

Email Blast for September 4



## **13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

### **Kent Memorial Lutheran Church**

184 Sunset Hill Drive  
Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079

**The Rev. Edward L. Foster, Pastor**

**September 4, 2022**

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

#### **FROM PASTOR ED**

What is the cost of discipleship? What does it really take to be a follower of Jesus? Jesus' words in this week's lesson are surprising, even shocking, as he describes a devotion that calls for all we have, our relationships, our possessions, and even our lives. How can we come to so love Jesus and his mission that nothing else matters? How can we take up our crosses and follow him?

**DO YOU HAVE THE KEY** to the "Safe Room" that was in the office? Someone borrowed it and it didn't come back. Please check your pockets, purses, jackets...

**OUR 10:00 a.m. WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDY ARE AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM:**

To join Zoom Worship or Bible Study, please contact the church at 573-374-5267 for assistance.

## Welcome to Worship

Called to contemplate the cost of discipleship, we might be helped by translating Paul's request to Philemon into our prayer of the day: Refresh my heart in Christ. Strengthened by the company and forgiveness of Christ in holy communion and recalling God's grace in remembrance of baptism, we can be strengthened in this hour to "choose life"—to choose life in God as our own.

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**Prelude**

*Chant Heroique*

Margo Strothmann

*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: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: "Turn to me and be saved" says the Lord, "For I am God and there is no other."

**C: If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P: The cost of discipleship confronts us today.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination*

P: Most merciful God,

**C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We count the cost of faithfulness to you and cringe from our responsibilities. Our discipleship is far from perfect. 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.**

P: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. Jesus Christ was given to die for us and for his sake our sins are forgiven. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, God gives the power to become children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**Call to Worship**

P: You call us together to worship you this day, O God. We also call to you, asking that you would be present in our midst, opening us into the transformations in our lives that would bring us ever more perfectly into your loving service. In Jesus Christ, we pray.

**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**

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

ELW # 408, v. 1 & 2

**Liturgy Setting 4**

ELW p. 147

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.**

## Kyrie

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

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

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: 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.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

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

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**Canticle of Praise:** This is the feast

ELW p. 149

L: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## Prayer of the Day

**All: Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## Children's Sermon

Pastor Ed Foster

## Special Music

*Give Me Jesus*

Vanessa Hebrank

## First Reading

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Bible p. 190 Old Testament

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 1 (*Congregation reads responsively*)

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,  
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

<sup>2</sup>**Their delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.**

<sup>3</sup>They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;  
everything they do shall prosper.

<sup>4</sup>**It is not so with the wicked;  
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,  
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup>**For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

## Second Reading

Philemon 1-21

Bible p. 207 New Testament

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Announcement**

Pastor Ed Foster

P: The gospel according to Luke, the fourteenth chapter

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel Reading**

Luke 14:25-33

Bible p. 73 New Testament

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: **Praise to you, O Christ**

**Sermon**

Pastor Ed Foster

**Hymn of the Day**

*Take My Life, That I May Be*

ELW # 685, v. 1, 3 & 5

**Profession of Faith–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 truly 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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic 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.**

**The Prayers**

P: God of grace,

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**

*Amazing Grace*

Margo Strothmann

**Offering Prayer**

P: Gracious God,

**C: in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. 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**

*All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly  
I Am the Bread of Life*

ELW # 461

ELW # 485

#### **Post-Communion Prayer**

#### **Benediction**

#### **Announcements**

#### **Sending Hymn**

*Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

ELW # 547

#### **The Dismissal**

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

**C: we share Jesus with all!**

#### **Postlude**

*Higher Ground*

Margo Strothmann

## WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor ..... Ed Foster  
Organist/Pianist ..... Margo Strothmann  
Choir Director..... Tracy Garrett  
Handbells Director..... Katie Heaford

### 10:00 AM

Altar Guild..... Sheryl Boos  
Greeter/Usher..... Dennis & Sheryl Boos  
Liturgist ..... Al Mohling  
Lector..... Judy Ward  
Sound & Zoom Technician..... Mike Ward

## COMING THIS WEEK

September 4-11

Today	8:00 a.m.	Worship (outside)
	9:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion (inside, livestreamed)
Monday		LABOR DAY – Office Closed
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Altar Guild Meeting
	9:45 a.m.	Community for Christ Volunteering
	11:00 a.m.	WELCA Business Meeting
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study
		Evangelism Committee Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Bible Study
Thursday	9:45 a.m.	Community for Christ Volunteering
	10:00 a.m.	Men’s Devotions & Bible Study
Friday	5:30 p.m.	BINGO! Social Ministry Community Fundraiser
Saturday	9:45 a.m.	Community for Christ Volunteering
Sunday		“GOD’S WORK. OUR HANDS.”
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion (inside, livestreamed)
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
	11:30 a.m.	Into the Community!

## † *Prayer Concerns* †

### **OUR MEMBERS**

Glenice Gibson  
Marsha Gust  
Terri George  
Don Stout  
Ken Gerardy

### **OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS**

Larry Mausbach—health concerns  
Linda Smith—cancer (friend of Tracy Garrett)  
Teresa Joslin—health concerns  
Debbie Hanshaw—health concerns  
Emma—prayers for continued improvement  
Carla Glusing—hospitalized, pneumonia (Linda Kimberling's sister)  
Steve Garner—hospice (friend of Boos')  
Marcia Robbins—health concerns (Susan Clark's mother)  
Jody Ziehl—seriously injured (Diane Ziehl's daughter)

### **CONTINUED PRAYERS**

Pam Babcock  
Shirley Clark  
Evelyn Clements  
Mary Beth Fair  
Barbara & Bob Gislason  
Jerry Hansen  
Baby Harlow  
Linda Harris  
Bryan Hastings  
Mike Holmes  
Marianne Howley  
Tom Howley  
CF Huff  
Linda Kimberling  
Terry Miller  
Steve O'Connor  
Mike Page  
Rev. Bill Peterson  
Ron Roberts  
Karen Tischnor  
Ellie Torres  
Bernie Wiegel  
Melissa Wiles  
Larry Wilson  
Michael Wright & Family

### **REMEMBERING THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY**

Christopher Babcock  
Eric Blomberg  
Ben Brammeier  
Shade Bullock  
Aaron Davis

Tanner Glodt  
Kristine Hubbard  
Jason Ites  
Jason Judge  
Adam Kralina  
Matt Lee  
Jordan Lindeman  
Glenn Maddock  
Tristan Morgan  
Adam Peterson  
Trent Simmons

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 4**

**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 Lynn & Joyce Burke in celebration of their 49<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary (9/1).

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

**WELCA** Women/ELCA will have its monthly business meeting on Tuesday, September 6th at 11 A.M. All ladies of Kent are encouraged to join us!

**NEWCOMERS LUNCHEON** will be hosted by WELCA on September 21. We will need salads and desserts for our guests. Please sign up on the WELCA bulletin board. We need to know how many salads and desserts we will have. Thank you.

**GOLFTOBERFEST 2022** Vinny's Golftoberfest Golf Tournament is Sunday, October 2 at 12:00 at Indian Rock Golf Course. It is a 4-person scramble and it benefits Kent Memorial's Buddy Pack Program. The cost is \$300 a team. Forms are in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you! Hope to see you there.

**COOKIES FOR GWOH DAY** Kent will again be providing cookies for the hospital, fire stations, police and ambulance departments on Monday, September 12 in honor of 9-11. We will need at least 75 doz. cookies. Please have them to the church for God's Work Our Hands (Sept. 11) so they can be packaged. Sign-up sheet on the Bulletin Board.

**"GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS." SEPTEMBER 11** "God's Work. Our Hands." is Sunday, Sept. 11th. The sign-up sheets are up on the bulletin board. Please sign up ASAP so that plans can be made. We will be doing Leadership Notebooks for Hurricane Deck, Yard Work for the City of Laurie, Power washing at CFC, and here at Kent, boxing /plating up cookies, and counting Best Choice UPC's.

Please try to get all your **Best Choice Labels** to church by September 11 so they can be counted and sent in.

**BINGO! ANNUAL COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER ON SEPTEMBER 9** at 5:30 p.m. Join us for card bingo, food and fun! There will be a Silent Auction, gasoline gift certificates, a 50/50 raffle and lots more to win. You're invited to bring an hors d'oeuvre to share; sign up to donate a new or "like new" item—bakery items—perform a service for someone—host a dinner, etc.; and come and enjoy! Tickets are \$10 and will be sold between services beginning August 14.

**EVENING BIBLE STUDY** meets on Wednesdays at 6pm. We're discussing Leviticus. The study will be live-streamed on Zoom, as well. Contact the office if you need the link.

**PICTURE-TAKING TIME** If you haven't had your picture taken, please call the church office to schedule a time, 573-374-5267. We have openings on Sunday, August 28 between services (9am-



9:45am).

**HELP NEEDED THIS WEEK AT CFC** HELP is needed at Community for Christ on Tues. Sept. 6, Thur. Sept. 8 and at. Sept. 10. please sign up. We need 3 to 4 helpers for retail in addition to the men working downstairs. The CFC annual \$3 bag sale on clothing will be in effect, lots of customers are expected. Thanks to all that have volunteered and to those who want to try for the first time. Again, please sign up! An enjoyable time will be had by all! See Jim Mellody or Chuck Wanamaker if you have questions.

Thanks to all for contributions to aid those in need in our community. A reminder that the Bingo fundraiser will be Friday September 9th. This is always a fun night for all, come join the fun.

**COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST NEEDS:**

Cereal

Peanut butter & jelly

Catsup, mustard, mayo, salad dressing

Canned fruit & veggies (*spinach, lima beans, carrots, sauerkraut, beets*)

Canned meat, Chef Boy-R-Dee canned items

Cake mixes & frosting (kids have birthdays)

Boxed potatoes of any kind

Taco & chili seasoning

Pork & beans

Refried beans

Rice flavored packets of any kind, Brown rice

Spaghetti &/or soup type noodles

Mac & Cheese

**Hygiene & Cleaning Items:**

Deodorant (men & women), Men's body wash, Toilet paper, Paper towels, Cleaning items for kitchen, floors & bathrooms

**Items currently NOT needed:** Elbow macaroni, Canned soup, Canned corn or green beans