



All Saints Sunday

November 7th, 2021
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,
whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure,
and whose love is endless.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.
Silence is kept for reflection.

God our comforter:

like lost sheep, we have gone astray.

We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.

We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.

We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.

Free us from our sin, gracious God.

Listen when we call out to you for help.

Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

“As Saints of Old”

#695 Vv. 1-3

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

O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF REMEMBRANCE

At this time, we invite those whose loved one died during the past year to come forward. A candle will be lit in memory of your loved one and a chime will play, as we remember.

We remember the great ancestors of our faith, from Abraham and Sarah, to Paul and Phoebe:

Ancestors of the faith, we remember you.

We remember the prophets and priests, the ministers and teachers who have taught us the way of God:

Teachers of the faith, we remember you.

We remember our grandparents and parents, aunts and uncles, those who have gone before us in our lifetime:

Family of our faith, we remember you.

We lift up the memories of children and grandchildren, brothers and sisters, husbands and wives and parents whose lives ended too soon:

Those close in our heart, we remember you.

We lift up to You, O God, the names of those we have lost in this past year from our lives, knowing that they are with your heart forever. As we read these names, we will pause after every name to remember, pray, and give thanks for their life.

(The names of those who have died within the congregation in the last year are read aloud, and a chime is played.)

Nelda Abrahamson
Duane Arnold
Lois Berglund
Violet Bloom
Lloyd Burch
Ellis Frans

Janet Froberg
Richard Gustafson
Richard Hoogheem
Delores Melquist
Larry Nelson
Betsy Nordby

Dewey Nyberg
Gerald Olson
Lorraine Russ
Sara Sontag Schmitt
Jonathan Sellman
Thomas Swenson

We celebrate the lives of those we have named, O God, and lift up many more names in our hearts.

Family of God, we remember you, and we honor you. We know you are with us in the spirit of worship, and you will not be forgotten.

We give thanks, O God, for all who have gone on to join with you beyond this life, and for those who live and breathe your faith among us. We trust in the hope of resurrection and the promise of new life in Christ, and know that in our grief and celebration, O God, you are with us through it all, and we are not left alone. In the name of Christ, in whom love lives forever, we pray. **Amen.**

HYMN

"Blest Are They"

#728 Vv. 1-3

FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

⁷And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;

⁸he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the LORD for whom we have waited;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Revelation 21:1-6a

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away."

⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new."

Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 6:20-31

²⁰Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹"Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²²Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴"But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵"Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

²⁷But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

RESPONSE:

The gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S WORD

Stacy Johnson

SERMON

Pastor Steve Cruys

HYMN OF THE DAY

"For All the Saints"

#422 Vv. 1,2,7

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

SPECIAL MUSIC DURING OFFERING *"Heroes"* in honor of Veterans Day on 11/11/21

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

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

#543 Vv. 1-3

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Please join us following the service for coffee and treats in the Fellowship Hall on the 2nd level of the building. All are welcome!

Please note for anyone receiving the weekly bulletin by regular US mail, the post office is currently taking longer to deliver mail so it may not arrive by Sunday morning. You can find the bulletin online on the church website under "Online Worship, Sunday Worship, Pentecost 2021" or in your weekly News & Events Email.

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. How lucky can you be?

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Coffee Servers: Anna & Mark Burch

Greeter: This could be you!

Online Video Operator: Brayden Bresnahan

Pianist/Organist: Julie Riemer

Reader: Deb Hall

Soloist: Barb Sparish

Usher: Jerry Vitalis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray & Play: *Serving God, Serving Others, Serving Our Country* – Area churches have joined together to bring you another Pray & Play Day! On Monday, November 8th from 9 AM to 2 PM at Trinity Lutheran-Lindstrom, we will learn about and from veterans, and how we serve others as people of faith. For 4 year olds thru 5th grade and the cost is just \$5 (includes craft materials & snack). Bring your own bag lunch. See Stacy for more information.

Chisago Lakes Area Community Thanksgiving Dinner – Thursday, Nov. 25

The annual Chisago Lakes Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be offered as a **Take-Out Only** meal. A traditional Thanksgiving Dinner of turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, stuffing, cranberries, fruit, and pie will be available **FREE** to anyone. Meals will be distributed curbside at Chisago Lake Lutheran Church. Pickup times will be determined at the time of reservation. For planning purposes, reservations are requested by Friday, November 19th. To make a reservation, please call the church office at 651-257-6300. Leave a message if after hours. If you would like to help support this event, pie (homemade or store bought) and monetary donations are welcome. Volunteer opportunities are also available, please contact Chris Lundberg at 612-810-6770 if you are interested in volunteering.

Last Call for Pew Cushion Covers! If you took any of the pew cushion covers home to launder, please return them to the church office at your earliest convenience. Thank you!

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

Exploratory Session for Voice Lessons began Wednesday, November 3rd at 5:45 PM in the Sanctuary with Barbara Yotter instructing. This is a great opportunity to enhance your vocal talent. For more info see Julie Riemer or email her at music@chisagolakelutheran.org.

Confirmation is Back! Confirmation is offered on Wednesdays after school for 7th & 8th graders at Trinity Lutheran Church. Please contact Stacy for more information and dates.

Thank You from Haley Sogard: To my church family, thank you so much for the wonderful gift of this scholarship. I am elated to say that this gift will go towards my education for a career in assisting and informing others, and doing so, making their life better. I hopefully will do even half as well as this church in that regard. Thank you so much again, Haley.

Is One of Your Spiritual Gifts Making People Feel Welcome? Please sign up to be a Greeter at one of our upcoming services or contact the church office to volunteer.

BAKE, CRAFT & DONATE - The 20th Annual CLLC Christmas Bazaar & Bake Sale is Saturday, December 4th from 9 am to 3 pm. Please contact the church office with any questions.

Follow the Star to the CLLC Bethlehem Bakery* at the Annual Church Bazaar
Start planning what you would like to bake. **Please bring your goodies in the pan (or baggie) to the church kitchen on Friday, December 3rd. We are packing the cookies, breads, fudge, etc. at 1:00 pm on Friday.** Contact Bev Sandgren at 651-239-5773 w/any questions or call her if you would like to help pack goodies.

Anonymous Santa – As you are doing your Christmas shopping, please consider picking up an extra gift or two for those less fortunate this Christmas. The Anonymous Santa Program helps families who cannot afford to purchase gifts for their children. The program offers an opportunity for parents to select gifts in a Holiday Store at the Main Street Church in North Branch. Only new, non-violent toys and gifts are distributed along with mittens and hats, Christian books & videos, board games, sports balls, and stocking stuffers. Children from ages newborn to 18 are eligible. Please drop off gifts in the designated Anonymous Santa box in the Narthex between Nov. 15th and December 13th.

Gather Bible Study – Fall 2021: The Gift of the Spirit Session 3 of 3
Tuesday, November 23 from 1:30-3:00 pm at CLLC If you have questions, contact Barbara Wikelius at bjwikelius@gmail.com or 651-257-5892

CLLC Book Club

The CLLC Book Club will meet on Zoom on Monday, November 29th at 7 pm. We will be reading *Braiding Sweetgrass* by Robin Wall Kimmerer. If you'd like to attend, please contact Bonnie Anderson, brinkanderson@gmail.com.

FFA Fruit Sales Chisago Lakes FFA is selling fruit for a fundraiser to raise money for the program. The money raised helps send students to state and national competitions, pay for transportation to other events, and offset the cost to send students to the FFA National Convention in Indianapolis. There are many options available in different packages of delicious apples, oranges, pears, and grapefruit. What makes this fruit special is the time it takes from being picked to arriving on your table. The fruit is grown in the US & immediately shipped from the farm so it lasts weeks longer than store bought fruit! If you would like to order fruit please contact Ethan Johnson by email to ethanaajohnson11@gmail.com, by phone/text to 651-328-3314, or place on your own using the order link. I'm happy to answer any questions or help you place an order. The last day to place an order is November 15th. Online order link: <https://www.myfruitsale.com/portal/customer/setstudent?code=EVVMQC>

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.

American Indian 101 - Thursday, Nov. 11 - 6:30-8:30 p.m. | Online

From the moment the first ship reached the shores of the Americas, the Church has been a force of colonization, causing pain and suffering for Indigenous peoples. One particular colonial endeavor that caused lasting trauma — from which Indigenous communities are still recovering — is Indian Boarding Schools. With the motto “Kill the Indian, and save the man,” (Capt. Richard H. Pratt, 1892) these schools were the federal government’s chosen method of forced assimilation. Most of these schools were run by the Church.

In 2016 the ELCA repudiated the doctrine of discovery, calling for the worshipping communities, synods and the denomination as whole “...to acknowledge and repent from this church’s complicity in the evils of colonialism in the Americas...”(CA16.02.04). As part of this work, the Saint Paul Area Synod's Advocates for Racial Equity (ARE) work group, in partnership with the Minneapolis Area Synod, is offering this American Indian 101 presentation and discussion.

Presenter Vance Blackfox, a Cherokee educator and Lutheran theologian, will provide an in-depth history lesson of the harms of these boarding schools, the role of the church in these schools and what steps we might take toward healing. Register here for the Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEvcOGvqD0sH93qxMOW_WRQPF_Fh3aHxcLL

The St. Paul Synod of the ELCA Seeking \$100,000 from Member Churches for New Mission Starts – The Church Council approved matching amounts up to \$500. If you would like to donate, please indicate your donation for the St. Paul Synod Missions. The fund raising appeal ends November 30, 2021. Funds will support the following projects:

- Good Samaritan Lutheran Church is an intentional outreach to the Hmong community on St. Paul’s East side
- Humble Walk is a “worshipping community of seekers” in St. Paul’s West 7th Street neighborhood
- Shobi’s Table is a food truck offering healthy food to St. Paul’s Eastside
- Cristo Rey seeks to connect the growing Latino population in New Brighton
- Foundation of Life (African National Ministry) is an outreach to the Anuak community in MN in partnership with the Presbyterian Church USA
- The Depot Church worships on Sunday evenings in Hugo in partnership with St. Andrews Lutheran Church in Mahtomedi

St. Paul Area Synod - News & Events Weekly Newsletter The Saint Paul Area Synod publishes its **News & Events** newsletter every Monday morning. The email includes synod activities as well as those of congregations and partner organizations. To subscribe, visit <https://spas-elca.org/our-synod/news-events/> and select the "General Interest" option. To submit news or an event, email communications@spas-elca.org.

ELCA Disability Ministries If you would like to learn more about the role of this ministry, please visit their website at: <https://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Congregations-and-Synods/Disability-Ministry>

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

- ELCA Disabilities Ministries, prayers of support for the staff/ministry as they strive to ensure all people have a place in the church and to expand on its' mission of inclusion.
- Harriet Ryberg, prayers for healing and comfort after her recent surgery.
- Betty Bourasa, prayers as she goes through testing for a recent illness.
- Gretchen Hanson, prayers for healing and comfort following a recent surgery.
- Judy Lindahl, prayers for comfort and peace as she is currently in hospice care.
- 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 from recent surgeries.

THIS WEEK AT CLLC:

- **Sunday, Nov. 7th** Sunday School today for 3 yrs. To 5th grade at 10 AM
- **Sunday, Nov. 7th** Narcotics Anonymous at 7 PM in the Fellowship Hall
- **Monday, Nov. 8th** Pray & Play from 9 AM to 2 PM at Trinity Lutheran
- **Monday, Nov. 8th** Quilting Group from 9 AM to 2 PM in the Undercroft
- **Tuesday, Nov. 9th** Property Committee at 6 PM
- **Tuesday, Nov. 9th** 3M Committee Meeting at 6 PM
- **Tuesday, Nov. 9th** Finance Committee Meeting at 7:30 PM
- **Wednesday, Nov. 10th** Confirmation at Trinity Lutheran at 3 PM
- **Wednesday, Nov. 10th** Tree of Life Kids Choir 5 to 5:45 PM in the Sanctuary
- **Thursday, Nov. 11th** Men's Fellowship Group meets at 8 AM at Phil's Grill
- **Thursday, Nov. 11th** Historical Committee Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Heritage Room

NEXT SUNDAY:

Sunday, Nov. 14th Minnesota Blue will be leading the music at Worship for us! This bluegrass band is renowned and a joy to listen to. Praise God for this opportunity!