



In
God
is our
Trust!

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✦ Please stand as you are able.

♪ Welcoming Song “The Power of Your Love” *We prepare for worship.*

Greetings and the Sharing of God’s Peace

✦ Confession and Forgiveness

PASTOR: LORD God, You can do every good thing. Your perfect love and unlimited power heals, restores, saves, and gives life.

ALL: We see this, and we are amazed!

PASTOR: But You also want to share Your power with us, for us to share Your love with everyone we meet.

ALL: We hear this, and we pause. We panic! We think, “Who am I to help God?”

PASTOR: The mission might seem impossible, but God really can do every good thing, and He can do them through you. That’s why He came to us as Jesus Christ, why He defeated our every fault and failure – including our pausing and panicking – on the cross. Three days later, He returned to life, offering you and fresh start and eternal life in His heavenly Kingdom. That is why we worship the LORD today!

Prayer of the Day

ALL: Loving God, I often wouldn’t choose to love the people You choose. If I’m honest, I wouldn’t even choose me, but You choose us. Help us to live, now and always, as Your chosen people. Give us the strength and courage to be Your hands and feet in this broken world. Amen.

♪ Opening Song “I Love to Tell the Story”

First Reading

Proverbs 19:16-17

Psalm 37:3-9, 23-24

READER: 03 Trust in the LORD and do good.

Then you will live safely in the land and prosper.

**ALL: 04 Take delight in the LORD,
and He will give you your heart's desires.**

READER: 05 Commit everything you do to the LORD.

Trust Him, and He will help you.

**ALL: 06 He will make your innocence radiate
like the dawn,
and the justice of your cause will shine
like the noonday sun.**

READER: 07 Be still in the presence of the LORD,
and wait patiently for Him to act.

**ALL: Don't worry about evil people who prosper
or fret about their wicked schemes.**

READER: 08 Also, stop being so angry!

Turn from your rage!

Do not lose your temper –
it only leads to harm.

**ALL: 09 For the wicked will be destroyed,
but those who trust in the LORD will possess the land.**

READER: 23 The LORD directs the steps of the godly.
He delights in every detail of their lives.

**ALL: 24 Though they stumble, they will never fall,
for the LORD holds them by the hand.**

Second Reading

Philippians 2:3-8a

✦ The Gospel, God's Good News

Matthew 14:13-21

The Nicene Creed

**ALL: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of
Heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from**

Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation He came down from Heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His Kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Sermon

Sermon "Participating in Heaven"

♪ Our Offering of Worship "Great Are You Lord"

The Words of Institution

Holy Communion

Prayers of the People

PASTOR: LORD, in Your mercy...

ALL: ...hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

ALL: 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.**

Benediction

A word of blessing.

♪ Closing Song “Build Your Kingdom Here”

Postlude Music

We depart in peace, ready to serve the LORD!

The Mission Statement of American Lutheran Church

Led by the Holy Spirit and strengthened by the Gospel of Jesus Christ,
we seek to make the Kingdom of God real and present in our
world through ongoing worship, witness, and service.



WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Visitors are welcome to sign our guest book in the narthex gathering area. If you are looking for a church home, please contact Pastor Ethan or talk to one of the ushers about our American Lutheran Church family!

Our current prayer list includes Joe Ayers, Deb Adamek, Jean Bonney, Kathy Chelman, Jodi Eckel, Bob Fox, Karin Fearing, Lee Fearing, Deb Fisher, Larry Hatton, Mike Holden, Stephanie James, Joni Love, Karen Ness, Aubrey Olson, Sam Tesch, Rose Thorp, Deb Wagner, Sharon Wiegers, and Addison Young.

Today's KEYL Radio Broadcast of our worship service is sponsored by Leora Hillman in honor of loved ones. Thank you for ensuring God's Word can reach people over the airwaves!

If you would like to sponsor a broadcast, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. The cost is \$75. Thank you!

Please consider signing up to serve as an usher or greeter. Sign-up sheets are on the wall in the back of the sanctuary.

Bible Readings for Next Week: June 11,2023

Exodus 14:15-16, 21-22 Titus 3:3-7
Psalm 46:1-3, 8-10 Matthew 14:22-29
Sermon Title: "Sink or Don't"

Worship Leaders

Pastor: Ethan Fearing	Pianist: Alyssa Fearing
Altar Guild: Betty Oliver	Acolyte: Olivia Browen
Deacon: Deb Fearing	Reader: Emily Steinert



ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FAIR IS COMING! The Todd County Fair will be July 13-16, 2023. There are sign-up sheets on the easel in the narthex for food stand volunteers.

NEW 2 U update: please check out the sign-up sheets on the easel for 'clean up' & 'baking'. Sign up to SERVE as you are able. Thank you so much!



NEW 2 U 2023

Friday, **JUNE 23** 8-5pm
and Saturday, **JUNE 24th** 8-noon

Dear ALC women: You are invited to fellowship with other members in this project that serves: our community and missions projects, etc.. Youth are also welcome to help.

IN-GATHERING:

**Please note: we can NOT accept donations on *Saturday JUNE 10
this year as there will be a funeral here that day!**

We will be accepting your donation gifts beginning: Thursday, JUNE 8* through Thursday, JUNE 15th only! The deadline, "cut off" date for donations, allows for necessary further preparations. THANK YOU for understanding and your cooperation! (**On June 8 & 9; please bring your donations to the church **CHOIR** room! This change is also to accommodate for the June 10th funeral.**)

The best hours to access the church to drop off your gifts is during office hours: Monday & Tuesdays 8-noon, Wednesday's 8-3pm, Thursday's 8-11.

You are also welcome to call Deb at **320 732 4184** to arrange an alternate time to bring your gifts. We can arrange for: evening, after your work or other times to receive your donations.

[PLEASE remember, we can't accept: TVs, electronics, large appliances, etc.. Also, we are NOT accepting BOOKS. [ALCW has great difficulty disposing of these items when left over.]]
Thank you for respecting this. Please put your donations in the designated room(s).
The donation room will be different than in past years! Watch for signage in the church.

SORTING: and other prep work will also happen during the In-Gathering time. [June 8-15]
Again, NOT on **JUNE 10th** though!

SET UP for the sale will begin Friday June 16.

ORGANIZING and pricing will be ongoing June 16 through 22nd.

Our trustees ask that we work in 'teams' for safety and liability purposes.

Ladies: we can find a task for any age, energy or skill level. Sit down jobs, etc are available. 🌟

We will certainly appreciate home baked goods to serve and sell to our guests. Bring those to church kitchen by 7:30 a.m, Friday, June 23.

Watch for: sign up sheets and further announcements to determine how you can serve the Lord in this fundraiser event. Many hands make light the work!

Blessings and THANK YOU in advance for sharing your time and talents!

Your ALCW

The June issue of The Daily Walk and June-Aug copies of Our Daily Bread are on the small table at the rear of the sanctuary.

CHURCH OUTREACH

Missionaries: Dan and Nancy Butkowski; Dwight and Dorothy Hazard; Chris Mikkelson.

Prayer Partners is our confidential chain of prayer. To request a prayer, send an e-mail to prayer@americanlutheranchurch.org. If you would like your name added or removed from the Prayer Partners' e-mail list, contact Patty Ostendorf or Becky Hillig.

Our Mission Focus for June is our Food Stand at the Todd County Fair. Proceeds from the fair help send our youth to summer camp and go on mission trips.

Weekly Report:

Worship Attendance for last week: 92

General Fund budgeted weekly needs: \$4,439.21

General Fund Year to Date (YTD) as of 4/30/23:

Budgeted needs: \$79,545.78

Receipts: \$74,961.71

Actual expenses: \$61,392.94

As of May 21st, our 2023 YTD General Budget receipts were \$5,902.04 behind our YTD General Budget needs.

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Sunday Worship Livestream: [on Facebook](#)



Live music, an honest message, and good fellowship!
BRING A CHAIR & WE'LL SEE YOU THERE

All are welcome for

LAKE SIDE WORSHIP

June 18, 2023 • 9:00 a.m. • Charlotte Lake
S'mores buffet and fellowship to follow!



Vacation Bible School

July 23rd - 27th

5:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Dinner for everyone 5:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Free for children ages 4 to entering 6th Grade

Register using the QR code

or paper form on the VBS bulletin board.

Bring friends, relatives, neighbors, and grandkids!

Volunteers Needed (7th grade and up)

Please see areas of need and sign up



Weekly Schedule at American Lutheran Church

Sun. June 4th **8:15 am** Choir Practice
 9:00 am **Worship Service with Communion**

Mon. June 5th **7:00 pm** Trustee Meeting

Tue. June 6th **8:15 am** Staff Meeting

Wed. June 7th **6:30 pm** Board of Education Meeting
 7:30 pm Deacon Meeting

Thu. June 8th – Fri. June 9th New 2 U Ingathering in Choir Room

Sat. Jun. 10th **1:00 pm** Glenda Lucas Funeral

Sun. June 11th New 2 U Ingathering in Fellowship Hall
 8:15 am Choir Rehearsal
 9:00 am **Worship Service**
 10:15 am Mission Committee Meeting

Sunday worship services are radio broadcast on KEYL 1400 AM and 103.1 FM, live-streamed on Facebook, and posted with video recordings of services later on our website.