



# THE TRUMPET

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**God's work. Our hands.**



## PASTOR'S CORNER

*"Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands—O prosper the work of our hands."  
- Psalm 90:17*

Dear Siblings in Christ,

September is one of my favorite months. Not just because it marks the beginning of the new school year or the resumption of Christian education opportunities and choir, but because September means we celebrate "God's Work, Our Hands." I love seeing the gold T-shirts with "God's Work, Our Hands" emblazoned on them in worship or at service projects.

God's Work, Our Hands began as a celebration of 25 years of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America in 2013. It is meant to be a dedicated day of service to support the needs of our neighbors and communities. I love expanding it beyond a day to an entire month of focus on service and living out the slogan that it is "God's work, our hands!"

As Lutherans, we know the difference that God's grace and love through Christ makes in our daily lives. We believe that God extends the free gift of grace to us each and every day. God's love was made real through the incarnation of Jesus as a human being just like us. We trust in the summation of the Gospel from John 3:16 – "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life." God's love is for the whole world and it is because of that love for the whole world that Jesus came to live, die, and be resurrected.

Our faith in God's grace and love is one that we want to share with others to help them experience the same

love and acceptance. As we move into September and mark God's Work, Our Hands month with a Rally Sunday and two Sundays filled with service opportunities after worship, who in your life might benefit from experiencing God's grace and love? Is there someone in your life, a friend or family member, who is desiring an opportunity to gather in community and be God's hands in the world? Who could you invite to be a part of one of our God's Work, Our Hands service Sundays?

God's Work, Our Hands is not limited to just a month of the church year. We are invited to remember that we are doing God's work with our hands all year round. We live out this vision as a church, through worship and service, and as individuals, through our individual vocations as volunteer, employee, student, parent, sibling, and more. Collectively, through our individual contributions and our congregational efforts, we are doing God's work with our hands.

Let us be reminded this September that together as a church and as Christians, we are called to the vision of God's Work, Our Hands. That we are all created to participate in God's work on earth, to be signs of Christ in our community, making the love of God visible to all.

Peace,  
Pastor Rebecca

# JOIN US

PLEASE JOIN US IN PERSON, WATCH US VIAL LIVESTREAM OR WATCH A RECORDING LATER AT [CTKWBL.ONLINE.CHURCH](http://CTKWBL.ONLINE.CHURCH). YOU CAN ACCESS THE BULLETIN BY CLICKING AT THE TOP OF THE LIVESTREAM PAGE.

## SEPTEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### SUNDAYS

#### SEPTEMBER 1

Fifteenth Sunday  
After Pentecost

*Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9*  
*Psalm 15*  
*Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23*

“O God,  
my faithful God.”

**9am Worship**  
Organ / Communion

#### SEPTEMBER 8

Sixteenth Sunday  
After Pentecost

*Isaiah 35:4-7a*  
*Psalm 146*  
*Mark 7:24-37*

“Healer of our  
every will.”

**9am Worship**  
KHB / Communion

#### SEPTEMBER 15

Seventeenth Sunday  
After Pentecost

*Isaiah 50:4-9a*  
*Psalm 116:1-9*  
*Mark 8:27-38*

“Oh, praise the  
gracious power.”

**9am Worship**  
Organ / Communion

#### SEPTEMBER 22

Eighteenth Sunday  
After Pentecost

*Jeremiah 11:18-20*  
*Psalm 54*  
*Mark 9:30-37*

“Children of the  
heavenly Father.”

**9am Worship**  
KHB / Communion

#### SEPTEMBER 29

Nineteenth Sunday  
After Pentecost

*Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29*  
*Psalm 19:7-14*  
*Mark 9:38-50*

“Where cross the  
crowded ways of life.”

**9am Worship**  
KHB / Communion

### THURSDAY

#### SEPTEMBER 19

##### Women's Bible Study

This fall, the study is titled  
“Receiving Grace:  
A Study of Ephesians”  
and our emphasis for  
September is  
“Is Grace Real?”

**9:30am**  
in the library.

# September

## WORSHIP LEADERS



	AV	ALTAR GUILD	LAM	READER	USHERS	COMMUNION	ACOLYTE
9.1	Mike / Craig	Connie / Peggy		Mike	Mike / Michele	Wendy / Peggy	
9.8	Mike / Craig	Ann	Trip	Howard	Michele / Scott	Sally / Bea	
9.15	Jason / Julia	Cathy / Stephanie	Bill	Wayne	Howard / Scott	Ann / Mike	Jack
9.22	Joe / Janelle	Lori / Lori	Bea	Ann	Mike / Michele	Wendy / Karen	
9.29	Joe / Janelle	Karen / Becky	Cyndi	Cyndi	Mike /	Polly / Howard	

**Hospitality:** Wendy & Alma Gulbraa, Patty Rund, Phil & Betsy Danielson

*If you are faced with a conflict, please attempt to trade with one another and let the office know. Thank you!*

## DEVOTION

### Service to Others

I've been reflecting on our ELCA service theme of God's Work Our Hands. As we approach Rally Sunday at CTK, and our commitment to selfless service to others, I am reminded of Martin Luther's quote that: "God does not need your good works, but your neighbor does." At the root of such service is a loving faith, which, in Luther's words, "is a living, daring confidence in God's grace, so sure and certain that a [person] could stake [their] life on it a thousand times." As we serve others as Christ's disciples, let us always pray for God's grace - that we might accomplish good works with a loving heart.

Michael Stepan

### Christ In Our Home Devotionals

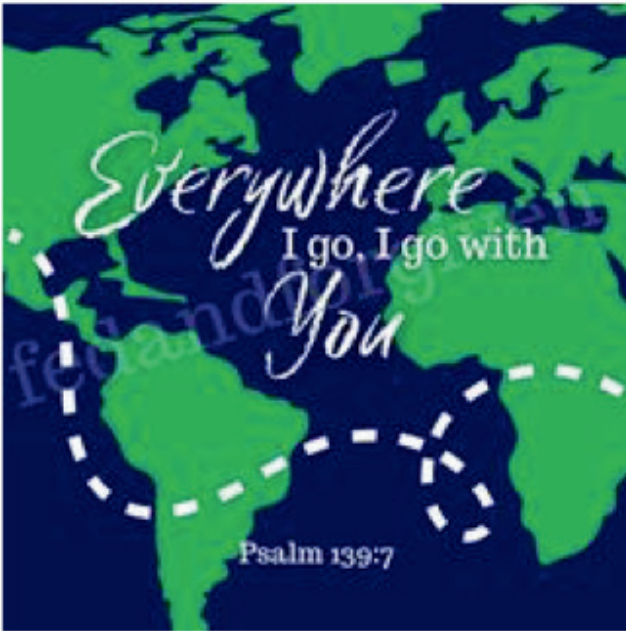


The October / November / December edition is available in the basket on the table in the Narthex. Please stop and pick yours up today.

# COMING SOON

## YOUTH & FAMILY

Bag Blessing for Fall  
Sunday, September 8



Everyone is invited to bring their favorite bag along to be blessed in worship on Sunday, September 8. As the fall season begins, we will bless our bags and be reminded that "Everywhere I go, I go with you." Participants can receive a sticker to put wherever they need the reminder that God is with them always.

What kind of bag is welcome to be blessed?

- Backpack
- Hand bag
- Lunch bag
- Tote bag
- Work bag
- Tool bag
- Duffle bag
- Diaper bag
- Shopping bag
- Gym bag
- Beach bag
- Laptop bag
- Bowling bag
- Any kind of bag you can bring!

Sunday School and Confirmation  
will begin in September



Register your children and youth to update permissions for the 2024-2025 school year. One form will cover an entire year's worth of activities.

Please register your child/youth (age 18 or younger) by September 11. You will find the registration forms on the welcome center in the Narthex.

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## Hello Youth Group!

Youth 6th through 12th grade and their parents are invited to a meet and greet/informational meeting on Rally Sunday (September 8th) at 10:45am after the breakfast. During this meeting you will have the chance to get to know me (Hannah) and a little bit about youth group this year. Additionally the youth will have time to talk to me about what they're looking for from youth group.

If you are unable to attend you can still join us for our first youth group meeting on Wednesday, September 18th from 7pm-8:30pm in the youth room!

I'm excited to see you all there!

Hannah

# COMING SOON

## DISCIPLESHIP

God's Work, Our Hands  
Service Sundays  
September 15 & 22

**God's work.  
Our hands.**

You are invited to serve our neighbor by making sandwiches for the Walker Food Share in Minneapolis. We'll continue marking "God's Work, Our Hands." month on September 15 and 22. This day is 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 in the Fellowship Hall after worship to put together turkey bologna and cheese sandwiches for our hungry neighbors. Our goal will be to make 500 sandwiches for the Walker Food Share. We'll need help to make this effort possible. Can you:

- Participate in the sandwich assembly line?
- Help get the assembly line organized to make sandwich making go smoothly?
- Help deliver the sandwiches on September 16?

We received a Thrivent Action Grant to pay for sandwich making supplies, so we just need your contributions of labor to make the sandwiches.

We will be collecting items to make Hygiene Kits for children experiencing foster care. Each kit will need:

- Reusable tote bag or shower caddy
- one deoderant
- one full-sized shampoo
- one full-sized conditioner
- one toothbrush
- one full-sized toothpaste
- one full-sized bodywash

Bring your donations to church by Wednesday, September 18 so we can be prepared to put together the kits after worship on September 22. Kits will be brought to the Children's Home of Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota after they are put together.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Silent Auction

**Sunday, September 29, 2024**

Bidding from 10am - 11am



Help support the Women's Ministry Group for missions local, national and international.

We are asking each family to provide at least one item. It can be a physical item, gift basket, service to be provided or baked goods. Please join is for fun and fellowship, donate something for the auction, bid on items and take them home, all in the same morning. Donations can be dropped off early in the church office. Please leave the donor's name and the approximate value of the donation with the item.

## MISSIONS

MASISIWE  
STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS  
for 2025



On October 6th we will begin gathering funds for the Masisiwe Student Scholarships. Our humble thanks for your past support. Watch for more information in the coming weeks.

Contact Polly Morrison if you have questions.

# UPDATES

## CHURCH COUNCIL

### Council Corner

#### Council initiatives update:

1. One-to-one conversations – this initiative is set to go through September, it is approximately 50% complete. Thank you to those who have already participated. Please say yes if asked, your feedback about CTK will help us plan for the future.

2. Sound System – Council approved an in-person survey to be performed over three Sundays in August & September. In addition, a technician visited with CTK on 8/29 to perform a system tune up and discuss possible upgrades and improvements.

I'd also like to report on some Ministry Team initiatives.

1. Discipleship – Getting ramped up for the start of Sunday School and putting together a request for funds for better chairs for the youth and other sitting options in the youth gathering room such as bean bag chairs for gatherings and videos.

2. Worship – Worship team has planned the worship services through the Advent Season.

3. Property – The Property Team performed an inventory of the windows to prioritize which windows need the most attention first. While the majority of windows are in good shape, the ones in the sanctuary are likely going to need to be addressed first. The team is also looking into updating the pulley system for the sanctuary banners.

A special thank you to all the ministry teams and the important work they do to keep CTK running smoothly.

Finally, through July, income has exceeded expenses by approximately \$4,400. This is the first time in several years that income has exceeded expenses at this point in the year. Thank you for your continued strong financial support.

In Christ's Service  
Scott Tradup

## ADMIN & FINANCE

### July Financial Report

#### Envelope and online offerings monthly comparison:

01/01/24 through 7/31/24 = \$165,878

01/01/23 through 7/31/23 = \$138,819

#### Expenses Year-To-Date:

01/01/24 through 07/31/24 = \$161,510

01/01/23 through 07/31/23 = \$149,320

#### Cash account balances as of July 31, 2024

North Star Bank:

Checking = \$2,876

Savings = \$22,032

Memorial Savings = \$29,619

CD = \$41,520

ELCA Mission Investment Fund = \$54,761

Endowment Fund = \$90,000

Mortgage Balance = \$118,539

## DIRECTORY

**Sterling Hintz has moved and would like to let all of you know his new address and phone number.**

Minnesota Veterans Home

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Minneapolis, MN 55417

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silverknight600@msn.com

Cards, visits and phone calls are welcome.

# 2024 September

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Worship 9am	2  <b>HAPPY LABOR DAY!</b> USA	3 6:30pm WMA	4 Bells 6:30pm Choir 7:45pm	5 7pm Property Team	6	7 7am Bread Ministry KHB 9am
8 Worship 9am Rally Day Youth Group Mtg. 10:45 	9 6:30pm WMA	10 7pm Admin Team	11 Bells 6:30pm Choir 7:45pm 7-8:30 Confirmation	12	13	14 7am Bread Ministry KHB 9am
15 Worship 9am Sandwich Service Day	16	17 7pm Church Council	18 Bells 6:30pm Choir 7:45pm 7-8:30 Youth Group	19  9:30am Women's Bible Study	20	21 7am Bread Ministry KHB 9am
22 Worship 9am Sunday School 10:15-11:00 Service Day	23  Trumpet Deadline	24  4:30pm Family Shelter Meal	25 Bells 6:30pm Choir 7:45pm 7-8:30 Confirmation	26	27	28 7am Bread Ministry KHB 9am
29 Worship 9am Sunday School 10:15-11:00 10:15 Silent Auction	30					