



## 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

## New Members Welcomed

Anyone interested in making their alliance with God's cause "public and official" as a member of Christ the King Lutheran Church is welcome to attend a luncheon/orientation at **12:15 p.m., Sunday, February 19**. The lunch is free. We'll have an opportunity to learn more about Christ the King Church, our traditions, our commitments, and our place in global Lutheranism. New Members will be formally received on the following **Sunday, February 26**. Please call the church office to sign-up for the lunch meeting, or speak with one of the pastors if you have further questions. Wherever and whoever you have been, you are welcome here as one of God's children and Christ's disciples in our mission to advance and amplify God's love in the world.

## Christ the King Young Adults



**Sunday,  
February 19  
7:00 p.m.**

Anyone "young at heart" is invited on the third Sunday of the month to the Ginger Man pub, located at 5607 Morningside Dr. on **Sunday, February 19 at 7:00 p.m.** meet new friends, enjoy beer, and discuss faith, religion, worship, and life. Newcomers welcome! For more information, contact Pastor Duane at [duanelarson@ckelc.org](mailto:duanelarson@ckelc.org).

## HOUSTON EARLY MUSIC FESTIVAL

Join Houston's leading ensembles, Bach Society Houston, Mercury, Piping Rock Singers, Houston Early Music, and Ars Lyrica Houston, for a week of cutting-edge music — two of the six events take place at Christ the King Church!

### Madrigals, Motets, and Merryment

*Friday, February 17, 7:00 p.m.*

*at Christ the King Church*

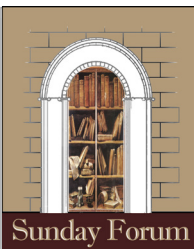
Join our member Karl Lothmann and the Piping Rock Singers as they present *Madrigals, Motets and Merryment*, an evening of rarely heard street song style madrigals and beloved favorites. The program combines works by Dering, Gibbons and Janequin with a sampling of madrigals by other treasured Renaissance composers.

### Bach Family Motets

*Sunday, February 19, 6:00 p.m. in the nave*

Bach Society Houston presents the final concert of the 2017 Houston Early Music Festival: Bach Family Motets. The Bach family was enormous — Johann Sebastian had eight siblings and 20 children, many of them composers, and he almost certainly studied their compositions. Join Bach Society Houston as they trace the development of this incredible genre from the earliest works of the Bach clan, through Johann Sebastian's marvelous *Fürchte dich nicht*, one of the pinnacles of western choral music. The pre-concert talk in the parish hall begins at 5:15 p.m. with Indiana University Professor of Musicology Daniel Melamed, one of the world's leading authorities on Bach Family motets, and whose editions the Bach Choir will be performing. Tickets: \$25-\$35/student \$5. Reserved seating is available; visit [bachsocietyhouston.org](http://bachsocietyhouston.org) to buy tickets.

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## Sunday Forum

9:45 a.m.

basement classroom

### Faith, Sexism, Justice: Conversations toward a Social Statement

#### February 12, 19 and 26

Pastor Karin Liebster will lead a three week series reading and discussing the study Faith, Sexism, Justice. The study is a work by the ELCA Taskforce Women and Justice: One in Christ, put forth to all congregations of the ELCA as an invitation to engage in conversation on the topic. The task force writes, “countless people are suffering under the weight on injustice. ... Many individuals and their families struggle emotionally, physically and economically because of the effects of sexism and patriarchy. These forces are personal, religious, social and economic. As member of the body of Christ ... we are called to help all people live abundant lives that are just and sufficient – lives in which every individual and community is committed to the mutual values of respect, dignity, interdependence and equity.”

#### February 12:

Introduction and Module 2: What problems do women face? How are these related to justice?

#### February 19: Module 3:

How is sexism personal? How are we the Body of Christ together?

#### February 26: Modules 6 and 7:

Words and images for God. Scripture: How do Lutheran interpret Scripture?

## Stress and Emotional Health

February 16, 6:00-7:30 p.m. council room

by Christ the King Member and Health Coach

Veronique Eberhart

Stress is our body’s way of responding to any kind of demand. It can be caused by both good and bad experiences, real or perceived danger. When we feel stressed, our bodies react by releasing chemicals into the blood, which is translated into our awareness by our emotion: fear, anger, embarrassment or joy, pleasure, excitement etc. This session will explore how we can use our emotion to get negative stress under control.

## Science and Religion Discussion

February 20, 7:00 p.m. in the council room

This month’s topic will be *The Origin*, presented by Tom Henderson. The group meets on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. On March 20, Pastor Larson will speak on *Luther’s Influence on Modern Science*. All are welcome.

## Sunday Evening Conversations on Creation

February 26, 6:00 p.m.: *Connections between People and Nature – Invasive Species*

Professor Scott Solomon from Rice University, Biosciences, who will speak on Invasive Species. In his talk, he will examine one specific way in which humans affect the natural world: by transporting species around the world, we are creating powerful adversaries that impact not only native species but ourselves as well. To join this online conversation, please register at [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com) (search under “Connections between People” in Houston) to receive an invitation.

## Journey of the Universe

February 27, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. – Film

Most Mondays & Fridays thru April 17, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. – Educational Series

The Creation Care Team invites you to go on the Journey of the Universe. This Emmy-award winning documentary narrates the 14 billion year story of the universe's development in a way that is accessible to everyone. The accompanying 20 part educational series of filmed conversations features interviews with specialists working in the areas of environment, energy, agriculture, economics, education, the arts, sustainable cities and race relations. All sessions will be held simultaneously at the University of St. Thomas, as well as online, via web meeting, from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Please register at [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com) (search for Journey of the Universe in Houston, TX)

## Ukrainian Egg Decorating Workshop

Pasanky classes meet at **6:00 p.m. on Thursdays**, through April 6, led by Marie Monroe. The cost is \$10 for new students and \$5 for returning students. Everyone learns and works at their own speed, and you are invited to enjoy this relaxing, meditative art. You too can make beautiful eggs. Please call 832-488-7696 or marie4118@gmail.com.

## Monopoly Party

### **Take a ride on the Reading Railroad!**

Saturday, February 25, 5:30-9:00 p.m., parish hall

**Enjoy a fun filled evening for families, couples, and singles - ages 12 and up.** Join us for a Monopoly board game party. We will use a fast-paced version of the rules to complete two one-hour rounds of play and determine a winner based on the results. A meal will be served between rounds with hot cocoa provided to send you off into the night. This event is hosted by Anita and Chris Bryant. **The \$20 entrance fee will benefit the Christian Community Service Center**, one of our foundational ministry partners. Themed costumes encouraged!

Activities begin at 5:30 to 9:00 p.m., with a 6:00 p.m. start time for the first round of play. **Space is limited - so sign up** with Beverly at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org and show off your inner real estate tycoon!

## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper February 28

*Supper will be served from 6:00 until 7:00 p.m.*

The annual Pancake Supper will be February 28 in the parish hall. Come and eat all the pancakes and sausage you can and enjoy music and pancake races. Traditionally, this is the day people eat up all the foods they can't have during Lent - butter, meat, eggs, and wine - and have the last big party until Easter. There will be projects for the kids and dancing for everyone, and we'll sing our last "Alleluia." If you can help, please contact Marie Monroe at marie4118@gmail.com or 832-488-7696. Come and have the most fun you'll have

## Ash Wednesday March 1 Imposition of Ashes



7:10 a.m.  
12:15 p.m.  
7:30 p.m.  
Sandwiches  
will be served  
after the 12:15  
p.m. service.

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## WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE!

### Evening Vespers 7:05 p.m.

After WNA dinner and classes, join us in the nave in prayer for a moment to slow down our pace. This midweek prayer service offers a preview to Sunday readings, poetry, silence and shared intercessions.

### Life Stories Workshop

*Wednesdays, 4:00 p.m., 3rd floor*

Participation does not require any prior writing experience. We welcome newcomers and their many different life stories that can be shared in memoirs, photo books, genealogical research, family histories, and autobiographical book projects. Co-facilitators are Sharon Ostwald and Anna Fay Williams. For information contact Anna Fay Williams, texaslion11@yahoo.com.

### The Cross and the Lynching Tree

*Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m., council room*

This is a new year with many religious and ethical questions claiming space in the "public square." 2017 is, of course, the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. As with 1517, there are global dynamics that are shaping our faith-life questions more than we recognize.

This reading group **led by Pastor Duane** considers all the issues just noted. But we do so by paying focused attention to theology written recently in the American context and attending to one of the most important ongoing and troubling questions facing our society. That question is racism. The book we are reading is **The Cross and the Lynching Tree**, by James Cone. Books are available in the church office for \$25.

### Luther's Footsteps

*Wednesdays, 6:15 p.m., 3rd floor*

**Kristine Wallace** leads a class in reading and reflecting on Timothy F. Lull and Derek R. Nelson's book, *Resilient Reformer: The Life and Thought of Martin Luther* (Fortress Press 2015).

## Sunday, February 12

- 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 Global Setting, nave
- 12:30 p.m. Luther League, youth room

## Monday, February 13

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

## Tuesday, February 14

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 7:15 p.m. Congregation Council, council room

## Wednesday, February 15

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 4:00 p.m. Life Stories, council room
- 5:30 p.m. *Wednesday Night Alive!*
- 5:45 p.m. Classes begin through 7:30 p.m.
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation class, room 204
- 6:00 p.m. *The Cross and the Lynching Tree*
- 6:15 p.m. *Resilient Reformer*
- 6:15 p.m. Brass Choir, music suite
- 7:05 p.m. Vespers, nave
- 7:30 p.m. Church Choir, music suite
- 7:30 p.m. Chorus, rehearsal room

## Thursday, February 16

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 10:00 a.m. Piecemakers, second floor
- 6:00 p.m. Ukrainian Egg Decorating workshop, 2nd floor
- 6:00 p.m. Stress and Emotional Health, council room

## Friday, February 17

- 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. Piping Rock Singers, nave

## Saturday, February 18

- 6:00 p.m. Taizé service, nave

## Sunday, February 19

- 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 Global Setting, nave
- 12:15 p.m. New Member orientation
- 6:00 p.m. Luther League, youth room
- 7:00 p.m. Young Adults, Ginger Man pub

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

Brandon Bouldin   Bob Solberg   Meghan Murphy  
John Sommer   Sydney Tetzlaff   Nicholas Nash  
Ed Nikonowicz   Ruth Dittmar   Sterling Paulsen

The Rev. Dr. Duane Larson, Interim Pastor

The Rev. Karin Liebster, Associate Pastor for Faith Formation

Deacon Ben R Emmert, 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

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Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Freewheels Houston has distributed more than 100 used bicycles to refugees in Houston since the ministry was launched at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Fall 2015. Houston's five resettlement agencies have said many more of their clients want bikes.

Your contributions to the mission offerings will help Freewheels meet a challenge from the Christ the King Lutheran Church Foundation: If we raise \$5,000 in 2017, the foundation will provide an additional \$5,000. We need additional funding to repair and distribute more bikes along with helmets, lights and locks. We need more space for volunteers to repair bikes and to store bikes, and we hope to start training refugees in bike maintenance skills.

Despite uncertainty about the refugee resettlement program, Freewheels continues to receive requests to provide bikes for refugees who have settled in the city. Transportation is one of the principal challenges for refugees trying to land a job or resume their education. Freewheels recently gave a used bike to a refugee from the Congo who had been offered a job at a factory but he couldn't accept the position until he had a way to get to work. Bikes distributed by Freewheels also provide transportation to English-language classes and school.

Many of the refugees who resettle in Houston are children and teenagers. In December, Freewheels distributed nearly 30 bikes to young people after the bikes were cleaned and repaired during a work day with student-run Rice Bikes.

Freewheels also welcomes bicycle donations and volunteer mechanics who can help prepare bikes for distribution. If you have questions or want to volunteer, please contact Bill Mintz by email at [billmintz51@att.net](mailto:billmintz51@att.net).