



CHISAGO LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH



**God's work.
Our hands.**



16th Sunday after Pentecost
September 8, 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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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/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 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 the Welcome desk in the entryway. Thank you!

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

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WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND OPENING PRAYER

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Skip and Connie Atchinson
Janet Bergstrom
Jake & Jennell Flodquist and
Jillian and Jacovy

Lavonne Lucivansky
Miranda Oliver
Aaron & Jackie Otte and
Evertt and Adelia

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OPENING HYMN

“For The Beauty of the Earth”

ELW #879 vv. 1-4

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.**

KYRIE

ELW p. 147-148

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW p.148-149

Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father,

**Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of the God and Father. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 35:4-7, Pew Bible OT p.678

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

James 2:1-17, Pew Bible NT p.219

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

BLESSING FOR STUDENTS & EDUCATOR

BAPTISM Timothy Howard Sargeant ELW p.227-231

BAPTISM HYMN *"Borning Cry"* ELW #732

ALLELUIA ELW p.151

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

THE GOSPEL Mark 7:31-37, Pew Bible NT p.40

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 *"Walking & Talking... At the Same Time!"* Pastor Brian

HYMN OF THE DAY *"We Are Called!"* ELW #720

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

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.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SONG *"Create in Me a Clean Heart"* Hymn #186

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us: ourselves, our time, and our possessions – all signs of your gracious love. Receive them back for the sake of Him who gave himself for us: Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve" ELW #551

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POSTLUDE

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

- Judy Nelson who is having knee replacement surgery on Tuesday.
- Please keep the family and friends of Kirk Sampson in prayer as they grieve his passing.
- Bonnie Anderson as she goes through chemo treatment for breast cancer.
- 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
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.



Attendance: September 1 = 400; Sanct – 81, Facebook – 239, YouTube – 63, Tue –17

With Joy the Chisago Lake Lutheran family extends congratulations to the baptismal candidate today, *Timothy Howard Sargeant*, son to Jeffrey and Laura Sargeant. As we celebrate this important milestone in Timothy's life, we ask the congregation to keep him and his family in your daily prayers as Timothy begins his faith journey. Welcome Timothy!

Chisago Lake Lutheran Family Fireside Fellowship at The Parsonage, Thursday, September 5, 2024 Join Pastor Brian at the Parsonage (14390 310th Street, Center City - Big white house by Hillside Cemetery) any time between 7– 9:30 p.m. for relaxed conversation, s'mores, games, and fun around the fire pit. Pastor Brian will have lemonade, s'mores, and snacks, along with some games like corn hole, badminton and frisbee available. Bring any snacks/food you wish to share along with your own lawn chair. All are welcome!

NEIGHBORHOOD MINISTRY BAGS AVAILABLE! Do you have a neighbor, co-worker, or friend who is new to the area and want to welcome them with a CLLC gift bag? These bags are now available. Pick one up at the office, consider adding your own freshly baked cookies, brownies, etc. and share as a gift of welcome to the area. Each bag contains welcome information from our Church as well as items from the Chamber and local businesses. Strike up a friendship and share the love of

BOUNTIFUL HARVEST? Did you have a big garden this year?



We've had so much rain, even the smallest of gardens have prospered. If you have so much corn it's coming out of your *ears*, or since its *bean* such a great growing season, you might ask yourself "It *beets* me what to do with all these vegetables". *Lettuce* help you! Each week, through the fall, you're invited to bring God's bountiful harvest to share with others. A table in the Narthex will be designated for your gifts. Any vegetables leftover will be taken to the local food shelf to share with others. You can almost hear the recipients of your generosity saying "*I love you from my head tomatoes.*"

UNEXPECTED COMPANY CHORALE: **Wanted! Anyone who loves to sing!** UCC is excited to begin our 40th Anniversary Season! Rehearsals start on **Monday, September 9th at 7PM** (arrive at 6:15 to register and collect music). We rehearse each Monday at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lindstrom. Our winter concert, *Swedish Holidays*, will be performed on December 6th and 8th. Check out our website at www.ucchorale.org/become-a-member

IT'S TIME FOR OUR SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON! The River Valley Christian Women's Connection cordially invites you **Monday, Sept 16 at 11:30 am** to Alliance Church of the Valley in St. Croix Falls. Come for our delicious lunch, enjoy a good program, and meet a new friend. Cost **\$15 for lunch and program**. ALL RESERVATIONS AND CANCELLATIONS are required, call Sharon at 612-718-8546 **by Wednesday, Sept. 11**. All late cancelations or no shows will be required to pay. Our Special Feature is by Peter Wilson Handyman Services in WI & MN. Music will be presented by Tawny Christenson. Arlene Gabrielson will be our Inspirational Speaker with her message titled: "What's in a Name".

THANK YOUS

I am truly grateful to have received the Chisago Lake Lutheran Scholarship and would like to express my gratitude towards CLLC as you help me further my education at the University of Wisconsin River Falls. Thank you. ~ Katie Schmidt

*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*

THIS WEEK AT CHISAGO LAKE LUTHERAN:

- **Sunday, September 8**
 - 9:00 am – Worship with Communion
 - 10:00 am – Fellowship
 - 10:15 am – **Rally Sunday/Alpha** in the Green Room
 - 1:00 – 3:00 pm – **God's Work. Our Hands.**
 - 7:00 pm - Narcotics Anonymous
- **Monday, September 9**
 - Noon – Bible Study – Green Room
 - 4:00 pm – **Annual Community Meals Picnic at Zion Lutheran Church**
- **Tuesday, September 10**
 - 6:00 pm – Take 2 Worship
 - 6:30 pm – All Committee Night
 - 7:00 pm - Al-Anon in the Undercroft
- **Wednesday, September 11**
 - 6:00 pm – Confirmation/6th Grade Classes
- **Thursday, September 12**
 - 8:00 am - Men's Breakfast, Swedish Inn
 - 7:00 pm – Fireside at the Parsonage
- **Saturday, September 14**
 - 10:00 am – Visitation
 - 11:00 am – Funeral: Sandra Woodbury
- **Sunday, September 15**
 - 9:00 am – Worship Service with Communion
 - 10:00 am – Fellowship
 - 10:15 am – Sunday School/Alpha Course
 - 7:00 pm - Narcotics Anonymous

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Accompanist: Myrna Westen

Altar Guild: Donna Grossmann and Jennifer Peterson

Acolyte: Dylan Lindahl and Katie Zbylut

Coffee Servers:

Reader: Mark Wikelius

Sound and Video Technician: Brayden Bresnahan

Ushers: Mark Wikelius, Steve & Donna Grossmann, and Debbie Hall

Offering Assistants: Steve Grossmann and Erica Paffel