

# Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 29, 2021

**Many who have heard the Word of God with us also go away when some part of it conflicts with their own thinking. The surrender of the intellect is a sacrifice that must be repeated as new threats oppose God's Word and way.**

## Today's Worship

### Opening Hymn

**500 For Christian Homes, O Lord, We Pray**

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M O Lord, open my lips.

C [sing] **And my mouth shall declare your praise.**

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M Hasten to save me, O God.

C [sing] **O Lord, come quickly to help me.**

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M We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

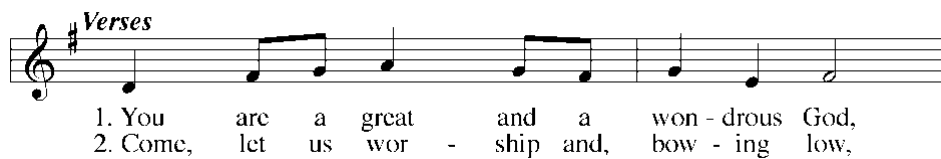
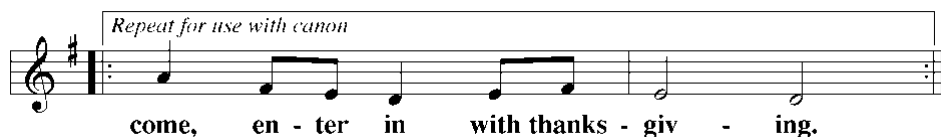
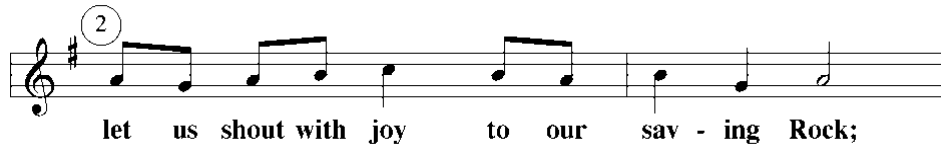
C **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

M God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

M *The Spirit of the Lord fills the world: let us worship him.*

Sing opening refrain one time.

At the end of the song sing the final line of the refrain two times.



cup - ping in your hands all the depths of earth.  
kneel be - fore the One who has made us all.

You made the hills and the moun - tains high,  
You are the God whom we call our own,

you made the seas and the dry land.  
we are the flock that you shep - herd.

*to Refrain*

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**First Lesson**

**Joshua 24:1,2a,14-18**

As the Israelites entered Canaan where various gods and religions flourished, Joshua confessed the intent to serve the one true God who saves!

**Psalm of the Day**

**Psalm 71**

**Gospel of the Day**

**John 6:60-69**

Sometimes we think Jesus' words and ways are hard. Because Jesus is *the Holy One of God*, we confess with Peter that he is the one we will follow.

**M** Come, Holy Spirit! Fill the hearts of your faithful people, and kindle in us the fire of your love. Alleluia.

**Hymn of the Day**

**452** *Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus*

**Sermon**

**Ephesians 5:21-31**

**Response**

*You Are God; We Praise You*

Sing opening refrain one time.

You are God; we praise you. You are Lord; we ac - claim you.

To you, O Fa-ther ho - ly, all cre - a-tion of - fers praise.

*Verses*

1. With the an - gels in heav - en,  
2. Cre - a - tor of all things, **We praise you, we**  
3. O Christ, King of glo - ry,

praise you! With the cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim, We  
 O Je - sus Christ, the Son of God,  
 You be - came a man to set us free;

praise you, we praise you! With a - pos - tles and proph - ets, We  
 O Spir - it, most ho - ly,  
 You have ris - en to free us;

praise you, we praise you! With the mar - tyrs and your  
 To the Trin - i - ty most  
 And with all your saints in

ho - ly Church, *to Refrain*  
 bless - ed, We sing in end - less praise! *to Refrain*  
 glo - ry, *to Final Refrain*

**Final Refrain**

You are God; we praise you. You are Lord; we ac - claim you.

To you, O Fa - ther ho - ly, all cre - a - tion of - fers praise,

all cre - a - tion of - fers praise, all cre - a - tion of - fers praise.

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**The Offering**

Partners committed to the ministry of King of Kings give their offerings at this time in worship. Electronic giving is available at <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1384880>  
 Or, mail: King of Kings Lutheran Church, 1593 Crescent Road, Clifton Park, NY 12065

**Offering Hymn**

[Hymn 616]

**Feed your children, God most holy; Comfort sinners poor and lowly.  
 Jesus, bread of life from heaven, Bless the food you here have given.  
 As these gifts our bodies nourish, May our souls in graces flourish  
 Till with saints in heav'nly splendor At your feast due thanks we render.**

M In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.

C [sing] **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.** page 50

**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.**

**Prayer of the Day**

M Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

M O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C [spoken] **Amen.** page 50

M Let us praise the Lord.

C [sing] **Thanks be to God.** page 51

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

C [sing] **Amen.** page 51

**Closing Hymn**

**490** *Love in Christ Is Strong and Living*

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**Welcome in the name of the triune God! We especially welcome our guests today at King of Kings.** If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please sign our guest register before you leave.

**If you would like more information** about King of Kings Church, or if you are interested in membership, please contact Pastor Kluball.

**The mission of King of Kings Evangelical Lutheran Church, in accordance with the inspired and inerrant Word of God, is to glorify the Lord God through worship, teaching, fellowship and sharing the message of salvation with its members, the community, and the world. [Mt 28:18-20]**

**Mask Requirement at Indoor Worship and Sunday School.** Due to increasing rates of Covid in our region we are returning for a time to **Masks required for all** at our larger indoor gatherings -- especially Sunday School and Worship. No matter what your vaccination status is, we ask that everyone above age 24 months wear a mask at all times inside the building on Sunday mornings. No masks required outdoors (including worship), but please bring masks with you in case you need to enter the building to use the restroom.

**New Meditations:** The new Meditations **begins today**. Extra copies are available.

**Labor Day Retreat: This Saturday, September 4 to Monday, September 6** at Camp Danbee, Hinsdale (Peru), MA. Rev. Joel Petermann and Rev. Ryan Kolander will be leading the adult Bible studies, and a team of Martin Luther College students will lead the youth in Bible study and crafts. More information and registration at [welsretreat.com](http://welsretreat.com).

**Young Adults Brunch: Sunday, September 5 at 11:15am.** Brunch foods, fellowship, devotion. Send e-mail to pastor to sign up at [gkluball@gmail.com](mailto:gkluball@gmail.com).

**Sunday School year begins Sunday, September 12** with 8:00am & 10:30am worship. Sunday School is at 9:15am. A Church Picnic at 11:45am with cookout and yard games that day marks the beginning of our education year. Please sign up on the sheet on the round table if you plan to attend the picnic.

**Youth Confirmation: Begins Sunday, September 12 at 1:00pm.** The first class will be a one hour session.

**New Christian Worship Hymnal and Psalter:** If you would like to purchase a new hymnal or a new psalter for personal use or to donate for church use, please sign up on the sheet on the round table by **Sunday, September 12**. Cost is \$24 per hymnal and \$22 per psalter. (Name engraving on hymnal is available for an extra \$10.)

**Pioneers' Book Bomb: Sunday, September 12 after church picnic.** Pioneers are going to donate books to the little neighborhood libraries with a note inside telling where the books came from. If you are interested in donating books for this service project, please see Amie LeMieux ([wlemieux67@gmail.com](mailto:wlemieux67@gmail.com)).

**Movie Night: Friday, September 17 at 7:00pm.** Come see "E.T.!" Movie starts at 7:20pm.

**Bike Ride & Picnic at SPAC: Saturday, September 18 at 11:00am.** Park near the tennis courts and Roosevelt baths. Sandwiches and drinks will be provided; please bring a side to share. Bring your own bikes, helmets, and water bottles. A sign-up is on the round table. Any questions, please talk to Mike or Amanda Vooris ([voorisfam@gmail.com](mailto:voorisfam@gmail.com)).

**Books needed:** WinGS (Women in God's Service) is looking for hardcover books for a craft they are making for the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society Rally next year. The books should be about the size of the church's NIV Bibles or smaller. We do not want any books with any kind of plastic laminate on the cover because paint will not stick to that. The books are being made into table centerpieces. If you want to see some samples, they are in the teen room. A box for book donations is also in the teen room. Thank you!

**Worship attendance Sunday, August 22: 85** General Offering (mailed-in offerings plus what was received in worship) – \$2,240. Sunday School - \$30.

### This Week at King of Kings

Sunday	9:30am	Worship
Wednesday	8:00am	Men's Group
Sat.-Mon.		WELS Labor Day Retreat in Hinsdale, MA
Sunday	9:30am	Worship with Holy Communion

#### **For Worship:**

[tinyurl.com/KingofKingsNY](http://tinyurl.com/KingofKingsNY)

#### **For all Zoom events (classes, meetings, etc.):**

##### Join using link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7768519304?pwd=NDFRdXlyZHNvWUhbUV5OXErUGNxdz09>

Meeting ID: 776 851 9304

Password: 1593

##### Dial in

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Meeting ID: 776 851 9304

Password: 1593

### Serving God and Us Today

#### 9:30am

Pianist: Marlys Anderson  
Ushers: Marc Rodrigue, Curt Becker  
Video: Lucas Wilson  
Altar Care: Mary Duncan, Marlys Anderson  
Counters: Marc Rodrigue, Toby Paulsen

### Serving God and Us Next Week

#### 9:30am

Pianist: Marlys Anderson  
Ushers: Matt Beer, Dan Englert  
Video: Lucas Wilson  
Altar Care: Lisa Deserre, Kaaren Benoit  
Counters: Dan Englert, Lynda Rhodes  
Cleaners: Cleaning Service  
Mowers: Pudim Family

### **Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost – NIV©**

#### **Joshua 24:1,2a,14-18**

**24** Then Joshua assembled all the tribes of Israel at Shechem. He summoned the elders, leaders, judges and officials of Israel, and they presented themselves before God.

<sup>2</sup> Joshua said to all the people, . . .

**14** “Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. **15** But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond

**25** Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her **26** to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, **27** and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. **28** In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. **29** After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they feed and care for their body, just as Christ does the church— **30** for we are members of his body. **31** “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.”

