

FOR OUR 10:45 A.M. DIVINE WORSHIP

15th Sunday After Pentecost

September 18, 2022

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

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PRELUDE

PASTORAL GREETING

OPENING HYMN

TLH 439

O God of Mercy, God of Might

1. O God of mercy, God of might,
In love and pity infinite,
Teach us, as ever in Thy sight,
To live our life to Thee.
2. And Thou, who cam'st on earth to die
That fallen man might live thereby,
Oh, hear us; for to Thee we cry,
In hope, O Lord, to Thee.
3. Teach us the lesson Thou hast taught,
To feel for those Thy blood hath bo't,
That ev'ry word and deed and tho't
May work a work for Thee.
4. All are redeemed, both far and wide,
Since Thou, O Lord, for all hast died,
Oh, teach us, whatsoe'er betide,
To love them all in Thee!
5. In sickness, sorrow, want, or care,
Whate'er it be, 'tis ours to share;
May we, when help is needed, there
Give help as unto Thee!
6. And may Thy Holy Spirit move
All those who live to live in love,
Till Thou shalt greet in heaven above
All those who live to Thee.

THE ORDER OF MATINS

TLH p. 32ff

P: O Lord, open Thou my lips.

C: And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.

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. Hallelujah.

P: Oh, come, let us worship the Lord:

C: For He is our Maker.

A: 1. Oh, come, let us sing – unto the Lord:

Let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of – our sal- va- tion.

2. Let us come before His presence with thanks – giv- ing:

And make a joyful – noise unto Him with psalms.

3. For the Lord is a – great God.

And a great – King a- bove all gods.

4. In His hand are the deep places – of the earth.

The strength of the hills is – His al- so.

5. The sea is His, and He – made it:

And His hands – form- ed the dry land.

6. Oh, come, let us worship and – bow down:

Let us kneel before the – Lord, our Mak- er.

7. For He – is our God:

And we are the people of His pasture and the – sheep of
His hand.

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 – with- out end. A- men.

HYMN OF THE DAY

TLH 430 vv 1-4,8

What Is the World to Me

1. What is the world to me
With all its vaunted pleasure
When Thou, and Thou alone,
Lord Jesus, art my Treasure!
Thou only, dearest Lord,
My soul's Delight shalt be;

Thou art my Peace, my Rest--
What is the world to me!

2. The world is like a cloud
And like a vapor fleeting,
A shadow that declines,
Swift to its end retreating.
My Jesus doth abide,
Tho' all things fade and flee;
My everlasting Rock--
What is the world to me!
3. The world seeks to be praised
And honored by the mighty,
Yet never once reflects
That they are frail and flighty.
But what I truly prize
Above all things is He,
My Jesus, He alone--
What is the world to me!
4. The world seeks after wealth
And all that Mammon offers,
Yet never is content
Tho' gold should fill its coffers.
I have a higher good,
Content with it I'll be:
My Jesus is my Wealth--
What is the world to me!
8. What is the world to me!
My Jesus is my Treasure,
My Life, my Health, my Wealth,
My Friend, my Love, my Pleasure,
My Joy, my Crown, my All,
My Bliss eternally.
Once more, then, I declare:
What is the world to me!

THE PSALM: Psalm 113

TLH p. 147

- P:** Praise the Lord!
C: Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord!
P: Blessed be the name of the Lord
C: from this time forth and forevermore!
P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C: the name of the Lord is to be praised!
P: The Lord is high above all nations,
C: and his glory above the heavens!
P: Who is like the Lord our God,
C: who is seated on high,
P: who looks far down
C: on the heavens and the earth?
P: He raises the poor from the dust
C: and lifts the needy from the ash heap,
P: to make them sit with princes,
C: with the princes of his people.
P: He gives the barren woman a home,
C: making her the joyous mother of children. Praise the Lord!

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.

LESSONS

O.T. LESSON

Amos 8: 4-7

Hear this, you who swallow up the needy, And make the poor of the land fail, Saying: "When will the New Moon be past, That we may sell grain? And the Sabbath, That we may trade wheat? Making the ephah small and the shekel large, Falsifying the scales by deceit, That we may buy the poor for silver, And the needy for a pair of sandals— Even sell the bad wheat?" The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: "Surely I will never forget any of their works.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

1 Timothy 2: 1-15

Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time, for which I was appointed a preacher and an apostle—I am speaking the truth in Christ and not lying—a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting; in like manner also, that the women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly clothing, but, which is proper for women professing godliness, with good works. Let a woman learn in silence with all submission. And I do not permit a woman to teach or to have authority over a man, but to be in silence. For Adam was formed first, then Eve. And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression. Nevertheless she will be saved in childbearing if they continue in faith, love, and holiness, with self-control.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 16: 1-15

He also said to His disciples: “There was a certain rich man who had a steward, and an accusation was brought to him that this man was wasting his goods. So he called him and said to him, ‘What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your stewardship, for you can no longer be steward.’ “Then the steward said within himself, ‘What shall I do? For my master is taking the stewardship away from me. I cannot dig; I am ashamed to beg. I have resolved what to do, that when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses.’ “So he

called every one of his master’s debtors to him, and said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ And he said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ So he said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ So he said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ And he said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ So the master commended the unjust steward because he had dealt shrewdly. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in their generation than the sons of light. “And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by unrighteous mammon, that when you fail, they may receive you into an everlasting home. He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much. Therefore if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches? And if you have not been faithful in what is another man’s, who will give you what is your own? “No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.” Now the Pharisees, who were lovers of money, also heard all these things, and they derided Him. And He said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is highly esteemed among men is an abomination in the sight of God.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

P: But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

C: Thanks be to Thee, O Lord!

SERMON

“Give an Account”

Luke 16: 1-15

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES and SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER *(Pastor)*

TE DEUM

TLH pp. 35-37

1. We praise Thee, O God: we acknowledge Thee to - be the Lord. All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father - ev-er-last-ing.
2. To Thee all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the - powers there-in; To Thee cherubim and seraphim con- - tin-ual-ly do cry:
3. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of - Sab-a-oth! Heaven and earth are full of the majesty - of Thy glo-ry.

4. The glorious company of the Apostles - praise Thee; The goodly fellowship of the - proph-ets praise Thee;
5. The noble army of martyrs - praise Thee; The holy Church throughout all the world - doth ac-knowl-edge Thee:
6. The Father of an infinite majesty; Thine adorable true and - on-ly Son, Also the Holy - Ghost, the Com-fort-er.
7. Thou art the King of Glory, - O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son - of the Fa-ther.
8. When Thou tookest upon Thee to de- - liv-er man, Thou didst humble Thyself to be born - of a vir-gin.
9. When Thou hadst overcome the - sharp-ness of death, Thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to - all be-liev-ers.
10. Thou sittest at the right - hand of God, In the glory - of the Fa-ther.
11. We believe that - Thou shalt come, To - be our Judge.
12. We therefore pray Thee, help Thy - serv-ants, Whom Thou hast redeemed - with Thy pre-cious blood.
13. Make them to be numbered - with Thy saints, In glory - ever-last-ing.
14. O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine - her-i-tage. Govern them and lift them - up for-ev-er.
15. Day by day we - magni-fy Thee. And we worship Thy name ever, - world with-out end.
16. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day with- - out sin. O Lord, have mercy upon us, have - mercy up-on us.
17. O Lord, let Thy mercy be upon us, as our trust - is in Thee. Lord, in Thee have I trusted; let me never - be con-found-ed.

THE PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Chanted in Unison)*

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

Jesus, My Truth, My Way

TLH 433

1. Jesus, my Truth, my Way,
My sure, unerring Light,
On Thee my feeble soul I stay,
Which Thou wilt lead aright.
2. My Wisdom and my Guide,
My Counselor Thou art:
Oh, let me never leave Thy side,
Nor from Thy paths depart!
3. Thou seest my feebleness;
Jesus, be Thou my Pow'r,
My Help and Refuge in distress,
My Fortress and my Tow'r.
4. Myself I cannot save,
Myself I cannot keep;
But strength in Thee I surely have,
Whose eyelids never sleep.
5. My soul to Thee alone
Now, therefore, I commend.
Thou, Jesus, having loved Thine own,
Wilt love me to the end!

BENEDICTION

SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE

Officiant: Pastor Arnold Brammeier

Lector: Mark Gade

Music Director: Bruce Sininger

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September

Christ the King Lutheran Church

Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236

Sunday, September 18, 2022

Good morning and welcome

Faithful stewards of God's gifts anchor themselves in constant prayer, intercessions, and thanksgiving. Scripture teaches us that obsession with wealth and riches threatens our loyalty to God. Jesus however, surpasses the value of every material possession we could have. He is our lasting Treasure, Who paid the greatest price, the ransom of our lives at the cost of His own. Today in Word and in Sacrament, Jesus comes with His Divine power to help us live possessing Jesus as our only lasting treasure.

Remember in Your Prayers:

Julie Hingst- who happily returned home Thursday following her recent hospitalization and stint of therapy.

Ingrid Stuhldreer- who was hospitalized this past week at Grosse Pointe Beaumont.

Kathy Geffert- who has been seriously ill this past week and has been in Troy Beaumont ICU.

Doreen Riley- aunt of Pastor Boelter, who was hospitalized this past week in South Dakota.

Owen Ninneman- age 16, who is being treated for Large Cell Lymphoma and will be undergoing chemotherapy. Owen is Robert Wick's relative.

Meg Oster- who was transferred to Physical Rehabilitation in Las Vegas, NV last Sunday after a 6 week stay in the hospital.

Dolores Wend- mother of Stephen Wend, who is recovering after hospitalization for a broken pelvis.

Hudson Hinz- continuing to adjust to his new life with juvenile diabetes.

Those with Cancer: Sharon Selby, Bob Davis, Tom Harms, Roy Koepppe, Lisa Zimmermann, Eric Hingst, Keith Josefiak, Patty Bennett and Shiela Rice.

Paul Scardino- nephew of Chris Gowman- that God would give him faith and comfort as he faces life following surgery for a brain tumor.

Also friends of our members: Deb Wyland, Judy Piche, Clifford Popp, Bill Dupart, John Kotcher and Elana Gusmano.

The people of the Ukraine- for protection, peace and an end to war.

Altar Flowers

were given by Beverly Zimmerman in memory of loved ones and for blessings received.

Altar Guild

Serving with the Altar Guild for the month are Beverly Zimmermann and Ellen Nelson.

80 for 80

We thank those who have already responded to our 80 for 80 Anniversary thank-offering, which has now raised approximately 7,200.00. 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" has been 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.

Pastor Boelter is on vacation until the end of September. Should you have a need for Pastoral Care, call Shane in the Church office and an elder will be contacted to assist you. If cases of emergency, the elders will contact a pastor to assist you. Pastor will return to his duties on Sunday morning, October 2nd.

The Church office will be closed September 19th and 23rd.

LWML Sunday

A special worship service is planned for Sunday, October 2nd, to celebrate all that God has done through the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML). The power of God is evident in the dimes, quarters, and dollars you put in your Mite Box, and we celebrate this every LWML Sunday. Thank you! Our new LWML Mission Statement reads — "As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others." The Holy Spirit has been doing this for 80 years through the LWML!



Our heartfelt thanks to Pastor Arnold Brammeier, Pastor emeritus of Peace Lutheran Church, Detroit, for serving us today and proclaiming the Gospel to us in Divine Service. God bless our time together today in worship, and our time in fellowship.

Our thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make our 80th Anniversary Celebration such a blessed event last Sunday. It was a blessed day of reflection on God's constant care for us, and a reminder of our Gospel purpose as we look ahead to the work God wants us to do in the days yet to come. We thank those who attended last Sunday, those who served, those who helped prepare in any way, those who brought desserts and those who have given special gifts for our 80 for 80 Special Offering. Praise God for His provisions—spiritual and physical!

The LWML English District Detroit Zone will gather at Christ the King on Saturday morning, October 22, 2022, for their Fall Rally. Worship, a business meeting, mission speakers and a luncheon will be included. All women of Christ the King are welcome to attend. Please call the Church office so we can take a count for luncheon preparation. Registration begins at 9 A.M. on the 22nd, and the event ends about 1:00. We hope you will join us as we uplift the mission work of our local LWML.

Sunday morning Adult Bible Class, held at 9:30-10:30 each Lord's Day, will begin October 2nd upon Pastor Boelter's return. Our Wednesday Bible Class held each Wednesday morning from 10-11 AM, will begin October 5th.

Sunday School classes begin today at 10:45 A.M.

Join us each 2nd and 4th Monday of the month for Worship at 7 P.M. This service, approximately 45 minutes in length, is held once again in our small chapel.

Pray the Litany with us- each 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at 9:30 A.M. This traditional service of prayer has been used in the Church for centuries and provides us a time to bring our prayers to the LORD. A small devotional message also helps prepare us for Holy Communion and for receiving the lessons and sermon for the next Lord's Day.

One Week Ago Today:

10:45 Service: 100
Communion: 97

AUGUST 2022 - FINANCIAL PROGRESS			
<u>Envelope & Plate Receipts Only</u>			
Week #	2022	2021	
1	\$ 6,486	\$ 8,053	
2	5,424	5,315	
3	3,506	-	*
4	4,906	10,700	
5	-	4,380	
Month-to-Date Total	\$ 20,322	\$ 28,448	
Year-to-Date Total	\$ 204,922	\$ 220,129	

* In 2021, weeks 3 & 4 were combined into a single batch.

1-1-1 Missions Update		
	MTD	YTD
	\$ 100	\$ 896

\$80 for 80 Years		
	MTD	YTD
	\$ 2,240	\$ 7,220