



Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 16th, 2022

9:00 AM

Chisago Lake Lutheran Church

Center City, MN

ELCA

WELCOME TO CHISAGO LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH

If you are a first-time visitor, welcome! We are glad you are here. At Chisago Lake Lutheran Church, we are "Grounded in the Gospel, Guided by the Spirit." We are a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and strive to be God's hands active in the world. While we are a church with a rich history, we are also a church for today.

There are devices to assist those of us who are hearing impaired at the front entrance when you enter. Please see Julie Riemer for guidance use if needed.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who creates us,
redeems us,
and calls us by name.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,
**we confess that we have sinned against you
and your beloved children.
We have turned our faces away from your glory
when it did not appear as we expected.
We have rejected your word
when it made us confront ourselves.
We have failed to show hospitality
to those you called us to welcome.
Accept our repentance for the things we have done
and the things we have left undone.
For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe
in the glory of your Son born among us,
and reflect your love for all creation.
Amen.**

Rejoice in this good news:

In † Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.
You are descendants of the Most High,
adopted into the household of Christ,

and inheritors of eternal life.
Live as freed and forgiven children of God.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

“Gather Us In”

ELW #532, Vv. 1,2,4

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 62:1-5

- ¹For Zion’s sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem’s sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
- ²The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.
- ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
- ⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the LORD delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
- ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

John 2:1-11

¹On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

RESPONSE:

The Gospel of our Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S WORD

Stacy Johnson

SERMON

Pastor Steve Cruys

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Soul, Adorn Yourself With Gladness"

ELW #488, Vv. 1,4

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

OFFERING – Meditation & Generosity

*You are invited to give to Chisago Lake Lutheran online at:
<https://www.chisagolakelutheran.org/online-giving.html>*

*You can also send your offering to the church:
1 Summit Ave, PO Box 175
Center City, MN 55012*

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.**

Distribution

You are invited to share the bread and the wine using the individually wrapped wafers and grape juice. Please discard the cups as you leave the sanctuary.

COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”

ELW #310, Vv. 1,3,4

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Get a 2nd dose of this service by watching local Channel 10 (CLTV) on Sundays. At 10 am you'll see last week's service and at 6 pm, you'll see this week's service.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Cantor: Sally Barott

Coffee Servers: Shirley Carlson, Joan Grossmann & Jan Schneider

Greeters: Mike Carlson

Online Video Operator: Rod Strenke

Pianist/Organist: Julie Riemer

Reader: Mark Burch

Usher: Jamie Carlson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 168th Annual Business Meeting of Chisago Lake Lutheran will be held on Sunday, January 30th, 2022 at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall or by Zoom.

Every member who has been confirmed is encouraged to attend this important event in the church's year. This meeting gives members the opportunity to vote for members of the Church Council, the Memorial, Mission and Ministry Committee and the Personnel Committee. It is also the time to vote on the 2022 budget. Please set this time aside on your calendar and come and help plan the year ahead.

We Need You!

At the Annual Meeting on Jan 30th, Council members will be elected to serve in roles of leadership, as well as members for our Personnel and 3M Committees. These leaders make important decisions regarding the operations and MISSION of our church.

Our constitution allows for up to 15 members on the Church Council, each serving up to two 3-year terms. If you would like to serve the Lord in this way, we would welcome your voice and leadership! If you are interested, please contact the church office or Dave Reed at 651-257-6870. We need your participation!

Thank You to Everyone Who Has Returned Their Statement of Intent for 2022!

Your continued commitment, support and care for God's ministry through CLLC is a gift! You can still mail your card to the church, email your response to the church office, or fill out the secure form on the website. We celebrate that:

- 57 people/families have returned their faithful intents for 2022
- 9 of these have increased their giving from what they gave in 2021
- 4 people/families have returned intent cards who have not done if the past
- The commitments received to date total **\$150,363.56**

Compare this to last year's numbers at this same time of year:

- 98 people/families have returned their faithful intents for 2021
- 35 of these have increased their giving from what they gave in 2020
- 13 people/families have returned intent cards who have not done if the past
- The commitments received to date total **\$273,187.56**

CLLC Job Posting: Director of Media and Communications CLLC is looking for a Director of Media & Communications who can design and implement videos, provide website maintenance, live stream quality content, create promotional materials, and work as part of a team to promote our ministry. This is a part-time (15-20 hrs/week) position. Interested applicants should contact Pastor Steve Cruys at 651-257-6300 or send a current Resume to: pastor@chisagolakelutheran.org

A Huge THANK YOU to Louise Angrimson! Louise graciously came out of retirement to help assist Pastor Steve and train Bridget in September when they were both new to CLLC. Her last day was January 15th and she will continue to assist on an as needed basis. Her expertise and knowledge have been invaluable in keeping the church running smoothly and we are very grateful to her!

The Beautiful New Praise Banners in the Sanctuary were donated by Linnae Frans and family in memory of Ellis Frans.

Christmas Poinsettias Lisa & Steve Sontag donated two poinsettias in loving memory of Bobby Sontag and Sara Schmitt and Cherol Young donated two poinsettias in loving memory of Darwin and Lois Berglund.

2021 Bazaar Update: Thank you to everyone who participated in another successful year! The Bakery made \$1400, the Kitchen (cinnamon rolls & sloppy joes) made \$1300, the Raffle took in \$900 and over \$1200 was made from Sponsorship Ads. Total profit to the church's General Fund is \$6,130.

Pray & Play on Monday, January 24th at CLLC All 4 year olds through Grade 5 are invited to sign up for an "Olympic Training" Pray & Play from 9 AM to 2 PM. There is no cost for this event thanks to a Thrivent Member helping us out. Bring your own lunch (snacks provided), items for the Food Shelf, a mask, and outdoor winter attire for sledding. For more information or to volunteer, please email Stacy at youth.family@chisagolakelutheran.org.

The CLLC Tree of Life Children's' Chorus Meets on Wednesdays! All children are welcome on Wednesday evenings from 5 to 5:45 PM in the Sanctuary. Barbara Yotter will be the Children's Chorus Director. Email Julie at music@chisagolakelutheran.org for info.

Voice Lessons Offered for Adults Meet on Wednesdays at 5:45 PM in the Sanctuary with Barbara Yotter instructing. Great opportunity to enhance your vocal talent. Email Julie at music@chisagolakelutheran.org for info.

What is the CLLC Book Club?

We are a group of CLLC Christians who believe that all people are part of God's creation and that all people deserve justice. We seek to develop a deeper understanding about the injustices and experiences of our Black, Brown and Native brothers and sisters in Christ through reading books, watching videos, and having conversation with each other.

CLLC Book Club will finish reading [Braiding Sweetgrass](#) by Robin Wall Kimmerer for our next meeting on Monday, January 31, 2022 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. We will also work on a land acknowledgment statement. If you'd like to meet with us, please contact Bonnie Anderson, brinkanderson@gmail.com or 651-257-2467.

A New *Gather* Bible Study Begins This Month!

The Kingdom of God, written by the Rev. Dr. Mark Allan Powell, will help us explore how to interpret Jesus' references to "the kingdom of God (or heaven)." We will consider whether biblical passages refer to the present or to the future or to both. There are three different ways to participate in this study prepared for Women of the ELCA:

- 1) Via Zoom on Tuesday, January 25th from 1:30-3:00 pm. Contact Bonnie Anderson at brinkanderson@gmail.com for the link.
- 2) In person at a time that works best for those who are interested. Contact Nancy Schoon at 651-303-9648.
- 3) On your own. Contact Barb Wikelius at bjwikelius@gmail.com for info. about *Gather* Magazine. New subscribers can receive their first year as a free gift from our WELCA unit.

The CLLC Quilting Group is meeting on Mondays. Bring a sack lunch and meet in the Undercroft from 9 AM to 2 PM. All are welcome!

Veterans Coffee Talks – *Zion Lutheran Church, Chisago City* – **2nd Tuesday of every month from 9-10 AM** or *North Branch American Legion Post 85, 6439 Elm St, North Branch, MN* – **3rd Tuesday of every Month 9-10 AM**. Meet other veterans, build friendships, listen to their experiences. Everyone is welcome.

You can reach staff via phone (651-257-6300) or email to:

Pastor Steve – pastor@chisagolakelutheran.org

Bridget/Louise – office@chisagolakelutheran.org

Stacy – youth.family@chisagolakelutheran.org

Stephanie – finance@chisagolakelutheran.org

Julie – music@chisagolakelutheran.org

Bev or Bob – call the church office if you need to reach either of them

Current Ways to Give

Thank you for sharing your generosity with Chisago Lake Lutheran! You have continued to share what God's entrusted to you and we are grateful.

There are various ways you can continue to give to CLLC:

1. Mail your envelope/check to the church office at 1 Summit Ave, PO Box 175, Center City, MN 55012
2. Or sign up for regular online giving through our partner company Vanco on the church website. It's secure, convenient, and assures your ability to give consistently to God's mission. www.chisagolakelutheran.org

PRAYER CONCERNS (please contact the church office with any concerns/updates.)

- Belva Fish, prayers for healing and recovery following an emergency surgery.
- Delores Allen, prayers for healing and recovery for an arm fracture after a fall.
- Harriet Ryberg, prayers for healing and comfort after surgery.
- Gretchen Hanson, prayers for healing and comfort following surgery.
- Tim Hawkinson, son of Ellen Hawkinson, prayers for stroke recovery/speech therapy.
- Sally Barott, cancer treatments.
- Jodi Medin, daughter-in-law of Delores Medin, peace and comfort through her ongoing melanoma treatments.
- Shirley Gustafson, prayers for healing and recovery for recent & upcoming surgeries.

THIS WEEK AT CLLC (cont. on next page):

- **Sunday, Jan. 16th** Sunday School for 3 yrs to 5th grade at 10 AM
- **Monday, Jan. 17th** Quilting Group from 9 AM to 2 PM in the Undercroft
- **Tuesday, Jan. 18th** Staff Meeting at 3 PM
- **Wednesday, Jan. 19th** Tree of Life Kids Chorus at 5 PM in the Sanctuary
- **Wednesday, Jan. 19th** Adult Vocal Lessons at 5:45 PM in the Sanctuary
- **Wednesday, Jan. 19th** 6th Graders meet at Trinity Lutheran at 3 PM
- **Wednesday, Jan. 19th** Confirmation at Trinity Lutheran at 3 PM
- **Thursday, Jan. 20th** Men's Fellowship Group meets at 8 AM at Phil's Grill
- **Thursday, Jan. 20th** Church Council Meeting at 7 PM