

Sunday Worship 9:30 am

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# 11th Sunday after Pentecost



CTS Mission:

We welcome all people to grow in faith and serve in Jesus' name.

Pastor Karen Pahl August 24, 2025

## Welcome!

# August 24, 2025 11th Sunday after Pentecost Worship Preview

Thank you for joining us today. All are welcome at Christ the Servant and we want to ensure a safe, sacred, and comfortable experience for everyone who chooses to worship with us.

**Offering:** The offering will take place up front during the communion process. Members will be encouraged to bring their offering up to the plate when coming up to take communion.

**We Care Books:** Members and visitors are asked to sign the We Care books and pass them along to their neighbors. Feel free to make introductions during the process.

**Sharing the Peace:** People are encouraged to share and receive the peace in any manner they feel comfortable.

**Communion:** Communion will be offered to all regardless of age or faith tradition and it will be offered at the rail. The pastor and worship assistant will hand out the communion wafers, which are gluten free, and the communion assistants will hold a tray of communion cups (red liquid is wine and the white liquid is grape juice), so each participant can take the cup of their choice. The pastor, worship assistant, and communion assistants will share the words of promise with anyone who comes forward. If anyone would prefer a blessing, their arms should be crossed in front of their chest. After participating in Communion please discard the empty cup in the basket, located at each side aisle, as you return to your seat.

**Children's Activity Bags:** if your little ones are looking for something to keep their minds and hands busy during worship there are crayons, coloring books, & notepads in the cloth bags hanging on the small coat rack just outside the Sanctuary doors. Help yourself - you can return the bags following worship.

**Nursery:** We love to have children with us in worship and their sounds and voices are to be celebrated. We also realize that sometimes the freedom to play is needed and we have a nursery for just those times. Our nursery is unstaffed, but parents may access it any time, while supervising their child/children. The nursery is located down the hallway to the left of the coat closet, the 3rd door on the left, or ask one of our ushers to direct you.

If you have any questions, please talk to the pastor or an usher.

## Please continue to keep the following in your prayers:

Marilyn Schlei Arlene Stewart Joe Frederick Otto Pischke Sue Seiler Chris Tralongo Dan Williams Bob Swanson Jim & Linda Saladin Jon Williams Gordon Nowakowski Keanan Davis Shirley Haugse Jerri Simmert Midge and Bob Bennett Dawn Yellen Andy Braun Lois and Paul Wegner Patty Jehn Jan Cavett

We pray for, and thank, all who are currently serving our country and for all veterans who have served.

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#### THANK YOU TO OUR WORSHIP SERVERS

**Presiding:** Pastor Karen Pahl

Accompanist: Mary Johnson Vocal Lead: Mitzi Keadle Worship Assistant: Laury Grow Acolyte: Avery Cavett

Altar Guild: Chris Tralongo Counters: Linda Gatlin, Chris Tralongo

Usher Team: Kay Styza, Marlys and Bob Swanson, and Marty Grow

Tech Team: Adam & AJ Johnson

**Plant Sponsorship:** 

**PRELUDE** 

**WELCOME** 

#### **GATHERING**

#### **▲ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the ⊕ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen
- P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: Merciful God,
- C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. 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. Amen.
- P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
- C: Amen



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

WA: Let us pray... O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright.

C: Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

▼ FIRST READING Hebrews 12:18-29

WA: You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking, for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe, for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

WA: The word of the Lord.

#### C: Thanks be to God

## ▲ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Setting 10 s205a

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▼ GOSPEL Luke 13:10-17

P: The Gospel according to St. Luke the 12th chapter.

## C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God.

But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

- P: The Gospel of our Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.
- ▼ CHILDRENS MESSAGE
- **▼** REFLECTION

#### ▲ HYMN OF THE DAY Healer of Our Every III

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#### ▲ APOSTLE'S CREED:

WA: We join together proclaiming our faith

C: 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 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.

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#### **▲** PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

WA: Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near. A brief silence.

WA: You call your church to proclaim liberation and freedom to all. Give wisdom to bishops, synod councils and staff, and congregation leaders as they pursue a more just and equitable church and society. Hear us, O God.

#### C: Your mercy is great.

WA: You inspire all creation to sing and bless your holy name. Send healing rains to parched places and relief to flooded lands. Lead us to enact policies to rebuild ruined ecosystems and habitats. Hear us, O God.

#### C: Your mercy is great.

WA: You work vindication and justice for all who are oppressed. Strengthen the resolve of world leaders and local officials in the way of love and mercy, so that all persons may experience abundant life. Hear us, O God.

## C: Your mercy is great.

WA: You satisfy your people with good things. In your steadfast love, be with all those who are bent over under the weight of addiction, isolation, and mental or physical illness, especially those we mention out loud, in our hearts, and who are listed on our long-term prayer list ...(pause)... Manifest your healing presence in their midst. Hear us, O God.

# C: Your mercy is great.

P: With all your apostles, prophets, and saints, we give thanks and bless your holy name. We remember the Dutelle family as they mourn the loss of Joanne. As the saints now rest from their labors, guide us by the witness of their lives to pursue your reign, which can never be shaken. Hear us, O God.

## C: Your mercy is great.

P: Other petitions may be offered – Any journal prayer. WE ARE ASKED TO PRAY FOR: **Lois, Bob, Channing, Patty, and Carol.** Hear us, O God.

# C: Your mercy is great.

P: Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.

C: Amen.

#### ▲ PEACE

- P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C: And also with you.
- ▼ WE CARE BOOK Please sign in the We Care book and pass it down the pew.

#### **▼** ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **MEAL**

#### ▲ GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.** 

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C: Amen.

#### ▲ LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: The kingdom of God is set before you. May we rejoice at this table of grace and welcome.

C: Thanks be to God.

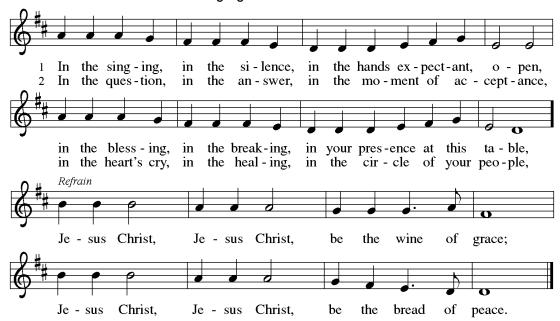
**COMMUNION:** Communion is a gift of God for the people of God, no matter age, faith tradition or where you are on your journey. Ushers will guide each row to the altar, you may kneel or stand by the communion rail. Pastor will hand out the communion bread, which is gluten free, and the deacon will hold a tray of communion cups (red liquid is wine, white liquid is grape juice), each participant will take a cup. If anyone would prefer a blessing please cross your arms in front of your chest. Empty cup may be discarded in the basket provided as you return to your seats.

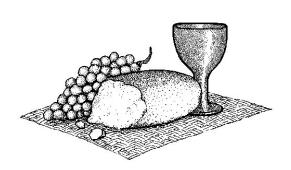


▼ COMMUNION HYMN: We Remember You SING TWICE



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#### ▼ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

WA: God, you gathered us to your table and we received of your grace. In your wisdom bring forth all that is good, and strengthen us that we may work for the good of all. Bless the gifts of our time, talents, and financial treasures so they may be abundant blessings for the mission of Christ the Servant and beyond.

C: Send us out with your Holy Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### **SENDING**

#### ▲ BLESSING

P: May God prepare your days,

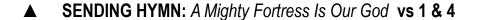
May Jesus guide your footsteps,

May the Spirit of Life strengthen your body,

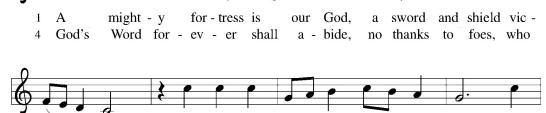
May the Three in One 

→ watch over you, on every road you journey.

C: Amen.

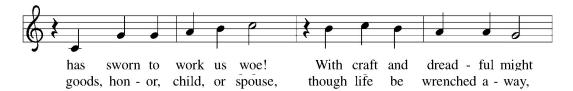


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#### ▲ DISMISSAL

WA: Go in peace as:

C: We welcome all people to grow in faith and serve in Jesus' name. Thanks be to God.



# **VANCO Text Giving**

You can contribution to CTS with a quick text message to VANCO
Simply send a text to 262-885-4624 with the amount you would like to contribute.

Example: 25. Within a few minutes, you'll be sent a text with a link to register. Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and credit or debit card information.

Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt via email. For future giving, simply send a text with the amount you wish to give, and it will process

If you'd like to designate a gift to the World Hunger Appeal, text "[amount] Hunger"

# Prayer Requests Information

"Our prayers may be awkward. Our attempts may be feeble. But since the power of prayer is in the One who hears it and not in the one who says it, our prayers do make a difference."

- Max Lucado

If you would like to include someone, or yourself, on our prayer list, you may visit the website at: www.christtheservant.org to fill out a prayer request form. You can fill out a prayer request card found in the pews and place it with the offerings, or you can send an email to <a href="mailto:CTSprayerchain@gmail.com">CTSprayerchain@gmail.com</a>.

# Ongoing Service Projects at CTS

The folks here at CTS have been so generous in the past to various charities. Please continue to share your blessings with others. Here are some of the ways you can contribute:

- \* Help fill the grocery cart in Narthex with **non-perishable items** for the Waukesha Food Pantry. Bring your donations to Sunday services or you can drop them off at office on Mondays and Thursdays from 11-3.
- \* Bring in your **old eyeglasses and/or hearing aids** for the small receptacle on floor next to Welcome Center. The Lion's Club volunteers periodically pick them up for people that can't afford them.
- \* Bring in your **aluminum cans** to recycle. There's a bin for them in The Ark. Proceeds go to our CTS Youth

automatically!

# CTS WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS August 24, 2025

Be sure to get all announcements-subscribe to our weekly Email Blasts at www.christtheservant.org/Stay In Touch.

Contact the office if assistance is needed 262-542-7100. Visit CTS Website often at www.christtheservant.org.

# CTS Sunday School



### **REGISTRATION IS OPEN...**

It's hard to believe that soon the summer will be ending, and school will be starting soon. That milestone reminds us that Sunday school will also be launching quickly. At CTS we offer Sunday school classes for children who are aged 4 through fifth grade. Once the students are sixth graders, they get to join the CTS youth group, which meets twice a month and attend Confirmation classes, which meet once a month.

Our first day of Sunday school will be Sunday, September 14, 2025, and will meet from 10:45-11:45, following the 9:30 worship service. At 10:45 parents and children, ages 4 through grade 5, are invited to meet in the wing of the Sunday school rooms for introductions and to learn about plans for this year.

We ask that parents complete the Sunday School Registration and Student Code of Conduct, which we hope you will share with your child(ren). Both pages should be reviewed and signed. You can do that in a variety of ways:

You can fill out the registration form online by going to our website - www.christtheservant.org and clicking on the **2025-26 Sunday School Registration** tab or you can pick up a form at the desk at the Welcome Center. Please call the office if you need any assistance. - 262-542-7100.

We are looking for a primary teacher to trade-off with Mary Johnson. The curriculum is user friendly, and scheduling is flexible. Please prayerfully consider teaching or being a helper to the teacher. If you are interested, please reach out to any of the Learning Ministry members listed below. We are looking forward to a wonderful year of sharing the stories of God's love. Thank you for your continuing support in the faith education of our children.

#### Blessings,

The Learning Ministry Team:
Jo Pirlott, Coordinator, and Intermediate Teacher
Cassi Engibous, Learning Ministry Council Representative
Mary Johnson, Primary Teacher
Laury Grow, Intermediate Teacher
Amy Mulqueen, Substitute Teacher
Marlys Swanson, Substitute Teacher
Pastor Karen Pahl

# Prairie Elementary Backpack and School Supply Drive was a Success!

It is with great joy that I share that we not only met our goal of 3 backpacks per grade level for Prairie Elementary School, but we exceeded it with a total of 57 backpacks, which is on average 7 or 8 backpacks per grade level! In addition, we gave more than \$500 to the school to use for additional backpacks & supplies that they need at whatever grade level.

Patti Marti and I power shopped last Thursday and then came back and packed the back-packs with all the needed supplies! It was a joyful and rewarding experience when we brought them into the church and placed them around the altar—such cute backpacks, equipped with scissors, headsets, notebooks, crayons, paints, and even water bottles! We both mused about how exciting it will be for 57 children to open their backpacks and see all the brightly colored, new supplies!

And how wonderful to have Pastor Karen lead the congregation and the children with blessing those backpacks and praying for a successful school year for the students who will receive them!

Thanks to the congregation members who helped load both a van and an SUV with supplies and to Michelle Monroe and Jeff Bertacchini for their help delivering them!







A date has been saved for the Celebration of Life for Joanne Dutelle. The service will be on **Saturday**, **November 22**, **2025**. The time has not been set but we will update you with more information.

We remember her with gratitude for her life, her faith, and the ways she touched the lives of those around her. May our prayers and God's comfort and peace surround her family and friends during this time of grief.



#### See You All Soon!

LAF's will start up again on September 17th at noon



#### Faith Fellowship Dinner-Monday, September 15.

Christ the King in Delafield will be hosting.

Christ the King is located at 1600 N Genesee St, Delafield, WI 53018

Christ the King will offer the main dish - chili with all the fixings. CTS members will be contributing desserts to the meal.

Please contact Barb Levenson to let her know if you will be joining CTS and are able to bring a dessert for this great gathering. Thank You!



# **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP**

The Book Discussion Group will resume September 15, 2025 at 7 pm

#### Reviewing:

Dinners with Ruth: A Memoir of the Power of Friendship by Nina Totenberg
The CTS book group meets in the Ark at 7 pm, the third Monday of each month
from September through May. If interested in joining, contact Linda Gatlin.

All Are Welcome!

# **CTS Calendar**

Sunday, August 24

Presiding: Pastor Karen Pahl 9:30 am WORSHIP SERVICE 10:45 am Youth Group

Tuesday, August 26 6:30 pm Council Meeting

Friday, August 29 6:00 pm Joyful Soul

Sunday, August 31

Presiding: Pastor Frank Janzow 9:30 am WORSHIP SERVICE 10:45 am Youth Group

Monday, September 1 LABOR DAY Office Closed

Friday, September 5 6:00 pm Joyful Soul

Sunday, September 7
Presiding: Pastor Karen Pahl
9:30 am WORSHIP SERVICE
10:45 am Church 60th Anniversary Picnic

Friday, September 12 6:00 pm Joyful Soul

Sunday, September 14-RALLY SUNDAY

Presiding: Pastor Karen Pahl 9:30 am WORSHIP SERVICE 10:45 am Sunday School Starts 10:45 am Youth Group

#### PLEASE NOTE!

The start up date for the Hand Chimes
Choir has yet to be determined.
We will let you know as soon as the
dates are selected.

#### **CTS ATTENDANCE**

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# Worship Servers Scheduled, Sunday, August 31, 2025

Presiding Minister: Pastor Frank Janzow

**Accompanist:** Mary Johnson

**Vocals:** Erin Johnson, Maddy Mulqueen **Worship Assistant:** Bert Magnuson

Acolyte: AJ Johnson

Altar Guild: Lynda Schmidt

**Usher Team:** Jill & Scott Stamn, Marty Gow **Counters:** Marty Grow, Jerri Simmert

Tech Team: Amy & Dave Mulqueen, Adam /AJ

Johnson

Plant Sponsorship: Kathy Boehmke in

Memory of Ed

Please let Diane know of any updates/changes.

#### FOOD PANTRY

# Helping those in need!



Many Waukesha area families need our help! With so much going on during the busy summer let's think of "Quick Meals" for the month of August, such as:

- Canned Ravioli
- Spaghetti O's
- Mac and Cheese
- Hamburger Helper
- Raman Noodles
- Canned Vegetable

The above are just suggestions, the food pantry welcomes all types of non-perishable food items. Donate what you can!

#### Let's help the kids enjoy the summer!

You can drop the food off in the shopping cart in the narthex. The office is open between 11:00 and 3:00 Mondays through Thursdays. If you prefer, you can drop your items off directly at the Food Pantry.

You are amazing! - THANK YOU!