



*For Us  
and With Us*

Romans 8:31-39

**2022 LWML SUNDAY  
Worship Service**

# FOR OUR 8:15 A.M. and 10:45 A.M. DIVINE WORSHIP

17th Sunday After Pentecost

October 2, 2022

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

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## PRELUDE

## PASTORAL GREETING

## INVOCATION

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

**C:** Amen.

## MORNING PSALM: Psalm 100

**P:** Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands!

**C:** Serve the LORD with gladness; Come before His presence with singing.

**P:** Know that the LORD, He is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves;

**C:** We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

**P:** Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,

**C:** And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name.

**P:** For the LORD is good;

**C:** His mercy is everlasting, And His truth endures to all generations.

**ALL:** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

## OPENING HYMN

LSB 803

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

**1** Joyful, joyful we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love!  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,  
Praising Thee, their sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
Drive the gloom of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day.

**2** All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird, and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

**3** Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Wellspring of the joy of living,  
Ocean-depth of happy rest!  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
Fountainhead of love divine:  
Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit!  
Joyful, we by grace are Thine!

## **CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION**

**P:** Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

**A:** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may

delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy Name. 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 the Word I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

## **OLD TESTAMENT**

*Isaiah 6:1-8*

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple. Above it stood seraphim; each one had six wings: with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one cried to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; The whole earth is full of His glory!" And the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke. So I said: "Woe is me, for I am undone! Because I am a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The LORD of hosts." Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal which he had taken with the tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth with it, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; Your iniquity is taken away, And your sin purged." Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

**L:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE**

*Romans 8:31-39*

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

Who shall bring a charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written: “For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.” Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**L:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C:** **Alleluia! Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 12:35-40*

“Let your waist be girded and your lamps burning; and you yourselves be like men who wait for their master, when he will return from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may open to him immediately. Blessed are those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching. Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down to eat, and will come and serve them. And if he should come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

**P:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**COLLECT:**

O God, You did not spare Your own Son but gave Him up for us all. Grant that by faith we may trust in Your promises and live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**LSB 594**

*God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It*

- 1** God's own child, I gladly say it:  
I am baptized into Christ!  
He, because I could not pay it,  
Gave my full redemption price.  
Do I need earth's treasures many?  
I have one worth more than any  
That brought me salvation free  
Lasting to eternity!
  
- 2** Sin, disturb my soul no longer:  
I am baptized into Christ!  
I have comfort even stronger:  
Jesus' cleansing sacrifice.  
Should a guilty conscience seize me  
Since my Baptism did release me  
In a dear forgiving flood,  
Sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?
  
- 3** Satan, hear this proclamation:  
I am baptized into Christ!  
Drop your ugly accusation,  
I am not so soon enticed.  
Now that to the font I've traveled,  
All your might has come unraveled,



And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the prophets. And I believe 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.

## THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES and SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

### OFFERING

### OFFERING PRAYER *(Pastor)*

### LWML PLEDGE

In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**P:** Let us pray. Almighty God, we give you thanks for your goodness and love in Christ that sustains us each day. We praise you for the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is for us and with us in all things. We thank you for the Holy Spirit, our Comforter and sustainer of faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C:** **Hear our prayer.**

**P:** Guide, we pray, our congregation in our life together and witness in the world. Grant us your grace and strengthen your people through the Word and Sacraments. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C:** **Hear our prayer.**

**P:** For the mission of the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League in this congregation and throughout the world, that each person involved would see opportunities to be salt and light to their neighbors and through various opportunities for mission. Through the faithful gathering of mites, may Lutheran Women in Mission continue to encourage us to put all You have given us into the mission of reaching the lost. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C:** **Hear our prayer.**

**P:** Sanctify our homes with Your presence, reminding us that nothing can separate us from Your love. Unite the members of all families in love toward you and each other. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C:** **Hear our prayer.**

**P:** For ... *(additional intercessions of the congregation)*. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C:** **Hear our prayer.**

**P:** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C:** **Amen.**

### **THE LORD’S PRAYER** *(Spoken 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.

### **(HOLY COMMUNION – 8:15 A.M. ONLY)**

### **THE HOLY COMMUNION THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **PAX DOMINI**

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

**C:** And also with you.

**A:** Amen!

## THE DISTRIBUTION

## THE GENERAL DISMISSAL OF COMMUNICANTS

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *(In Unison)*

We give You thanks merciful Father that You have kept Your Word and have fed us, Your unworthy servants, with the precious body and blood of Your dear Son Jesus Christ. We pray that by His grace we may walk worthy of our holy calling and learn to adorn the teaching of God our Savior by our words and deeds, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN      “Serve the Lord with Gladness” Tune: LSB 662

### **1**      “Serve the Lord with gladness!”

It is He alone  
Who redeemed us sinners,  
Guides us as His own  
To enjoy the blessings  
Of His love and grace,  
Will at last in glory  
Meet us face to face.  
Onward, then, for Jesus!  
Let this be our aim:  
“Serve the Lord with gladness!”  
Glorify His name.

### **2**      “Serve the Lord with gladness!”

There’s no greater joy  
Than to serve the Master,  
Work in His employ.  
As we build His kingdom  
Angels, too, rejoice

Over every sinner  
Brought to hear His voice.  
Onward, then, for Jesus!  
Let this be our aim:  
"Serve the Lord with gladness!"  
Glorify His name!

**3** "Serve the Lord with gladness!"

He gave us command  
To proclaim His Gospel  
Now in every land  
So that fellow sinners  
May, like us, be blest.  
Leading them to Jesus,  
We can serve Him best.  
Onward, then, for Jesus!  
Let this be our aim:  
"Serve the Lord with gladness!"  
Glorify His name!

--Written by Prof. Ernest Lewerenz

**BENEDICTION**

**ALL: "Amen, Amen, Amen."**

**DOXOLOGY** (*In Unison*)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. [Psalm 150]**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**RECESSIONAL**

**POSTLUDE -**

Officiant: Pastor Randy Boelter

Lectors: Jean Azar & Mark Gade

Organist: Bruce Sininger

*\*[ ] Denotes scriptural references pertinent to the various parts of our Liturgy*  
**Christ the King  
Lutheran Church, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI, 2020 Acknowledgments** Divine Service, Setting

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The Lutheran Women’s Missionary League (LWML) is an official auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has affirmed each woman’s identity as a child of God and her relationship with Jesus Christ. As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

2022 LWML Sunday  
Written by: Rev. Dr. Ryan Peterson



**Christ the King Lutheran Church  
Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236  
Sunday, October 2, 2022**

**Welcome to Divine Service Today!** The first Sunday in October is set aside in many of our Lutheran Congregations for the observance of LWML Sunday, to give thanks and give support to the Lutheran Women's Mission League. "For Us and With Us" is the theme for our LWML worship today. It is based on our Epistle, Romans 8: 31-39 where Paul writes to the Roman believers and to us! He tells us that each and every one of us have faced challenges and circumstances greater than our own strength. Nonetheless, by faith in Jesus Christ, Who is FOR us and WITH us, we are already more than conquerors through Him Who loved us. Today we celebrate in Word and Sacrament, receiving strength and grace from God so that we celebrate the victory that is ours in Christ Jesus, and live every day trusting in Jesus alone for our salvation. You may give your mite box offerings during the time of the offering by coming forward as the ushers pass your pew. Place your mite box offering in the special box in the nave and pick up a new mite box for the next 12 months! God bless your worship and your support of the LWML.

**Remember in Your Prayers:**

**Kathy Geffert-** who continue her recovery.

**Meg Oster-** making progress each day in physical rehabilitation in Las Vegas.

**Tom Harms-** at Karmanos Hospital, receiving treatment for multiple myeloma.

**Patty Kennedy-** in hospice care at Sunrise, Aline/Mack.

**Owen Ninneman-** treated for large-cell lymphoma.

**Paul Scardino-** who is living with brain cancer.

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

**Others continuing their battle with cancer:** Sharon Selby, Bob Davis, Roy Koepe, Lisa Zimmermann, Eric Hingst, Keith Josefiak, Patty Bennett and Shiela Rice.

**The many friends and family members of our congregation who have been affected by Hurricane Ian and its aftermath this past week.**

### **Altar Flowers**

were given by Beverly Zimmermann in honor of the women of LWML that have serviced the world with their projects

### **Altar Guild**

Serving with the Altar Guild for the month are Sue Mack, Jean Azar, and Lori Dane

### **80 for 80**

We thank those who have already responded to our 80 for 80 Anniversary thank-offering, which has now raised approximately 7,560.00. 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.

**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 22<sup>nd</sup>, 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, beginning today. Our Wednesday Bible Class held each Wednesday morning from 10-11 AM, will begin October 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Join us** each 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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:**

8:15 Service: 24

10:45 Service: 36

Communion: 21

Monday:5

### **LWML Celebration Sunday!**

Lutheran Women in Mission praise the Lord for opportunities to share His message and love with people from all walks of life throughout our community and the world. Today the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) invites you to join us in celebrating the joy of serving the Lord with gladness in this congregation. Together, we will offer our praise using the theme, "For Us and With Us," based on Romans 8:31-39,



*What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be<sup>9</sup> against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written,*

*"For your sake we are being killed all the day long;*

*we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."*

*No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers,*

*nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Each of us has faced challenges and circumstances greater than our own strength, but in Christ, Who is for us and with us, we are already more than conquerors through Him who loved us. This celebratory LWML Sunday will encourage all hearers of the Word — Christ’s victory — already ours through baptism. We can confidently live each day, trusting in Christ.

We invite you to learn more about the mission and ministry of the LWML by asking an LWML member or going to the LWML website, [www.lwm.org](http://www.lwm.org). Thank you for supporting the LWML through your mite offerings and prayers.

<b>SEPTEMBER 2022 - FINANCIAL PROGRESS</b>			
<b><u>Envelope &amp; Plate Receipts Only</u></b>			
<b>Week #</b>		<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
1		\$ 6,530	\$ 6,835
2		7,184	7,192
3		5,279	5,217
4			
<b>Month-to-Date Total</b>		<b>\$ 18,994</b>	<b>\$ 19,244</b>
<b>Year-to-Date Total</b>		<b>\$ 223,915</b>	<b>\$ 239,373</b>

<b>1-1-1 Missions Update</b>		
	<b>MTD</b>	<b>YTD</b>
	\$ 41	\$ 937

<b>\$80 for 80 Years</b>		
	<b>MTD</b>	<b>YTD</b>
	\$ 7,560	\$ 14,780