

Sunday, April 15

- 8:30 a.m. Worship ELW 4, nave
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:50 a.m. Worship ELW 4, nave
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch on Thrivent, parish hall
- 6:00 p.m. Bach Organ Concert, nave
- 7:00 p.m. Young Adults, offsite

Monday, April 16

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 5:00 p.m. Community of Hope

Tuesday, April 17

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 7:00 p.m. *Faithful Imagination* session, parish hall
- 7:00 p.m. Science and Religion, council room

Wednesday, April 18

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 10:00 a.m. SEARCH Cards and Coffee, offsite
- 5:45 p.m. *Faithful Imagination* session, parish hall
- 5:45 p.m. Music Explorers
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation, council room
- 6:00 p.m. Choristers, narthex
- 6:15 p.m. Jr. Choristers
- 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, April 19

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

Friday, April 20

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, narthex
- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3rd floor
- 10:00 a.m. Friday Morning Bible Study, narthex

Saturday, April 21

- 10:00 a.m. Altar Guild, narthex
- 10:00 a.m. *Faithful Imagination* session, parish hall
- 1:00 p.m. Yoga, parish hall
- 6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, nave
- 6:00 p.m. Luther League Café, offsite

Sunday, April 22

- 8:30 a.m. Worship ELW 4, nave
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
- 9:45 a.m. Youth and Parent's breakfast, council room
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:50 a.m. Worship ELW 4, nave

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

John Thweatt	Maya Kolb
Lee Herrick	Brian Bjork
Ray Dittmar	Bette Bowers
Emilia Haymon	Winston Hoang
Carolyn Storin	James Rahman
	Jemma Varghese

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 Gilkes, Music Associate Robert Walp, Brass Choir Director
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Mission Offering

Christian Community Service Center

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

The Christian Community Service Center (CCSC) is a coalition of churches working to reduce the effects of poverty in the local community. The mission of Christian Community Service Center (CCSC) is to serve the poor, hungry, disabled and otherwise needy while respecting their religious, ethnic, or cultural differences. CCSC was created out of faith and founded in the belief that we are called to help all of God's children heart to heart and hand in hand.

In 2017, Christ the King Church contributed \$11,177 to CCSC including gifts designated for CCSC's Back to School program and Jingle Bell Express. Several of our members volunteer with CCSC on a regular basis.

CCSC serves as our congregation's Food Pantry, Clothing Closet, and Emergency Services to our members and neighbors in need.

Lutherhill Elementary Summer Camp July 15-20

Those completed 1st-5th grade will spend a whole week at Lutherhill discovering all of the joys camp has to offer with Deacon Ben Remmert! Alpha Campers (1st Graders) are at camp July 15-18 and Youngin's (2nd-3rd Graders) and Yearling's (4th-6th Graders) are at camp July 15-20. Enjoy fun bible studies, camp-wide worships, afternoon activities and daily All Camp activities. Spend an evening around the campfire making s'mores. Register at lutherhill.org.

Jr. High Beach Camp July 22-27

Those that have completed 6th-8th grade can experience a week at Lutherhill as a confirmation group with Deacon Ben Remmert! Beach camp is located at the new Zion Retreat Center, Galveston Island. Campers will experience the love of Christ both inside and outside the walls of Zion by taking advantage of the beach and surrounding attractions by diving into Bible studies, enjoy worships on the beaches, experience service opportunities, and explore the island of Galveston. Register at lutherhill.org.



Saturday, April 14 & Sunday, April 15, 2018

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



Lunch on Thrivent Sunday, April 15 at 12:15 p.m. in the parish hall

Christ the King Thrivent Financial members are invited to lunch to learn about Thrivent Action Teams. If you're not a Thrivent member but would like to learn more about "connecting faith and finances for good", you are also cordially invited.

Organ Concert

Sunday, April 15 at 6:00 p.m.

A legendary organist, improviser, and scholar, William Porter is in a class by himself. Join us for what will certainly be a most memorable concert on our famous organ.

Eastertide Vespers

Sunday, April 29 at 6:00 p.m.

The Bach Society's season festively concludes with an Eastertide Vespers service, complete with a performance of Bach's ebullient Easter cantata *Bringet dem Herrn Ehre seines Namens*. Come early for a pre-Vespers talk with musicologist and Leipzig expert Christopher Anderson at 5:15 p.m. in the parish hall.

Christ the King Young Adults

Sunday, April 15, 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, April 15 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.

Faithful Imagination for the Future of Christ the King Church in the parish hall

General Sessions

Tuesday, April 17, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 21, 10:00 a.m.

The first phase of our general "listening sessions" is still happening and many wonderful ideas are bubbling to help create the vision for the next five years and more at Christ the King Lutheran Church!

Focus Sessions

Education

Wednesday, April 18, 5:45 p.m.

Pr. Larson and Pr. Liebster will lead a strategic planning session particularly focused on the future of adult education.

Youth Ministries

Sunday, April 22, 9:45 a.m.

Pastor Larson and Deacon Ben Remmert lead in an *Imagination* session on youth ministries at the Youth and Parent's breakfast in the council room.

Wednesday, April 25, 6:00 p.m.

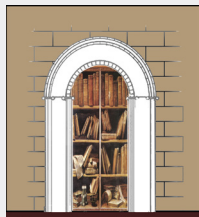
Confirmation youth and parents meet for a *Faithful Imagination* session in the council room.

Music Programs for Children and Youth

Wednesday, April 25, 5:45 p.m.

Music Explorers, Jr. Choristers, and Choristers will meet for fellowship and fun during our final spring WNA! class time. While singers celebrate, parents and grandparents are invited to meet with the music staff and Beverly Davis to discuss future plans and expectations for children's educational and musical programs. We look forward to reviewing the year and envisioning the future with you!

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SUNDAY FORUM

9:45 a.m. in the parish hall

April 15:
Give Now, Give Later, Give and Receive:

Estate Strategy Essentials

presented by Thrivent Financial

All are invited to hear important financial strategies from a membership organization of Christians that's been helping members be wise with money and live generously for more than 100 years. Learn how you can strengthen your personal financial goals AND serve your passion.

April 22:

Space City - When, How and Why

presented by Dr. John Uri

This presentation will cover how Houston, a relatively small city suddenly rose to become the center of the US Space Program, gaining the official title of Space City 1967. Help from powerful friends like LBJ didn't hurt. And in 1969, Houston was the first word spoken from another world.

John Uri is a 30-year veteran of the space program, 25 of those with NASA. In his current position as Manager of the Johnson Space Center's History Office, he oversees an active oral history project as well as historical outreach efforts on NASA websites and social media accounts.

April 29:

Mexico City Mission Experience

Our Christ the King Church choir and chorus members will share with the congregation their recent mission experience in Mexico City.

Calling all CTK Authors May 27

We will kick off our Summer Book Reviews with a **Book Presentation and Signing Party** on Sunday, May 27, at 9:45 a.m.

All members who have authored books of any genre (personal memoirs, historical, academic, children's, etc.) are invited to join the party! We want to celebrate all authors in our midst, so please let us know if you (and your book) can join us!

Summer Book Reviews

During the summer months members and friends lead book reviews on various topics. All interested in presenting a book on a Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m. are invited to contact Chris Bryant at cbryant0036@outlook.com with title, author and your Sunday availability.

If you have recently read a good book you'd love to discuss or need an excuse to read a good book, then sign up and share your reading pleasures with our members and friends. As much as we enjoy the wide variety of books that we usually hear reviewed, we particularly welcome books that explore religious, moral, or ethical concerns of our society and the world.

Houston Science and Religion Discussion Group

The Houston Science and Religion Discussion Group (HSRDG) will conduct its regular monthly meeting on **Monday, April 16 at 7:00 p.m.** in the 3rd floor conference room. The speaker for this meeting will be Wilson Windle, who will speak on "What is Really Real?" A 29 minute video by Robert Lawrence Kuhn titled: "What Things Really Exist?", part of his Closer to Truth series will be shown followed by a review of Thomas Nagel's book, *MIND AND COSMOS: Why the Materialist Neo-Darwinian Conception of Nature is Almost Certainly False*. 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.**

Recognition of 2018 Graduates May 13

If you are receiving a degree from high school, undergraduate, technical or graduate programs, we would like to know! Email the church office with details about your graduation date and any plans you have for your future (ctk@ctkelc.org).

Graduates of all degrees will be invited to participate in a short rite of recognition on **May 13 at the 10:50 a.m. service**. High school seniors will receive a gift from the Prayer Shawl Knitters.

WINE & CHOCOLATE

By special request, Christ the King Church will once again donate a wine and chocolate basket for the silent auction at the fundraising dinner of the Christian Community Service Center (CCSC). Contributions can be made by everyone – the greater the variety, the greater the basket! **Items will be collected in the narthex through Tuesday, April 17.** Contact Wendy Wiker at wendy@wikernet.com. Thank you for supporting CCSC!

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, April 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.

Yoga is Back

1:00 p.m. every Saturday in the parish hall

All welcome: novice or experienced. Wear comfortable clothes and bring a mat.

Collecting Clear Plastic Bottles for Youth Gathering

KINDRED Church is one of the service sites for the Youth Gathering this summer and participants are going to make a beautiful piece of public art! Only thing is....they need the raw materials about 7,000 plastic bottles. Kindred is collecting every clear plastic bottles. You may drop them off here at church in the narthex or the church office. Drop offs are welcome at the Kindred Church at 2515 Waugh Dr on Monday-Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Youth Gathering Needs Volunteers

Volunteers needed for the **Global Mission Migrant and Refugee Experience** at the Youth Gathering!

ELCA Global Mission and colleagues are hosting a Migrant and Refugee Experience for participants at the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston. About six staff will be present to coordinate and lead. Volunteers are required to assist with guiding groups through the 30 minute experience.

Up to twelve volunteers are needed from Wednesday, June 27 through Saturday, June 30. On Wednesday late afternoon all volunteers will have a walk-through orientation and clarification of duties. On Thursday, Friday and Saturday, each volunteer is asked to commit for a four-hour shift, either morning or afternoon.

Please respond to Beverly Davis beverlydavis@ctkelc.org with your name, congregation and email address. Someone from GM will contact you by early June with more details.

Spring 2018 Interfaith Environmental Stewardship Event Sunday, April 29, 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

The CTK Creation Care Team invites you to join with people of other faiths to care for our shared environment during Earth Month. We will mulch around plantings, plant native plants & remove trash at the Willow Waterhole Conservation Reserve. Tools/supplies will be provided. This event is organized by CTK, Congregation Brith Shalom, and the Interfaith Environmental Network of Houston, in partnership with the Willow Waterhole Greenspace Conservancy. Please register for planning purposes. Contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com for more information.



SPRING CONCERT

Sunday April 29th at 6PM

Lanier Middle School Auditorium
2600 Woodhead Street Houston, TX 77098

This concert is free of charge
houstonbrassband.org