

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH

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AUGUST 1, 2021, 9:00 A.M.
10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Thank you for joining us and we pray the time you spend with us will be a blessing for you. If you find it difficult to stand at any time during the service, please do not feel obligated to do so.

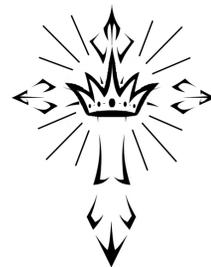
In order to love and serve our neighbors (as Christ calls us to do), please **DO NOT** attend worship in person if you:

are not feeling well, have an elevated temperature, have been in vulnerable populations or have been exposed to the Covid-19 virus recently.

In line with CDC guidelines, we are no longer requiring a facemask for individuals who have been **FULLY vaccinated**. However, you can still wear one if you so desire. For the health of ourselves and others, we continue to require face masks to be worn while in the building if you are not fully vaccinated. Physical distancing is no longer required.

While we are making progress, we ask that you do not sing along with the music. We know this is difficult, so we invite you to lightly hum along. We invite anyone who is medically vulnerable or in a high risk vocation to continue worshipping from home via live-stream (found on our webpage/ Facebook page). Once you feel it is safe to return, we can't wait to see you in person again too!

COMMUNION IS OPEN TO EVERYONE! We are part of a larger community with an open table and an open invitation to receive the gift of Holy Communion for all persons, of all ages, who believe in Jesus. Because of Covid precautions, everyone will pick up disposable communion kits as you enter the sanctuary. A gluten free option is available for those who prefer that option - please ask an usher. Distribution will happen corporately while everyone remains in their seats. Baskets are in each pew for the disposal of used materials.



INTRODUCTION

Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.

PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN - ELW 487 "What Feast of Love" (on page 8)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

INVOCATION

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

P: We gather together in the name in which we live, the name in which we baptize, in the name of the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Moment of silence for reflection.

P: God, our provider,

C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

GREETING

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray together.

C: O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

You may be seated.

SCRIPTURE READINGS - Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15; Psalm 78:23-29; Ephesians 4:1-16 (see page 7)

First Reading: Psalm 78:23-29

²³So God commanded the clouds above and opened the doors of heaven, ²⁴raining down manna upon them to eat and giving them grain from heaven. ²⁵So mortals ate the bread of angels; God provided for them food enough. ²⁶The LORD caused the east wind to blow in the heavens and powerfully led out the south wind, ²⁷raining down flesh upon them like dust and flying birds like the sand of the seas, ²⁸letting them fall in the midst of the camp and round about the dwellings. ²⁹So the people ate and were well filled, for God gave them what they craved.

GOSPEL ANNOUNCED

John 6:24-35

Please stand as you are able.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 6th Chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁴When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. ²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?"

³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." ³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY - ELW 618 "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" (on page 8)

Please stand as you are able.

APOSTLES' CREED

A: We join together in confessing our faith using the words of the Apostles' 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 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.

Prayers of the People

A: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us come before God in prayer:

A brief silence.

Each petition is finished responsively with:

P: Lord in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer**

A: Into your gracious and mighty hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy through your Son Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

THE PEACE

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

C: And also with you.

THE OFFERING

An offering plate is located in the narthex (if you brought an offering) for you to use upon entering or exiting.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Blessed are you,

C: O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

4 Ways To Give



IN PERSON
as you exit or bring
by the office
during the week



BY MAIL



ONLINE
www.ctk-uc.org



TEXT
Text any amount
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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is indeed right, we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

And also with you.

We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give God our thanks and praise.

C: (spoken) Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

A: Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

C: The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath. We praise you, O God.

P: Generations bless your faithfulness:

C: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; and into the future, we bless you, O God.

A: We give you thanks for your dear Son:

C: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now and always. We thank you, O God.

P: 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 his love for us, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

A: We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

C: Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

A: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us, in whichever version you prefer.

Traditional English - 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.

Español - Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga tu reino hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy el pan de cada día y perdona nuestras deudas como nosotros perdonamos nuestros deudores y no nos dejes caer en la tentación mas líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la gloria por los siglos de los siglos. Amen

Malagasy - Rainay izay any an-danitra, Hohamasinina anie ny anaranao. Ho tonga anie ny fanjakanao. Hatao anie ny sitraponao. Ny ety an-tany tahaka ny any an-danitra. Omeo anay anio izay hanina saha ho anay. Ary mamelà ny helokay. Tahaka ny namelany izay meloka taminay. Ary aza mitondra anay ho amin'ny fakam-panahy, fa manafaha anay amin'ny ratsy. Fa Anao ny fanjakana sy ny hery ary ny voninahitra mandrakizay. Amena.

Deutsche - Vater unser im Himmel, geheiligt werde dein Name; dein Reich komme; dein Wille geschehe, wie im Himmel so auf Erden. Unser tägliches Brot gib uns heute. Und vergib uns unsere Schuld, wie auch wir vergeben unsern Schuldigern; und führe uns nicht in Versuchung, sondern erlöse uns von dem Bösen. Denn dein ist das Reich und die Kraft und die Herrlichkeit in Ewigkeit. Amen.

Korean - 하늘에 계신 우리아버지 이름이 거룩히 여김을 받으시오며나라에 임하옵시며, 뜻이 하늘에서 이루어진 것같이 땅에서도 이루어지리이다 오늘날 우리에게 일용할 양식을 주옵시며 우리가 우리에게 죄진자를 사하여 준것같이 우리의 죄를 사하여 주옵시고 우리를 시험에 들게하지 마옵시고 다만 악에서 구하여 주옵소서 대개 나라와 영광이 아버지께 영원히 있사옵나이다. 아멘

Please be seated.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Come taste and see that the Lord is good. Whoever you are, or wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome in this place. You are welcome at God's table. God keeps adding places to the table. Come to the banquet that has no end, where there is room for everyone! Beloved of God, come and be fed.

DISTRIBUTION AND BLESSING

The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.

P: For those of you who don't receive communion, receive the blessing of Jesus Christ, the great healer of us all. May you know the fullness of his love, feel the power of God's grace, and hear the invitation to serve your neighbor in need.

COMMUNION HYMN

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray.

C: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

BLESSING

P: Just as Christ was sent into the world to heal and redeem, so God sends you into the world to be light and love, to bring healing and hope. So, wherever it is that you go this week and whatever it is that you do, may the grace and peace of God † the Creator, the Redeemer and the Sustainer come upon you and remain with you always.

C: Amen.

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God! And we will!

SENDING HYMN - ELW 643 "We Are All One in Christ"
(on page 9)

There are many who can't join us in person. Please continue to reach out to those who you didn't see in worship today. Who did I not see that I can check in with through a call, email or text message?

POSTLUDE

*Ushers will dismiss you,
so please remain seated until invited to depart.*

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OUR VISION STATEMENT: Welcoming all, Leading to faith, Shepherding for life, Serving neighbors near and far, *In all we do — growing disciples for Christ.*

If you would like to know more about Christ the King, please contact Pastor Mike after the service or feel free to call the church office at 210-658-2254.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP: The flower chart is in the church office, so if you wish to sign up for flowers, please call the church office during regular office hours Monday thru Friday from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. Thank you!

WONDERFULL WORLD WOMEN'S RETREAT: Join us at Camp Chrysalis in Kerrville, on October 15-17. The retreat begins at 5:00 pm on Friday and ends after brunch on Sunday. Cost is \$135.00 (checks payable to CTK). \$75 is **due by August 15**. Registration will close on August 20. Balance of retreat fee is due October 3. Registration forms are available in the narthex on the credenza.

COUNTERS: Leona Hietala, Financial Secretary, has contacted those who had been counting offering prior to COVID to determine if they are still interested in continuing to be a part of the counting team beginning in September. If you were not contacted and have an interest in joining the team, please contact Leona by emailing her at 1304layla@gmail.com or calling her at (218) 310-0811 or by calling Margaret in the church office at 210-658-2254 during regular office hours.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE: For the third consecutive year, Christ the King will give away school supplies to community children. The congregation of CTK is asked to have all donations to the church by Sunday, August 1. A small group of volunteers will sort and pack supplies on Friday, August 6. The "big day" will begin at 10:30 am next Sunday, August 8. Members of the community are invited to stop by the church and pick up a backpack filled with supplies for their children. Please note the earlier date to bring supplies to the church! Of course, supplies are also welcomed on the original date of August 8. For those interested in helping on August 8, please let Shari Boos know or be on the lookout via Flocknotes.

HARVEST OF FAITH: Throughout the summer, snap pictures (using your phone) of any and all places where you see God's kingdom breaking into our world - places where God is creating hope, places where you sense God at work (even if it doesn't seem obvious or grand in scale). Share these pictures with the church office (via email, text, on our Facebook page or print them and bring it in), so we can make a display for all to see all the ways that God's kingdom is growing.

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness.

³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." ⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not." ⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'"

¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹²"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

Ephesians 4:1-16

¹I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love,

³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. ⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." ⁹(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers,

¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

OPENING HYMN ELW 487 *“What Feast of Love”*

- 1 What feast of love is offered here,
what banquet come from heaven?
What food of everlasting life,
what gracious gift is given?
This, this is Christ the king,
the bread come down from heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing!
How sweet the manna given!
- 2 What light of truth is offered here,
what covenant from heaven?
What hope of everlasting life,
what wondrous word is given?
This, this is Christ the king,
the sun come down from heaven.
Oh, see and hear and sing!
The Word of God is given!
- 3 What wine of love is offered here,
what crimson drink from heaven?
What stream of everlasting life,
what precious blood is given?
This, this is Christ the king,
the sweetest wine of heaven,
Oh, taste and see and sing!
The Son of God is given!

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

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HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 618 *“Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer”*

- 1 Guide me ever, great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but you are mighty;
hold me with your pow'rful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain
where the healing waters flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,
shield me with your mighty arm,
shield me with your mighty arm.
- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs and praises, songs and praises,
I will raise forevermore,
I will raise forevermore.

Text: William Williams, 1717-1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722-1796, alt.

SENDING HYMN ELW 643 *“We Are All One in Christ”*

We are all one in Christ, we are one body,
all one people out of many.
We are all one in Christ, we are one body,
all one people out of many.
There is one God, and only one Lord;
there is one faith, one holy love.
There is one baptism; there is one Spirit,
who is God the comforter.

Text: Anonymous; tr. Gerhard M. Cartford, b. 1923
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PRAYER LIST

If you would like to include a prayer request in an upcoming bulletin or for the prayer e-mail chain, please contact the church office at 210-658-2254. Typically, a prayer request will be included for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested.

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Those with Health Concerns:

Gene Bielke	Bill Laxton	DJ Schultz
Sherry Bielke	Jan Lindorfer	Kent Schultz
Fran Bitney	Ellen Mayclin	Philip Seaman
Aina Blake	Judy McCort	Henry Serry
Darlene Christiansen	Kirby Olson	Cathie Theis
Carol DeNoble	Betsy Reid	Marion Weishaar
Ann Faulkner		

Those in Care Facilities:

Anna Harman	Fred Hermann	John Widner
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Family and Friends of CTK:

Roy Alvarado	Gerda Kanode	Nancy Rajanen
Ava Anderson	Carolyn Sue Kelly	Janet Ramirez
Fran Bezold	Sophia Kermavner	Bea Saunderson
Jeffrey Bitney	June Kerkow	Donna Scheel
Martha Dingey	Debbie Kittridge	Randy Smith II
Jacque Donaldson	Teresa Klipsch	Don Stout
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Lauren Doyle	Gene Kraemer	James Weishaar
Aletheia Dueck	Patty Landacre	Clay Wright
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Mary Henderson	Luke Marbach	
Terry Hepworth	Scott Mayclin	
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Betty Ann Jones	Diedre Morin	
Carole Johnson	Teri Neal Pearce	
Corinne Johnson	Donna Pichelmann	
Betty Ann Jones	Elizabeth Poe	

**AUGUST 1, 2021
TENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**



It can be difficult for us to trust God.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	John 6:24-35	Christ, the bread of life
Monday	Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15	Bread from heaven
Tuesday	Ephesians 4:1-16	Unity in the body of Christ
Wednesday	Psalms 37:3-9	Trust the Lord
Thursday	Matthew 6:25-34	Do not worry
Friday	Proverbs 3:1-6	Trust God
Saturday	Psalms 78:23-29	God feeds the people
Sunday	John 6:35, 41-51	Bread from heaven

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'"
Exodus 16:9 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, help us to trust that through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, you give us the bread of life that feeds us and cares for us now and always. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear Jesus, our Bread of Life, give us thankful hearts for this gift of food and for all you do to care for us. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the God who feeds you bless you with a thankful heart.



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HYMN OF THE WEEK

*Let Us Talents and
Tongues Employ*



**taking⁺
faith
home**

WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What is something you like to complain about?
- Have you ever gotten what you wanted and then regretted it or known someone who got what they wanted and were not grateful? Explain.
- How does trust in God lead to contentment?

DEVOTIONS



Read: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15.

The story of the Israelites in the Old Testament is unique to the ancient world. No other people were willing to be so self-critiquing. Other religious writings from other people were much more willing to be self-glorifying. Not the Israelites. They knew they were hard to please and not as trusting as they could be. Instead of thanking God for their freedom they acted as though God took them from the comforts of Egypt. They forgot that they were actually starving and dying at the hands of the Pharaoh. In this account, they don't even ask for help; they just complain. However, God hears the complaints of the people and steps in to care for them and feeds them morning and night. How has God blessed and fed you during your mornings and nights?

Pray: Living God, help us to be aware of your care that sustains us day after day, morning and night through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SERVICE



Ephesians 4 talks about the gifts we are given to equip us to serve our neighbor. We serve our neighbor and speak the truth in love with one another. This is the way our congregations and families are strengthened and we grow together in the ups and downs of life. We care for each other. How can you serve your family, community, and congregation using your gifts?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



The *Daily Bible Readings* this week from John, Exodus, and Psalm 78 all share a theme about bread and being fed. Gather a selection of different breads to serve this week with your meals. Use a different bread every day for each meal. Say the *Mealtime Prayer* for this week and while eating the bread think or talk about a way in which God has provided for you.



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org

Gospel Grams

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN



Hidden Message. Jesus told the people there was a more important food than the bread and fish he gave them to eat. Shade in all the odd numbered letters to find the most important food Jesus said we all need.

FOODS
GIVES
WORD
EAT
BREAD

SHUNGE
WIS
AINT
EAT
BREAD

