



**Sigurd Øgaard, Organist**  
**Sunday, February 4 3:00 p.m.**  
**NOTE TIME CHANGE**

Bach Society Houston presents an organ concert by our former organist Sigurd Øgaard, who is now living and working in his home town of Bergen, Norway. He will perform works by Bach, Buxtehude, Krebs, and little-known Norwegian composers. No ticket is required; a free will offering will be accepted.

**Rockin' 50s Dinner**  
**Fundraiser**

**February 10 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 cooked by chef Nathan Winston! We will set the scene for a rockin' night making you feel like your back in the 1950s. Seating is available for individuals, pairs, and small and large groups. Tickets are \$50 or \$90 for two. Table is \$300 (seating of 7). Free childcare is available. Email Ben Remmert at [benremmert@ctkelc.org](mailto:benremmert@ctkelc.org) to RSVP. Proceeds will benefit the youth group at Christ the King Church and Messiah Lutheran Church in going to the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston. Hurry space is limited!

**Annual Reports**

The 2017 Annual Reports are due on **January 31**. See last year's reports online as a reference at [ctkelc.org/about-us/how-we-work](http://ctkelc.org/about-us/how-we-work). Please email your report to [michaelshelton@ctkelc.org](mailto:michaelshelton@ctkelc.org).

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**  
**February 13** Volunteers and Revelers Needed

The annual Pancake Supper will be February 13 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 beginning at 5:30 p.m., with dancing for everyone, followed by singing our last "Alleluia." Supper will be served from 6:00 until 7:00 p.m. **If you can help shop, cook or clean up at the supper**, please contact Marie Monroe at [marie4118@gmail.com](mailto:marie4118@gmail.com) or 832-488-7696. Come and have the most fun you'll have until Easter.

**Ash Wednesday February 14**

Imposition of Ashes

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

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

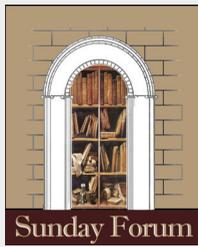
**Souper Bowl of Caring February 4**

Over 25 YEARS AGO, the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group: "O Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat." Since that day, millions of dollars have been raised for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. Please give generously as you leave worship on Super Bowl Sunday. **Every dollar donated goes to the Christian Community Service Center (CCSC) Emergency Services.** Additionally, you are invited to bring a non-perishable food item to drop in our collection basket.

**Wear Your Sports Shirts**

All worshipers are invited to wear their favorite sports teams apparel in support of the Souper Bowl of Caring. (That means professional, school, neighborhood attire, including our championship Astros.)

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## SUNDAY FORUM

9:45 a.m. in the parish hall

### Prayer across Faiths

In prayer we humans orient toward God: we direct praise, lament, questions, petitions and thanksgiving to God who made us, redeemed us and sustains us. In prayer we are in conversation with God and open for God to be in conversation with us, in personal prayer as well as in group and worship settings. In February Sunday Forum will learn about prayer practices in four faith traditions, Christian, Buddhist, Muslim and Jewish. The presenters will share practices and content, and discuss how prayer shapes and supports daily living and ethical decision making.

#### **February 4: Prayer in the Buddhist life,**

Tim Schorre

#### **February 11: Prayer in Muslim life,**

Abdur Badat and Shariq Ghani

#### **February 18: Prayer in Christian life,**

a panel on contemplative practice

#### **February 25: Prayer in Jewish life,**

Rabbi Joshua Fixler

#### **March 4: Prayer in the Christian liturgy,**

Karin Liebster and Duane Larson

### Friday Morning Bible Study

All are invited to Friday Morning Bible Study. 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.

### Ukrainian Egg Decorating Workshop

Pasanky classes will meet at 6:00 p.m. **starting on Thursday, February 8** and continuing February 15 and 22; March 1, 8, 15, 22, in a Pasanky Workshop 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.

### Last Blast Before Lent! Texas Tastings

**Friday, February 9 6:30 p.m.**

Join our very own Christ the King Church Creation Care Team for an evening of Texas Tastings. We will offer Texas-produced wines, cheeses, meats, produce, and other delectables to showcase the amazing options we have available to us from local sources. Come enjoy a relaxing evening feasting on your new favorites before embarking on your Lenten fast! This event is hosted by the Creation Care Team at the home of Cindi Scruggs. The cost is \$25.00 which will benefit the Emergency Services of CCSC. RSVP to [beverlydavis@ctkelc.org](mailto:beverlydavis@ctkelc.org).

### Food Service will resume with Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper February 13 — please volunteer!

The annual pancake supper will take place on February 13 this year! We are looking for people who can come and help for a while and then enjoy the eating, talking and carrying-on that we do at Mardi Gras.

#### The ways you can help are:

- bring champagne and/or orange juice
- shop at Sam's for pancake mix and sausage patties
- decorate (and remind me if i need to order more beads etc.)
- come at 3:00 and start making pancakes and cooking the sausage
- come at 4:30 and continue with the pancakes
- help with kids' table and pancake race
- serve from 6-6:30
- serve from 6:30-7:00
- clean up at 7:00

Please let Marie ([marie4118@gmail.com](mailto:marie4118@gmail.com)) know if you are available or if you know someone who would enjoy participating.

The Church Office will be closed on Tuesday, January 30. The staff will be at Zion Retreat Center in Galveston for a work retreat.

## **Wednesday Nights**

The following programs will be offered this semester: Adult classes, Choristers, Chorus and Choir, and Confirmation class. Wednesday night dinners will resume with our annual Lenten Soup Suppers beginning February 21. Pizza will be offered 15 minutes before all programs for children and youth at \$2.00 a slice. (see calendar on back page for classes and times).

## **Love Your Neighbor Discussion Group**

**Wednesdays, 5:45 p.m., in the narthex**  
Edited by famed theologian Emilie Townes, in *A Troubling in My Soul* well-known womanist theologians explore the persistent question of evil and suffering in compelling new ways. Committed to an integrated analysis of race, gender, and class, they also address the shortcomings of traditional, feminist, and Black theologies in dealing with evil. Vigorous and forthright, *A Troubling in My Soul* is must-reading for everyone interested in African-American, women's, and contemporary religious studies as a resource for addressing racism.

## **A Brief Study of Greek Tragedy Wednesdays, 31, and February 7 6:15 p.m., 3rd floor**

Kristine Wallace continues a study of some Greek tragedies: Sophocles' Theban plays (Antigone 442 BC, Oedipus the King c. 427 BC, Oedipus at Colonus 408 BC), which are contemporary with Second Temple Judaism (515 BC-70 AD). We will look at how Greek polytheistic thinkers dealt with issues of justice, sin and redemption, in contrast to the monotheistic Hebrew writers who confronted these same questions. Paperback translations of the plays are available at reasonable prices.

## **Annual Meeting Part II**

Part II of the annual congregational meeting will be held on **February 18 at 12:30 p.m.** in the parish hall. On the agenda are the 2017 annual reports and the adoption of the 2018 budget and the 2018 Missional Emphases. Everyone is strongly encouraged to attend.

## **Sunday Evening Conversations on Creation Continue...**

The Creation Care Team invites you to a monthly environmental education web meeting series whose theme in 2018 is Stewardship.

## **Caring for the Plants that Care for Us Sunday, January 28, at 6:00 p.m.**

At the January web meeting, we welcome Jaime Gonzalez, Community Conservation Director, Katy Prairie Conservancy, who will discuss the importance of native plants for biodiversity, water absorption, carbon sequestration, the economy, and creating a sense of place. He will link the well-being of eco-systems to human well-being and will discuss the work of Katy Prairie Conservancy. Jaime will give details on using native plantings on your property, will provide resources and outlets for getting native plants, and will even delve into the ethics of saving wildlife by providing native plant habitat. Please register on [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com) for this talk. Contact Lisa Brenskelle at [brenskelle@aol.com](mailto:brenskelle@aol.com) with any questions.

## **Reducing Waste Generation in Houses of Worship Sunday, February 4, 2:00 p.m.**

The Interfaith Environmental Network of Houston, a Houston affiliate of the Texas Interfaith Center for Public Policy, invites you to attend a talk on Reducing Waste Generation in Houses of Worship. Learn how you can reduce waste generated from building operations, events, grounds maintenance, worship services & more. Many tips can also be applied to waste reduction in the home. This talk will be given by Lisa Brenskelle, CTK Creation Care Team lead. This talk will be given online, via web meeting, as well as in person at First Congregation Church, 10840 Beinhorn Rd, simultaneously. There will be time for Q&A afterward. If you would like to attend this event, please register on [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com). Those registered for the online event will receive an invitation to the web meeting via e-mail. For more information about this talk, contact Lisa Brenskelle at [atbrenskelle@aol.com](mailto:atbrenskelle@aol.com).

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

Virginia Swindell Heidi	
Ben Rummert	Sydney Tetzlaff Blankenburg-
Bill Burgess	Paul Monroe Salazar
Coulter George	Karl Lohmann Andrea Albright
Bob Solberg	Christopher Karohl



**Mission Offering**

**SEARCH**  
Homeless Services

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

### Sunday, January 28

- Blood Pressure Screening after services
- 8:30 a.m. Worship, nave
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School (children and youth)
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
- 10:50 a.m. Worship, nave
- 12:30 p.m. Luther League
- 6:00 p.m. Creation Care webtalk, online

### Monday, January 29

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

### Tuesday, January 30

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

### Wednesday, January 31

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 5:45 p.m. Music Explorers
- 5:45 p.m. Love Your Neighbour, narthex
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation, council room
- 6:00 p.m. Choristers, narthex
- 6:15 p.m. Jr. Choristers
- 6:15 p.m. Greek Tragedy, 3rd floor
- 6:15 p.m. Brass Choir, parish hall
- 7:05 p.m. Evening Vespers, nave
- 7:30 p.m. Church Choir, nave
- 7:30 p.m. Chorus, parish hall

### Thursday, February 1

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 10:00 a.m. Piecemakers, 3rd floor

### Friday, February 2

- 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
- Jr. High retreat, offsite

### Saturday, February 3

- Jr. High retreat, offsite
- 6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship

### Sunday, February 4

- 8:30 a.m. Worship, nave
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School (children and youth)
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
- 10:50 a.m. Worship, nave
- 3:00 p.m. Organ Concert, nave

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](mailto:beverlydavis@ctkelc.org). You may also visit SEARCH's headquarters at 2015 Congress St., Houston, during regular business hours. Visit [www.search-homeless.org](http://www.search-homeless.org).

## Visitors from Leipzig and St. Thomas Church February 9-17

We look forward to welcoming friends from Leipzig including St. Thomas Church during their visit to Houston February 9-17. On Sunday, February 11, Pastor Martin Hundertmark will preach. After the late service we will host a lunch gathering at 12:30 p.m. for a time of fellowship with new and old friends. We invite all who have traveled to Germany with Christ the King Church to come and greet our visitors. We encourage anyone interested to join us and learn about the partnership between St. Thomas and Christ the King Church. Please RSVP by February 6 with the number of participants to [ctk@ctkelc.org](mailto:ctk@ctkelc.org). Our Leipzig friends will join us for Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday.

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The Rev. Dr. Duane Larson, Senior Pastor  
 The Rev. Karin Liebster, Associate Pastor  
 Deacon Ben Rummert, Director of Youth and Family Ministry  
 Beverly Davis, Director of Congregational Care  
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