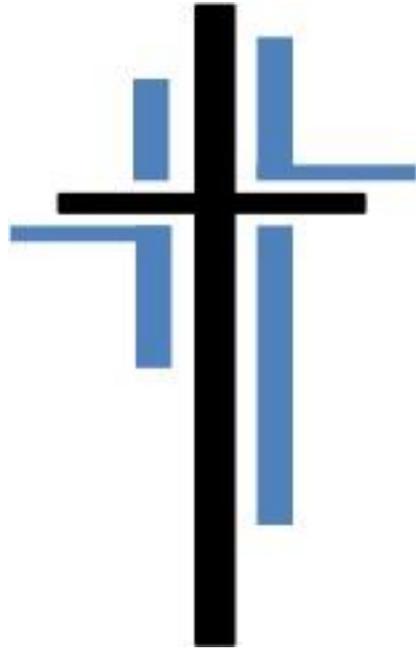


Email Blast for September 11



“God’s Work. Our Hands.”

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

184 Sunset Hill Drive
Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079

The Rev. Edward L. Foster, Pastor

September 11, 2022

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

FROM PASTOR ED

Our God sure is determined to save us all. The parables of the lost sheep and the lost coin describe a God who goes beyond what is reasonable, what is logical, and what most would consider wise, to save the lost people in our world. It seemed outrageous to the religious leaders of Jesus’ day, to many of us still, but in so many ways we are all lost sheep who have wandered off, so we must all celebrate when the lost have been found.

It’s a super busy week at Kent. May the Spirit fill you all with joy and strength for the good work that God has lined up for us.
Pastor Ed

PLEASE WEAR YOUR “God's Work. Our Hands.” shirt on Sunday if you have one. There are a few t-shirts available at the church. Call the office.

OUR 10:00 a.m. WORSHIP and WEDNESDAY MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY are on Zoom. Please call the office for the link, 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.

The grumbling of the religious leaders in today’s gospel is actually our holy hope: This Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. That our God seeks and saves the lost is not only a holy hope, it is our only hope. As the writer of 1 Timothy reminds us, “The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.” Thanks be to God.

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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

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: Glory to God in the highest

ELW p. 148

L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

**C: Lord, God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

All: O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Children's Sermon

Pastor Ed

Anthem

Glorify Thy Name

Kent Handbells

First Reading

Exodus 32:7-14

Bible-Old Testament p. 79

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 51:1-10 (congregation reads responsively)

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

²**Wash me through and through from my wickedness,
and cleanse me from my sin.**

³For I know my offenses,
and my sin is ever before me.

⁴**Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight;
so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.**

⁵Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness,
a sinner from my mother's womb.

⁶**Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me,
and would have me know wisdom deep within.**

⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

⁸**Let me hear joy and gladness;
that the body you have broken may rejoice.**

⁹Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my wickedness.

¹⁰**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.**

Second Reading 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Bible-New Testament p. 199
L: The Word of the Lord
C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Announcement Pastor Ed Foster
P: The gospel according to Luke, the fifteenth chapter
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading Luke 15:1-10 Bible-New Testament p. 73
P: The Gospel of the Lord
C: **Praise to you, O Christ**

Sermon Pastor Ed Foster

Hymn of the Day *Will You Come and Follow Me?* ELW #798, v. 1 & 5

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: God of grace,

C: **hear our prayer.**

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

Offertory

More About Jesus

Joyce Wanamaker

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

ELW p. 152

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 right...

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

Let Us Break Bread Together

ELW # 471

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Announcements

Sending Hymn

God's Work, Our Hands

Wayne Wold

TUNE: Earth and All Stars #731

The Dismissal

P: Hearing God’s call and responding in love,
C: we share Jesus with all!

Postlude

Fantasia on a Scottish Folk Tune

Joyce Wanamaker

Fellowship Time

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

WORSHIP LEADERS

PastorEd Foster
Organist/PianistMargo Strothmann
Choir Director.....Tracy Garrett
Handbells Director..... Katie Heaford

10:00 AM

Altar Guild..... Sheryl Boos
Greeters/Ushers Judy & Mike Ward
Liturgist Vanessa Hebrank
Lector..... Toni Wagner
Sound & Zoom Technician..... Michael Wagner
Coffee Fellowship..... Tom & Karen Ringsdorf

COMING THIS WEEK

September 11-18

Today		“GOD’S WORK. OUR HANDS.”
	8:45 a.m.	Handbells Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
		Into the Community!
Monday	8:30 a.m.	Cookie delivery
	9:30 a.m.	Social Ministry Committee
	10:40 a.m.	Westside Senior Center Volunteering
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Mutual Ministry Committee
	10:40 a.m.	Westside Senior Center Volunteering
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study
	10:00 a.m.	Worship & Music Committee
	10:40 a.m.	Westside Senior Center Volunteering
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Bible Study
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study
	10:40 a.m.	Westside Senior Center Volunteering
	6:00 p.m.	Lake Jazz Band Rehearsal
Friday	10:40 a.m.	Westside Senior Center Volunteering
Sunday	8:45 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
		Handbells Rehearsal

† *Prayer Concerns* †

OUR MEMBERS

Glenice Gibson
Marsha Gust
Terri George
Don Stout
Ken Gerardy

OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Baby Harlow – rejoice! She got to go home!
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’)

Christian condolences & prayers are offered to Joyce & Lynn Burke on the death of her brother, Lee Oster.

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Pam Babcock
Shirley Clark
Evelyn Clements
Mary Beth Fair
Barbara & Bob Gislason
Jerry Hansen
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
Marcia Robbins
Karen Tischnor
Ellie Torres
Bernie Wiegel
Melissa Wiles
Larry Wilson
Michael Wright & Family
Jody Ziehl

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 11

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 Melba & Phil Bangert in celebration of their 61st wedding anniversary (9/9)

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

TODAY, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th is the last day to purchase the Hurricane Deck Fund Raiser cards. They are \$20 this year and the envelopes are in the Fellowship Hall.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA - Mid Missouri Fall Cluster Meeting will be held on September 24, 2022 at Christ and Trinity Lutheran Church, Sedalia, MO. The theme for the meeting is "Rejoice in Hope". Fellowship/Gathering time is 9 AM and the meeting will begin at 10 AM. Lunch will be provided. The bible study will be led by Pastor Anne Kyle and she will also provide the afternoon program, "Stewardship of Preparation". All are welcome to be a part of this day of learning and sharing. For more information phone Melba Bangert 573-836-5030. A sign-up sheet is posted in the fellowship hall.

WELCA LADIES Please check the WELCA bulletin board and sign up for our multiple September activities.

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.

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.

NEW DIRECTORY If you haven't had your picture taken, please call the church office to schedule a time, 573-374-5267. Or, if you'd prefer, please send us a picture to include in the directory.

COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST NEEDS:

First of all thank you so much for all of your donations of not only food but money as well. This has helped us so much. The food pantry has been very busy!

Here is a list of items currently needed for our neighborhood pantry. Please note all food, cleaning supplies and paper products are free. Our disabled elderly, fixed and low income couples, plus families are having a hard time making ends meet. Our little pantry means a great deal to many.

Items currently needed

Boost / Ensure

Canned Fruit

Hot & cold Cereal

Catsup / Mustard / Salad Dressings or any kind of condiments

Taco / Chili Seasonings

Refried Beans or any kind of beans, except Garbanzo beans

Small & Medium ladies pull up diapers (we have a couple bed bound ladies)

Baby Wipes (*we got babies!!!!*)

Cleaning supplies