



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.

Lenten Devotional Booklet - Praying together in Lent

Let us engage together in praying Luther's Small Catechism for this year's Lenten devotions. In the 500th anniversary year of the Reformation we will re-learn and deepen many aspects of our Lutheran heritage. Publishing house Augsburg Fortress has put together a delightful little book *Free Indeed* with daily devotions which take us through Lent with readings from Martin Luther's Small Catechism. Each reading is accompanied by a photo, a quote to ponder, reflection, and prayer. *Free Indeed* invites you to reflect on Martin Luther's guide to the basics of Christian faith during the Lenten season, and within the observance of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

The devotional books will be offered in the narthex on Ash Wednesday and on Sundays in Lent, while supplies last. An e-book version is available at Augsburg Fortress.

Deacon Sunday, February 26

As of January 1, 2017 our two Associates in Ministry, Youth Director Ben Remmert and Cantor Rick Erickson, have become Deacons. Deacon is an ancient office of the church, with an ecclesial call to Ministry of Word and Service. The addition of the office of deacon is a significant step for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. It deepens and enriches our understanding of the church's role in the world around us. The pastors and newly minted deacons will preach together at both services in a "quadri-logue."

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 until Easter.

**Ash Wednesday
March 1**

Imposition of Ashes

**7:10 a.m.
12:15 p.m.
7:30 p.m.**

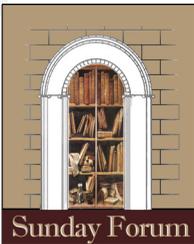
Sandwiches will be served after the 12:15 p.m. service.

Lenten Vespers starting March 8, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night Alive!
will not meet on Ash Wednesday, March 1
Classes resume on March 8.

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Sunday Forum

9:45 a.m.
basement classroom

Faith, Sexism, Justice: Conversations toward a Social Statement

February 26: Modules 6 and 7: Words and images for God. Scripture: How do Lutherans interpret Scripture?

Pastor Karin Liebster concludes the series on this study 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.

March 5: What a Difference a Meal Makes: The Last Supper in the Bible and in the Christian Church

presented by Christian Eberhart

Lent is the season which commemorates the Passion of Jesus Christ. Central is the Last Supper or Eucharist that Jesus instituted before his death. Christian Eberhart helps us understand the historical meaning of this celebration by exploring the key Eucharistic texts in the New Testament. Christian will also read passages from his new book *What a Difference a Meal Makes: The Last Supper in the Bible and in the Christian Church* (Lucid Books, 2016).

Christian A. Eberhart is Professor of Religious Studies and Chair of the Department of Comparative Cultural Studies at the University of Houston.

March 12: Call Committee Update and Milestone

March 19: Teaching the Catechism by Singing - Martin Luther's Hymns

Lenten Organ Recitals

Friday, March 3, 12:15 p.m. Christopher Holman

The season of Lent is a time for contemplation and introspection, and over the centuries the church has continually used art and music as one of the chief ways to heighten spirituality in all aspects of life. In that spirit, Christ the King Church will present a series of 30 minute organ recitals on Fridays at 12:15 p.m. throughout the season of Lent, performed by many of the city's leading organists.

Contemplative Mass Saturdays, 6:00 p.m.

Beginning Saturday, March 4, 6:00 p.m., Taizé Worship will be called Contemplative Mass. More styles of music and prayer will be added to beloved Taizé chants to offer a yet more meditative worship experience, all so to deepen faith and empower personal lives for peace-making. We hope to reach more people with God's gentle grace by this Saturday worship experience.

Rite of Healing and Anointing every Sunday in Lent

Starting March 5 throughout Lent, we will offer a Rite of Healing for all who desire during the Sunday services. The Rite of Healing and Anointing is an ancient rite of the church, and includes prayers for healing and anointing with oil. On the First Sunday in Lent the whole congregation will be invited to come to the altar rail for the laying on of hands.

Personal Care Kits for Project Promise

During Lent, we again join Lutheran World Relief's Project Promise: Building Kits of Care. Each week, we collect a different item that will be used to assemble Personal Care Kits that give people around the world tools to stay healthy in life's most challenging situations. On March 5 we will collect Bars of Soap (4 to 5 oz., any brand, in original wrapping). Please drop them off in the basket in the narthex.

Lenten Vespers on Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.

The traditional Wednesday Lenten Vespers service will be at 7:00 p.m. in the nave March 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5. Join us for meditations on the Seven Petitions of the Lord's Prayer and Martin Luther's explanations. The Lord's Prayer is a fervent prayer for God's presence, yearning for wholeness and fulfillment. Full of trust we may turn to God like children to a parent, asking for those things which we most need: holiness, peace, sustenance, healing of relationships, redemption from brokenness, and in summary the end of all that stands against God and God's beloved creation, - evil.

Visiting Christ the King (both services) on Sunday, March 5

As featured in *Living Lutheran*, the *Washington Post*, and *Classical Singer Magazine*, counter-tenor **Mikah Meyer** will be a guest soloist at Christ the King Church for Sunday services on March 5. Most recently a professional singer for the Washington National Cathedral Choirs, Mikah is also the founder of "Queer For Christ" (the world's largest LGBT Christian Young Adult organization), and is currently on a record-setting journey to visit all 417 U.S. national parks. The child of a Lutheran minister (Larry Meyer), he is using his parks project to advocate for increased LGBT visibility and acceptance. Learn more about Mikah at www.TBCmikah.com or meet/ask him questions after the services. Any financial support for Mikah and this project are also welcome!

Caregiving 360

Saturday, March 4, 1:30-4:30 p.m. parish hall

Join us to learn to decode behavioral messages, identify common behavior triggers, and learn strategies to help intervene with some of the most common difficult behavioral challenges of Alzheimer's disease. Discover ways to deal with difficult behaviors from both family members AND your loved one with dementia. Family Dynamics can be challenging, especially when a loved one has dementia. This workshop will help you understand better how families work as a system and will give you tips on how to communicate with family members about the changing needs of your loved one with dementia.

Free on site companion services (respite) and complimentary refreshments will be available for all who attend. This workshop is presented by the Houston Alliance to Address Dementia, a grant funded project awarded to Neighborhood Centers Inc. RSVP to Gitzell Perez at perez@alz.org or call 800-272.3900

Soup Makers and Servers Needed

Wednesdays - March 8 - April 5

We look forward to our annual Lenten soup suppers which are sponsored by various ministry areas each Wednesday evening during Lent. All members and friends are invited to come and sample a delicious variety of soups each **Wednesday evening, 5:30-6:40 p.m.** And of course, additional soup makers and servers are most welcome. Proceeds from our soup suppers benefit our missionaries in Mexico.

If you would like to help with one of our Wednesday Lenten soup suppers, please contact Beverly Davis at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org or 713-400-0517.

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 (search under "Connections between People" in Houston) to receive an invitation.

Journey of the Universe

**February 27, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. – Documentary Screening
Educational Series: March 3, 6, 20, 24, 27, 31, April 3, 7, 12, 17, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.**

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 educational series 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 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 (search for Journey of the Universe in Houston, TX)

Sunday, February 26 Transfiguration Sunday

- 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
- 6:00 p.m. Luther League, youth room

Monday, February 27

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

Tuesday, February 28 Shrove Tuesday

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 6:00 p.m. Pancake Supper, parish hall

Wednesday, March 1 Ash Wednesday

- 7:10 a.m. Imposition of Ashes, nave
- 12:15 p.m. Imposition of Ashes, nave
Sandwiches served after service
- 7:30 p.m. Imposition of Ashes, nave
- 7:30 p.m. Church Choir, music suite
- 7:30 p.m. Chorus, rehearsal room

Thursday, March 2

- 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

Friday, March 3

- 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
- 12:15 p.m. Lenten Organ Recital, nave

Saturday, March 4

- 1:30 p.m. Caregiving 360, parish hall
- 6:00 p.m. Contemplative Mass, nave

Sunday, March 5

- 8:30 a.m. Worship, ELW 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. Germany Trip meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Luther League, youth room

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

Erin Simpson	Martina Luke-Dorn	Aidan Swindell
Tracy Anderson	Marcia Murphey	Meredith Moore
Douglas Koch	Don Rice	Jamie Gibbons
	Mark Smith	Nathaniel Winston

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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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.

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.



Welcome New Members

Rev. David and Jennifer Roschke,

Phil and Judith Richey, James Versalovic, Andrew Trites, Dana Rahman, David Guarino, Elizabeth Rahman, James Rahman, Andrea Albright, Edward Pennell and Gary Miertschen.