



“God’s Work. Our Hands.”

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

184 Sunset Hill Drive
Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079

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Hearing God’s Call & Responding in Love,
We Share Jesus With All!

FROM PASTOR ED

In our Gospel lesson this week, Peter proclaims that Jesus is the messiah. Even though Peter gets the words right, he has no idea what it means that Jesus is the anointed one. Jesus would be our savior, our king and our high priest, he would be our messiah, by suffering, dying and being raised from death. It is this that is both the source of our life and our example. Because Jesus has given us eternal life, not only can we live without fear of death, but we can truly give our lives for others, just as our Messiah, gave his life for ours. "Those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it," Jesus says. What would our lives look like, if we lived them without fear, but only with love?

There are still many ways activities planned for the next few weeks at Kent, catch the announcements at the end of the blast to make sure you don't miss any of the opportunities for service and fellowship!

OUR 10:00 a.m. WORSHIP IS AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM:

To join a worship service, call the church office at 573-374-5267

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

“God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. “God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday reminds us that we are church together for the sake of the world. Our lives have been changed by our relationship with God through Jesus Christ, and it’s that encounter with Jesus that frees us to make a difference. As you participate today in the dedicated day of service, may you witness the love of God, who knows and loves each one of us.

Three weeks ago we heard Peter’s confession of faith as told in John’s gospel. This week we hear Mark’s version, when Peter says, “You are the Messiah.” In John, the stumbling block is Jesus’ invitation to eat his flesh, given for the life of the world. In Mark too the scandal has to do with Jesus’ words about his own coming death, and here Peter himself stumbles over Jesus’ words. But Jesus is anointed (the meaning of *messiah*) in Mark only on the way to the cross (14:3); so we are anointed in baptism with the sign of the cross.

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Prelude

They’ll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

Joyce Wanamaker

You are invited to use this time of musical offering to prepare for worship, to open yourself to God, our Father, his Son, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, present in this place.

Welcome

P: This is the day the Lord has made.

C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Congregation please stand

Litany for God’s Work – Our Hands Sunday

P: Our hands have created war and terror and have drawn lines between friends and enemies. Now we search for lasting peace and radical reconciliation.

C: Renew our hands for your work, O God, today and every day.

P: Our hands have created hunger and poverty, homelessness and unemployment. Now we long to be fed, sheltered and given new opportunities.

C: Renew our hands for your work, O God, today and every day.

P: Our hands have polluted your creation and misused our resources. Now we seek clean air, soil, water and abundant life for all living things.

C: Renew our hands for your work, O God, today and every day.

P: Our hands have broken homes, communities and nations with fear, abuse and violence. We plead for safety and wholeness.

C: Renew our hands for your work, O God, today and every day.

P: Our hands have brought discrimination and oppression based on race and class. Now we look for unity in diversity and the freedom to live in holy community with one another.

C: Renew our hands for your work, O God, today and every day.

P: Your hands created the world, and your life redeems it. Even now we see your reign of peace among us.

C: For our hands and your work, O God, we praise you today and every day.

P: In the name of Jesus Christ, by his command and with his authority, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, the sins of our hands, the sins of our heads and the sins of our hearts. Made new by God’s gracious love, we go out into the world to do God’s Work, with Our Hands. Amen

Sharing of the Peace (We share the words, "Peace be with you" with one another)

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Gathering Hymn

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

ELW # 733, v. 1 & 3

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness! great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see.
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain.*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Liturgy (10am) Setting 10

ELW p. 203

Kyrie

Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer.
We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair.
Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.
Have mercy on us, Lord; make sin and shame depart.
Renew us with your saving pow'r; create in us new hearts.

Canticle of Praise

ELW p. 204

1. Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth;
we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.
2. Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above;
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.
3. Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call;
Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all;
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright.
For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

Prayer of the Day

All: O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Congregation may be seated

“Children’s Sermon”

Pastor Ed Foster

Anthem

The Gift of Love

Kent Choir

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-9a

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116:1-9 (*Congregation reads responsively*)

¹I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,
and listened to my supplication,

²**for the LORD has given ear to me
whenever I called.**

³The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;
I came to grief and sorrow.

⁴**Then I called upon the name of the LORD:
“O LORD, I pray you, save my life.”**

⁵Gracious is the LORD and righteous;
our God is full of compassion.

⁶**The LORD watches over the innocent;
I was brought low, and God saved me.**

⁷Turn again to your rest, O my soul.
for the LORD has dealt well with you.

⁸**For you have rescued my life from death,
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling;**

⁹I will walk in the presence of the LORD
in the land of the living.

Second Reading

James 3:1-12

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Congregation please stand

Gospel Announcement

Pastor Ed Foster

P: The gospel according to Mark, the eighth chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

Mark 8:27-38

Pastor Ed Foster

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Congregation may be seated

Sermon

Pastor Ed Foster

Hymn of the Day

Will You Come and Follow Me?

ELW #798, v. 1 & 5

“Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?

Will you go where you don’t know and never be the same?

Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,

will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?”

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.

Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grown in you and you in me.

Congregation please stand

Profession of Faith–Apostle's 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 again 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

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Congregation may be seated

Reception of Offerings *Please fill out the red friendship pad and pass it to your neighbor*

Offertory

Joyce Wanamaker

Congregation please stand

Offering Prayer

P: God of abundance,

C: you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Holy Communion

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed our right, our duty and our joy...

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and 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

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.

Congregation may be seated

Distribution

Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us to eat and drink. Communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is our savior. Children who do not commune may come forward for a blessing. You may commune in place using a communion kit, if preferred.

Communion Hymns

Blessed Assurance

ELW # 638

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long:

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain.*

Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. *Refrain.*

Let Us Break Bread Together

ELW # 471

Let us break bread together on our knees; let us break bread together on our knees.

Refrain: When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees; let us drink wine together on our knees.

Refrain: When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees.

Refrain: When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Congregation please stand

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Congregation may be seated

Announcements

Congregation please stand

Sending Hymn

Lift High the Cross

ELW #660, v. 1, 3 & 4

Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.
1. Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod, our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Refrain.

3. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee.

Refrain.

4. So shall our song of triumph ever be: praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain.*

The Dismissal

P: Hearing God’s call and responding in love,

C: we share Jesus with all!

Postlude

Guide Me, Oh Thou Great Jehovah

Joyce Wanamaker

Fellowship Time (after the 8am service in the fellowship hall)

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

WORSHIP LEADERS

PastorEd Foster
Organist/PianistJoyce Wanamaker
Choir Director.....Tracy Garrett
Handbells Director..... Katie Heaford

8:00 AM

Altar Guild..... Linda Williams
Greeter/Usher.....Joyce & Lynn Burke
Lector..... Sally Burke
Sound TechnicianGail Kruse
Coffee Fellowship..... Glenice Gibson

10:00 AM

Altar Guild..... Sheryl Boos
Greeter/Usher..... Karen Stanze, Mary Evans
Lector..... Mary Foster
Sound & Zoom Technician.....Tracy Garrett

COMING THIS WEEK

September 12-19

Today		“God’s Work. Our Hands.”
	8:00 a.m.	Worship (outside)
	9:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion (inside, livestreamed)
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Social Ministry
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Mutual Ministry
	9:45 a.m.	Community for Christ
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study
	11:00 a.m.	Newcomers Lunch & Meeting
	4:00 p.m.	Cruise Worship
Thursday	9:45 a.m.	Community for Christ

	10:00 a.m.	Men's Devotions & Bible Study
	4:00 p.m.	Finance Committee
	6:00 p.m.	Lake Jazz Band Rehearsal
Friday		GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER
Saturday	9:45 a.m.	Community for Christ
		GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion (outside)
	9:00 a.m.	Stout Anniversary Celebration (cake & coffee)
10:00		a.m. Worship with Holy Communion (inside, livestreamed)

† *Prayer Concerns* †

OUR MEMBERS

Diane Reams—hospitalized
 Shirley Hamm—in memory care
 Ken Gerardy—serious health concerns

OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Dean Smith—health concerns (friend of Wendy Blomberg)
 Dave Newton—prayers for successful heart surgery (friend of Wendy Blomberg)
 Carrie Eggers—undergoing chemo for breast cancer (friend of Sally & Allan Burke)
 Cyrus Carter—joy for successful cancer surgery (friend of Dan & Tracy Garrett)
 Sandy Robinson—health concerns (Barb Gidley's sister)
 Kyle Zygmund—health concerns (Barb Gidley's nephew)
 Hannah Whan (scholarship recipient)—thyroid cancer; prayers that she be cancer free
 Evelyn Beaver—health concerns (friend of Jerry & Kandy Husbands)
 Kelsey Erickson—health concerns (daughter of Bob & Karole Karls)

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Georgi Anne
 Joe Bauer
 Jania Bauer
 Mr. Bebermeyer
 Marcille Bohling
 Lee Anne Brumm
 Shirley Clark
 Kelly Covey
 Ann Ellenson
 Jerry Green
 Linda Harris
 Marianne Howley
 Linda Kimberling
 The Newtons
 Ingrid Niemann
 Mike Page
 Julie Patterson
 Rev. Bill Peterson
 Sandy Robinson
 Loren Saathoff
 Pat Shank

Ted Turner
Brian Urbano
Ellie Torres
Cindy Wilde
Joan Wilken
Judy Winter
Clarion Winzenburg
Bob Worthley

REMEMBERING THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Babcock
Eric Blomberg
Ben Brammeier
Shade Bullock
Aaron Davis
Tanner Glodt
Kristine Hubbard
Jason Ites
Jason Judge
Nathan Karls
Adam Kralina
Matt Lee
Jordan Lindeman
Glenn Maddock
Tristan Morgan
Adam Peterson

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 12

“GOD’S WORK. OUR HANDS.”

WELCOME TO KENT MEMORIAL Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. Communion is open to all who believe that Jesus Christ is our savior. Personal hearing assistance devices are available in the sound room. We invite you to stay for coffee and fellowship (and donuts!) after the service. If you are visiting for the first time or searching for a church home, please include your address and phone number on the Red Friendship Pad and let us know. First time here? Please introduce yourself to Pastor at the end of the service.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given by Phil & Melba Bangert in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary (9/9).

CARE CORE for September is Karen Stanze, 573-286-2625.

CRUISE WORSHIP Our final cruise worship for the summer will be Wednesday, September 15. We’ll meet at Lake House 13 at 4pm to board boats and find a cove in which to worship together. Then we’ll return to the restaurant for dinner and conversation. Sign up in the fellowship hall so we know you’re coming. Questions? See Randy & Ruth Osterbur or Bob & Karole Karls.

RESTAURANT DISCOUNT CARDS Hurricane Deck School is again raising funds by selling restaurant cards. There are discounts for restaurants on the west side, too. They are 15 dollars each and the money is due Monday, Sept. 13. See Wendy Blomberg if you are interested.

GOD’S WORK. OUR HANDS. This morning we will join with Lutherans across the country as we strive to do God’s work in our community with our own hands. We will be doing many of the same

projects that we have been in years past, starting after the 10:00 service.

1. Community for Christ (3 or 4) to power wash (it could be done Sunday or Monday)
2. City of Laurie (3) to clean out stage storage area in the city park
3. Hurricane Deck School (6-8) Assembling Leadership Notebooks
4. Laurie Care Center (3-4) Ice Cream Store (Must wear masks and have had orientation)
5. Kent Memorial (3-4) Counting Best Choice UPC's, cut & turn stuffed animals for LRH
6. Other fun stuff TBA

GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER will be a bit different this year: the hosts and guests get to choose a date— either September 17 or 18, dinner or lunch—that suits them & their guests best. Join your Kent friends, both new and “old” for a fun evening--or day--to socialize in a home and enjoy a meal together. Want to attend? Want to host? Sign up in the fellowship hall today!

WELCA MID-MISSOURI SPRING CLUSTER MEETING September 25 at Trinity Lutheran, Russellville, 9am-2:30pm. Registration is \$4, lunch will be served. We will carpool from church. Those interested in attending contact Melba Bangert, 573-836-5030 for more information.

“JESUS” AT SIGHT AND SOUND IN BRANSON Give Checks or Cash to Jan Gauck or Wendy Blomberg as soon as possible and record “Paid” on the list on the bulletin board. Make your check payable to Kent Memorial Lutheran Church... In Memo: Branson Bus 10-26-21. Three seats available as of 9/1/21. See Jan or Wendy if you have questions.

COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST needs our help on Tuesday Sept. 21, Thursday Sept. 23 and Saturday Sept. 25, KENT WEEK. The summer clothing sale, \$3.00 a bag, will be winding down Thursday. Big clothing giveaway Saturday 9:00 until Noon. If you sign up for Saturday notice time difference. Please sign up to volunteer your time, you will be assisting those less fortunate in our area. Also starting at Noon Saturday a few extra helpers, men if possible, needed to remove any clothing not sold. Won't you please volunteer your time? Thanks.

BLUE BOX NEEDS FOR SEPTEMBER—This month's goal is 200 items.

Cleaning items such as

- Mr. Clean
- Bleach
- Toilet Bowl Cleaners
- Kitchen cleaners

Personal Items:

- Deodorant – for women & men
- Shampoo – for women & men

A TABLE between the main sets of doors into the church has individual communion servings, the latest newsletter, the phone directory, new daily devotional materials, and a lot more. Also, there is a basket for giving envelopes. If you need the door code, call Tracy in the church office, 573-374-5267, or on her cell at 214-206-5807. Or you may mail your offering to the church: Kent Memorial PO Box 155 Sunrise Beach, MO 65079

REMINDER--

- We are worshipping at 8am outside and 10am inside
 - We will continue to live-stream our 10am service via Zoom.com
 - Masks are again invited. We continue to provide an opportunity for social distancing in the sanctuary
 - Communion will be celebrated every Sunday:
 - 8am – 2nd and 4th Sundays
 - 10am – every Sunday (live-streamed)
- If you prefer, you may continue to commune using the pre-filled communion wafer/cup combination
- We have resumed singing the liturgy and hymns, and passing the offering plates
 - Please fill out the red communion register and pass it to the person next to you. Then take time after worship to introduce yourself
 - Please continue to be COVID safe
 - Stay home if you are sick or not feeling well

- Masks and social distancing are encouraged for those who have not been vaccinated

UPDATE YOUR DIRECTORY

New phone numbers:

Dan Garrett 573-505-3461

Tracy Garrett 573-502-9219

A new directory will be available the first Sunday in October.