



## **Ascension of our Lord**

**May 29<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

## 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

*"A Hymn of Glory, Let Us Sing!"*

ELW Hymn #393

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

Almighty God, your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Acts 1:1-11

[Luke writes:] <sup>1</sup>In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning <sup>2</sup>until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup>While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; <sup>5</sup>for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

<sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup>He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 1:15-23

<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 24:44-53.

<sup>44</sup>[Jesus said to the eleven and those with them,] “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”<sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

<sup>50</sup>Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. <sup>51</sup>While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. <sup>52</sup>And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; <sup>53</sup>and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

### **RESPONSE:**

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S WORD

Stacy Johnson

SERMON

Pastor Steve Cruys

HYMN OF THE DAY

*"Spirit of Gentleness"*

ELW Hymn #396

APOSTLES' 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.**

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

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

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Let us pray.

Praise and thanks to you, holy God for by your word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your word of life, O God,

**We give you thanks and praise.**

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your word of life, O God,

**We give you thanks and praise**

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

**we give you thanks and praise.**

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

**Amen.**

#### 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.**

#### 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

*“O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”*

ELW Hymn #888

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Organist: Carsten Slostad

Reader: Connor Bresnahan

Acolytes: Connor Bresnahan and Cooper Kedrowski

Altar Guild: Judy Nelson and Lisa Sontag

Coffee Server: Marlee Eret

Greeters: Jamie Carlson and Mike Carlson

Online Video Operator: Brayden Bresnahan

Ushers: Jerry Vitalis, Dave Harms, Erica Paffel, Dave Carlson

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Welcome to your 2022 CLLC Call Committee: Let us keep them in our prayers when they begin the search for a new Pastor for Chisago Lake Lutheran Church**

Sue Abrahamson

Janie Briggs

Marc Brottem

Mark Burch

Ange Campbell

Alyssa Hollister

Dave Reed

Katie Schmidt

Terry Sellman

Lee Turner

Alt. – Lori Sampson

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**Communion:** Holy Communion will now be served the **1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays only** of every month.

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**1. Memorial Day worship service will be held in the lower cemetery on TODAY, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 am following the 9:00 am worship in the church. No service on Monday the 30<sup>th</sup>. It will also be live streamed on Facebook from the cemetery. Then posted that day on the church website for later viewing.**

2. Join us to Honor and Remember those who have died that served in our military. All are welcome to attend.

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### **SCHOLARSHIP TIME! Chisago Lake Lutheran Church Scholarship Fund**

Applications are available for ANY church member planning to attend a Christian college, seminary, public college, university, or vocational institute in the Fall of 2022. You can stop by the church office to pick up an application or email Louise at

[office@chisagolakelutheran.org](mailto:office@chisagolakelutheran.org) and an application will be sent to you by mail or email.

**Mail your completed application to the church office by June 17th.**

## **2022 VBS: Vacation Bible School at Chisago Lakes Lutheran!**

**Monday, June 27th – Thursday, June 30th 9 am – 12 pm** for 4 year old (and toilet trained) through 6th grade in the fall of 2022. Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon activities for Kids WHO WILL BE ENTERING 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2022: 9am – 3pm

Registration forms due June 19th. Sign up online

at: <http://www.chisagolakelutheran.org> or <https://forms.gle/7cAeKn9XF4bHgkcUA>

Registration: **\$30, if signed up by June 19th**, \$45 after June 19th

Volunteers are needed!! Please talk to Stacy if you'd like to help.

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**The Rummage Sale is Back during Center City Days: July 28th-29th.** Start cleaning out your closets! Donations can be dropped off in the small classroom in the undercroft (underneath the sanctuary) - first classroom down the hall to the right. **Donations will be accepted through Wednesday at noon on July 27th. We cannot accept: Soiled or broken items, electronics, mattresses/box springs or large furniture (anything that takes more than one person to carry).** Thank you for your donation.

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## **The Chisago Lakes Community Meal is beginning again at Zion Lutheran Church, Chisago City, on Monday, June 6, at 4-6 pm.**

Chisago Lake Lutheran is a sponsoring church. The first meal will be served by our local clergy and our congregations. We will need 4 volunteers and 4-5 desserts. A dessert is 3 dozen cookies or a pan of bars. Can you help with a dessert or volunteering the first evening? Contact Bonnie Anderson if you can help. [brinkanderson@gmail.com](mailto:brinkanderson@gmail.com) or 651-257-2467.

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## **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'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.)

- Linnae Frans, had knee replacement surgery. All went well. Pray for healing and comfort.
- Tim Hawkinson, son of Ellen Hawkinson, that the road blocks be removed so he can get the proper care he needs for healing after his August stroke.
- Janet Fischer, mom of Lori Sampson, healing and recovery from a recent brain bleed.
- Terry Nordheim, Pastor at Trinity Lutheran in Lindstrom, healing and recovery for recent surgery and health concerns.
- Louise's mom, Blanche - peace and relief from severe knee pain, confusion and direction in transitioning to nursing home permanent care.
- 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.

**THIS WEEK AT CLLC:**

- **Sunday, May 29th, Worship**
- **Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, Memorial worship service for Memorial Day, 11:15 am in the Lower Cemetery**
- **Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> – BUILDING CLOSED**
- **Thursday, June 2nd , Men's breakfast at Phil's Grill at 8:00 am**
- **Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, Worship at 9:00 am**

**Attendance for 5/22/22: 88**

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*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.*