

Email Blast for September 8



## **“God’s Work. Our Hands.” Sunday**

### **Kent Memorial Lutheran Church**

184 Sunset Hill Drive  
Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079

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

**September 8, 2024**

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

#### **FROM PASTOR ED**

Our Gospel lesson this week contains two healing stories. Jesus love for people continues to be both powerful and surprising. Even when it is inconvenient, even when it doesn’t follow his plan, Jesus’ love compels him to heal and comfort those who are in pain. Jesus’ love breaks down barriers, it crosses boundaries, it changes hearts and it changes lives!

This is a big weekend. We invite you to join us on Friday evening for Card Bingo supporting the Social Ministry Committee, and Sunday for God’s Work, Our Hands!

Have a blessed week!

God bless you all!  
Pastor Ed

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

To join a worship service, please contact the church at 573-374-5267 for assistance.

## Welcome to Worship

James tells us to stop showing favoritism in the assembly, treating the rich visitor with more honor than the poor one. Jesus himself seems to show partiality in his first response to the Syrophenician woman in today's gospel. Was he testing her faith in saying Gentiles don't deserve the goods meant for God's children? Or was he speaking out of his human worldview, but transcended those limits when she took him by surprise with her reply? Either way, the story tells us that God shows no partiality. Everyone who brings a need to Jesus is received with equal honor as a child and heir.

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**Prelude**

*Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord*

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**

**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.**

**Sharing of the Peace** (We share a sign of peace with one another.)

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

**C: And also with you.**

**Gathering Hymn**

*How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds*

ELW # 620, v. 1, 2, 3 & 5

**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

Canticle of Praise: Glory to God in the highest

ELW p. 148

## Prayer of the Day

**All: Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life.**

**Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord. Amen.**

## Children's Sermon

Pastor Ed

## Anthem

*All God's People Come Together*

Kent Choir

## First Reading

Isaiah 35:4-7a

Old Testament

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 146 (congregation reads responsively)

<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

<sup>2</sup> **I will praise the LORD as long as I live;**

**I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

<sup>3</sup> Put not your trust in rulers,  
in mortals in whom there is no help.

<sup>4</sup> **When they breathe their last, they return to earth,  
and in that day their thoughts perish.**

<sup>5</sup> Happy are they who have the God of Jacob<sup>1</sup> for their help,  
whose hope is in the LORD their God;

<sup>6</sup> **who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;  
who keeps promises forever;**

<sup>7</sup> who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.  
The LORD sets the captive free.

<sup>8</sup> **The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;  
the LORD loves the righteous.**

<sup>9</sup> The LORD cares for the stranger;  
the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

<sup>10</sup> **The LORD shall reign forever,  
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**

## Second Reading

James 2:1-17

New Testament

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Announcement

Pastor Ed Foster

P: The gospel according to Mark, the seventh chapter

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

## Gospel Reading

Mark 7:24-37

New Testament

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, 2 & 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: Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

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

**Offertory**

*We All Are One in Mission*

Joyce Wanamaker

### **Offering Prayer**

P: Blessed are you, O God,

**C: source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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, 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.**

#### **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.

<b>Communion Hymns</b>	<i>God, Whose Almighty Word There Is a Balm in Gilead O Zion, Haste</i>	ELW # 673 ELW # 614 ELW # 668
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**Post-Communion Prayer**

**Benediction**

**Announcements**

<b>Sending Hymn</b>	<i>God's Work, Our Hands</i>	Wayne Wold
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**The Dismissal**

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

<b>Postlude</b>	<i>Kum Ba Ya</i>	Joyce Wanamaker
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<b>Fellowship Time</b>	EVERYONE IS WELCOME
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**WORSHIP LEADERS**

Pastor .....	Ed Foster
Organist/Pianist .....	Joyce Wanamaker
Choir Director.....	Tracy Garrett
Choir Accompanist.....	Tracey Atzeni
Handbells Director.....	Katie Heaford

**10:00 AM**

Altar Guild.....	Diane Ziehl
Greeters/Ushers .....	Bob & Karole Karls
Liturgist .....	Al Mohling
Lector.....	Teri Stout
Sound & Zoom Technician.....	Michael Wagner
Coffee Fellowship.....	Lynn & Joyce Burke

**COMING THIS WEEK  
September 8-15**

Today	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion (live-streamed)
	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts) GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.
Monday	9:30 a.m.	Social Ministry Committee Meeting
Tuesday	9:40 a.m.	Community for Christ Volunteering
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
	10:00 a.m.	Worship & Music
	4:00 p.m.	Cruise Worship
Thursday	9:40 a.m.	Community for Christ Volunteering

	10:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
Friday	8:30 a.m.	Mutual Ministry
Saturday	8:30 a.m.	Council Retreat
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## ✠ *Prayer Concerns* ✠

### OUR MEMBERS

Mike Page	Geri Riley	Jim Gilbert
Donald Brumm	Stan Field	Joel Hellman
Marsha Gust	Pat Embich	Gene Page

### OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Mary Beth Fair	Kirk	Tamara McClain
Hannah Phillips	Cindy Campbell & family	Jeanne Hines
Kevin Hayes	Stacy Carey	Mike Holmes
Linda Moore	Ryan Dillman	Steve Hughes
Kenny Mullins	Trudy Hamilton	Tom Simmons
Julie (Ziehl) Anderson & family	Dianne Steingrubey	Vicki Sawyer
Cindy Holm	Wayne Jackson	Marcille Bohling
	Gil Wilde	

### CONTINUED PRAYERS

Evan Beaupre	Carla Glusing	Ron Roberts
Michelle Becker	Ruth Goddard & family	Marcia Robbins
Jessica Birdsong	Gary Hansen	Pat & Shirley Rogers
Ken Buckingham	Bryan Hastings	Michele Schafer
Shirley Clark	CF Huff	Dave Shaver
Evelyn Clements	Teresa Joslin	Karen Thompson
Chuck Cuthbertson	Linda Kimberling	Karen Tischnor
Ron Ferguson	Ed Krueger	Theresa White
Stacey Fleck	Blanch Lacroix	Bernie Wiegel
Al Gann	Jennifer Pedersen	Jerry Williams
Ken Gerardy	Jodi (Ziehl) Redmond	Larry Wilson

### REMEMBERING THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Babcock	Aaron Davis	Matt Lee
Eric Blomberg	Tanner Glodt	Jordan Lindeman
Ben Brammeier	Kristine Hubbard	Glenn Maddock
Shade Bullock	Jason Ites	Tristan Morgan
Salathiel (Sal) Caudill	Jason Judge	Adam Peterson
Dylan Craig	Adam Kralina	Trent Simmons

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 8

**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. 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 63<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary (9/9).

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

**“GOD’S WORK. OUR HANDS.”** is TODAY! This day is our annual day of service and 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. Join us after church to use your hands to serve others.

**CRUISE WORSHIP** will be Thursday, September 12 (NOTE THE DATE CHANGE), 4pm at Big Dick’s Halfway Inn, Ivy Bend. Sign up today in the fellowship hall.

**VOLUNTEER AT COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST** Kent’s week to volunteer at Community for Christ is this week, Tuesday, September 10, Thursday, September 12, and Saturday, September 14th. Sign-up sheet is posted in the fellowship hall. I encourage those that have thought about helping to please do so, we need your help. Men, please step up and help, Jim Mellody is still recovering from surgery and not available to volunteer. Please remember that a minimum of 4 are needed in the retail/folding area and 2 needed to service the lower donation/sales area per day. Thank you all for your continued support. Thanks, Jim Mellody and Chuck Wanamaker.

**NEWCOMERS FALL SALAD LUNCHEON** The Newcomers group will be here on Wednesday, September 18 for their Fall Salad Luncheon and meeting. There will be a sign-up sheet for both helpers and those bringing salads and desserts. If you can help, please sign up. If there are any questions contact Joyce Burke 712-298-0993

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY BEGINS SEPTEMBER 22** Adult Sunday Bible Study by Pastor Max Lucado: *You Are Never Alone: Trust in the Miracle of God's Presence and Power*. God is still at work in our lives today! In this six-week session with a Study Guide and DVD instructions you'll discover you're stronger than you think because, with Jesus in our lives, we are never alone. Everyone is welcome to join us in this Study, bring your Bible, coffee, and a donut. Please come Let's learn together. Class starting September 22, 2024, from 9.00 to 9:45 a.m.

**SAVE THE DATE!** The Evangelism Committee will once again be sponsoring a Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner this fall. This will take place on October 18th, 19th, or 20th. More details and a sign-up sheet will be coming soon!

**PERSONAL HEALTH KITS** Thank you for your donations toward the Personal Health Kits. Our goal is 50 kits to send out in October. We still need a few items to complete 50 kits:

- 12 bath towels (20x40” to 27-52”)
- 9 large nail clippers
- Large-tooth combs (no picks)
- Packaged bar soap (2 per kit)

**WELCA FALL GATHERING** The Fall Gathering of the Mid-Missouri Women of the ELCA is being held Saturday, September 28 at St. Andrew’s Lutheran Church, Columbia, beginning at 9:00 a.m. with refreshments and registration. Registration fee is \$5.00. Lunch is provided. The Bible Study will be led by Pastor David Frerichs and the afternoon program, “Growing Hope Globally, will be led by Ms. Karen Speckman. In-kind gifts are being collected for Love Columbia. Body care products, and household cleaners are requested. A sign-up sheet and a box for in-kind gifts are in the fellowship hall. For questions contact Melba Bangert, 573-836-5030.

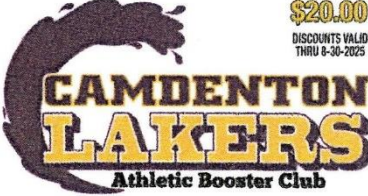
**VINNY’S GOLFTOBERFEST** Vinny is having his golf tournament that benefits Kent Memorial's

Buddy Pack program on Sunday, October 6th. It starts at noon and is a 4 person scramble. If you are interested in forming a team or know a business that would like to sponsor a hole at the tournament please see Wendy Blomberg.

**KENT HANDBELL DIRECTOR NEEDED** Kent is in need of a director for the handbells. If you or someone you know might be interested in taking over the handbell choir, please speak with Tracy Garrett, Coordinator of Worship & Artistic Ministries.

**COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST PANTRY** Everything that is donated is given out at no cost. Any non-perishable foods, especially: soup, health and beauty items (shampoo, soap, etc.), cleaning supplies (bathroom, kitchen, floors, bleach)

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