

Christ The King Evangelical Lutheran Church

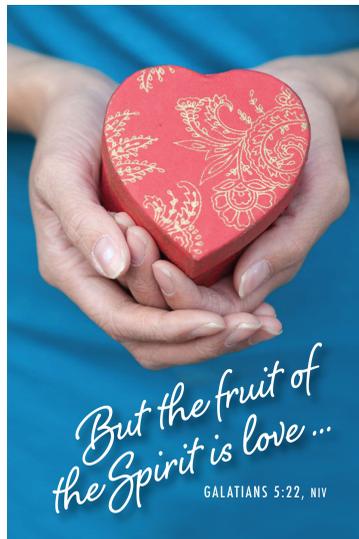
“To know... To teach... To share Christ”

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**Second Sunday after Pentecost
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In Nomine Jesu

Opening Hymn 221: “Blessed Jesus, At Your Word”

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

C: Amen

P: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, 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, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Create in me a clean heart, O God,

C: And renew a steadfast spirit within me.

P: Do not cast me from Your presence

C: And renew a steadfast spirit within me.

P: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
C: And grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

P: Then I will teach transgressors Your ways,
C: And sinners will turn back to You.

P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray: O God, You rule over all things in wisdom and kindness. Take away everything that may be harmful and give us whatever is good; through 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

Deuteronomy 11:18-21, 26-28

Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Write them on the door frames of your houses and on your gates, so that your days and the days of your children may be many in the land the Lord swore to give your ancestors, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth.... See, I am setting before you today a blessing and a curse—the blessing if you obey the commands of the Lord your God that I am giving you today; the curse if you disobey the commands of the Lord your God and turn from the way that I command you today by following other gods, which you have not known. (NIV2011)

Psalm 78, page 107

Read Responsively

P: O my people, hear my teaching;
C: Listen to the words of my mouth.

P: I will utter things from of old,

C: What we have heard and what our fathers have told us.

P: We will not hide them from our children;

C: We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord.

All: Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

P: The Lord decreed statutes for Jacob

C: And established the law in Israel,

P: So the next generation would know them,

C: And they in turn would tell their children.

P: Then they would put their trust in God

C: And would not forget His deeds but would keep His commands.

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

C: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

All: Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

Second Lesson

Romans 3:21-25a, 27, 28

But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, or all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ

Jesus. God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith.... Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. Because of what law? The law that requires works? No, because of the law that requires faith. For we maintain that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law. (NIV2011).

P: Not unto us, not unto us be glory, Lord;

C: Not unto us but to Your name be praise;

P: Not unto us but to Your name all honor be giv'n

C: For matchless mercy, forgiveness & grace.

P: Amazing grace that chose us ere the worlds were made;

C: Amazing grace that sent Your Son to save;

P: Amazing grace that robed us in Your righteousness;

C: And taught our lips to sing glory and praise.

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 7:15-29

Please stand for the Gospel Lesson

“Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves. By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thorn bushes, or figs from thistles? Likewise, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them. “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive out demons and in your name perform many miracles?’ Then I will tell them plainly, ‘I never knew you. Away

from me, you evildoers!’ “Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.” When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law. (NIV2011)

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the

forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn 490: “Love In Christ Is Strong And Living”

Sermon

Galatians 5:22

“Fruit Of The Spirit”

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy...

Offering

Thank Offering Prayer

Intercessory Prayers

Lord’s Prayer

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: **It is good and right so to do.**

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give You thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in His name, there He is with them to shepherd His flock till He comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise Your holy name and join their glorious song:

C: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of might:**

heav'n and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Words Of Institution

Distribution of the Lord's Supper

P: O give thanks to the Lord for He is good.

C: **And His mercy endures forever.**

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that You have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. We pray that through it You will strengthen our faith in You and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of 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 399: "To God Be The Glory"

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Christ The King Evangelical Lutheran Church

Today, June 18: Bible Study, 9:30 AM
Worship Service with Communion, 10:30 AM
Presentation by Don Krueger from LACE, 11:30 AM

Tuesday, June 20: Bible Study, 9:30 AM

Thursday, June 22: Men's Breakfast, 8:00 AM
Council Meeting, 9:00 AM

Sunday, June 25: Bible Study, 9:30 AM
Worship Service with Communion, 10:30 AM

Pastor in the Office: Tuesday, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Thursday, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM & 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

From Pastor Ryan Kolander, LWMS Befriend a Missionary:

We are running a soccer camp from July 24-26. We have a number of volunteers lined up and they are excited to help. However, we are still short on funding. We will need to purchase around 30 soccer balls at about \$10/ball. If you could help with some of the funding for these soccer balls, that could be one option. Also, if you'd like to help sponsor or partially sponsor our grill out on July 26 we'll be holding for all kids and families after the last day of soccer camp, that would be great, too! Our budget for that is around the same as soccer balls, \$300-400.

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

June Birthdays: Wally Jordan-13th, Marlyn Riche-14th, Marlene Fleming-29th

June Anniversaries: Sharon & Pastor Martin-7th, Marlene and Terry Fleming-20th, Linda and Larry Martin-26th, Jodie and Jerry Roberts-30th

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



GOD'S WORD FOR THIS WEEK

The Holy Ministry stands on the rock-solid truth of God's Word. Not all who call themselves ministers do that, so watch out for false teachers! Many will come with wise sounding words and pious promises, but they are not what they seem. The Church's only defense is to stand firmly on the rock-solid truth of God's Word. The Season of Pentecost explicates the teachings of Christ and the application of faith in the life of the Christian. How fitting that this initial Sunday lays the foundation for that teaching and life: the inspired Word of God.

First Lesson: Deuteronomy 11:18-21, 26-28

The words of this lesson inscribed on parchment have filled the phylacteries of Jews for thousands of years. Though they tied them to their hands and bound them to their foreheads, they failed to fix the Word of God in their hearts and minds. And so when the Word made flesh stood before them, they could not see the Messiah long promised. The teachers of Israel became false prophets, phylacteries and all. When God spoke these words through the ministry of Moses, he meant for them to have a home in our hearts, rather than just tied to our heads. Moses proclaimed the Word that gives both promise and warning. When the Israelites retold the blessing and the curse, they did it next to Mt. Gerizim and Mt. Ebal. The mountains stood as a timeless testimony that there are only two choices: the rock-solid truth of God's Word that brings fruitful life or the barren words of the false teachers that lead to nothing but death. How do we prepare ourselves to watch out for false teachers? We fix this rock-solid truth in our hearts and minds.

Second Lesson: Romans 3:21-25a, 27, 28

What a great text this Sunday's lesson provides for a Lutheran preacher! The opportunities are endless. However, in the context of this Sunday and its lessons, the point here is the content of the rock-solid truth proclaimed by the Holy Ministry. Namely, that only through Christ's cross could both the Law and the Gospel be upheld. Only through Christ's cross could all God's words be kept. Only through Christ's cross could God be both just and justifier. Only through Christ's cross could man be justified by faith. That is rock-solid truth.

The Gospel: Matthew 7:15-29

The Sermon on the Mount closes with this admonition of our Lord: "Small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few will find it." The Gospel for today gives a reason so few will find that road: the deceptions of false teachers. Jesus warns the Church that no false prophet ever comes claiming to be one. We cannot judge them only by their actions—even Judas performed miracles. Outward power or piety merely masks the beast within false teachers. We must rather judge them by their fruit: not merely their moral lives, but the fruit of a prophet is his message. What does he say? He may speak it in the name of Jesus, but look at the prophet's fruit, his message. The mark of a man on the narrow road, the mark of a true teacher is one who hears the words of Christ puts them into practice. That foundation of rock-solid truth can withstand any storm. True ministers of the Word proclaim the truth and put Christ's words into practice.

OUR READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

First Lesson	Hosea 5:15-6:6
Second Lesson	Romans 4:18-25
The Gospel	Matthew 9:9-13
Psalm	119c