



Welcome to Worship

We welcome you to worship today. Please sign the guest book and enjoy a cup of coffee and snacks after the service. Donations at the snack table benefit the ELCA World Hunger Appeal.

Access to Church for Early Service January 15

The **Chevron Houston Marathon** will be held Sunday, January 15, beginning at 7:00 a.m. The event results in numerous street closures including Bissonnet and Kirby. The disruption affects mainly 8:30 a.m. and Sunday Church School participants. The best route to church is from U.S. 59 to Buffalo Speedway then turning left on Rice Blvd. For a map of the course go to <http://www.chevronhoustonmarathon.com/participants/course-info/>.

Global Setting during Epiphany Season

The liturgical musical settings during Epiphany season are drawn from around the world. Included are musical expressions from South Africa, United States, Zimbabwe, Germany, Sweden, Asia, South America, as well as some historic plainsong. During this time of Epiphany, as we consider the manifestation of Christ in the world, the Word become flesh, we also recall that the church responds in song from throughout the world.

Luther League Bowling January 8, 3:00 p.m.

A great afternoon of fellowship and bowling as we welcome in the New Year. We will meet at church and carpool over to Bowlmor Houston Lanes located at 925 Bunker Hill Rd, at 3:00 p.m. Cost is \$20 which covers rentals and food. Please RSVP to Ben Remmert. Friends are welcome to attend.

Christ the King Young Adults

Sunday, January 15 7:00 p.m.

Anyone "young at heart" (and age 40 or less) is invited on the third Sunday of the month to the Ginger Man pub, located at 5607 Morningside Dr. On **Sunday, January 15 at 7:00 p.m.** meet new friends, enjoy beer, and discuss faith, religion, worship, life, and anything concerning how to live faith. Newcomers welcome! For more information, contact Pastor Duane at duanelarson@ctkelc.org.

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The HighPatheticals

The Reunion Tour Continues

**Friday, January 13
7:00 pm**

**Christ the King Lutheran Church
Parish Hall**

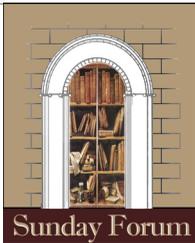
And for your further satisfaction:
Beer, Food, Tees, Swag, Who knows what at else?!



\$20 at the door
Proceeds benefit



The HighPatheticals! The Best Kick-Ass Lutheran Rock n Roll Band since Luther Nailed It!



Sunday Forum

9:45 a.m.

in the basement classroom

January 8:

**A Demonstration
of Christ the King
Church's Organ
(meets in the nave)**

*presented by Christ the King Church Music
Associate, Chris Holman*

January 15: What Happens When the Cross Goes By?

– a conversation on liturgical observance
*presented by Christ the King Church
Cantor, Rick Erickson*

The Psalms of the Old Testament

*Sundays, January 22, 29, and February 5
presented by Professor Matthias Henze*

The Psalms have constituted a book of study, devotion, and prayer for Jews and Christians for two millennia. They infuse the basic patterns of Jewish and Christian worship, give character and essence to our liturgies, and govern the life of hymns and prayers of the individual and the community. In this course, CTK member Matthias Henze will focus on a select number of Psalms. We will pay close attention to the psalms' poetic composition, their literary expressions, and theology.

BYOB (Bring your own Bible!)

January 22: Psalm 2

Psalm 2 is considered a "royal psalm," that was composed for the coronation ceremony of the new king in Jerusalem. Early Christians read it as a psalm that describes the Messiah. We begin with a close reading of Psalm 2 and then trace its history of reading in the New Testament.

January 29: Psalms 120-134

February 5: Psalm 139

The Milestone of Language January 8

In the transition from infant to toddler language plays a crucial role. Language also is a main factor in shaping the Christian faith which proclaims God to be the Word made flesh who was born first a word-less infant. We therefore recognize the Milestone of Language, which children reach somewhere between their second and third years, on the Sunday of The Baptism of Our Lord, January 8, at the 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. services. Families with three-year-old children (and siblings) may approach the altar rail during the liturgy to receive a copy of Luther's Small Catechism. The Catechism is a guidebook for parents to help their child learn the beginnings of formed language such as the Lord's Prayer, table grace, and prayers for morning and evening.

Martin Luther wrote in the language of his day: "Every father of a family is a bishop in his house and the wife is a bishopess. Therefore remember that you in your homes are to help us carry on the minis-try as we do in the church." When Luther wrote this in 1528, he and Katie were still new in their roles as bishop and bishopess of their household with their oldest son being only two years old. The members of Christ the King Church take this annual opportunity to express their support for the important work that parents do at home and at church in the formation of their children's faith.

Church Photo Directory

Photo dates are: January 17-21

We are excited to prepare a new pictorial directory of our church family. This new directory will serve as a valuable tool to help promote fellowship, showcase our congregation, and help us reach out to new members.

Photo sessions continue January 17-21. Sign up in the narthex before and after worship or sign up electronically by using the link on our homepage, ctkelc.org. Please plan now to participate. Our new pictorial directory just won't be complete without you!

Annual Reports Due January 16

The 2016 Annual Reports are due on **Monday, January 16**. Samples of last year's report can be found online at ctkelc.org/about-us/how-we-work. Please email your report to michaelshelton@ctkelc.org.

Wednesday Night Alive!

Resumes January 18

Eating, learning, singing, playing instruments, studying, praying, and so much more.

Are You a Marathon Runner?

We encourage all friends and members of the congregation who will run in the Chevron Houston Marathon to let us know so we can include you in our prayers. Eat and rest well during the last weeks, and “Godspeed” to all!

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food bank  **Saturday January 14**
Leave the church at 7:30
Return at noon
For information, contact ctkhfb@gmail.com

Please put the following 2017 dates on your calendar.

Second Saturdays of Odd Months

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

2017 DATES

January 14	July 8
March 11	September 9
May 13	November 11

Great Gatsby Dinner Fundraiser February 11 at 7:00 p.m.

Friends and members of Christ the King Church are invited to a fabulous evening of music, fun, and a four course meal on February 11! We will set the scene for a night of luxury, reminiscent to the 1920s. Seating is available for individuals, pairs, and small and large groups. Tickets are \$50 or \$90 for two. Free childcare is available. Email Ben Remmert at benremmert@ctkelc.org to RSVP. Proceeds will benefit the youth group at Christ the King Church and Summer Germany Trip.

Human Dignity Retreat

Youth are hungry for honest answers to challenging questions and parents need support from the church to help equip their children. Confirmation students are invited to a synod-wide gathering to discuss coming of age issues on **January 27 - 28** at Zion in Houston for the Human Dignity Retreat. The cost is \$25 per person. Please contact Michelle Mote should you have additional questions.

Luther League Souper Bowl of Caring Challenge

In preparation for Souper Bowl Sunday, the Luther League is competing with other youth groups in our synod to collect the most non-perishable food items by the Synod's dodgeball tournament on Sunday, January 29. Please drop off canned goods January and help our youth win! All donations will go to the Emergency Service food pantry at Christian Community Service Center. For more information contact Ben Remmert.

Sunday Evening Conversations on Creation Resume

The CTK Creation Care Team invites you to attend Sunday Evening Conversations on Creation, an educational web meeting series whose theme in 2017 is Connections between People and Nature.

January 29, 6:00 p.m.: Connections between People and Nature – The Human Microbiome

At the January 2017 web meeting, we welcome Professor Melissa Anne Suter from Baylor College of Medicine, department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, as speaker. Professor Suter will speak on The Human Microbiome. Don't know what that is? Attend her talk to find out about this most intimate and vital of connections between people and micro-organisms. Professor Suter holds a PhD in Biomedical Sciences and has been actively engaged in understanding the molecular mechanisms behind the developmental origins of health and disease for the past 7 years. She will address Connections between People and Nature from the perspective of biomedical sciences on Sunday, January 29 at 6:00 p.m. After her talk, there will be time for Q&A. If you would like to join this online conversation, contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com to receive an invitation to the talk.

Sunday, January 8

- 8:30 a.m. Worship, Global setting, nave
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday Church School
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, basement classroom
- 10:50 a.m. Worship ELW 5, nave
- 3:00 p.m. Luther League Bowling, offsite

Monday, January 9

- Church Office Closed
- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor

Tuesday, January 10

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 6:00 p.m. Executive Committee, 3rd floor

Wednesday, January 11

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 6:15 p.m. Brass Choir, music suite
- 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Dinner, parish hall
- 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal, music suite
- 7:30 p.m. Chorus rehearsal, rehearsal room

Thursday, January 12

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor

Friday, January 13

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3rd floor
- 10:00 a.m. Friday Morning Bible Study, council room
- 7:00 p.m. HighPatheticals concert, parish hall

Saturday, January 14

- 7:30 a.m. Trip to the Houston Food Bank, meet in church parking lot
- Altar Guild, narthex
- 6:00 p.m. Taizé service and Healing Blessing, nave
- 6:30 p.m. Luther League Lock-In, youth room

Sunday, January 15

- Chevron Houston Marathon
- 8:30 a.m. Worship, Global setting, nave
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday Church School
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, basement classroom
- 9:45 a.m. Youth and Family breakfast, parish hall
- 10:50 a.m. Worship ELW 5, nave
- 7:00 p.m. CTK Young Adults at the Gingerman

We celebrate with these members and friends who are remembering their baptism this week:

Blanchard Nelson	Jessica Breittbeil	Angela Edelmann
Elizabeth Eklof	Heinz-Juergen	Mary Neberman
Stephanie Eklof	Brink	Terence Vinson
Robert Stone	Verena Brink	Allyson Hurt
Jane Baehre	Rob Douglass	Charles Wilds

The Rev. Dr. Duane Larson, Interim Pastor
The Rev. Karin Liebster, Associate Pastor for Faith Formation
Deacon Ben Remmert, Director of Youth and Family Ministry
Beverly Davis, Director of Congregational Care
Linda Schoene, Congregational Nurse
Deacon Rick Erickson, Cantor, Director of Bach Society Houston
Chris Holman, Music Associate Robert Walp, Brass Choir Director
Noelle Jung, Church Business Administrator

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SEARCH is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to helping homeless men, women and children get off the streets and into jobs and affordable housing. SEARCH serves more than 10,000 homeless individuals annually throughout the greater Houston metropolitan area by providing them with the tools to work and achieve self sufficiency. SEARCH's core focus is employment, education and job training.

SEARCH seeks to eliminate homelessness by enabling its clients to achieve self-sufficiency. To reach this goal, SEARCH principally provides employment counseling, job training, and adult continuing education programs. SEARCH also offers necessary support services, such as a full-scale medical clinic, community-based housing, mental-health treatment, and a day shelter with showers, meals, and laundry facilities. Finally, SEARCH operates the House of Tiny Treasures (HTT), Houston's first accredited childcare center dedicated exclusively to homeless children. HTT provides exemplary early childhood education for children ages six weeks to six years whose parents are clients of SEARCH.

For more information about SEARCH, contact Beverly Davis at 713-400-0517 or beverlydavis@ctkelc.org. You may also visit SEARCH's headquarters at 2505 Fannin, Houston, during regular business hours. Visit www.searchhomeless.org.

SEARCH Cards and Coffee Ministry

Please join us in hosting our monthly coffee hour for SEARCH Homeless Services clients at the Perry St. Apartments, 4415 Perry, a New Hope Housing project in the Third Ward on **Wednesday, January 18, 10:00-11:00 a.m.** This collaboration with SEARCH takes place every third Wednesday of the month. **If you have any 2017 calendars** or Christmas cards you'd like to contribute you may drop them off in the donation basket on Sundays or in the church office. For more information, contact Beverly at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org.