

Email Blast for September 15



## **17<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 15, 2024**

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

#### **FROM PASTOR ED**

Jesus warns us that it is dangerous to follow him. Indeed, he says we must take up our cross (an instrument of execution) if we are to follow him, and that we may indeed lose our lives for his sake and for the sake of the Gospel. The same forces and powers that opposed Jesus, still oppose those who would follow him today. Discipleship probably won't win us fame and glory, but it will spread God's love to the world, and in following Christ we will discover true and eternal life.

Have a very 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

Three weeks ago we heard Peter's confession of faith as told in John's gospel. This week we hear Mark's version, when Peter says, "You are the Messiah." In John, the stumbling block is Jesus' invitation to eat his flesh, given for the life of the world. In Mark too the scandal has to do with Jesus' words about his own coming death, and here Peter himself stumbles over Jesus' words. But Jesus is anointed (the meaning of *messiah*) in Mark only on the way to the cross (14:3); so we are anointed in baptism with the sign of the cross.

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**Prelude**

*This Is My Father's World*

Tracey Atzeni

*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: 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 a sign of peace with one another.)

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

**C: And also with you.**

**Gathering Hymn**

*Built on a Rock*

ELW # 652, v. 1, 3 & 4

**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: O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure**

**of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Children's Sermon**

Pastor Ed

**Anthem**

*Spirit of God*

Kent Choir

**First Reading**

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Old Testament

L: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 116:1-9** (congregation reads responsively)

<sup>1</sup> I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,  
and listened to my supplication,

<sup>2</sup> **for the LORD has given ear to me  
whenever I called.**

<sup>3</sup> The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;  
I came to grief and sorrow.

<sup>4</sup> **Then I called upon the name of the LORD:  
“O LORD, I pray you, save my life.”**

<sup>5</sup> Gracious is the LORD and righteous;  
our God is full of compassion.

<sup>6</sup> **The LORD watches over the innocent;  
I was brought low, and God saved me.**

<sup>7</sup> Turn again to your rest, O my soul.  
for the LORD has dealt well with you.

<sup>8</sup> **For you have rescued my life from death,  
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling;**

<sup>9</sup> I will walk in the presence of the LORD  
in the land of the living.

**Second Reading**

James 3:1-12

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 eighth chapter

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

**Gospel Reading**

Mark 8:27-38

New Testament

P: The Gospel of the Lord

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

**Sermon**

Pastor Ed Foster

**Hymn of the Day**

*Lift High the Cross*

ELW # 660, v. 1, 3 & 4

**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**

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Tracey Atzeni

#### 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

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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.*

#### Communion Hymns

*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

ELW # 597

**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**

*Threads of Love*

Tracey Atzeni

**Fellowship Time**

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

Pastor .....Ed Foster  
Organist/Pianist ..... Tracey Atzeni  
Choir Director.....Tracy Garrett  
Choir Accompanist..... Tracey Atzeni  
Handbells Co-Directors ..... Toni Wagner & Tracey Atzeni

**10:00 AM**

Altar Guild..... Ruth Osterbur  
Greeters/Ushers ..... Mary Evans & Karen Stanze  
Liturgist ..... Katie Heaford  
Lector..... Teri Stout  
Sound & Zoom Technician.....Larry Fair  
Coffee Fellowship..... Karen Thompson

**COMING THIS WEEK**

**September 15-22**

Today	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:20 a.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion (live-streamed)
Tuesday	11:00 a.m.	Fellowship (coffee & donuts)
	5:00 p.m.	Christian Education
	6:00 p.m.	Church Council Meeting
Wednesday	11:00 a.m.	Newcomer's Luncheon
	3:00 p.m.	Grief Support Group
Thursday	10:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Lake Jazz Band Rehearsal
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
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## † *Prayer Concerns* †

### **OUR MEMBERS**

Liz  
Mike Page  
Donald Brumm  
Marsha Gust

Geri Riley  
Stan Field  
Pat Embich  
Jim Gilbert

Joel Hellman  
Gene Page

### **OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS**

Mary Beth Fair  
Hannah Phillips  
Kevin Hayes  
Linda Moore  
Kenny Mullins  
Julie (Ziehl) Anderson &  
family  
Cindy Holm

Kirk  
Cindy Campbell & family  
Stacy Carey  
Ryan Dilhman  
Trudy Hamilton  
Dianne Steingrubey  
Wayne Jackson  
Gil Wilde

Tamara McClain  
Jeanne Hines  
Mike Holmes  
Steve Hughes  
Tom Simmons  
Vicki Sawyer  
Marcille Bohling

### **CONTINUED PRAYERS**

Evan Beaupre  
Michelle Becker  
Jessica Birdsong  
Ken Buckingham  
Shirley Clark  
Evelyn Clements  
Chuck Cuthbertson  
Ron Ferguson  
Stacey Fleck  
Al Gann  
Ken Gerardy

Carla Glusing  
Ruth Goddard & family  
Gary Hansen  
Bryan Hastings  
CF Huff  
Teresa Joslin  
Linda Kimberling  
Ed Krueger  
Blanch Lacroix  
Jennifer Pedersen  
Jodi (Ziehl) Redmond

Ron Roberts  
Marcia Robbins  
Pat & Shirley Rogers  
Michele Schafer  
Dave Shaver  
Karen Thompson  
Karen Tischnor  
Theresa White  
Bernie Wiegel  
Jerry Williams  
Larry Wilson

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

Christopher Babcock  
Eric Blomberg  
Ben Brammeier  
Shade Bullock  
Salathiel (Sal) Caudill  
Dylan Craig

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 15**

**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 Ed at the end of the service.

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are given by Katie & Bill Heaford in celebration of their 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary (6/30).

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

**NEWCOMERS FALL SALAD LUNCHEON** The Newcomers group will be here on Wednesday, September 18, for their Fall Salad Luncheon and meeting. There is 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.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY** will resume September 25, 6pm. Feel free to bring to bring your dinner. At the first gathering, the group will decide where to begin the study.

**SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY BEGINS SEPTEMBER 22** Adult Sunday Morning 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 and coffee. Let's learn together. Class starts September 22, 2024, from 9.00 to 9:45 a.m.

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS** Bring your dogs, cats, birds, lizards... We will have a brief time of worship, then you'll be invited to bring your pet forward for a blessing. If being around other animals would be too stressful for your pet (or you), you are invited to bring a picture of your pet for Pastor Ed to bless.

**COOKOUT AT THE PARSONAGE** On Wednesday, October 9, we will have our annual Cookout at the Parsonage. Worship & Music will provide the meats & buns & beverages. You are invited to bring a side or dessert to share.

**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:

- 6 bath towels (20x40" to 27-52")
- 6 large nail clippers

**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.

**COMMUNITY FOR CHRIST PANTRY** The CFC food pantry has been especially busy! We totally understand that food costs have gone up for everyone, and now in our community (soon the end of our tourist season) the need for our food pantry has more than doubled. We would greatly appreciate any food/paper/cleaning items that can be donated. Here is a list that might help.

- Canned Fruit & Veggies
- Canned Tuna & Chicken
- Boxed Meals, Potatoes, Dressing
- Soups / Beans / Canned Tomatoes
- Cereal (hot or cold)
- Taco / Chili Seasoning
- Cleaning supplies
- Shampoo for family
- Body Wash for family
- Deodorant for Men & Women
- Can Openers (for the homeless)

**CAMDENTON LAKERS DISCOUNT CARD** order from Wendy Blomberg by September 17.