



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

St. Luke the Evangelist

We will celebrate St. Luke the Evangelist in our worship. The service will include a rite of healing/laying on of hands.

Presentation of the Confirmation Class

The Confirmation Class will be presented to the congregation at the **8:30 a.m. service**. The students will lead, read, pray, usher, ring bells and assist the Altar Guild.

Bread for the World Sunday Offering of Letters

Gather in the courtyard after both service and write letters. Sample letters and writing materials will be provided.

We join people of faith across the country in praying for those who struggle with hunger - and in rededicating ourselves to efforts that help end hunger. Our prayerful work to end hunger is a response to the Gospel's invitation to take part in the banquet of God's mercy and abundance that is ours through Jesus Christ (Matthew 22:1-14).

Hymn Fest Sunday 6:00 p.m.

Lutherans LOVE to sing, and what better way to celebrate Reformation 500 than a hymn festival!

Join in the celebration of a history of song as Rick Erickson leads in a joyous hymn sing! Hymns from around the world have grown from the time of the Reformation, creating a massive body of song that is used and loved by Christians throughout the world.

Joint Lutheran-Catholic Prayer Service

Wednesday, October 25, 7:30 p.m., at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, 1111 St. Joseph Parkway

We will join with our Catholic brothers and sisters in a commemoration of the Reformation in 1517 in a prayer service with Cardinal DiNardo and our own Bishop Michael Rinehart as presiders. Praying in a spirit of confession and repentance we remember our baptism with thanksgiving. Christ the King Church pastors and deacons will process, our choirs join in the service choir.

Reformation Fall Fair October 21

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

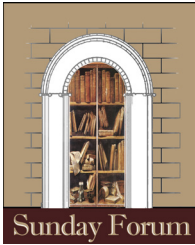
Travel back five hundred years in one day. At the Christ the King Church Reformation Fall Fair, you will experience the sights, sounds, and tastes of life during the time of Martin Luther. This special event is designed for people of all ages, so bring the whole family to take a step back in time. You may not live in sixteenth-century Germany, but on October 21 you can walk in the footsteps of Martin Luther through interactive booths. Your whole family will enjoy the games, activities, crafts, and food of the Reformation and learn how the world changed forever. We'll add a few contemporary seasonal activities like pumpkin carving as well. **RSVP by Wednesday, October 18.** For more information, please contact Ben Remmert, benremmert@ctlc.org or Marie Monroe, marie4118@gmail.com.

**Congregational
Conversation
on the Parsonage**

**Sunday, October 22
12:30 p.m.**

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SUNDAY FORUM

9:45 a.m.

Welcoming the Stranger in Contemporary America: Recent Developments in US Refugee Policy October 15 & 22 October 15 – The Travel Ban Appeal

One of the most contentious public questions of 2017 is the question who is welcome to enter and live in the United States. Russell Post, an appellate lawyer and church member, will review the arguments, explain the current status of the litigation concerning the so-called “travel ban” appeal, and explore some aspects not prominently featured in the mainstream media.

October 22 — Refugee resettlement in Houston Changes in U.S. resettlement policy have a significant impact on refugees. Members of the staff of Refugee Services of Texas—the local affiliate of Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services—will discuss the refugee experience and the resettlement process. Speakers will include Jacqueline Merciliott, RST’s Houston area director, and Bekhal Saeed, a refugee and RST support specialist. Bill Mintz, church member and a member of the RST board, will moderate the discussion.

October 29 — Questions and Answers with Bishop Mike Rinehart. The bishop will also be preaching at both Sunday services.

2018 ELCA Youth Gathering June 27 – July 1, 2018

Youth have a great opportunity to participate in the ELCA Youth Gathering this summer in Houston. Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through days spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service and fellowship, young people grow in faith and are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives. We hope to bring a group of our youth to participate this summer in this great event. If you are interested in attending, **RSVP to Ben Remmert no later than November 1 with a \$200 deposit.**

Luther Goes Jazz Tuesday, October 31, 7:30 p.m.

in the nave of Christ the King Church
A Reformation Day evening program of jazz music and readings, with artists Markus Burger, piano, and Jan von Klewitz saxophone. Sponsored by the Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany. Reception after the program.

Friday Morning Bible Study

All are invited. We gather after 10:00 a.m. for snacks and fellowship in the narthex. Bible Study and prayer begin at 10:30, and we finish approximately 11:40 a.m.

Friday Morning Bible Study is an opportunity to enrich life in preparation for the Sunday assemblies. We read the texts assigned for the Sunday liturgy and prepare ourselves for the encounter with the living Lord who promises to be with us in word and sacrament.

Science and Religion October 16

The Houston Science and Religion Discussion Group (HSRDG) will conduct its regular monthly meeting on Monday, 16 October 2017 in the CTK 2nd floor conference room. The speakers for this meeting will be Howard Lamont and Robert Tucker. They will discuss the topic "Jesus of Nazareth in his Historical Context." The public is welcome to participate in the HSRDG meetings, which are scheduled for the third Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

For Such A Time As This October 21

The bishop of the ELCA issued an invitation to prayer, fasting, and advocacy throughout 2017 on the **21st of each month** in solidarity with those living with hunger or in poverty. See www.elca.org for resources or pick up a Fasting Guide on the literature rack in the narthex.

Aspiring For Abraham – An Interfaith Event

An Interfaith Evening for all congregation and community members happens on **Friday, October 20, 7:30 p.m.** The event is hosted at the River Oaks Islamic Center, 3110 East-side St., Houston, and sponsored by the Risala Foundation. Pastor Larson joins nationally recognized faith leaders, Imam Khalid Latif and Rabbi Laura Sheinkopf in a freewheeling discussion on how our faith traditions respond to common concerns of individual, family, and public life, and how we can work together to bring healing to all these dimensions. Imam Latif is a University Chaplain in New York City and Muslim Chaplain to the New York City Police Department. Rabbi Sheinkopf is a freelance rabbi, writer, and teacher here in Houston. This will be a great opportunity for us to grow and go deeper in our common commitment to mutual understanding, respect, and care for the public good.

After the session, the young adults group of Christ the King will join with the young professional group from River Oaks Center for coffee, further conversation, and further friendship making. A grand evening, open to everyone!

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, October 18 10:00-11:00 a.m.** This collaboration with SEARCH takes place every third Wednesday of the month. For more information, contact Beverly at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org.

Wednesdays at Church

Music classes for children, 5:45, 6:00 and 6:15 p.m.
Confirmation class, 6 p.m., second floor
Love Your Neighbour discussion group, 5:45 p.m., nave
Resilient Reformer, book study, 6:15 p.m., third floor
Vespers, 7:05 p.m., nave

Baby Shower

for

Ben and Lindsay R Emmert

Sunday, October 29 12:15 p.m. in the parish hall

Baby registry at *Target* and *buybuy Baby*.

Let's party
like it's
1517!

**Christ the King
Festival
Dinner and Party**

Friday, November 17, 7:00 p.m.

Celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation

Interested in volunteering or donating?
Contact Mary Ann Beseda at
maryannbeseda@gmail.com

The annual Christ the King Festival party will be the culminating event of our Reformation 500 Celebration this year. Plan now to attend Friday evening, November 17. There will be food, fellowship, sociable sign-ups, music and games. Proceeds for this special event benefit CTK outreach ministries such as Christian Community Service Center and Lutherhill Camping Ministries.

To make our celebration wildly successful you can help by donating:

- A \$20+ bottle of wine for a wine pull
- A quality item for live auction (vacation home, art item, tickets)
- Sociable event (dinner or themed party, outing, educational or art event, etc.)

We are Looking for Hosts for Sociables

Christ the King Church *Sociables* are simply hosted events that support our church mission in two important ways: 1) they build and strengthen relationships and connections across our community, and 2) they raise funds for our outreach ministries. Each year during our Festival weekend we invite members, friends and family to purchase places at *Sociables*. All of the money that people pay to purchase places at *Sociables* is donated to one or more of our outreach ministries. *See the October King's Banner for more information.*

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

Melinda Fazekas Martha Stoerner Anne Walker
Krystyna Steffens Martina Bahr Angelica
Hayden Wood Ana Cristina Kolmel Schmidt-Lange

Sunday, October 15 Reformation Market

Bread for the World Offering of Letters

- 8:30 a.m. Worship, Reformation 500 Setting and rite of healing/laying on of hands, nave
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship, Reformation 500 Setting and rite of healing/laying on of hands, nave
6:00 p.m. Luther League
6:00 p.m. Hymn Fest, nave

Monday, October 16 Church Office Closed

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
5:00 p.m. Mourner's Path

Tuesday, October 17 Church Office Closed

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

Wednesday, October 18

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
10:00 a.m. SEARCH Coffee and Cards, offsite
5:45 p.m. Music Explorers
5:45 p.m. Love Your Neighbour, nave
6:00 p.m. Confirmation, council room
6:00 p.m. Choristers, narthex
6:15 p.m. Jr. Choristers
6:15 p.m. Resilient Reformer, 3rd floor
6:15 p.m. Brass Choir, parish hall
7:00 p.m. Evening Vespers, nave
7:30 p.m. Church Choir, nave
7:30 p.m. Chorus, parish hall

Thursday, October 19

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
10:00 a.m. Piecemakers, 3rd floor
6:00 p.m. Circle of Care

Friday, October 20

- 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, narthex
7:30 p.m. Interfaith Event, Aspiring for Abraham, offsite

Saturday, October 21 Fast and Pray to end hunger

- 11:00 a.m. Reformation Fair, courtyard
6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, nave

Sunday, October 22

- 8:30 a.m. Worship, Reformation 500 Setting, nave
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship, Reformation 500 Setting, nave
12:30 p.m. Congregational Conversation on the Parsonage
12:30 p.m. Luther League

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

Brian Gilkes, Music Associate Robert Walp, Brass Choir Director

Noelle Jung, Church Business Administrator

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

Who We Are - Disaster Response

When everything seems to be falling apart around you, Upbring is there to help you keep standing. Serving Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma, Upbring Disaster Response assists families and communities in the aftermath of natural disasters like tornadoes, hurricanes, floods or wildfires.

How We Help

We are not first responders, but committed neighbors who will stay with you until you're back on your feet. We offer financial assistance for basic needs in the short term and case management and spiritual care over the longer term to individuals and families, and we work continually to ensure we are ready to meet the needs of our communities if and when disaster strikes.

Preparedness Volunteer Coordination
Emergency Hardship Grants Repair & Rebuild
Emotional and Spiritual Care Assistance
Disaster Case Management

Who We Are - Helping Children Thrive

At Upbring, we're changemakers determined to create a world where all children are cherished. We understand that breaking the cycle of child abuse means more than removing children from harmful situations and providing clothing, food and shelter. Because when the cycle is broken, it means children get to live every moment of every day with every inch of their whole hearts. So you've got to help children heal physically, emotionally and spiritually. Upbring does this.

We've been helping children thrive for more than 135 years, and we're not stopping. We have an opportunity to shape not only the way we deliver our programs and services, but shape the way Texas treats children. We have Faith in Every Future.