



CHISAGO LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH



First Sunday of Christmas
December 29, 2024
9:00 am

*GROUNDING IN THE GOSPEL, GUIDED
BY THE SPIRIT, WE ARE A PEOPLE
AND PLACE OF GRACE!*

WELCOME!

Chisago Lake Lutheran Church Center City, MN ELCA

www.chisagolakelutheran.org

WELCOME TO CHISAGO LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH!

We are so glad you are here. At Chisago Lake Lutheran Church, we are “Grounded in the Gospel, Guided by the Spirit.” We are a people and a place of grace, where we welcome and invite all people to come as you are and be open to who God calls you to be.

- Children are wanted & welcome in worship. Activity bags/kits are available and a special children’s message is shared at each service.
- There are devices to assist those who are hearing impaired at the front entrance when you enter. Please see an usher for guidance as needed.
- We invite you to write your name and contact information on the blue connect card in the pew in front of you and/or sign our guest book in the entry. If you would like to be included on our email list, please add your email address. We would love to keep you informed of what’s happening around Chisago Lake Lutheran! The reverse side of the card has space for prayer requests as well. You can drop your card in the offering baskets or the Welcome desk in the entryway. Thank you!

Be Well! Be Loving! Be Courageous! Be the Church!

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PHONE- 651-257-6300 | OFFICE HOURS – Mon - Thurs, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

PRELUDE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND OPENING PRAYER

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”*

ELW #288

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We gather in the name of
the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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

Shine into our hearts the light of your wisdom, O God, and open our minds to the knowledge of your word, that in all things we may think and act according to your good will and may live continually in the light of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

KYRIE

ELW p. 147-148

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26, Pew Bible OT p.250

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:12-17, Pew Bible NT p.193

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

Stacy Johnson

THE GOSPEL

Luke 2:41-52, Pew Bible NT p.56

The Gospel according to St. Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

This is the Gospel – the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Richard Baumann

HYMN OF THE DAY *“Children of the Heavenly Father”* ELW #781

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

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.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN *“Create in Me a Clean Heart”* ELW Hymn #186

OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us: ourselves, our time, and our possessions – all signs of your gracious love. Receive them back for the sake of Him who gave himself for us: Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN *“Go Tell It on the Mountain”* ELW #290

POSTLUDE

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 AT 7PM CLLC WELCOMES
WARTBURG COLLEGE,**

**CASTLE SINGERS AND
KAMMERSTREICHER**

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Chisago Lake Lutheran Church is excited to welcome the highly acclaimed Wartburg College Castle singers and Kammerstreicher Chamber Orchestra for a free will concert on *Saturday, Feb. 8th at 7:00 pm* and again for special music for our *9:00 am worship service that Sunday, Feb. 9*, all coinciding with our "Grumpy Old Men" service as part of the annual Festival of the Lakes. Make plans now to join us for this amazing concert!

****We are in need of a number of families who would be willing to house two or more students overnight that Saturday.** If you would be willing to help with this need, please sign up on the clipboard that will be available during worship or in the office. Thanks! 😊

NEW MEMBER CLASSES! Our Chisago Lake Lutheran Family has been rapidly growing over the past year. If you are interested in becoming a more active and integral part of our family in faith, we invite you to join us for our next round of New Member classes (Three total) on **Sunday, January 5th, 12th, and 19th from 10:15-11:15 am** in the Green Room



Contact the Church Office at 651-257-6300 or at office @chisagolakelutheran.org if interested. Pastor Brian leads each of these informal, fun, and engaging classes! 😊 We will officially welcome new members at our service on *Sunday, January 26 at 9:00am*.

JOIN OUR "WORD ALIVE" MEN'S/WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY!



Want to go deeper (with God's Word, not snow)? Join Pastor Brian each Monday at Noon. We will meet in the Green Room each week as we take a sneak peek at the readings for the following Sunday. This Bible study is open to both men and women of all ages – those still working and those who are re-purposed (the Bible doesn't actually mention retirement ☺). Just bring your own Bible or use the Bible app on your phone – no experience or preparation necessary. Just show up, read the texts with those who are present, and enjoy the collective questions, insights, stories, and experiences of the group. We encourage those who work locally and can get away for an hour to join us. Bring your own lunch (or not). This is very informal, but we will start on time and end on time for those who are taking a working lunch. Whether you haven't even picked up a copy of "The Bible for Dummies" or you are a seminary educated Bible scholar, you'll find this is a great way to go deeper in God's Word, grow your engagement in the Bible, and gain a deeper appreciation and understanding for what is proclaimed on Sunday mornings. Mark your calendars now, invite your neighbors, friends and co-workers! We begin again on Monday, January 6 at Noon.

CALLING ALL YOUNG ADULTS! Chisago Lake has been blessed with significant growth over the past two years and we have a growing number of people who are 18-30 years old who are looking to connect with other young adults. Whether you're married or single, a student, or working, join us after worship on **Sunday, January 5 at Northwoods Roasterie in Lindstrom at 11:00am** for some coffee and conversation and to gauge interest and plan for future gatherings and activities. For more information, contact Pastor Brian at revdup@chisagolakelutheran.org.

JOIN OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN LEADERSHIP TEAM

Our beautiful church building has sheltered generations of worshippers and has fostered a strong sense of community. As we celebrated our 170th Anniversary earlier this year, we acknowledged that our cherished church requires ongoing updates to preserve its beauty and functionality, both inside and out. To ensure that our church continues to be a vibrant and welcoming space for future generations, we are launching a *Capital Campaign* to fund improvements. We are looking for individuals to join the Capital Campaign Leadership Team. As a member of the leadership team, you will help with the planning, coordination, and execution of this campaign. If you are interested in learning more or would like to get involved, please contact Chris Lundberg or Pastor Brian. Thank you for considering this meaningful opportunity!

Current Ways to Give to the Church 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 is secure, convenient, and assures your ability to give consistently to God's mission. www.chisagolakelutheran.org
3. Or use your phone to scan the QR Code which takes you directly to our church website and use Vanco to give a one-time gift or recurring payments.

THIS WEEK AT CHISAGO LAKE LUTHERAN

Sunday, December 29

- 9:00 am – Worship Service
- 10:00 am – Fellowship
- 7:00 pm - Narcotics Anonymous

Monday, December 30

- 4:00 pm - Community Meals at Zion Lutheran Church

Tuesday, December 31

- 7:00 pm - Al-Anon in the Undercroft

Wednesday, January 1

Thursday, January 2

- 8:00 am - Men's Breakfast, Swedish Inn

Friday, January 3

Saturday, January 4

Sunday, January 5

- 9:00 am – Worship Service
- 10:00 am – Fellowship
- 7:00 pm - Narcotics Anonymous

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Organist/Pianist: Myrna Westen

Acolytes: Anthony Weber

Reader: Kelsey Peterson

Ushers: Laura Loehlein, Dave Harms, Erica Paffel, and Jan Schneider

Altar Guild: Donna Grossmann

Media Technician: Brayden Bresnahan

Offering Assistants: Lori Sampson and Erica Paffel

Holiday Office Hours:

Week of December 30- Closed- NO Bible Study or Tuesday Worship

*You may leave a phone message or email if you have a need,
both will be checked periodically*

