

Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 3rd, 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, \pm 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:

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

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

ELW Hymn #324 Vv. 1,2, & 4

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

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through 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 Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶Thus says the LORD,

who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters,

a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷who brings out chariot and horse,

army and warrior;

they lie down, they cannot rise,

they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

¹⁸Do not remember the former things,

or consider the things of old.

¹⁹I am about to do a new thing;

now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness

and rivers in the desert.

²⁰The wild animals will honor me,

the jackals and the ostriches;

for I give water in the wilderness,

rivers in the desert,

to give drink to my chosen people,

²¹the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON Philippians 3:4b-14

[Paul writes:] ^{4b}If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL John 12:1-8

¹Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵"Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ¹Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁵You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

RESPONSE:

The Gospel of our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S WORD Stacy Johnson

SERMON Pastor Steve Cruys

HYMN OF THE DAY "Holy God, Holy and Glorious" ELW Hymn #637

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

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, \oplus bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

"Christ, the Life of All the Living"

ELW Hymn #339

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Substitute Organist: Carsten Slostad

Reader: Jerry Vitalis

Acolytes: Connor Bresnahan and Addison Griffin Coffee Server: Susan Clawson and Carol Christensen

Greeters: Jamie Carlson and Mike Carlson

Online Video Operator: Brayden Bresnahan and Ian Lexvold

Ushers: Jamie Carlson and Mike Carlson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We offer our deepest sympathies and prayers of peace and comfort to Don Bungum and his family in the passing of Don's wife, Joan. Joan passed away on Friday, March 25th. Joan's funeral service is being planned for Saturday, April 9th at Lakes Free Church in Lindstrom. Visitation is from 1-3pm with funeral services beginning at 3:00 pm.

Holy Week

Palm Sunday, April 10th, at 9:00 am, Palm Sunday breakfast to follow in the fellowship hall. Served by the youth

Maundy Thursday, April 14th, at 6:30 pm. Celebrating first communicants.

Good Friday, April 15th, at 6:30 pm,

Easter Sunday, April 17th, at 9:00 am with rolls and coffee served by Christian Education.

Call Committee Nominations form: If there is a church member that you think would be a good candidate for the 2022 Call Committee as we begin our search for our new Pastor, please fill out the nomination form located on the sanctuary entry desk or church office and return to the church office by Tuesday, April 19th. **Office is closed Monday for Easter Monday holiday**. Thank you.

SPRING FLOWER FUNDRAISER:

- ORDERS DUE TODAY
- Flowers will be delivered to CLLC and ready for you to pick up on Thursday, May 5th from 3:00 pm 5:00 pm. Call Stacy if you need to pick up at a different time.

Easter Flowers Available An Easter Garden is being planned for our sanctuary. Listed below are the plants that will be used.

Memorial envelopes are available in the church office or Sanctuary entry table on Sundays. Please mark the envelope clearly so we will know if you plan to pick up the flowers or leave them for distribution. You may contact the church office or Judy Nelson at 257-1788 if you have any questions. Plants may be taken on Tuesday, April 18th. The envelope can be left at the church office or put in the offering plate. Thank you.

Easter Lilies \$12.00 Azaleas \$20.00

Mums \$14.00 Asiatic Lilies \$14.00

<u>Community Meals:</u> Community Meals Committee is holding their first meeting at Zion Lutheran Church in Chisago City and are inviting anyone to attend that would like to help in planning the first Community Meal on Monday, May 2nd. The meeting is on **Tuesday, April 5th at 6:30 pm at Zion.** All are welcome!

Quilt Sale On Sunday, April 10th the quilting group will be selling some of the quilts they made for \$40 ea. to help purchase needed batting and supplies to complete the over 300 quilts they make each year. You may view the quilts in the fellowship hall and pick our your favorite one. Help support our quilters! Thank you!

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!

<u>1st Communion final class</u> While all ages are welcome to participate, our lessons are geared to 2nd – 5th grades.

Today, April 3rd at 11 am -12:30 pm. We will then celebrate and commune our participants on Thursday. April 14th at **6:30 pm during the Maundy Thursday Worship Service**

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:

- 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

THIS WEEK AT CLLC:

- Sunday, April 3rd, Worship at 9am then Sunday School for 3 yrs to 5th grade at 10 AM,
 Welcome to the Table- 1st Communion class, 11:00 am 12:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall
- Monday, April 4th, Quilting Group from 9 AM to 2 PM in the Undercroft
- Wednesday, April 6th, 6th Graders at Trinity Lutheran Lindstrom at 3 PM
- Wednesday, April 6th, 7th/8th Grade Conf. Trinity Lutheran Lindstrom at 3 PM
- Wednesday, April 6th, Tree of Life Kids Chorus at 5 PM in the Sanctuary
- Thursday, April 7th, Men's Fellowship Group meets at 8 AM at Phil's Grill
- Sunday, April 10th, Worship at 9:00 am, Palm Sunday Breakfast 8-11am,

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

- We pray for peace and comfort to Don Bungum and his family on the recent passing of his wife Joan on Friday, March 25th.
- 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 surgeries.
- Dennis Gustafson, for healing in recent cataracts surgery.

If there is someone who is ill, recovering from an illness or surgery and in need of prayers or would like a Pastoral call, please call the church office so we can add them to our prayer concern list or have the Pastor call them. Thank you.

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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.

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