



Prayers for Healing and Anointing every Sunday in Lent

Throughout Lent we will offer a Healing Prayer and Anointing for all who desire during the Sunday services. Stations for healing prayers will be available in the rear of the nave after communing.

Lenten Vespers Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.

Jesus' I AM-statements

The Wednesday Lenten Vespers service will be at 7:00 p.m. in the nave through March 21. Join us for meditations on the "I am" statements of Jesus from the Gospel of John. Harkening back to the revelation of God's name to Moses at the site of the burning bush as "I am who I am" – or, "I will be who I am" (Exodus 3:14), Jesus uses a series of "I AM" statements to describe himself. The images he uses invite us to reflect who Jesus is for the church, the world, and us.

SOUP, SOUP, SOUP!

Join us on Wednesdays for Soup and Support our Missionaries in Mexico

All members and friends are invited to come and sample a delicious variety of homemade soups each **Wednesday evening during Lent, 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, Pastor David and Alicia Brandos.

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

World Day of Prayer March 2

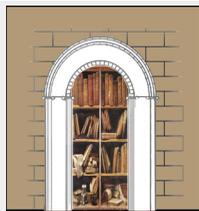
All God's Creation Is Very Good

To observe World Day of Prayer 2018 on Friday, March 2, you are invited to join Church Women United at the Holly Hall Retirement Center, 2000 Holly Hall Road, Houston 77054, beginning with refreshments at 9:30 a.m. followed by the program at 10:00 a.m.

World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. This year's theme is *All God's Creation Is Very Good*, prepared by the country Suriname. Women from Suriname lift up their voices to remind us that we are caretakers of God's creation! They are bringing to our attention the urgent need for caring at a time when more than 180 countries have signed the Paris Agreement on Climate Change. A commitment to keep the earth cooler depends on public policies implemented by governments, but also on our personal lifestyle.

The World Day of Prayer began in the United States in 1887, and after World War II became an international movement for peace and justice. What began as a women's movement is open to all and calls us all to active contemplation and contemplative action. Church Women United is a racially, culturally, theologically inclusive ecumenical women's movement. The CWU motto is "Agreed to differ, resolved to love, united to serve." For more information on CWU or the March 2nd event contact Rita Carlson at ritann35@live.com or 513-658-4285.

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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 25: Prayer in Jewish life

Rabbi Joshua Fixler serves as assistant rabbi at Congregation Emanu El where he was called in 2017 after his ordination at Hebrew Union College. Rabbi Fixler has a B.A. in Organizational Development and Community Leadership, and has pursued his interests in social justice and interfaith work. He has served as youth director, educator and student rabbi in numerous settings.

March 4: Prayer in Buddhist life

Seirin Tim Schorre received the Buddhist precepts and lay-ordination, along with the Buddhist name Seirin, meaning Peaceful Forest in 1999. In 2017 he received ordination as a novice Soto Zen priest from his teacher, Rev. Setsuan Gaelyn Godwin. In addition to his professional work as an architect, he currently serves Houston Zen Center as a practice leader and co-leads a Buddhist congregation at the Ferguson Unit of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

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).

Mind the Gap

Wednesdays, 6:10 p.m. 3rd floor through March 21

Pastor Liebster leads a study of *Mind the Gap* on five Wednesdays during Lent, 6:00- 6:50 p.m. The book is available from Fortress Press and on Amazon. For February 28, read chapter 3, Jesus the Messiah of Israel, on pages 53-85.

CPR/AED/First Aid Class

Register Now!

Facilitated by National Safety Council Instructor

When: Saturday, March 3, 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Where: CTK Room TBD

Cost: \$50

Contact Linda Schoene lschoene91@att.net

Check your Blood Pressure

Blood pressure screenings will be held in the narthex after each Sunday morning service on February 25.

Creation Care Sunday Evening Conversations

Stewardship of Water Sunday, February 25 6:00 p.m.

At the February web meeting, we welcome Bruce Bodson, President/Executive Director of Lower Brazos Riverwatch, who will address Stewardship of Water. Water is a uniquely versatile medium, functioning as a vital resource, a habitat, a recreation venue, and a waste conveyance. As we have often seen in Houston, it is also a destructive force of nature. Please register on www.eventbrite.com for this talk, and you will receive an invitation to the web meeting. Contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com with any questions.

Large Print Bulletins

Large Print copies of our Sunday worship folders are available from the ushers. Please feel free to make use of these copies.

Ukrainian Egg Decorating Workshop

Pasanky (Ukranian egg decorating) classes meet on the 3rd floor at **6:00 p.m. on Thursdays** through March 22, 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.

Youth Star Envelope Fundraiser

The Star Envelope Fundraiser began on Sunday, February 25 and will continue until Sunday, March 18. When pick an envelope off the bulletin board in the courtyard it will have a number. Match your donation with the number marked on the envelope. Top donors will receive a special prize. Checks should be made out to "Christ the King Lutheran Church" with Youth Gathering in the memo line. You may put your donation in the offering plate on Sundays or drop it off at the office during the week. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go toward sending our youth to 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering this summer. Come on over and hear the exciting trip our youth will be doing this summer. Thank you for your support!

Confirmation Spring Retreat March 23-24

Our confirmation grade students are invited for an overnight at Lutherhill Zion Galveston Retreat. Our students will have a great opportunity for fellowship and fun as we learn more about the sacrament of baptism. This is a wonderful opportunity to experience the new and only spiritual retreat center on Galveston Island. Cost is only \$40 for housing, food, and activities. Please RSVP no later than Sunday, March 18.

Justice Advocacy Workshop Sunday, March 4, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

The Justice Advocacy Ministry Team, and the Interfaith Environmental Network of Houston, a Houston affiliate of the Texas Interfaith Center for Public Policy, invite you to attend a Justice Advocacy Workshop taught by experts from TX Impact, an Austin-based interfaith justice advocacy organization. The Justice Advocacy Workshop is free, and will take place on Sunday, March 4 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., at Christ the King, as well as online, via a simultaneous web meeting. Learn how to effectively raise your voice for the voiceless! Please register for this event on www.eventbrite.com and you will receive an invitation to the web meeting via email. The training will be recorded, so if you can't make it, you can still get a copy of the training recording to review later. For more information, please contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com.

Project Promise: Building Personal Care Kits for People Around the World

During Lent, we again join Lutheran World Relief's Project Promise appeal. 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. Our goal is to assemble at least 100 LWR Care Kits during Lent. Here's our collection schedule:

Drop items off in the narthex or church office.

February 25: Bath towels

(new, light-weight, maximum 52"x27", dark color recommended)

March 4: Toothbrushes (adult size, in original packaging)

March 11: Combs

(sturdy, please! No picks or fine toothed combs)

March 18: Nail Clippers

(metal, attached file optional)

March 25: Bars of Soap

(each kit includes 2 bars of soap)

Everyone is invited to join the Luther League in assembling our Personal Care Kits after the Good Friday service on March 30.

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Saturday
March 10

Leave the church at 7:30
Return at noon

For information, contact ctkhfb@gmail.com

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

Erin Simpson	Mark Smith
Erin Burton	Aidan Swindell
Judy Vinson	Meredith Moore
Timothy Winston	Jamie Gibbons
Stephan Roth	Don Rice
Douglas Koch	
Martina Luke-Dorn	
Marcia Murphey	

Sunday, February 25

- Blood Pressure Screening after services
- 8:30 a.m. Worship ELW setting 5, nave
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 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 web talk

Monday, February 26

- Church Office Closed
- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 5:00 p.m. Community of Hope, council room

Tuesday, February 27

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

Wednesday, February 28

- 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. Soup Suppers begin serving, parish hall
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation, council room
- 6:00 p.m. Choristers, narthex
- 6:00 p.m. Mind the Gap, 3rd floor
- 6:15 p.m. Jr. Choristers
- 6:15 p.m. Brass Choir, parish hall
- 7:05 p.m. Lenten Vespers, nave
- 7:30 p.m. Church Choir, nave
- 7:30 p.m. Chorus, parish hall

Thursday, March 1

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 10:00 a.m. Piecemakers, 3rd floor
- 6:00 p.m. Egg Decorating workshop, 3rd floor

Friday, March 2

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3rd floor
- 9:30 a.m. World Day of Prayer, Holly Hall Retirement Ctr
- 10:00 a.m. Friday Morning Bible Study, narthex

Saturday, March 3

- 1:00 p.m. CPR/AED/First Air class
- 6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship

Sunday, March 4

- 8:30 a.m. Worship ELW setting 5, nave
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
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- 10:50 a.m. Worship, nave
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- 6:00 p.m. Luther League

The Rev. Dr. Duane Larson, Senior Pastor
 The Rev. Karin Liebster, Associate Pastor
 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 Glikes, Music Associate Robert Walp, Brass Choir Director
 Noelle Jung, Church Business Administrator

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Freewheels Houston had a breakthrough year in 2017, providing reliable bikes to approximately 200 refugees, engaging volunteers in bike repairs at our Southwest Houston warehouse space and strengthening partnerships that will enable this ministry to grow.

The congregation's mission offerings will support Freewheels Houston's exciting plans for 2018 and help meet the Christ the King Lutheran Church Foundation's generous challenge grant of \$5,000.

Transportation is one of the biggest challenges facing refugees as they start their new lives in Houston. Without a bike, refugees must rely on walking or public transportation to get to work, school and other destinations.

We provide helmets, locks, lights, pumps and flat kits with each bike. We recently calculated that the retail cost of the equipment we provide is about \$135 for each recipient, plus the cost of replacement parts.

Do you know how to fix a bike? Do you want to learn? Freewheels volunteers work at our warehouse almost every Saturday and they are eager to share their knowledge with others who want to help Houston's refugee community. Contact Bill Mintz at billmintz51@att.net for more information.

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