

Email Blast for September 18



15th Sunday after Pentecost

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

184 Sunset Hill Drive
Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079

The Rev. Edward L. Foster, Pastor

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

FROM PASTOR ED

How can we be faithful stewards of the gifts that God has given us, especially the financial gifts? In what must be described as an incredibly confusing parable, Jesus challenges us to use our wealth wisely, faithfully, and ultimately, not to allow it to become our master, we cannot "serve God and wealth." In a world that does indeed worship wealth and all that wealth can buy, how do we truly serve God, how do we use our resources in ways that are both wise and faithful?

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

To join a worship service, click the link below. Please mute your phone and turn off video when you join the meeting to ensure everyone can hear.

SUNDAY ZOOM LINK

To join Zoom Worship just click on this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/765672247?pwd=cHdGWUVZT1FHUkhtbWNXSWtEMlIXQT09>

Meeting ID: 765 672 247

Passcode: 021707

To listen on your phone instead of video, dial 1+312-626-6799 [long distance charges may apply].

We will celebrate Holy Communion. Have a piece of bread or cracker and a small amount of wine or juice ready for consecration.

If this is your first time on Zoom, please contact the church at 573-374-5267 for assistance.

WEDNESDAY MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY ZOOM LINK (resumes August 24, 6pm)

To join Zoom just click on this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82084158146?pwd=WGVNRTYwamcwL3lkdFZWV1NQYkNjZz09>

Dial in (312) 626 6799

Meeting ID: 820 8415 8146

Passcode: 591925

Welcome to Worship

As we are invited today to consider what it means to be managers (rather than owners) of all that we have, it is crucial to recognize that we are bought with a price. “Christ Jesus, himself human, . . . gave himself a ransom for all.” Apart from the generosity of God we have nothing—we are nothing. By God’s gracious favor we have everything we need.

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Prelude

Reverie, C. Debussy

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.

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 gracious and merciful, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Today we consider how we are to use the worldly resources God provides us for the good of all people.

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 have focused more on profits than on people. And we have complained about our politicians without praying for them. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

P: We misuse God's gifts, yet our heavenly Father provides us income, intelligence, and each other to meet our daily needs. In God's mercy, Christ was given to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. 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: From our scattered, unfocused lives and circumstances we come, O God, to become again a community of prayer and service. Help us to claim and center our spirits, so that we may be more attuned to your divine Spirit. Help us to bring before you all those concerns for which we need to offer prayer, trusting that in your grace and your own time, our prayers will be answered. In the name of Christ, we pray.

C: Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

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

C: And also with you.

Gathering Hymn

Take My Life, That I May Be

ELW # 685, v. 1, 2, 5 & 6

Liturgy Setting 4

ELW p. 147

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: God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Anthem

The Gift of Love

Kent Choir

First Reading

Amos 8:4-7

Bible-Old Testament p. 881

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 113 (congregation reads responsively)

¹Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD;
praise the name of the LORD.

²**Let the name of the LORD be blessed,
from this time forth forevermore.**

³From the rising of the sun to its going down
let the name of the LORD be praised.

⁴**The LORD is high above all nations;
God's glory above the heavens.**

⁵Who is like the LORD our God,
who sits enthroned on high,

⁶**but stoops to behold
the heavens and the earth?**

⁷The LORD takes up the weak out of the dust
and lifts up the poor from the ashes,

⁸**enthroning them with the rulers,
with the rulers of the people.**

⁹The LORD makes the woman of a childless house
to be a joyful mother of children. Hallelujah!

Second Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-7

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 sixteenth chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

Luke 16:1-13

Bible-New Testament p. 74

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Pastor Ed Foster

Hymn of the Day

Son of God, Eternal Savior

ELW # 655, v. 1 & 2

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

The Church's One Foundation

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

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

*As the Grains of Wheat
Here Is Bread
Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether*

ELW # 465

ELW # 483

ELW # 470

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Announcements

Sending Hymn *Rise Up, O Saints of God!* ELW # 669, v. 1, 2 & 5

The Dismissal

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

C: we share Jesus with all!

Postlude *Invention 13, J.S. Bach* Margo Strothmann

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/UshersBob & Karole Karls
LiturgistPastor Ed Foster
Lector.....Judy Ward
Sound & Zoom Technician.....Gail Kruse
Coffee Fellowship.....Linda & Gerry Williams

COMING THIS WEEK

September 18-25

Today	8:45 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
Monday	6:00 p.m.	Chorale Rehearsal
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Church Council
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study
	11:00 a.m.	Newcomer’s Lunch
	4:00 p.m.	Cruise Worship (Franky & Louie’s)
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study
Sunday	8:45 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion (live-streamed)
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)

† *Prayer Concerns* †

OUR MEMBERS

Linda Kimberling
Marsha Gust
Glenice Gibson
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')

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 18

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 Charles & Lorraine Foster in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary.

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

CRUISE WORSHIP WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 21 The location has been changed to Franky & Louie's, mm 10-main channel, or at the end of 5-41 by car. We will meet at 4pm.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY Thank you to everyone who helped with "God's Work. Our Hands." We had over 50 people working at Hurricane Deck Elementary assembling leadership notebooks, city of Laurie-trimming bushes, CFC- powerwashing, Kent Memorial-counting Best Choice labels, and boxing up LOTS of cookies that were made by LOTS of people. Cookies were delivered to Lake Regional Hospital, 2 police stations, 6 fire stations, 2 School Resource Officers, and 2 Ambulance Departments.

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.

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. NOTE: we will not meet September 21 because of Cruise Worship.

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