

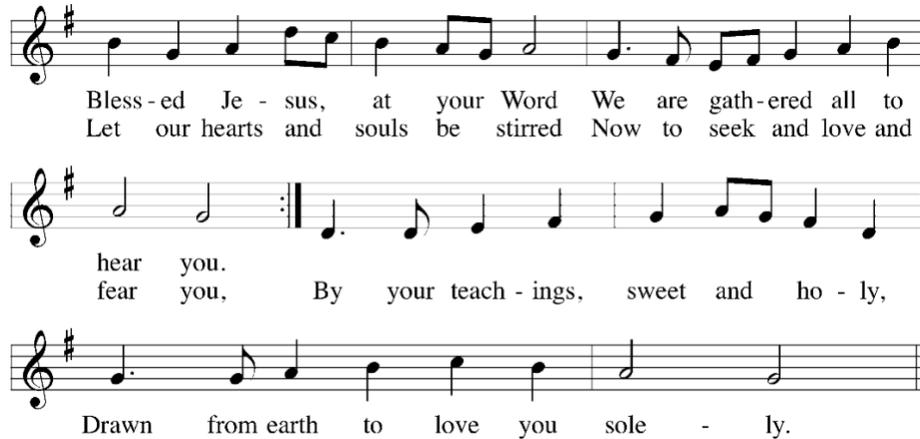
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 12, 2021

A celebration of the blessings we receive through the Word of God!

Minister M In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation C (spoken) **Amen.**



Bless - ed Je - sus, at your Word We are gath - ered all to
Let our hearts and souls be stirred Now to seek and love and
hear you.
fear you, By your teach - ings, sweet and ho - ly,
Drawn from earth to love you sole - ly.

M Oh, how I love your law!

C **I meditate on it all day long.**

M Your commands make me wiser than my enemies,

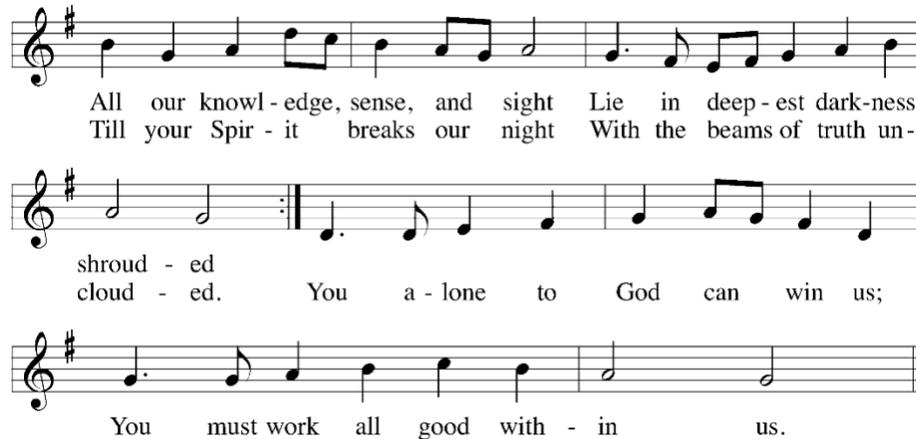
C **for they are ever with me.**

M I have more insight than all my teachers,

C **for I meditate on your statutes.**

M How sweet are your words to my taste,

C **sweeter than honey to my mouth!**



All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight Lie in deep - est dark - ness
Till your Spir - it breaks our night With the beams of truth un -
shroud - ed
cloud - ed. You a - lone to God can win us;
You must work all good with - in us.

M All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

C **so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.**

M Yet so often we have despised your God's Word and failed to gladly hear and learn it. For this and all our sins, we bow before God and humbly ask his forgiveness.

C **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me, a sinner.**

Gra-cious Sav - ior, good and kind, Light from Light, from God pro-
 O - pen now our heart and mind; Help us by your Spir - it's
 ceed - ing,
 plead - ing. Hear the cry your peo - ple rais - es;
 Hear and bless our prayers and prais - es.

M God gave his Word “so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name” (John 20:31). The Scriptures testify about Jesus, who lived a perfect life for you, died on the cross to pay for all your sins, and rose again to assure you of your salvation. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C (spoken) Amen.

Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, Praise to you and ad - o -
 Grant that we your Word may trust, Con - fi - dent of our sal -
 ra - tion!
 va - tion, While we here be - low must wan - der,
 Till we sing your prais - es yon - der.

Prayer of the Day M Let us pray:

Almighty God, you have committed to your Church the task of making disciples of all nations. Enlighten with your wisdom those who teach and those who learn, that, rejoicing in the knowledge of your truth they may worship and serve you from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C [spoken] Amen.

Installation of Sunday School Staff

[545 st. 3] Sing: **Help, Lord Jesus, help them nourish Our dear children with your Word
 That in constant love they serve you Till in heav'n their song is heard.
 Boundless blessings, Lord, bestow On your servants' work below
 Till by grace to them is given Their reward, the crown of heaven.**

First Lesson

Isaiah 35:4-7a – NIV©

Our spiritual need is great. God speaks to it the promise of strength, salvation, and complete deliverance made perfect at his coming.

⁴ say to those with fearful hearts,
 “Be strong, do not fear;
 your God will come,
 he will come with vengeance;
 with divine retribution
 he will come to save you.”

⁵ Then will the eyes of the blind be opened
 and the ears of the deaf unstopped.

⁶ Then will the lame leap like a deer,

and the mute tongue shout for joy.
Water will gush forth in the wilderness
and streams in the desert.
⁷ The burning sand will become a pool,
the thirsty ground bubbling springs.

Psalm of the Day **Psalm 19**

Second Lesson **James 1:17-27**

The best gift God gives is his Word which works in us to produce a godly life.

¹⁷ Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. ¹⁸ He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created.

¹⁹ My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, ²⁰ because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. ²¹ Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

²² Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. ²³ Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror ²⁴ and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. ²⁵ But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

²⁶ Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. ²⁷ Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

Gospel of the Day **Mark 7:31-37**

Jesus comes and speaks, and all is well.

³¹ Then Jesus left the vicinity of Tyre and went through Sidon, down to the Sea of Galilee and into the region of the Decapolis. ³² There some people brought to him a man who was deaf and could hardly talk, and they begged Jesus to place his hand on him.

³³ After he took him aside, away from the crowd, Jesus put his fingers into the man's ears. Then he spit and touched the man's tongue. ³⁴ He looked up to heaven and with a deep sigh said to him, "Ephphatha!" (which means "Be opened!"). ³⁵ At this, the man's ears were opened, his tongue was loosened and he began to speak plainly.

³⁶ Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone. But the more he did so, the more they kept talking about it. ³⁷ People were overwhelmed with amazement. "He has done everything well," they said. "He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

Hymn of the Day **751** *Word of God, When All Was Silent*

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Sermon **James 1:17-27**

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King of Kings Lutheran Church, 1593 Crescent Road, Clifton Park, NY 12065

Offering Hymn

[Hymn 515 st. 1,4,5]

***Shepherd of tender youth, Guiding in love and truth
Through devious ways,
Christ our triumphant King, We come your name to sing
And here our children bring To join your praise.***

***Oh, ever be our guide, Our shepherd and our pride,
Our staff and song.***

***Jesus, O Christ of God, By your enduring Word
Lead us where you have trod; Make our faith strong.***

***So now and till we die Sound we your praises high
And joyful sing;
Infants and all the throng Who to your Church belong
Unite to swell the song To Christ, our King.***

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

507 *Lord of Our Growing Years*

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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]

Education Staff for the First Quarter of Sunday School: September 12 – December 5

<u>Level</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Room</u>
PreK/Kindergarten	Mrs. Jan Rodrigue	Room 1 [blue]
Grades 1-2	Miss Kari Beine Mrs. Jen Waldek	Room 2 [front green room]
Grades 3-4	Mrs. Anna Whitney Mr. John Whitney	Library
Grades 5-6	Mr. Chuck Waterstram	Room 3 [back green room]
Grades 7-10	Mr. Dan Englert	Back of Sanctuary

Sunday School begins at 9:15am each Sunday. Please be prompt!

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.

Sunday School year begins today with 8:00am & 10:30am worship. Sunday School is at 9:15am. A Church Picnic at 11:45am with cookout and yard games marks the beginning of our education year.

Youth Confirmation: Begins next Sunday, September 19 at 12:00pm. Today's class is cancelled.

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 **today**. Cost is \$24 per hymnal and \$22 per psalter. (Name engraving on hymnal is available for an extra \$10.)

Pioneers' Book Bomb: Postponed. Date to be decided.

Movie Night: This Friday, September 17 at 7:00pm. Come see "E.T.!" Movie starts at 7:20pm. Please sign up if you would like to attend.

Bike Ride & Picnic at SPAC: This 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).

WinGS Craft & Lunch: Saturday, September 25 at 10:00am at Nancy Brewer's house (7 Koon St., Wynantskill). All women and teen girls are invited to come learn a new craft. Lunch is provided. A sign-up sheet will be out soon.

LWMS Mission Boxes: Please give your mission box offerings to Marlys Anderson by **Sunday, September 26**. Thank you! Any questions, please talk to Marlys (Marlysa1944@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, September 5: 65 Attendance at WELS Labor Day Retreat: 18 General Offering (mailed-in offerings plus what was received in worship) – \$2,952. Flowers - \$35.

This Week at King of Kings

Sunday	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Sunday School
	10:30am	Worship
	11:45am	Church Picnic
Tuesday	9:00am	New England Circuit Meeting
	7:30pm	Church Council
Wednesday	8:00am	Men's Group

Friday	7:00pm	Movie Night
Saturday	11:00am	Bike Ride & Picnic at SPAC
Sunday	8:00am	Worship with Holy Communion
	9:15am	Sunday School
	10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
	12:00pm	Youth Confirmation
	12:00pm	Crafternoon

For Worship:

tinyurl.com/KingofKingsNY

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

Join using link

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Serving God and Us Today

8:00am

10:30am

Pianist:	Marlys Anderson	Pianist:	Marlys Anderson
Ushers:	Dave Waldek, Rodger Anderson	Ushers:	Jeff Slater, James Rosenthal
		Video:	Lucas Wilson
Altar Care:	Lisa Deserre, Kaaren Benoit	Counters:	Curt Becker, Nancy Paulsen

Serving God and Us Next Week

8:00am

10:30am

Pianist:	Marlys Anderson	Pianist:	Marlys Anderson
Ushers:	Dave Eaton, Jim Becker	Ushers:	Chris Brown, Toby Paulsen
Elder:	Chuck Waterstram	Video:	Lucas Wilson
Altar Care:	Lisa Deserre, Kaaren Benoit	Counters:	Marc Rodrigue, Toby Paulsen
Cleaners:	M. Waldek & Eaton	Mowers:	Czirr Family

