

Sunday, March 11 Time Change

- 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 ELW setting 5, nave
- 6:00 p.m. Luther League

Monday, March 12

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

Tuesday, March 13

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 7:15 p.m. Congregation Council, council room

Wednesday, March 14

Spring Break - No Children's events

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 5:45 p.m. Love Your Neighbour, narthex
- 5:30 p.m. Soup Suppers begin serving, parish hall
- 6:10 p.m. Mind the Gap, 3rd floor
- 6:15 p.m. Brass Choir, parish hall
- 7:00 p.m. Lenten Vespers, nave
- 7:30 p.m. Church Choir, nave
- 7:30 p.m. Chorus, parish hall

Thursday, March 15

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

Friday, March 16

- 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

Saturday, March 17

- 6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship

Sunday, March 18

- 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 ELW setting 5, nave
- 12:30 p.m. Luther League
- 1:00 p.m. Bach Marathon, nave
- 7:00 p.m. Young Adults, offsite

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

Joyce Bradshaw	Jennifer
Brian Stotmeister	Raelle Frost
Harry Linsenmayer	Caroline Friberg
Audrey Post	Katherine
Victor Bastidas	Willcockson
	Kendra Cook
	Julia Scruggs



Meals on Wheels

is a home delivered meal program for seniors with limited mobility, through the Harris County Area Agency on Aging. Interfaith Ministries is the largest provider of services in the Houston area. Each meal includes an entree, two 1/2-cup servings of fruit or vegetables, bread, milk and whole fruit or dessert. They serve more than 4,000 seniors a hot meal each day. For every \$5 you give, IM is able to provide one homebound senior with a home delivered meal.

This service is available to homebound individuals 60 years old and older and spouses of current service recipients.

aniMeals on Wheels

is a program in which volunteers deliver donated dog & cat food to Meals on Wheels seniors who have pets. The program was started because they found that seniors were sharing their limited food and resources with their pet companions. Your support helps them continue to deliver almost 8,500 pounds of pet food to 1,110 pets each month!

Donations are accepted in the form of wet and dry dog and cat food or gift cards to local stores which sell pet food.

During March, we ask that members drop off pet food in the basket in the foyer.

Youth Star Envelope Fundraiser

The Star Envelope Fundraiser 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.



Saturday, March 10 and Sunday, March 11, 2018

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



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.

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 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 Brondos.

If you would like to help, contact Beverly, 713-400-0517/ beverlydavis@ctkelc.org.

Christ the King Young Adults

Sunday, March 18 7:00 p.m.

Anyone "young at heart" is invited on the third Sunday of the month to the Volcano Pub and Grill, corner of Morningside and Bissonet on **Sunday, March 18 at 7:00 p.m.** Meet new friends, enjoy beer, and discuss anything about living the faith. Newcomers welcome! For more information, contact Pastor Duane at duanelarson@ctkelc.org.

Bach Marathon

Sunday, March 18 from 1:00-7:00 p.m.,

Bach Marathon features many varied artists performing for 6 hours to celebrate Bach's birthday! All artists donating their gifts, and proceeds go to Houston Food Bank. Come and go as you wish!

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. Drop items off in the narthex or church office. Here's our collection schedule:

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)



Easter Potluck Breakfast

Please help us have a delightful Easter breakfast! If you can bring a breakfast food to share on Easter morning at 9:45 a.m., please contact Beverly Davis at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org or 713-400-0517.

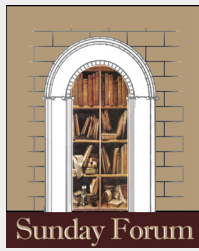
Easter Eggs and Candy Needed!

Easter Eggs and candy (individually wrapped) are needed for Easter Sunday. Please make sure to donate candy that has no peanuts. The candy should be delivered to the church by Good Friday, March 30, in order for the youth group to fill them that night.

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- 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



SUNDAY FORUM

9:45 a.m. in the parish hall

Spirituality and Sexuality

Led by Pastor Janelle

Rozek Hooper, Campus

Pastor for Houston Luther-

an Campus Ministry serving Rice and UH.

As we will see, biblical teachings regarding desire, marriage, and the human body are entirely inconsistent and yet thoroughly fascinating. If one book recommends polygamy, the next recommends celibacy...and so on. Join us as we explore several Biblical texts and what they have to say about sexuality, spirituality and faithfulness to God.

March 11: The Old Testament as it relates to sexuality and faithfulness.

March 18: The New Testament as it relates to sexuality and faithfulness.

March 25: Palm Sunday – Stations of the Cross in the parish hall (intergenerational)

April 1: Easter Day No Sunday Forum Easter Potluck Breakfast, Easter Egg Hunt and Flowering of the Cross

Houston Science and Religion Discussion Group

The Houston Science and Religion Discussion Group (HSRDG) will conduct its regular monthly meeting on **Monday, March 19** in the 2nd floor council room. The speaker for this meeting will be Riaz Masrou, who will speak on "What is Baha'i Faith." 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.**

Wednesday Nights

March 16 - Spring Break - No Children's events

The following programs are offered this semester. Our annual Lenten Soup Suppers will continue during March (no activities on March 28). Soup is served from **5:30-6:40 p.m.** Pizza is available for \$2.00 a slice. (see calendar on back page for classes and times).

Wednesday Lenten Vespers 7:00 p.m.

Jesus' I AM-statements

The Wednesday Lenten Vespers continues 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.

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. Participants may read ch. 5, The Resurrection of the Dead, p. 147-179.

Easter Egg Decorating for Parents and Kids

March 24, from 2:00-3:30 p.m.

All children ages 0-4 and their parents and older siblings are invited to an Easter egg decorating social on Saturday, March 24, from 2:00-3:30 p.m. in the church courtyard or parish hall if inclement weather. Parents and their children will gather to hear a short story about Easter eggs and then the decorating will begin! We ask that each family bring their own supply of hard-boiled eggs to decorate. Egg decorating supplies and snacks will be provided. Please invite friends to join you and get to know our church in time to worship with us for Palm Sunday on March 25, Holy Week, and Easter on April 1. Hope to see every-bunny there!

Help Make Palm Crosses

All are invited to help the Altar Guild on **Saturday, March 24 at 10:00 a.m.** in the parish hall to make 400 or more palm crosses. They will be given to all worshipers on Palm Sunday to mark the beginning of Holy Week. The altar guild extends this invitation as an opportunity to learn about their work and get to know the people who prepare the nave for worship each week and for the holidays. Contact Altar Guild president Marilyn Edwards at edwards.ms316@gmail.com for more information.

We're Putting *Faithful Imagination* to work for the Future of Christ the King Church

Help us create the vision for the next five years and more at Christ the King Lutheran Church!

On **Thursday, March 22, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**, Pastor Duane will lead the next general strategic planning "Faithful Imagination" session in the parish hall. He'll share what your ministry staff and Congregation Council have imagined so far. We'll draw also from what the congregation has expressed in hopes for the shape of CTK's future. Above all, we'll talk about your hopes and dreams for worship, education, outreach, and life together at CTK. We'll use our God-given human imagination and God-given faith to begin to answer the question of "What do we want the world to know of us five and more years hence?"

No RSVP is needed. Just come. If you can't come on the 22nd, other general "Faithful Imagination" sessions will be held on April 17 at 7:00 p.m., and April 21 at 10:00 a.m., both also in the parish hall.

More focused sessions in latter April through May. Some will be by invitation and hosted in member homes. Others will focus more on exciting consensus themes that emerge from our general conversations. We ask for everyone's prayers that our *Faithful Imagination* sessions will not only produce a clear vision of new and renewed ministry, but excite and bind us together as a congregation living and learning God's love. Questions? Pastor Larson will be glad to receive them at duanelarson@ctkelc.org., or call the church office.

Gardening Party

Saturday March 24 at 9:00 a.m.

The Pollinator Garden at CTK suffered due to the harsh winter and plants need to be replaced. Bring your gardening gloves & tools to plant native and pollinator plants in the garden in time for Holy Week! Light refreshments served afterward to gardening party attendees. Contact Lisa Brenskelle to volunteer, at brenskelle@aol.com.

Wanted - New or Used Suitcases, Tote Bags, and Duffle Bags

SEARCH Homeless Services' Harvey-impacted clients, who were at the Convention Center and were able to move into New Hope Housing's Residences on Emancipation, a temporary shelter currently housing 178 people, must move out by March 23. They are in desperate need of suitcases to pack and transport their belongings to their various destinations.

We are currently accepting donations of new or used suitcases, tote bags, duffle bags, etc. so that the clients do not have to use garbage bags.

These items can be dropped off at the front door of the Residences on Emancipation (the former Star of Hope Women and Family shelter) at 419 Emancipation Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. or **dropped off at Christ the King Church by Wednesday, March 14.**

Myths: Firearms, Mental Illness and Suicide

March 2, 2018,

Gulf Coast Synod, gulfcoastsynod.org

Myth: Most homicides are completed by people with mental illness.

Truth: First, it is important to recognize that mental illness affects 1 in 4 people, or upwards of 70 million in the US.

The vast majority of violence in our country is NOT perpetrated by persons with serious mental disorders. The best available estimates indicate that of all the violent acts committed in the US, only 4 to 5% is attributable to people with mental illness. **-NAMI, National Alliance for Mental Illness**

Myth: Most firearm deaths are homicides;

Truth: More firearm suicides are completed with a gun than homicides. **-CDC: Center for Disease Control and Prevention, 2013**