

FOR OUR 10:45 A.M. DIVINE WORSHIP

9th Sunday After Pentecost

August 7, 2022

WE PRAY: Heavenly Father, who in deliberating love has promised us the Kingdom and by the power of the Holy Spirit claimed us for the faith, by that same Spirit sustain us in that faith, that we, seeking Your will above all things, may by Your love inherit that which You have promised; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit are one God with dominion over us forever. Amen

(Please turn off cell phones in preparation for Divine Worship)

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PRELUDE

PASTORAL GREETING

OPENING HYMN

TLH 40

The God of Abraham praise

1. The God of Abr'ham praise;
All praised be His name
Who was and is and is to be
And still the same!
The one eternal God,
Ere aught that now appears;
The First, the Last: beyond all tho't
His timeless years!
2. The God of Abr'ham praise,
At whose supreme command
From earth I rise and seek the joys
At His right hand.
I all on earth forsake,
Its wisdom, fame, and pow'r.
And Him my only Portion make,

My Shield and Tow'r.

3. He by Himself hath sworn,--
I on His oath depend,--
I shall, on eagles' wings upborne,
To heav'n ascend;
I shall behold His face,
I shall His pow'r adore
And sing the wonders of His grace
Forevermore.

4. The whole triumphant host
Give thanks to God on high;
"Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!"
They ever cry.
Hail, Abr'ham's God and mine!--
I join the heav'nly lays--
And might and majesty are Thine
And endless praise.

INVOCATION

P: In the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed.

Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

A: O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us and hath given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgiveth us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He giveth power to become the sons of God and hath promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C: Amen.

INTROIT

P: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre! He covers the heavens with clouds; He prepares rain for the earth; He makes grass grow on the hills. He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry. His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor His pleasure in the legs of a man, but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear Him, in those who hope in His steadfast love.

GLORIA PATRI

A: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE

A: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

P: Glory be to God on high:

A: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks

to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

COLLECT

P: Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

LESSONS

O.T. LESSON

Genesis 15: 1-6

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, saying, "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your exceedingly great reward." But Abram said, "Lord God, what will You give me, seeing I go childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" Then Abram said, "Look, You have given me no offspring; indeed one born in my house is my heir!" And behold, the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "This one shall not be your heir, but one who will come from your own body shall be your heir." Then He brought him outside and said, "Look now toward heaven, and count the stars if you are able to number them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed in the Lord, and He accounted it to him for righteousness.

EPISTLE

Hebrews 11: 1-6

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good testimony. By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible. By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and through it he being dead still speaks. By faith Enoch was taken away so that he did not see death, “and was not found, because God had taken him”; for before he was taken he had this testimony, that he pleased God. But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

L: Here ends the Epistle

C: Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12: 22-34

L: The Holy Gospel is written in the 12th chapter of St. Luke, beginning at the 22nd verse.

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

Then He said to His disciples, “Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; nor about the body, what you will put on. Life is more than food, and the body is more than clothing. Consider the ravens, for they neither sow nor reap, which have neither storehouse nor barn; and God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds? And which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? If you then are not able to do the least, why are you anxious for the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; and yet I say to you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. If then God so clothes the grass, which today is in the field and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will He clothe you, O you of little faith? “And do not seek what you should eat

or what you should drink, nor have an anxious mind. For all these things the nations of the world seek after, and your Father knows that you need these things. But seek the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added to you. "Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell what you have and give alms; provide yourselves money bags which do not grow old, a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches nor moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

L: Here ends the Gospel.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

APOSTLES' CREED *(In Unison)*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell, The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, The holy Christian Church; the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY

LSB 504

Father Most Holy

1. Father most holy, merciful, and tender;
Jesus, our Savior, with the Father reigning;
Spirit of comfort, advocate, defender,
Light never waning;
2. Trinity blessed, unity unshaken,
Goodness unbounded, very God of heaven,
Light of the angels, joy of those forsaken,
Hope of all living,
3. Maker of all things, all Thy creatures praise Thee;
All for Thy worship were and are created;

Now, as we also worship Thee devoutly,
Hear Thou our voices.

4. Lord God Almighty, unto Thee be glory,
One in three persons, over all exalted!
Glory we offer, praise Thee and adore Thee,
Now and forever.

SERMON

“A Trusting Faith”

Genesis 15: 1-6

OFFERTORY *(In Unison)*

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. Amen.

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES and SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER *(Sung)*

TLH 441 vv1-2

We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee. May we Thy bounties thus as stewards true receive and gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!

PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

CLOSING HYMN

LSB 733

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

1. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,

And our eternal home:

2. Under the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure.
3. Before the hills in order stood
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.
4. A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.
5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Soon bears us all away;
We fly forgotten as a dream
Dies at the op'ning day.
6. God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last
And our eternal home!

BENEDICTION

ALL: "Amen, Amen, Amen."

POSTLUDE

Officiant: Pastor Randy Boelter

Lector: Mark Gade

Organist: Bruce Sininger

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**CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH
GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MI 48236
SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2022**



GOOD MORNING and welcome to Divine Service today! God our Father has promised us, his children, a rich inheritance, and a bright and lasting future. Through life's uncertainty and the challenges we face, it is often hard for us to put our trust in God and in His rich promises. Today through Word and Sacrament, God brings us faith and strength to place our hope for our future in Christ's family so that we can receive what the Father in heaven has laid before us for time and for eternity. May your faith be strengthened in the Lord Jesus Today! Come and worship with us again soon!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Dr John Hartzell- who is being treated for severe back pain.
Ingrid Stuhldreer- who is being treated for hip pain.

Julie Hingst- who underwent surgery at Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, on Monday.

Meg Oster- who underwent further surgery Monday in Las Vegas, N.V.

Merri MacGregor- who is recovering from Covid 19.

Tom Miller- continuing his recovery following a recent stay at St. John Ascension Hospital.

Hudson Hinz- who is continuing to adjust to treatment for diabetes.

Kathy Geffert- who has been hospitalized this week at Grosse Pointe Beaumont

For Friends of the Congregation who have been undergoing medical treatment and specialized care: Bill Dupart, John Kotcher, Elanina and James Gusmano, Deb Wyland Dusty Kast, Judy Piche, and Clifford Popp.

For those with cancer: Roy Koeppel, Tom Harms, Eric Hingst, Sheila Rice, Patty Bennett, Keith Josefiak and Lisa Zimmermann.

For continued strength and healing: James Geffert, Ginny Liebaert, Laura Ropes Smith and Roger Parke.

ALTAR FLOWERS

have been given by Charles & Laura Bommarito on the occasion of their anniversary. "We are so grateful to God for His many gifts & blessings, but none more than out time together."

LIFE QUOTES

"God's Son began His life weak and helpless, laid in a feeding trough. He began His ministry weak and tempted, vulnerable in the desert. In a weakened state from the scourging, Jesus died on the cross, making you right with God, filling you with His strength. And when God supplies your strength, you are strong, indeed." *Marie MacPherson, author – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

THE LUTHERAN HOUR TOPIC

for next Sunday: "**Everything Is So Expensive**" Guest Speaker: Dr. Oswald Hoffmann. Everything is so expensive-but do we really

need everything? (Luke 12:15) Tune in to *The Lutheran Hour* every Sunday on WDFN (1130 AM) at 6:30 A.M., WRDT (560 AM) at 7:30 A.M. and at Noon, XM Satellite Family Radio Dial 170 at 1:00 P.M. or RealAudio on the internet at www.lhm.org.

ALTAR GUILD

Serving with the Altar Guild for the month are Pam Zimmer and Betty Gade

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

our 80th Anniversary celebration will be held Sunday, September 11, 2022 with a special outdoor service at 10:45 A.M. and with a barbeque to follow. We hope you will join us for this special celebration!

A WAY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE....

Adele Flannery's grandson Hudson Hinz, age 5, was diagnosed this week with Type I juvenile diabetes. He has been hospitalized and will now undergo extensive training with his doctors and parents to manage his condition. This has been a traumatic experience for Hudson. Would you be willing to send him an age-appropriate card encouraging him at this time? If you wish to help encourage him, you may send a card c/o his grandmother Adele to: 19154 Tyrone, Detroit, 48236.

Also...

One of our members is in need of a lead for a dependable person to help him clean his home and keep it organized.

If you have someone you know who would be faithful and take on this work, please contact the church office and speak with Pastor Boelter at 313-884-5090 ext. 3.

80 for 80

We thank those who have already responded to our 80 for 80 Anniversary thank-offering, which has now raised approximately

3,000.00. Please consider joining us in this special endeavor by giving a gift sometime in 2022 which will help us reduce our mortgage debt. Our suggestion is that each household give a gift of \$ 80.00 above/beyond our normal giving or join us in giving whatever is possible for you. One of our families recently decided to give \$ 80.00 for every year they have been a member here at Christ the King! Again, we thank everyone for their love and participation. It is our goal to reduce our mortgage indebtedness as much as possible before calling a new pastor in the next year and one half. A “barometer” will soon be placed in our welcome center marking our progress as a congregation. God’s blessings to one and all as we continue to work together for the good of God’s Kingdom here at Christ the King Church and Preschool.

ONE WEEK AGO TODAY:

8:15 Service: 29
Communion: 29
10:45 Service:37
Communion: 35

**AS NEW PEOPLE IN JESUS, OUR LIFE-
STYLES WILL REFLECT THE
PRESENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

“Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you” (Ephesians 5:31-32).

