



'GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.'

September 9

Join Christ the King Church members and friends in celebrating 'God's Work. Our Hands' this Sunday. We practice justice advocacy between and after worship services. For other opportunities to celebrate "God's Work. Our Hands" throughout the fall. Check out the bulletin board or the *King's Banner*.

Friday Morning Bible Study

We're back with Friday Morning Study on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. It is an important time to gather for personal care, prayer, and study. Usually we take a close look at the coming Sunday lessons, under the leadership of Pastor Larson or Pastor Liebster. Sometimes we might change the format. The Spirit is lively with us! There is always great, and sometimes provocative conversation; all about how the Lord stimulates us into deeper faith and reasoned, respectful growth in understanding. The sumptuous food is always wonderful, too. We meet again in the narthex (for the time being). Everyone welcome!

Christ the King Young Adults

Sunday, September 16, 7:00 p.m.

One of our "smaller" groups that meet regularly—usually every third Sunday evening of the month—is the CTK Young Adults group. No age range is stipulated; it is open to all the young at heart. The "season" kicks in again over beer and theology and anything concerning how to live faithfully, September 16, 7:00 p.m. at The Volcano, corner of Morningside and Bissonet. Newcomers always welcome. For more info, contact Pastor Duane at duanelarson@ctkelc.org.

When Too Much is Not Enough: Dealing with Addiction

by presenter Cheryl Rhode, LCSW

Thursday, September 13, 6:00 p.m.

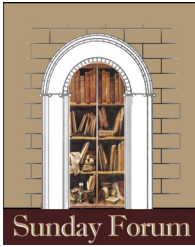
Christ the King member Cheryl Rhode is a licensed clinical social worker in private practice. She has extensive experience in chemical dependency and other compulsive behavioral issues. Her topic "When Too Much Is Not Enough: Dealing with Addiction" is one that all of us can benefit from, especially in light of the opioid crisis we are hearing about in the daily news. Every congregation and community has members with chemical dependency issues. Please join our Community of Hope lay chaplains for this important discussion on **Thursday, September 13, 6:00 p.m.** in the second floor council room.

Mental Illness Awareness

The first week of October is designated as Mental Illness Awareness Week. Mental wellness, like physical wellness can be challenged. Care and support from family and friends can make a difference. So what can the faith community do to embrace these issues and provide support to individuals dealing with mental illness? The first step is ongoing education. With that in mind please **consider attending one of the mental health focused events this fall on 9/13, 10/11, 10/20 and 11/8.** Details can be found in the September Banner. In addition, look for Linda Schoene, Congregational Nurse, after services today and on 9/16 to receive your green ribbon, a symbol of mental health awareness.

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SUNDAY FORUM

9:45 a.m. in the parish hall

September 9:

Faithful Imaginations Toward a Strategic Plan

Congregation council will “report out” the primary hopes and desires from the Faithful Imagination sessions held these last months. We’ll present what appear to be the new programmatic commitments for the next years as components of the emerging strategic plan, under the theme: “Christ the King Lutheran Church: A Healing Place.” Come, discuss, participate further in co-creating with God God’s future mission for Christ the King Church.

September 16 and 23: Voting - The Christian Practice of Civic Engagement

September 16: Voting and the Role of Faith
Pastor Larson will introduce how the Lutheran church understands civic engagement as part of our practice of faith. He will be joined by members of the congregation who will speak from their personal experience how faith and professional life/public office interact with each other.

Best Friends are made in the Kitchen

All members who enjoy good food and good fellowship are invited to join us by volunteering one Wednesday during the fall. Food service is from 5:30-6:40 p.m. each Wednesday through November 28. We are grateful to have all our cooking slots filled, but we still need kitchen helpers to serve up the freshly made dinners. Not only do Food Service Ministry Team volunteers get the satisfaction of serving others, but they also get a free meal. How’s that for a great deal?! Contact Beverly Davis at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org.

Writers Circle First and Third Friday Afternoons

Anyone interested in some encouragement and input on writing projects is invited to join us for informal writing sessions on **first and third Friday afternoons 1:00-3:00 p.m.** If you’re interested in writing your memoirs this will provide you with some assistance in beginning. No previous writing experience required. Contact Anna Fay Williams, annafay2016@gmail.com, for more information.

Youth and Family Breakfast

September 16, 9:45 a.m.

Youth in 7th-12th grade and their parents are invited to our first Youth and Family Breakfast of the year. We will gather to share stories and discuss the upcoming 2019 summer youth trip. All the youth and parents are encouraged to bring a juice, milk, donuts, or a side-dish to share with the group. Please make sure to contact Ben Remmert if you are bringing an item to share.

Voter Registration at Christ the King Church

Sundays, September 16 & 23, 9:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

If you are not registered to vote, or if you have moved & need to update your registration, you can do so at church on September 16 & 23. To check if you are registered, and at what address, see hctax.net/Voter/Search. Bring your TX driver’s license, or state-issued i.d. to register. Or, if you don’t have these forms of identification, you can register using the last 4 digits of your social security number. Get ready to vote in September!

Bach Society - Organ Vespers

Thursday, September 20, 7:30 p.m.

Martin Schmeding, organ

Join Bach Society for this opening event with Leipzig organist Martin Schmeding. This event marks the beginning of a month-long celebration of music between Houston and Leipzig, featuring events here, at Rice, at UH, and more!

Acolyte Training Make Up Session September 15

All acolytes who are currently serving or are newly training will meet in the nave in a make up session on **September 15 at 1:00 p.m.** Generally, children who are in fourth grade are invited to become acolytes. We invite all children and youth to consider serving as worship leaders in these ways. For more information contact Pastor Liebster at karinliebster@ctkelc.org or 713-400-0516.

WEDNESDAYS@CHURCH

Fall 2018: Through November 28*

Christ the King Church comes together every week of the school year for *Wednesdays@Church* or *W@C*. All activities are centered around dinner together. There is music for children and parents, singing for children, classes and music for adults. With dinner at the center there is ample time to make and meet friends.

TABLE

Dinner	5:30-6:40 p.m.	parish hall
Table grace and devotion	6:00 p.m.	parish hall

CHILDREN'S MUSIC

PreK-K music	5:30 p.m.	room 011
Infant music	5:45 p.m.	room 111
Toddler music	6:20 p.m.	room 111
Junior Choristers	6:15 p.m.	room 011
Choristers	6:00 p.m.	room 001

STUDY

The 5 O'Clock	5:00 p.m.	room 301
Confirmation Class	6:15 p.m.	room 204
Study Classes	6:30 p.m.	
Six weeks with Mark		room 201
Love Your Neighbor		room 006

MUSIC

Brass ensemble	6:15 p.m.	narthex
Choirs (Chorus and Choir)	7:30 p.m.	001/011

*Stay tuned for Halloween activities on Wednesday, October 31. No dinner, no choirs, no children's and youth programming.

Family Music for Babies and Toddlers

5:45 and 6:20 p.m.

Christ the King Church is serious about awakening the musician that resides in our children by developing their abilities, confidence, and joy in being music makers. Our Family Music for Babies & Toddlers (birth to 36 months) is designed to bring the love of music and movement to babies and toddlers while laying a strong foundation for further musical skill development. Class times are 5:45-6:15 p.m. for babies (birth to about 2 years) and 6:20-6:50 p.m. for toddlers (2-3 years). Cost per child is \$65/semester (less than half the cost of other area music programs). And before or after class, join us for a delicious dinner (to eat in or take out).

The 5 O'Clock: Draft Social Statement on Women and Justice, ELCA

September 12 and 19, 5:00 p.m.

All congregations of the ELCA are asked to read and comment on the "Draft Social Statement on Women and Justice" which will be voted on next year at the churchwide assembly. Pastor Liebster continues to lead the reading and discussion of the document which is available in pdf format at our website ctkelc.org.

Six weeks with Mark Through October 10, 6:30 p.m.

No birth narrative, no resurrection appearances—what sort of “good news” is that? The Gospel of Mark, the earliest and shortest of the New Testament gospels, is appointed for the current lectionary year. Mark deserves to be read as a complete narrative, a paradoxical text, and meant to be read aloud. Kristine Wallace will lead a six-week class (through October 10) to study Mark's “good news.” Bring your Bible to class if you can; different translations welcome.

Love Your Neighbor

The Love Your Neighbor group convenes Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. as part of W@C (Wednesdays @ Church). Share dinner in the parish hall, then join the discussion.



Sunday, September 9

8:30 a.m. Worship ELW 3, nave
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship ELW 3, nave
12:30 p.m. Luther League, youth room
3:00 p.m. Awakening the Spirit, offsite

Monday, September 10 Church Office Closed

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
1:00 p.m. Transitions group, offsite

Tuesday, September 11

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
7:00 a.m. Congregation Council, council room

Wednesday, September 12

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
5:00 p.m. The 5 O'Clock, 301
5:30 p.m. Dinner begins, through 6:40 p.m.
5:30 p.m. PreK-K music, 011
5:45 p.m. Infant music, 111
6:00 p.m. Choristers, 001
6:15 p.m. Confirmation class, 204
6:15 p.m. Brass ensemble, narthex
6:15 p.m. Jr Choristers, 011
6:20 p.m. Toddler music, 111
6:30 p.m. Love Your Neighbor, 006
6:30 p.m. Six weeks with Mark, 201
7:30 p.m. Chorus, 011
7:30 p.m. Choir, 001

Thursday, September 13

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

Friday, September 14

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, narthex
9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3rd floor
10:30 a.m. Friday Morning Bible Study, narthex
1:00 p.m. Writers Circle, 3rd floor
7:00 p.m. ELCA/Women convention, offsite

Saturday, September 15

ELCA/Women convention, offsite
10:00 a.m. Altar Guild, narthex
1:00 p.m. Acolyte training, nave
1:00 p.m. Yoga, parish hall
6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, nave

Sunday, September 16

8:30 a.m. Worship ELW 3, nave
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Voter Registration, courtyard
9:45 a.m. Youth/Family breakfast
10:50 a.m. Worship ELW 3, nave
6:00 p.m. Luther League, youth room
7:00 p.m. Young Adults, offsite

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

Sally Muma David Bastidas Jennifer
Nancy Jones Matthias Henze Azure-Keller
Diana Paulsen Patricia Chapman



September 9, 16, and 23

Here are some ways the life of a person in CAR might be touched by these programs that our offerings support:

- Birth, vaccination, malaria treatment at the Emmanuel Health Center at Gallo, **a clinic we helped build.**
- Worship in a church built by the community, finally rain-free with a **roof from synod funds.**
- Teaching and learning using Sunday School materials from the on-going translation of curriculum and Bible story lessons originally produced by the Southern African Communion.
- Elementary education at one of the EEL-RCA's twenty-five village schools. Eventually getting a permanent school building so that parents do not have to reconstruct the thatched roof every year.
- Young women's scholarships for high school from Women for Christ (CAR Lutheran Women) and scholarships for the University in Bangui.
- Sewing lessons at the Martha and Mary Women's Center in Bouar, which **our contributions helped build.**
- Start-up of a small business with a loan from the Village Savings and Loan program, overseen by the EEL-RCA.
- Family goats kept healthy through the Veterinary program **funded by our synod.**
- A chance to attend the ELCA Youth Gathering. **Our synod sponsored youth from CAR in 2012 and 2015, and we hope to again in 2021.**

Note that many of these programs—health, schools, microloans are for the whole community, not just for Lutherans.

The Rev. Dr. Duane Larson, Senior Pastor The Rev. Karin Liebster, Associate Pastor
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