



## **Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**

January 30<sup>th</sup>, 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

*“What Wondrous Love is This”*

See Below

*What Wondrous Love Is This*

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
what wondrous love is this, O my soul?  
What wondrous love is this that brings my heart such bliss,  
and takes away the pain of my soul, of my soul,  
and takes away the pain of my soul.*

*He shed his heavenly light in my soul, in my soul,  
He shed his heavenly light in my soul,  
He shed his heavenly light,  
To disperse the gloom of night,  
Now it shines with radiance bright,  
In my soul.*

*To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb,  
Who is the great I AM,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing.*

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

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 1:4-10

<sup>4</sup>Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

<sup>5</sup>“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”

<sup>6</sup>Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” <sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to me,

“Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’;  
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
and you shall speak whatever I command you.

<sup>8</sup>Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you,  
says the LORD.”

<sup>9</sup>Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,  
“Now I have put my words in your mouth.

<sup>10</sup>See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to pull down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant.”

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup>It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. <sup>9</sup>For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; <sup>10</sup>but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. <sup>12</sup>For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know

fully, even as I have been fully known. <sup>13</sup>And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 4:21-30

<sup>21</sup>Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” <sup>22</sup>All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” <sup>23</sup>He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’” <sup>24</sup>And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. <sup>25</sup>But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; <sup>26</sup>yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. <sup>27</sup>There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” <sup>28</sup>When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. <sup>29</sup>They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. <sup>30</sup>But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

### **RESPONSE:**

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S WORD

Stacy Johnson

## SERMON

Pastor Steve Cruys

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*“Love Has Come”*

ELW #292, Vv. 1-3

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

SPECIAL OFFERING MUSIC *“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”* Barbara Yotter & Julie Riemer

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 God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, † bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever. **Amen.**

## SENDING SONG

*"In Christ There Is No East or West"*

ELW #650, Vv. 1,3,4

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Get a 2<sup>nd</sup> 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: Barbara Yotter

Coffee Server: Pam Carlson

Greeter: Jerry Vitalis

Online Video Operator: Brayden Bresnahan

Pianist/Organist: Julie Riemer

Reader: Lou Ann Mattson

Ushers: Brad & Lou Ann Mattson

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **The 168th Annual Business Meeting of Chisago Lake Lutheran is Today 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. We will be voting 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 join us following Worship today!

### **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:

- 59 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 **\$158,803.56**

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

- 100 people/families have returned their faithful intents for 2021
- 37 of these have increased their giving from what they gave in 2020
- 15 people/families have returned intent cards who have not done if the past
- The commitments received to date total **\$274,007.56**

**Grumpy Old Men Service** The decision has been made to have a 2022 GOM service in the summertime instead of this winter due to a number of challenges. The summer service may coincide with the Center City Days celebration. If you are interested in helping with planning and participating in this service, please contact the church office.

**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 to help out & join us!

### **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 two different ways to participate in this study prepared for Women of the ELCA:

1) In person at a time that works best for those who are interested. Contact Nancy Schoon at 651-303-9648.

2) On your own. Contact Barb Wikelius at [bjwikelius@gmail.com](mailto:bjwikelius@gmail.com) for info. about *Gather* Magazine. New subscribers can receive their first year as a free gift from our WELCA unit.

## **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](mailto:brinkanderson@gmail.com) or 651-257-2467.

## **Lasagna Fundraiser Pick Up Dinner on Saturday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> from 4 pm to 6 pm**

The Youth & Youth Committee are doing a fundraiser for youth/summer camping experiences. This dinner will include lasagna, breadsticks, fruit cup & brownie & will be available for pickup from the upper level doors main entrance. Suggested donation is \$5/meal or \$20/family. Call/email the church office w/your reservation by Wed., Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>. Meal delivery will be available for church members unable to pick up in person. This event is in conjunction with the "Celebration of the Lakes" taking place Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>.

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

## **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. Ways you can give include:

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](http://www.chisagolakelutheran.org)

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

Pastor Steve – [pastor@chisagolakelutheran.org](mailto:pastor@chisagolakelutheran.org)

Bridget – [office@chisagolakelutheran.org](mailto:office@chisagolakelutheran.org)

Stacy – [youth.family@chisagolakelutheran.org](mailto:youth.family@chisagolakelutheran.org)

Stephanie – [finance@chisagolakelutheran.org](mailto:finance@chisagolakelutheran.org)

Julie – [music@chisagolakelutheran.org](mailto:music@chisagolakelutheran.org)

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

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

- Don Bungum, prayers for healing and recovery following hospitalization/illness.
- 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 improved health.
- 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:**

- **Sunday, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>** Annual Meeting In-person w/Brunch & on Zoom at 10 AM
- **Sunday, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>** Sunday School for 3 yrs to 5<sup>th</sup> grade at 10 AM
- **Monday, Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>** Quilting Group from 9 AM to 2 PM in the Undercroft
- **Monday, Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>** CLLC Book Club on Zoom at 7 PM
- **Tuesday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>** Staff Meeting at 3 PM
- **Wednesday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>** 6<sup>th</sup> Graders at Trinity Lutheran Lindstrom at 3 PM
- **Wednesday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>** 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation - Trinity Lutheran Lindstrom at 3 PM
- **Wednesday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>** Tree of Life Kids Chorus at 5 PM in the Sanctuary
- **Thursday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>** Men's Fellowship Group meets at 8 AM at Phil's Grill

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