

# ***Christ The King Evangelical Lutheran Church***

*“To know... To teach... To share Christ”*

**Pastor Alan W. Gumm**

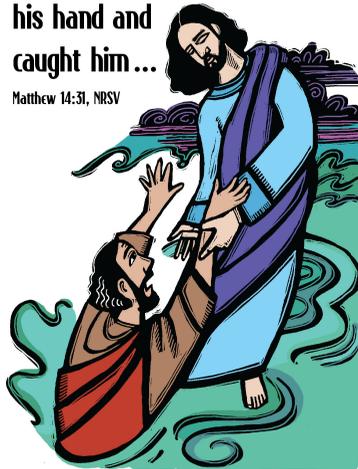
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**Jesus immediately reached out  
his hand and  
caught him ...**

Matthew 14:31, NRSV



**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost  
*August 27, 2017***

## In Nomine Jesu Order of Service

### Opening Hymn 431: "I Walk In Danger All The Way"

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

P: Oh how I love Your law!

**C: I mediate on it all day long..**

P: Your commands make me wiser than my enemies.

**C: For they are ever with me.**

P: I have more insight than all my teachers,

**C: For I meditate on Your statutes.**

P: How sweet are Your words to my taste,

**C: Sweeter than honey to my mouth!**

P: All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching,  
rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

**C: So that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.**

P: Yet so often we have despised God's Word and failed to gladly hear and learn it. For this and all our sins, we bow before God and humbly ask His forgiveness.

**C: Holy and merciful God, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed You in my thoughts, words, and actions, I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me a sinner.**

P: God gave His Word so “that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name.” The Scriptures testify about Jesus, who lived a perfect life for you, died on the cross to pay for all your sins, and rose again to assure you of your salvation. Therefore, you are forgiven of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us pray: Almighty and everlasting God, You are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of Your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **First Lesson**

## **I Kings 19:9-18**

And the word of the Lord came to him: “What are you doing here, Elijah?” He replied, “I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.” The Lord said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.” Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then a voice said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

He replied, "I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too." The Lord said to him, "Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram. Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet. Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu. Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel—all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and whose mouths have not kissed him." (NIV2011)

## Psalm 73

## Read Responsively

**All: Surely it is God who saves me; I will trust in Him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and He will be my Savior.**

P: I am always with You, O Lord;

**C: You hold me by my right hand.**

P: You guide me with Your counsel,

**C: And afterward You will take me into glory.**

P: Whom have I in heaven but You?

**C: And earth has nothing I desire besides You.**

P: My flesh and my heart may fail,

**C: But God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.**

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son

**C: And to the Holy Spirit,**

P: As it was in the beginning,

C: **Is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**All: Surely it is God who saves me; I will trust in Him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and He will be my Savior.**

## **Second Lesson**

**Romans 9:1-5**

I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying, my conscience confirms it through the Holy Spirit—I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my people, those of my own race, the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption to sonship; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of the Messiah, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen. (NIV2011)

## **Gospel Lesson**

**Matthew 14:22-33**

*Please stand for the Gospel Lesson*

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. “It’s a ghost,” they said, and cried out in fear. But Jesus immediately said to them: “Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.” “Lord, if it’s you,” Peter replied, “tell me to come to you on the water.” “Come,” he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was

afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!”<sup>3</sup> Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. “You of little faith,” he said, “why did you doubt?” And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.” (NIV2011)

## **Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Hymn 439:** “Lord Take My Hand And Lead Me”

## **Sermon**

“Walk On Water”

Matthew 14:22-23

## **Offering**

**Thank Offering Prayer**

**Intercessory Prayers**

**Lord’s Prayer**

## **Hymn 416: “How Firm A Foundation”**

**P:** Let us pray: Almighty God, grant to Your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder Your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ’s holy people, so that we may serve You in steadfast faith and confess Your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with His favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

## **Closing Hymn 405: “Oh, For A Faith That Will Not Shrink”**

### **Silent Prayer**

### **Announcements**

### **Our Stewardship Last Week**

Sunday Worship 28

Sunday Offering:

General Fund \$1,723.00

Sunday Bible Class 11

### **Serving In Worship Today**

Minister

Organist

Videographer

Pastor Alan W. Gumm

Sharon Martin

Wally Jordan

# Christ The King Evangelical Lutheran Church

Today, August 27: Bible Study, 9:30 AM  
Worship Service, 10:30 AM  
Tuesday, August 29: Bible Study, 9:30 AM  
Sunday, September 3: Bible Study, 9:30 AM  
Worship Service with communion, 10:30 AM

**Thank you Mark Becker for conducting the worship service today.**

Pastor and Carolyn's will be on a "stay vacation" August 21 through September 1. In case of an emergency, call the church office.

Christ the King, Bethany, and Abiding Love Lutheran Churches are invited to enjoy a Christmas Cruise from Fisherman's Village in Punta Gorda. The boat leaves at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 16th. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex on the table to find out if people are interested in going on this Christmas Cruise. If you are interested, please sign your name, how many will attend, what church you are a member of, and your phone number. For more information, please contact Robby or Evyonne Robinson at 941-627-3531.

Christ the King Lutheran Church is looking for used walkers, canes, crutches, and wheel chairs that are no longer needed. Please consider donating them so others in need may borrow them and then return to Christ the King Lutheran Church after recovery. A tax deduction statement will be given at time of donation. If you donate one of the needed items, please be sure to put your name on it so that you can receive a tax deduction statement. For more information please contact Robby Robinson at 941-627-3531.

*Serving our congregation: President-Larry Martin, Finance Chairman-John Smith, Head Elder-Robby Robinson, Worship Chairman-Marlyn Rische, Education Chairman-Ron Gorske, Outreach Chairman-Don Schoening, Properties Chairman-Wally Jordan*

*August Birthdays: Jonette Jordan-14th, Larry Martin-15th, Dan Hoteling-28th  
August Anniversaries: Pastor & Carolyn Gumm-6th*

*Prayer List: Doris Cox, Ellen Laurencell, Mary Emery, Fran Stecher, Keith Haslam, Dick Clemens*

