



Second Sunday of Easter

April 24th, 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

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

“With High Delight Let Us Unite”

ELW Hymn #368

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 of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit’s breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Acts 5:27-32

²⁷When they had brought [the apostles,] they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, “We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man’s blood on us.” ²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON

Revelation 1:4-8

⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a

kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

RESPONSE:

The Gospel of our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S WORD

Stacy Johnson

SERMON

Pastor Steve Cruys

HYMN OF THE DAY

"The Risen Christ"

ELW Hymn #390

BAPTISMS OF William Steven Wariakois and
Leelan Joseph Wariakois

ELW Pages 227-231

BAPTISM SONG

"Borning Cry"

ELW Hymn #732

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

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

*Communion Distribution – Come forward as instructed.
Please discard the cups as you leave the sanctuary.*

COMMUNION MUSIC

*“We Walk by Faith”
“Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises”*

ELW Hymn #635
ELW Hymn #535

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

“Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen”

ELW Hymn #548

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Substitute Organist: Carsten Slostad

Reader: Katie Schmidt

Acolyte: Cooper Kedrowski and Connor Bresnahan

Coffee Server: Joan Grossmann and Shirley Carlson

Greeters: Jamie Carlson

Online Video Operator: Brayden Bresnahan

Ushers: (Captain is Mark Burch), Anna Burch, Mark Wolcott, Rich Whitman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

With joy the Chisago Lake Lutheran congregation extends congratulations to the baptismal candidates today, Leelan Joseph Wariakois and William Steven Wariakois, sons Eric Wariakois and Tabitha Frogner. As we celebrate this important milestone in their lives, we ask the congregation to keep both of them and their family in your daily prayers as they begin their faith journeys. Welcome Leelan & William!

Gather Bible Study

This month is the final lesson in the series The Kingdom of God, by the Rev. Dr. Mark Allan Powell. We will be looking into the future – “Living forever with God.”

- We will meet in person on **Tuesday, April 26th from 1:30-3:00 in the church Green Room.**
 - To join in by Zoom, contact Bonnie Anderson at brinkanderson@gmail.com for the link.
 - For information about *Gather* Magazine, contact Barb Wikelius at bjwikelius@gmail.com. New subscribers can receive their first year as a free gift from our WELCA unit.
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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.

CLLC Book Group will meet on **Thursday, April 28 at 7 p.m. on zoom.** Contact Bonnie Anderson (brinkanderson@gmail.com) if you’d like to attend. We will look at the Treaty of 1837 and on the land acknowledgment. We will conclude our discussion on Dakota by Kathleen Norris.

Congregational Meeting is scheduled for **May 15** after the church service in the Fellowship Hall 10:15 am. To update you on the Call Committee and process. Bring your questions or concerns. See you there!

Community Meals: Watch for future info on the beginning of the Community Meals date. Was previously scheduled to begin May 2nd but being rescheduled. Stay tuned. Community meals will be served at **Zion Lutheran Church in Chisago City**. All are welcome!

Check out the paper lined walls in the fellowship hall!

Please use this project as a Historical timeline of Chisago Lake Lutheran Church. We would like you to add your many memories of Chisago Lake, milestones that happened here throughout the many years and significant events that you were a part of or remember at Chisago Lake. This Historical timeline will be used by the Call Committee as they move forward in search of a Pastor for Chisago Lake Lutheran Church. Thank you.

CLLC 168th Church Anniversary will be recognized on Sunday, May 15th. The church service will have familiar Swedish Hymns. After the service, come enjoy cookies and Swedish Egg Coffee in the Fellowship Hall served by the CLLC Historical Committee. The Heritage Room will also be open. Come and enjoy your church history.

The Heritage Room is open on May 8 after the church service. The Heritage Room is located on floor 2 near the wall mailboxes. Come and enjoy your church history.

Easter Banners in the Sanctuary – A special thank you to Linnea Frans for the beautiful new Easter banners in honor of her husband Ellis Frans.

Amazon Smile: Are you an amazon shopper? AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at **no** cost to you. When you shop with AmazonSmile, they will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. Chisago Lake Lutheran Church is one of those choices. A great way to support your church even as you shop. Check it out!

Appliance and Recycling Day at CLLC

May 7th from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the lower parking lot.

Bring your old computers, TV's, monitors, refrigerators, tires, stereos, DVD's, scanners, couches, chairs, and printers to the **church lower parking lot**. For a fee, AAA Recycling will take your items for you. This is open to all residents. Price sheets are available in the church office or you can call the church office with any questions. 257-6300

New Member Class: If you would like to become a member of CLLC, we are resuming our New Member Class on Sunday, May 22 at 10:15 am in the Green Room on the second level. Please call the church office at 651-257-6300 to include yourself as an attendee.

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

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

Pastor Steve – pastor@chisagolakelutheran.org

Louise – office@chisagolakelutheran.org

Stacy – youth.family@chisagolakelutheran.org

Stephanie – finance@chisagolakelutheran.org

Music – music@chisagolakelutheran.org

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

THIS WEEK AT CLLC:

- **Sunday, April 24th, Worship at 9am then** Sunday School at 10 AM,
- **Tuesday, April 26th**, Gather Bible Study, "The Kingdom of God" at 1:30 – 3:00 pm in the Green Room
- **Wednesday, April 27th**, 6th Graders at Trinity Lutheran Lindstrom at 3 PM
- **Wednesday, April 27th**, 7th/8th Grade Conf. - Trinity Lutheran Lindstrom at 3 PM
- **Wednesday, April 27th**, Tree of Life Kids Chorus at 5 PM in the Sanctuary
- **Thursday, April 28th**, Men's Fellowship Group meets at 8 AM at Phil's Grill
- **Thursday, April 28th**, Book Club on Zoom at 7:00 pm. Contact Bonnie Anderson
- **Sunday, May 1st Worship at 9am with Confirmation recognition**

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

- Please keep the Brian H. Olson family in your prayers. The funeral for Brian was here on Friday, April 22nd.
- Edwin Hoffart, grandfather of Alyssa & Chad Hollister on his passing.
- Delores Allen, prayers for healing from Covid-19. She is feeling better after hospital visits and an infusion.
- Harriet Ryberg, prayers for healing and comfort
- Gretchen Hanson, prayers for healing and comfort
- 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 surgeries.
- Dennis Gustafson, for healing after cataracts surgery.
- Austin Swing, for healing after ATV accident.

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.