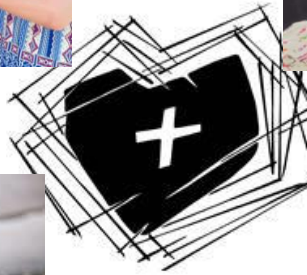




# CHISAGO LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH



15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
September 1, 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

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[www.chisagolakelutheran.org](http://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 and 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 practice open communion at Chisago Lake Lutheran Church. We believe God’s love, mercy, and grace extends to all people offering new life and new beginnings. We join with the Psalmist in Psalm 34:8 inviting you to “Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who put their trust in him.”  
*For your convenience, gluten-free wafers are available by request, and a non-alcoholic juice option is always available in the light-colored center cups for those who prefer.*
- We invite you to write your name and contact information on the blue or yellow 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! You can drop your card in the offering baskets or at the Welcome table in the entryway. Thank you!

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

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## PRELUDE

## WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND OPENING PRAYER

## OPENING HYMN

*“Earth & All Stars!”*

ELW #731 vs. 1, 3-5

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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

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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## READING

James 1:17-27, Pew Bible NT p.219

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Stacy Johnson

## THE GOSPEL

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23, Pew Bible NT p.39

The Gospel according to St. Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

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

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

*"Is God in Your Pocket or Your Heart?"*

Pastor Brian

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*"O Beautiful For Spacious Skies"*

ELW #888

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

## OFFERING

### 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

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### 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 – Please come forward as instructed or alert the ushers if you would like the elements brought to you.*

### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*“Now We Join in Celebration”  
“I Am the Bread of Life”*

ELW #462  
ELW #485

### 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 AND BENEDICTION

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace, love and serve the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

**Attendance: August 25 = 599; Sanct – 78, Facebook – 437, You Tube – 71, Tue – 13**

**PRAYER CONCERNS** – Please contact the office with any requests or updates.

- Please keep the family of Kirk Sampson in prayer for Strength and Comfort as they grieve Kirk and as the family prepares his Service. Our God knows them by name: Kirk, wife Nicole, children Carter and Callie, Sister- Kori, Parents Ron & Gayle and balance of family and friends.
- Thank you everybody for the prayers for my grandson, Chase. He is doing wonderful! He even raced his quarter midget car on Sunday (8-18). He will definitely be ready for school. The power of prayers do work!  
Linda Lindgren
- Please pray for Bonnie Anderson as she goes through treatment for breast cancer. Prayers for strength and healing.
- Continued prayers for Dale Williams as he goes through Chemo treatments.

**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](http://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.



## THANK YOU



*This is the third time I have written this Thank You in an attempt to adequately thank everyone involved in the Relay for Life Event. Thanks to all the teams along with everyone who helped prepare, set up, and cleanup afterwards. Thank you also to those who were part of the program, the vendors and silent auction contributors. To thank everyone would take up most of this bulletin! I know it sounds trite, but on behalf of our team all we can say is Thank You Everyone! ~Jerry*

*Friends,*

*I want to thank you and Pastor Brian for your prayers and concerns for Connie. She was in the hospital for 6 days with a ruptured appendix and complications. She is home now, still tired and sore but recovering. ~Thanks again, Jerry Vitalis*

I would like to thank the Gladys L. Johnson Scholarship committee and the Chisago Lakes Scholarship committee for awarding me two generous funds. These scholarships help me greatly as I continue to pursue my degree in Kinesiology at Montana State University. Thank you for our support! ~Best, Lauryl Lundberg

## IN THE COMMUNITY



### **NEEDED: MONDAY, SEPT. 2!!**

Bars or Cookies for the Monday Community Meal! They can be dropped off at Zion Lutheran in Chisago City by 3:30pm. Thank you!

### **ANNUAL FUNDRAISER PICNIC 4P-6PM SEPTEMBER 9<sup>th</sup> for the Chisago Lake Community Meal.**

*Many of you here have participated in the Community Meal held every Monday at Zion Lutheran Church as volunteers and guests. Here is a way for you to continue support this program!* Join in the picnic for some fun and a free meal! You can also volunteer to help in one of the areas of need including; creating and setting up an informational display area, supplying and managing the beverages, helping with tables/food carriers/runners (great for tweens & teens!), and clean-up crew! There are signups on the clipboard in the Sanctuary. Thank You!!

### **UNEXPECTED COMPANY CHORALE – Wanted: People who love to sing!**

Coming Events - UCC Rehearsals: Unexpected Company Chorale is excited to begin our 40th Anniversary Season! Rehearsals start on **Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7PM** (arrive at 6:15 to register and collect music). We rehearse each Monday at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lindstrom, 13025 Newell Avenue. Our winter concert, Swedish Holidays, will be performed on December 6th and 8th. Check out our website at [www.ucchorale.org/become-a-member](http://www.ucchorale.org/become-a-member)

**Preview the 2024-25 Gather Magazine Bible Study: Saturday, September 21, 2024 8:30 am through lunch @ St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 2499 N Helen St, North St. Paul.** The Saint Paul Area Synodical Women's Organization is having its annual preview of the Gather Magazine Bible Study. Come gain enrichment and insight into the Bible Studies. The fall Bible study is "**Receiving Grace: A Study of Ephesians**" by Rev. Heidi Haverkamp: ~Sept: "*Is Grace Real*" ~ Oct: "*Grace Filled Lives*" ~ Nov: "*Living as Children of the Light*" December is a devotional by Hannah Hawkinson: "*In God's Garden*". The January – April Bible Study will be announced shortly.

**Register online or via mail by September 18, 2024** using the QR or look for the registration in the office, Welcome table, or Bulletin board.



## THIS WEEK AT CHISAGO LAKE LUTHERAN:

### **Sunday, September 1**

- 9:00 am – Worship
- 10:00 am – Fellowship
- 10:15 am – New Member Class

### **Monday, September 2 – Happy Labor Day! Office is closed.**

- 4:00 pm - Community Meal at Zion Lutheran

### **Tuesday, September 3**

- 6:00 pm – Take 2 Worship
- 7:00 pm - Al-Anon in the Undercroft

### **Wednesday, September 4**

- 6:00 pm – Confirmation Orientation Meeting

### **Thursday, September 5**

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

### **Friday, September 6**

### **Saturday, September 7**

### **Sunday, September 8**

- 9:00 am – Worship with Communion
- 10:00 am – Fellowship
- 10:15 am – **Rally Sunday**
- 10:15 am – Alpha in the Green Room
- 1:00 – 3:00 pm – **God's Work. Our Hands.**
- 7:00 pm - Narcotics Anonymous

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:

Accompanist: Myrna Westen

Reader: Rich Whitman

Altar Guild: Donna Grossmann and Jennifer Peterson

Coffee Servers:

Sound and Video Technician: Brayden Bresnahan

Ushers: Terry & Jackie Sellman and Todd & Maryann Rivard

Communion and Offering Assistants: Jamie Carlson, Chris Lundberg, and Chris Knight