

Email Blast for September 26, 2021



18th Sunday after Pentecost

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

184 Sunset Hill Drive
Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079

The Rev. Edward L. Foster, Pastor

September 26, 2021

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

FROM PASTOR ED

The troubling and gruesome imagery of Jesus' words in this week's Gospel lesson make clear how seriously Jesus takes sin. It would be better to lose a limb or an eye than to be relegated to the fires of hell, he declares. But of course, it is not our hands or our feet or our eyes that cause us to sin. What is it that we need to cut off or pluck out? What is it that we need to let go of and get rid of? What is standing between us and our loving God?

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

To join a worship service, contact the church, 573-374-5267.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Someone who isn't part of Jesus' own circle is casting out demons in Jesus' name, and the disciples want him stopped. They appeal to Jesus, as Joshua did to Moses about the elders who prophesied without official authorization. Like Moses, Jesus refuses to see this as a threat. Jesus welcomes good being done in his name, even when it is not under his control. The circle we form around Jesus' word must be able to value good being done in ways we wouldn't do it, by people we can't keep tabs on.

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Prelude

Marvelous Grace, A. L. Page

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

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose name is majestic in all the earth, who rescues and heals in every time of trouble, who does all things well.

C: Amen.

P: Let us come before God, seeking forgiveness and life.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Steadfast and saving God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess to you all the ways we turn from you and harm one another. In your compassion, forgive our sins and heal our hurts. Bring forth from us a harvest of righteousness, the fruits of gentleness and peacemaking, the sheaves of wisdom and justice; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: In the name of † Jesus, the Son of God, receive mercy and find grace in your time of need. Your transgressions are forgiven; God's love is healing balm for your wounds. Rejoice, for God raises you up to new life in Christ.

C: 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

Dearest Jesus, At Your Word

ELW # 520, v. 1-3

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

Canticle of Praise

ELW p. 204

Prayer of the Day

All: Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Congregation may be seated

“Children’s Sermon”

Pastor Ed Foster

Special Music

Wonderful World

Jerry Hawk

First Reading

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19:7-14 (*Congregation reads responsively*)

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

⁸**The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever;
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

¹⁰**More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹²**Who can detect one’s own offenses?
Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me;
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

Second Reading

James 5:13-20

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 ninth chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

Mark 9:38-50

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Congregation may be seated

Sermon

Pastor Ed Foster

Hymn of the Day

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

ELW # 712, v. 1 & 3

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

Be Thou My Vision, C.E. Walz

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

Coffee Fellowship.....Linda & Gerry Williams

10:00 AM

Altar Guild.....Judy Ward
Greeter/Usher..... Karen & Jim Mellody
Lector.....Judy Ward
Sound TechnicianMike Ward
Zoom Technician..... Al Mohling

COMING THIS WEEK
September 26-October 3

Today	8:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion (outside)
	9:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
	10:00 a.m.	Worship (inside, livestreamed)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Men’s Devotion & Bible Study
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion (inside, livestreamed)
	11:00 a.m.	New Member Harvest Brunch

† Prayer Concerns †

OUR MEMBERS

Bill Gust – Health Concerns
Diane Reams—hospitalized
Ken Gerardy—serious health concerns

OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Dean Smith—health concerns (friend of Wendy Blomberg)
Carrie Eggers—undergoing chemo for breast cancer (friend of Sally & Allan Burke)

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Georgi Anne
Joe Bauer
Jania Bauer
Evelyn Beaver
Mr. Bebermeyer
Marcille Bohling
Lee Anne Brumm
Shirley Clark
Kelly Covey
Kelsey Erickson
Jerry Green
Shirley Hamm
Linda Harris
Marianne Howley
Linda Kimberling
The Newtons
Ingrid Niemann

Mike Page
Julie Patterson
Rev. Bill Peterson
Sandy Robinson
Loren Saathoff
Pat Shank
Ellie Torres
Ted Turner
Brian Urbano
Hannah Whan
Cindy Wilde
Joan Wilken
Judy Winter
Clarion Winzenburg
Bob Worthley
Kyle Zygmund

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 26

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 Bev Kidder in memory of Kathy (Kidder) Engstrom's birthday (9/4).

CARE CORE for September is Karen Stanze, 573-286-2625; for October is Melba Bangert, 573-836-5030.

NEW MEMBER HARVEST BRUNCH On Sunday, October 3, at our 10am service, we will welcome new members of the Kent family. Following worship, we will gather for a meal and fellowship. Please, plan to join us. Bring a dish or dessert to share.

COUNTERS NEEDED Kent has had a number of very loyal members of the counting team (those who count the Offering each week) resign their position during the past trying year. Consequently, we are asking for 6 to 8 volunteers to replace those who are unable to continue to serve the church in this capacity. Training will be provided by Gail Kruse. At present the counting rotation is generally once a month. If there are more counters, the number of weeks in the rotation will increase. Two counters are required each week. We need volunteers for the regular rotation and members who will serve as back up counters in the event of illness or travel or other life circumstances. If interested, please contact Gail Kruse at 573-374-4651, Jane Maher at 812-306-5462, or Al Mohling at 319-493-8796.

AUTHOR ELLIE ROSCHER AT ST. PAUL'S, COLE CAMP Ellie Roscher, author of *12 Tiny Things*, *Play Like a Girl*, and *How Coffee Save My Life*, will be at St. Paul's Lutheran, Cole Camp, on Sunday, October 10. "Through curious inquiry, commitment to the sacred ordinary and artistic collaboration, her work accompanies people to a more centered, whole, and embodied self." Though it is a Sunday, Pastor Kim wanted you to know you are welcome for the main presentation at 12:15 p.m. For more information, contact St. Paul's, 660-668-3537.

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