



## **Seventh Sunday after Epiphany**

February 20<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 an Usher for guidance use if needed.

PRELUDE

“Hyfrydol”

arr. Payne

## 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

*“Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us”*

ELW Hymn #707

Vv. 1,2,3

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 Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 45:3-11,15

<sup>3</sup>Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

<sup>4</sup>Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. <sup>5</sup>And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. <sup>6</sup>For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. <sup>7</sup>God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. <sup>8</sup>So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. <sup>9</sup>Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. <sup>10</sup>You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. <sup>11</sup>I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’” <sup>15</sup>And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:35-38,42-50

<sup>35</sup>But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" <sup>36</sup>Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. <sup>37</sup>And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. <sup>38</sup>But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

<sup>42</sup>So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. <sup>43</sup>It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. <sup>44</sup>It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. <sup>45</sup>Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. <sup>46</sup>But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. <sup>47</sup>The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. <sup>48</sup>As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. <sup>49</sup>Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

<sup>50</sup>What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 6:27-38

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

<sup>32</sup>"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. <sup>33</sup>If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. <sup>34</sup>If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. <sup>35</sup>But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. <sup>36</sup>Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

<sup>37</sup>“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; <sup>38</sup>give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

**RESPONSE:**

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S WORD

Stacy Johnson

SERMON

Pastor Steve Cruys

HYMN OF THE DAY

*“Light Dawns on a Weary World”*

ELW Hymn #726

Vv. 1 - 3

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*

OFFERTORY

*“Antiphon”*

Kihlken

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

*"Build A Longer Table"*

See Below



1 Build a long - er ta - ble, not a high - er wall,  
 2 Build a saf - er ref - uge, not a larg - er jail;  
 3 Build a broad - er door - way, not a long - er fence.  
 4 When we lived as ex - iles, ref - u - gees a - broad,



feed - ing those who hun - ger, mak - ing room for all.  
 where the weak find shel - ter, mer - cy will not fail.  
 Love pro - tects all peo - ple, spar - ing no ex - pense.  
 Christ be - came our door - way to the reign of God.



Feast - ing to - geth - er, strang - er turns to friend,  
 For an - y place where jus - tice is de - nied,  
 When we em - brace com - pas - sion more than fear,  
 So must our ta - bles wel - come those who roam.



Christ breaks walls to piec - es; false di - vi - sions end.  
 Christ will breach the jail wall, free - ing all in - side.  
 Christ tears down our fenc - es: all are wel - come here.  
 None can be ex - clud - ed; all must find a home.

Text: David Bjorlin, b. 1984

Music: NOËL NOUVELET, French carol

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## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*"Praise the Lord of Lords"*

Williams

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

Coffee Server: Jan Schneider  
Greeters: Jamie Carlson and Mike Carlson  
Online Video Operator: Brayden Bresnahan  
Pianist/Organist: Julie Lauritzen  
Reader: Butch Johnson  
Ushers: Jamie Carlson and Mike Carlson

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 2022 Church Council Members & Contact Information

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**Thank You** to everyone who made our Lasagna to go dinner so successful. With all the wonderful donations of bars, breadsticks, hamburger and a Thrivent grant, our expenses were only \$55! We brought in \$1250 in donations, and had a **wonderful crew of workers.** And a huge thank you **Sue Abrahamson**, who spent a bunch of extra hours shopping, prepping and cooking!!

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**Pray & Play is tomorrow Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto:youth.family@chisagolakelutheran.org).

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**Walk In-** Imposition of ashes will be offered at Chisago Lake Lutheran Church Sanctuary on Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Stop by between noon and 1. There **will be** an Ash Wednesday Worship Service beginning at 6:00 pm. in the Sanctuary or online March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022.

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**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!

**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.

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**JOIN US!! Help re-stock the food shelves by donating to Family Pathway's March FoodShare Food & Fund Drive** This March, we join Family Pathways' food shelves, faith communities, businesses, and organizations across Minnesota in acting to end hunger and food insecurity. Please bring nonperishable items for our local Family Pathways foodshelf and/or monetary donations throughout March. Your \$1 donation will give Family Pathways buying power of \$7 worth of groceries.

**Items needed are:** canned meats, hearty soups, peanut butter, personal hygiene and household cleaning products, canned fruit, canned vegetables, bags of potatoes, carrots or onions, whole grain pasta, rice, baking and cooking items, vegetable oil, flour, sugar, spices.

**You can drop off your items in the narthex collection box. Thank you.**

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**Gather Bible Study – for women of all ages!**

"*The Kingdom of God*", written by the Rev. Dr. Mark Allan Powell, explores Jesus' references to "the kingdom of God (or heaven)." This month we will consider "kingdom parables."

Ways to participate:

- 1) Via Zoom on Tuesday, February 22nd from 1:30-3:00 pm. Contact Bonnie Anderson at [brinkanderson@gmail.com](mailto:brinkanderson@gmail.com) for the link.
- 2) In person. Please Contact Nancy Schoon at 651-303-9648.
- 3) On your own. Contact Barb Wikelius at [bjwikelius@gmail.com](mailto:bjwikelius@gmail.com) regarding *Gather Magazine*.

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**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.

We will meet on **Thursday, March 10 at 7 pm via Zoom**. We are reading *Dakota* by Kathleen Norris. We will discuss the book and continue to work on a land acknowledgement statement, and the Treaty of 1837. Contact Bonnie Anderson, [brinkanderson@gmail.com](mailto:brinkanderson@gmail.com) for the Zoom link.

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

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

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

- Don Bungum, prayers for healing and recovery following hospitalization/illness.
  - Harriet Ryberg, prayers for healing and comfort after surgery.
  - Gretchen Hanson, prayers for healing and comfort following surgery.
  - 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.
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## THIS WEEK AT CLLC:

- **Sunday, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>** Sunday School for 3 yrs to 5<sup>th</sup> grade at 10 AM
- **Monday, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>** Pray & Play from 9 AM to 2 PM at CLLC
- **Monday, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>** Quilting Group from 9 AM to 2 PM in the Undercroft
- **Tuesday, Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>** Gather Bible Study from 1:30 to 3 PM on Zoom
- **Wednesday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>** Tree of Life Kids Chorus at 5 PM in the Sanctuary
- **Wednesday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>** 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> gr. Confirmation at Trinity
- **Thursday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>** Men's Fellowship Group meets at 8 AM at Phil's Grill