



# CHISAGO LAKE

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## LUTHERAN CHURCH



Second Sunday of Easter  
April 27, 2025  
9:00 am

*GROUNDED IN THE GOSPEL, GUIDED  
BY THE SPIRIT, WE ARE A PEOPLE  
AND PLACE OF GRACE!*

WELCOME!



# Chisago Lake Lutheran Church

## Center City, MN

### ELCA

[www.chisagolakelutheran.org](http://www.chisagolakelutheran.org)

#### **WELCOME TO CHISAGO LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH!**

We are so glad you are here. At Chisago Lake Lutheran Church, we are “Grounded in the Gospel, Guided by the Spirit.” We are a people and a place of grace, where we welcome and invite all people to come as you are and be open to who God calls you to be.

- Children are wanted & welcome in worship. Activity bags and kits are available and a special children’s message is shared at each service.
- There are devices to assist those who are hearing impaired at the front entrance when you enter. Please see an usher for guidance as needed.
- We invite you to write your name and contact information on the blue connect card in the pew in front of you and/or sign our guest book in the entry. If you would like to be included on our email list, please add your email address. We would love to keep you informed of what’s happening around Chisago Lake Lutheran! The reverse side of the card has space for prayer requests as well. You can drop your card in the offering baskets or the Welcome desk in the entryway. Thank you!

***Be Well! Be Loving! Be Courageous! Be the Church!***

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## PRELUDE

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## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND OPENING PRAYER

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*"Thine is the Glory"*

ELW #376

### CONFSSION AND FORGIVENESS

We gather in the name of  
the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

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.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are in bondage 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.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the <sup>☩</sup> Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## KYRIE

ELW p.147-148

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For his holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Acts 5:27-32, Pew Bible NT p.116

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Stacy Johnson

## BAPTISM

*August Douglas Anderson*

ELW p. 227-231

## BAPTISMAL HYMN

*"Borning Cry"*

ELW #732

## ALLELUIA

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

ELW p.151

## THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31, Pew Bible NT p.109

The Gospel according to St. John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

This is the Gospel - the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON      "We're on A Mission from God!"

Pastor Brian

HYMN OF THE DAY      "*Take My Life, That I May Be*"

ELW #685

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## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

## 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.**

OFFERTORY

*"Create in Me a Clean Heart"*

Hymn #186

## OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us:

ourselves, our time, and our possessions – all signs of your gracious love. Receive them back for the sake of Him who gave himself for us: Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN

*"Thine the Amen"*

ELW #826

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love and serve the Lord!

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

**Attendance: April 20 = 749, Sanct- 350, FB – 292, YouTube- 107**

**Maundy Thurs = 342, Sanct-121, FB – 177, YouTube-44**

**Good Friday = 255; Sanct. – 85, FB – 136, You Tube - 34**

**PRAYER CONCERNS** – *Please contact the office with any requests or updates.*

- Continued prayers for Ernie Granier as she remains in ICU.
- Keeping Nova and the Gustafson family in our prayers as well as Mirza Baig and his family.

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**With Joy** the Chisago Lake Lutheran family extends

congratulations to the parents and welcomes baptismal candidate, August Douglas Anderson, son to Courtney and Alan Anderson. As we celebrate this important milestone in August's life, we ask the congregation to keep him and his family in your daily prayers and he begins his faith journey. Welcome August!



**IN APPRECIATION!** We are so grateful for the impact our volunteers have on our church and community. Thank you for your commitment to serving others! Please stop by the Welcome table on your way out today for a token of appreciation of all each one of you contributes in your own ways!

**New Member Classes Starting Again Soon!** Our Chisago Lake Lutheran Family has been rapidly growing over the past year. If you are interested in becoming a more active and integral part of our family in faith, we invite you to join us for our next round of New Member classes (3 total) on **Sundays, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>; 10:15-11:15 am** in the Green Room.



**RECYCLING DAY!** Our Spring appliance and recycling will be **Saturday, May 3, 8am to 2pm**. It will take place in the lower parking lot. An item list with the costs is available in the office, on bulletin boards or through a link in the weekly e-newsletter and on the website. Thank you to Mark Nelson of AAA Recycling, this is an excellent fundraiser for our church!!



**SATURDAY, MAY 3, ALL-CHURCH CLEAN UP DAY**

The day will run from **9am-3pm**. *Come all day or as you are able!* There will be opportunities for general cleaning, outdoor yard work, painting, and other small projects. Lunch will be provided! See you Saturday!!

**SCHOLARSHIP TIME!** **Chisago Lake Lutheran and Gladys L. Johnson Scholarships** –

Both scholarships are available to any student planning to attend a Christian college, seminary, public college, university, or vocational institute in the fall of 2025.

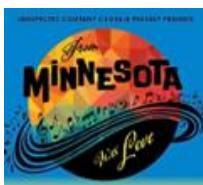
- The *Chisago Lake Lutheran Scholarship* is available to church members only.
- The *Gladys Johnson Scholarship* is available to anyone in MN or WI.

You can pick up applications at the church office or have them mailed/mailed to you by contacting the office; [office@chisagolakelutheran.org](mailto:office@chisagolakelutheran.org) or 651-257-6300.

**Applications are due June 16** to the church office and will be awarded in July.

**TABLES AND CHAIRS** for graduation, confirmation open houses and other events are available to rent from church; \$5.00 per table/\$10.00 for one table and 8-10 chairs. Rental is only available to members of our church. Contact the church office to arrange for the rental.

**UNEXPECTED COMPANY CONCERT:** Chisago Lake Lutheran is excited to once again host the Unexpected Company Chorale for their Spring Concert on **Sunday, May 4 at 3:00pm**. Come for their *"From Minnesota with Love"* concert. It will be their bon voyage tour before embarking on their tour of Sweden later in May.



### **Chisago Age Well offers free May 13 program on "Living with Chronic Pain"**

Join Us for this **FREE** Event!

### **Dine & Discover**

The Chisago Age Well Coalition will host their free Dine & Discover program, "Living with Chronic Pain" on *Tuesday, May 13*. Attendees can choose from two times and locations:

12 noon at Zion Lutheran Church fellowship hall, Chisago City, includes light lunch, or 3:30 p.m. at North Branch Senior Community Center with afternoon appetizers.

Presenters include medical professionals (from M Health Fairview and St. Croix Health expert in relieving the impact of pain on mind and body. Chisago County Public Health and the Steve Rummler Society will staff tables with information on prescription opioid use and abuse prevention, as well as pointers on managing pain as we age.

Register by Friday, May 9, through North Branch Community Education at 651-674-1025 or use the QR code to reach North Branch Community Education Senior Offerings. Scroll to Dine & Discover "Living with Chronic Pain" and choose your preferred time and location.



**FLOWER PICK-UP:** If you ordered flowers from the Children, Youth and Family fundraiser they will be here Thursday, May 8. They will be in the front entrance area from 3 to 5pm. If those times don't work, contact Stacy.

### **Current Ways to Give to the Church**

Thank you for sharing your generosity with Chisago Lake Lutheran! You have continued to share what God's entrusted to you and we are grateful. Ways you can give include:

1. Mail your envelope/check to the church office at  
1 Summit Ave, PO Box 175, Center City, MN 55012
2. Or sign up for regular online giving through our partner company  
Vanco on the church [website](#). It is secure, convenient, and  
assures your ability to give consistently to God's mission.  
[www.chisagolakelutheran.org](http://www.chisagolakelutheran.org)
3. Or use your phone to scan the QR Code which takes you directly to our church website  
and use Vanco to give a one-time gift or recurring payments.



**THIS WEEK AT CHISAGO LAKE LUTHERAN:****Sunday, April 27**

- 9:00 am – Worship Service
- 10:00 am – Fellowship
- 10:15 am – Sunday School
- 7:00 pm - Narcotics Anonymous

**Monday, April 28**

- Noon – Men's/Women's Bible Study
- 4:00 pm - Community Meals at Zion Lutheran Church

**Tuesday, April 29**

- 6:00 pm – Take 2 Worship service
- 7:00 pm - Al-Anon in the Undercroft

**Wednesday, April 30**

- 6:15pm – Tree of Life Choir practice
- 6:00 pm – Confirmation Pictures followed by Dinner
- 7:00 pm – Choir Practice

**Thursday, May 1**

- 8:00 am – Men's Breakfast, Swedish Inn

**Saturday, May 3**

- 8:00am – 2:00pm – Recycling in Lower Parking Lot
- 9:00 am- 3:00 pm – All Church Clean Up Day

**Sunday, May 4**

- 9:00 am – Worship Service
- 10:00 am – Fellowship/Confirmands Reception
- 10:15 am – Sunday School
- 10:15 am - New Member Class
- 3:00 pm – Unexpected Company Concert
- 7:00 pm - Narcotics Anonymous

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

Pianist/Organist: Myrna Westen

Acolytes: Madeline Johnson and Julia Wakefield

Reader: Janie Briggs

Ushers: Scott & Jane Weiss, Mike Carlson, and Scott Lundberg

Altar Guild: Pat Ongstad and Donna Grossmann

Sound and Video Tech: Brayden Bresnahan

Offering Assistants: Steve Grossmann and Lori Sampson

Coffee Servers: Elizabeth & Michael Weiss and Ashley & Neil Paulson

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**Vacation Bible School is coming soon to CLLC!!** Mark your calendars for June 16<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> from 9 am – noon for 4-year-olds. Afternoon activities for 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> graders on Tuesday and Wednesday! Join us for this fun experience after school is out!! Watch for registration!!!