McDougall in honor of Lucy Lawrence's birthday Dan & Lucy McDougall in honor of Oliver Lawrence's birthday

Sign up for a vase of Altar Flowers by going to bit.ly/CTKAltarFlowers2025 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. Mark Goble Liturgist Rev. Matthew Lynch

Organist Michella Novy

Choir Director & Accompanist Chris Cardona

Acolytes Brenner Magness, Jack Bennett Crucifers John Wilson, Seymour Shepard Elders Lloyd Wilson (L), Bo Summers

Bill Maclin (L), Mike Simpson

Greeters Teresa Pate, Stephen Owens

Mike & Orma Simpson

Ushers Randy Lusk, Jonathan Frey,

Stephen Owens, Wes Boston, Salar

Rafieetary, Nick Tieman

Steven Andrews, Glenn Maclin, Jon Foshee, Mike Hewgley, Pete

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Sound Walt Kosman, Murph Ellard, Kim

Goble, Jim Hofer, Peter Cothron,

Aaron Winter

Live Streaming Lisa Salzgeber

CALENDAR

Today

- Stepping Stones Book Club, 12:15_{pm}, Room 202
- High School Youth Event, 3:00pm, Smith home

Monday, September 15

• Church Council, 6:00_{pm}, Parlour

Tuesday, September 16

- Men's Bible Study, 7:00_{am}, Parlour
- Nehemiahs, 8:00_{am}
- Room in the Inn, Host: CTK, 5:00_{pm}

Wednesday, September 17

- Adult Bible Study, 10:00_{am}, Room 201
- Choir Rehearsal, 6:30_{pm}, Choir Loft

Thursday, September 18

- LWML, 5:30_{pm}, Room 201
- Woodworking Small Group, 7:00_{pm}

Friday, September 19 No scheduled events

Saturday, September 20

• Middle School Service Event, 10:00_{am},

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children PK4 - 6th grade are invited to join us at 9:45 in the room next to the gym as we begin our CPH Enduring Faith Unit 7. Students will be studying the New Testament and how Jesus' birth, His journey to the cross, His sacrifice, His resurrection and beyond, is for all humanity ... including each of them.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Meets in Room 203 at 9:45am

YOUTH (7th-12th Grade)

Join Mr. Kevin Baskette for Sunday School in the Youth Room. We are examining how God's Word and our faith helps us endure in the world today.

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

9:50am

Adult Bible Class Join Pastor Matt in the Fellowship Hall for "In the Beginning," a study of Genesis.

<u>The Book of Joshua</u> led by Ernie Rakow in the Library.

Adult Bible class led by Matt Adler & Kyle Brown, Room 202. Study of Timothy Keller's book "Romans for You".

Women's Sunday Bible Class led by Ashley Baskette, will begin on Sept. 7. We will study the Book of Ecclesiastes: Nothing new under the sun.

WEEKLY ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

Wednesday Bible Class Join Pastor Chuck in Room 201 at 10:00am for a class on the Book of Revelation.

Men's Bible Study A study of St Paul's letter to the Romans led by Gary Osing on Tuesdays at 7:00am in the Parlour.

ROOM IN THE INN

We still need a few more volunteers to serve on Tuesday, September 16. Please consider volunteering for 3 short hours to share shelter, kindness, and Christ's love with our brothers and sisters in need. Sign up today:

bit.ly/RITISEP16

SAVE THE DATE! Men's Ministry Breakfast, Saturday, October 11, at 9:00am in the Fellowship Hall. Paul Howell returns with a hearty breakfast, and our panel will tackle key retirement topics like Social Security, wills, long -term care, and more. Whether you're retired, approaching it, or helping family members navigate it - email your questions to me and we'll make sure the topic is covered! Please RSVP to garyosing@gmail.com or 901-326-6737, on the CTK App under Events, in the Rotunda, or at bit.ly/MensBreakfast10-11-25,

MINISTRY LEADERS, have you RSVP'd to the Planning Meeting on Saturday, Sept. 27? If not, please do so this week by emailing or texting Genie at gswan@ctkmemphis.com or 901-827-9223.

11TH ANNUAL CHILI AUCTION SEPTEMBER 21ST at Noon

- DEADLINE to donate an auction item is TOMMOROW, September 15! A short form must be filled out for any auction item so we can list and value the items correctly.
- WINE donation dead line is Friday .
- Only chili and dessert donations will be accepted after this date.
- **NOTICE** for Judges, Wine Pull, and Chili Intake volunteers and all other volunteers: Please stop by the Fellowship Hall this Friday or Saturday for a briefing on your duties. We will be setting up the Auction and

decorating on those day so please make plans to stop by. We'll send out the specific times soon.

• Volunteers are needed throughout the day of the event primarily between 10am and 4pm.

Thank you for your help! We couldn't do this without all of you!

LWML Sunday September 28, 2025

Through the LWML Purple Envelope Campaign, CTK has supported 8 seminary and deaconess students. With the critical need for pastors, we invite you to give again this year.

Purple envelopes will be in the bulletin and narthex on LWML Sunday (or give online at My Vanco by selecting LWML AAS). Donations accepted through October 26. Every dollar goes directly to our adopted students at Concordia Seminary.

Your gift helps prepare future pastors and deaconesses who will share Christ's love for generations to come.

Missing your nametag? If you've scoured the countryside for your nametag to no avail, please sign up at the Information Desk and the office will have a new one for you on the following Sunday. Names are important as we get to know each other!

Mark your calendars for SIPFest, the Sea Isle Neighborhood Association annual festival at Sea Isle Park! It's Saturday, October 4, 11am - 2pm. We need volunteers to grill burgers and dogs and to staff the CTK booth, greeting people and sharing information. Contact Steven Andrews at skandrews24@gmail.com to volunteer!

GriefShare begins October 7

A new GriefShare group starts at Christ the King on Tuesday, October 7. The meetings will begin at 2:00pm in Room 202. This support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. Through the 13-week sessions, you'll discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal" in grief. Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, you'll learn helpful ways of coping with grief, in all its unpredictability—and gain solid support each step of the way.

Griefshare is open to anyone in the community experiencing grief, so if you know anyone who has lost a loved one, please let them know about this support group. Call the Church Office for more information.

School News

Thank you! Every Prayer Angel envelope was picked up last weekend—over 80 children and families from our Preschool and Day School will be prayed for all year by our congregation. What a powerful connection!

Now Hiring: We're seeking a part-time Admissions staff member. For details and an application, contact Ann Laury at ann.laury@ctkschool.com

CTK Alumni: We're excited to rebuild our Alumni community! Visit our CTK Alumni Facebook page and watch for a survey link to join our database. We can't wait to reconnect with our graduates!

Small Group Ministry

"Steven & Jennifer Andrews "The Arlington Saints and Sinners Club". New book/topic: "Hitchhiking with Prophets: A Ride Through the Salvation Story of the Old Testament" by Chad Bird. Meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month. For more info Contact Steven Andrews at skandrews24@gmail.com. Next meeting: October 7.

Robyn Byrum "Crafting Moms" For parents of teens and college-age kids to share parenting tips, struggles, and prayers. For more info., contact Robyn at robynbyrum2@gmail.com.

Jim Devan – Woodworking and Nehemiahs 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.

Billy & Carol Kutteh - Paul's Letter to the Galatians meets on the fourth Saturday each month at 6:30pm (New time!). Next meeting: September 27. For more info contact Billy at wkutteh4@comcast.net.

Salzgeber Small Group "Church History in Plain Language" by Bruce Shelley. Next meeting: September 23 at 7:00pm.

Pastor Matt's Group for 20's and 30's. Contact Pastor Matt at pastormatt@ctkmemphis.com. Next meeting: October 17 at 6:00pm at Ellen & Patrick Denning's home.



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