

Sunday, August 6

- 8:30 a.m. Worship, Summer Setting, nave
- 9:45 a.m. Summer Book Reviews, basement classroom
- 9:45 a.m. Summer Sunday School
- 9:45 a.m. Luther League, youth room
- 10:50 a.m. Worship Summer Setting, nave
- 4:00 p.m. Interfaith Environmental lecture, offsite

Monday, August 7

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

Tuesday, August 8

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

Wednesday, August 9

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 6:00 p.m. Love Your Neighbour discussion group, parsonage
- 6:15 p.m. Brass Choir, music suite

Thursday, August 10

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 10:00 a.m. Piecemakers, second floor
- Dinner at Montrose Grace Place

Friday, August 11

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3rd floor
- Luther League trip to New Braunfels

Saturday, August 12

- Luther League trip to New Braunfels
- 1:00 p.m. Yoga, basement classroom
- 6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, nave

Sunday, August 13

- 8:30 a.m. Worship, Summer Setting, nave
- 9:45 a.m. Summer Book Reviews, basement classroom
- 9:45 a.m. Kid's Summer Nature Education, 2nd floor library
- 9:45 a.m. Luther League, youth room
- 10:50 a.m. Worship Summer Setting, nave

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
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CAMPUS MINISTRY

The mission offering is collected at the church doors at the end of worship.

Is The Church Dying? What Do You See?

As I stand on the corner of Rice and Greenbriar what stands out for me is a parking lot for students, staff and faculty of Rice University. A parking lot we share on Sundays, Wednesdays and high holy days for overflow. What else do we share?

A love for education is at the root of our Lutheran faith. Did you know Lutherans were the first to start campus ministry in 1905? A group of Lutheran students meeting at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, made the case for calling the first full-time campus pastor in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. And by 1909 it was determined that, "Religious work in universities and colleges is no longer an experiment. . . . It has been established as not only a legitimate, but also a necessary sphere of general church activity."¹

The Lutheran church is ever reforming. Over a hundred years ago campus ministry became a vital and necessary activity of the whole church. Why? Because it continues our baptismal promise to journey with each other in some of the most faith challenging times of our lives.

This past year I moved from interim to the called pastor for HLCM and I'm excited to lead along with our Board, with the support of the Gulf Coast synod and every individual and congregation that gives to our ministry together. Over half of our gifts come from individuals like you! So thank you! Just look on the faces of these students, staff and faculty as we worship, pray, study, and serve together...what a difference your generosity makes!

Join us for "Cookies and Conversation" in the courtyard after both services on Sunday August 20 so we can say thank you for your support!

Together in ministry,
 Pastor Janelle Rozek Hooper
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¹ Quoted in Mary Markeley, *The Lutheran Church and Its Students* (Philadelphia: The Muhlenberg Press, 1948), p. 23.



Saturday, August 5 and Sunday, August 6, 2017

This Week and The King's Banner, our monthly newsletter, are available at www.ctkelc.org



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. You may leave contact information or write a note on the worship card in the pew. Donations at the snack table benefit the ELCA World Hunger Appeal.

The pastors and worship servers look forward to meeting guests after worship and answering questions about Christ the King Church.

Kids' Summer Nature Education

Sunday, August 13 at 9:45 a.m.

Rocks Rock!

The August Creation Care Sunday School session on **Sunday, August 13**, will feature Rocks Rock!, taught by Steve Long. Kids will learn about the age of the earth, its components (i.e. crust, mantle, and core) and the processes by which rocks are formed. Rock samples for kids to see and touch will be used to illustrate rock formation and earth history. Kids meet at 9:45 a.m. on the second floor in the library area for the Kids' Summer Nature Education Series. Parents are welcome to join in.

Call for Ushers and Bellringers

Have you wondered in which way you could volunteer around the church and make a meaningful difference? We are looking for ushers and bell ringers. Ushers are the friendly face to all who enter worship on Sunday morning and Saturday evening. The many small tasks are shared among a team of four ushers on Sunday mornings. There will be an ushers' meeting sometime in late August/September.

The bells of Christ the King Church are rung manually, on Sundays mostly three, sometimes all five. Bell ringing includes climbing up a ladder to toll the small Lord's Prayer bell. New bell ringers are scheduled with experienced ones which makes learning an easy job. Bell ringing is a great activity for parents and children.

If you are interested in learning how to be an usher or bell ringer please speak with Pastor Karin Liebster (karinliebster@ctkelc.org) or Pastor Larson (duanelarson@ctkelc.org).

Creation Care Fest – Environmental Extravaganza: Stewardship

Saturday, August 12, 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

The Creation Care Team invites you to the 2017 Creation Care Fest – Environmental Extravaganza on Saturday, August 12. This year's theme is Stewardship. Adults can attend interactive lectures, considering everything from air to water to plants & animals. Kids enjoy fun & educational environmental activities. Nursery care for kids under 5 will be provided. Exhibits by local environmental nonprofits will show hands on ways of stewardship.

For more information, or to register, see www.eventbrite.com. Contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com with any questions.

Choir/Chorus Retreat August 25-26

Our Choir and Chorus retreat to Zion Center in Galveson will be **August 25-26** in order to tune up and prepare for the season of singing ahead. New members welcome, please speak to Rick Erickson for further information, and please keep our singers in your prayers.

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SUMMER BOOK REVIEWS

The summer book reviews are a beloved tradition as an educational offering on Sundays at 9:45 a.m. during the summer months.

Summer Book Reviews
Sundays at 9:45 a.m.
in the basement classroom

August 6: Rabbi Kenny Weiss, a presentation on Jewish humor and MAD Magazine

August 13: Pastor Karin Liebster, presentation and discussion on the Barmen Theological Declaration

August 20: Logan Faron, *Our Kids: The American Dream in Crisis*, by Robert Putnam

August 27: Lisa Brenskelle, *Dream of the Earth*, by Thomas Berry (date change from July 23)

Montrose Grace Place

Christ the King volunteers will be providing and serving a meal for at-risk LGBTQ youth on **Thursday, August 10** at Kindred. If you would like to help with this community project, contact Rebecca at rshields63@gmail.com.

Lego Blocks Needed

We are planning to build a giant **Lego Luther Rose** so if you have a collection of Lego blocks (not the big blocks but regular size) in **BLUE, RED, YELLOW, BLACK** or **WHITE** that you could donate, please bring them to the narthex any Sunday.



New Music Associate

Brian Glikes joins our Christ the King Church music staff and Bach Society as of **August 15**. Brian moves here from Rochester, NY, where he is finishing work on his DMA in Organ Performance and Literature. He holds the M.M. in organ performance from Emory University in Atlanta and a B.M. in organ performance with a minor in Biblical and Theological Studies at Gordon College in Wenham, MA. He has most recently served as Organ Scholar at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Buffalo, NY, and prior to that at Episcopal churches in Fairport, NY and Loganville, GA. Brian will be active in many parts of our music ministry, including leading the Chorus, working with our Choristers, accompanying Bach rehearsals, continuo work, and much more.

A Summer Discussion Group All are Welcome! Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m., at the parsonage

The "Love Your Neighbour" discussion group invites you! The group who read James Cones' *The Cross and the Lynching Tree* with Pastor Larson continues discussion about racism in American society. The group is committed to caring, honest, and safe conversation on issues of race, seeking how more faithfully we as Christian individuals and as church can bring our part to God's intended rule of reconciling love to neighbor and world. The book basis for our conversations is Michael Eric Dyson's, *Tears We Cannot Stop, A Sermon to White America*. All is casual; snacks and beverages to share are welcomed.

Walking the Mourner's Path – A Grief Support Program

We all experience the grief that comes with losing someone we love and with that grief comes the journey of mourning. Christ the King Church will offer an eight week support program **Monday, September 18 - November 6** facilitated by Beverly Davis and Linda Schoene. The sessions will be held on eight consecutive Mondays from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the church. Participants will have the opportunity to share their journey with others and discover that while their pain is unique, they are not alone. Christ is present with those who mourn and there are tools for moving forward while honoring our loved ones. If you are interested in joining the group please contact Beverly, beverlydavis@ctkelc.org, or Linda, lindaschoene@ctkelc.org, to determine if this group will meet your needs. Registration deadline is August 18.



Sound in the Nave

In recent weeks worshipers have experienced poor sound conditions in the nave. We are calling anyone who is knowledgeable in sound technology and can help to monitor the sound during worship times. Please contact the pastors if you can help. Duane Larson (duanelarson@ctkelc.org), Karin Liebster (karinliebster@ctkelc.org).

Confirmation Class Fall 2017

Confirmation Class for 7th and 8th grade students begins with a Milestone Celebration for youth and parents on Wednesday, August 30 at 6:00 p.m. Students will receive their study bibles and Small Catechisms at this meeting. Weekly classes for students are Wednesday nights 6:30-7:30 p.m. beginning September 6. Pastor Liebster and Ben Remmert will lead the class through a year of studying Martin Luther's Small Catechism, thereby exploring, experiencing and studying the key components of faith in the Christian life. Confirmation class is generally for students in grades 7 and 8, though special circumstances may be accommodated as to when a student joins the class. New students are welcome anytime. Please contact Pastor Liebster, karinliebster@ctkelc.org or Ben Remmert, benremmert@ctkelc.org.

Calling all Cyclists: Opportunity to Care for & Enjoy God's Good Creation

The CTK Creation Care Team invites both cyclists and non-cyclists to join the Lutherans Restoring Creation Team for Bike Around the Bay on October 21 & 22. Bike Around the Bay offers participants the opportunity to enjoy God's good creation while riding around Galveston Bay over the two days of the event. As a fundraiser for the Galveston Bay Foundation, participating in this event also offers the opportunity to care for God's good creation by supporting the foundation's conservation work. Lutherans Restoring Creation Team members may ride one day or both days, or may be "virtual" riders. To join the team or support this effort, click on the "Join a Team" link at www.bikearoundthebay.org. For more information, contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com.

CCSC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER



Sponsor A Student!

\$45.00 will provide the necessary tools for one child to arrive at school on the first day of class – feeling well prepared and ready to learn!

Sponsoring A Child Is Easy!

There are two convenient ways to make a donation:

- Donate on-line: www.ccschouston.org
- Submit a check made out to Christ the King Church and earmarked "Back to School" in the offering on **Sundays now through August 14**.

Donate!

Gently used or new clothing can be delivered to CCSC, 3434 Branard, 77027, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. weekdays or 9:00 a.m. - noon on Saturdays.

Please contact Beverly at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org or 713-400-0517 for more information about how you can help with this important program.

Since 1986 the Christian Community Service Center (CCSC) has helped deserving and under-resourced students through its Back To School program. In 2016, 6,603 children received grade-appropriate school supplies, a voucher for new uniforms/shoes, and a hygiene kit.

Pictorial Directories Available

Our new pictorial directories are available in the narthex for members who participated by either having their photo taken or by submitting a photo. If you did not participate, you are still invited to pick up a directory from the box without name labels. Please place \$10.00 in the offering basket.

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

Lisa Brenskelle	Martin Salas	Matthew Sommer
Irm Willcockson	John Walker	Christian Triantaphyllis
Eric Ardeel	David West	Judith Hungerford