



Welcome Houston Boy Choir

We are delighted to welcome Houston Boychoir to the 10:50 service n Sunday. Conducted by Carole Nelson, this outstanding group is a vital and joyful part of the Houston arts scene. They rehearse here at Christ the King Church regularly, and we treasure this relationship.

Friday Morning Bible Study

Join us for Friday Morning Study at 10:30 a.m. in the nave. It is an important time to gather for mutual care, prayer, and study. Usually we take a close look at the coming Sunday lessons, under the leadership of Pastor Larson or Pastor Liebster. 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. Everyone welcome!

Access to Church for Early Service January 20

The **Chevron Houston Marathon** will be held Sunday, January 20, beginning at 7:00 a.m. The event results in numerous street closures including Bissonnet and Kirby. The disruption affects mainly 8:30 a.m. and Sunday Church School participants. The best route to church is from U.S. 59 to Buffalo Speedway then turning left on Rice Blvd. See chevronhoustonmarathon.com.

Are You a Marathon Runner?

We encourage all friends and members of the congregation who will run in the Chevron Houston Marathon to let us know so we can include you in our prayers. Eat and rest well during the last weeks, and “Godspeed” to all!

Young Adults...Back at it for our Monthly Meeting, January 20

The Young Professionals—Young Adults Group gets back together Sunday night, **January 20, 7:00 p.m.** at Pastor Duane and Joen's, 2423 Wroxton Rd. No need to bring anything, just yourselves. We look forward to reconnecting and planning for 2019!

Wednesdays@Church Resumes January 16

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. *See inside.*

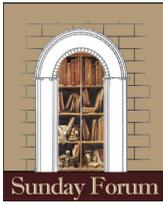
We Love a Parade! It Takes a Village!

On **Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, January 21**, Christ the King Church members and friends will once again join the MLK Grande Parade. The parade starts at the corner of Elgin and San Jacinto at 10:00 a.m., but all groups gather for registration by 9:00 a.m. at the SE corner of Holman and San Jacinto. The theme of the parade is “It takes a Village.” We will have a banner, a convertible, and however many would like to walk the route of 1.5 miles with individual signs provided (or you can make your own). Please contact Beverly at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org if you are interested in joining the parade walkers, representing Christ the King Church's commitment to the Gospel-Faith-Justice-Welcome. Anyone who would like to participate but can not walk the route, please contact Beverly. **We need an accurate count of participants by January 14 so to ensure enough signs for all.**

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SUNDAY FORUM 9:45 a.m.



in the parish hall

January 13: Parliament of the World's Religions

presented by Lisa Brenskelle

What is the Parliament of the World's Religions? What is their mission and history? What programs do they offer?

Who is involved in the Parliament of the World's Religions?

Lisa Brenskelle attended and presented at the 2018 parliament in December.

Health Care: Policies and Practices - January 20, 27 and February 3

Join us for a three week series related to questions of health care policies and practices, presented by Christ the King Church members Dr. Vivian Ho and congregational nurse Linda Schoene.

Vivian Ho is the Director of the Center for Health and Biosciences at Rice University's Baker Institute for Public Policy and serves as the James A. Baker III Institute Chair in Health Economics, as well as Professor in the Department of Economics at Rice University and a Professor in the Department of Medicine at Baylor College of Medicine. Her research is widely published. Vivian's most recent program is in conjunction with the Health Policy Forum at the Baker Institute for Public Policy. This initiative has been tracking the implementation of the Affordable Care Act through published research, media and government resources.

Linda Schoene, RN and MSN, has served as congregational nurse at Christ the King Church since 2001. She counsels and accompanies families and individuals in the many health related issues that we encounter in so many expected and unexpected ways.

January 20: Prescription Drug Costs *presented by Vivian Ho*

Prescription drug expenditures were projected to reach \$360.2 billion in 2018. Are a handful of blockbuster drugs to blame, or are all patients being forced to pay rapidly rising prices?

January 27: Freestanding Emergency Departments

presented by Vivian Ho

Freestanding emergency departments (FrEDs) have spread throughout Houston and Texas. This growth has been accompanied by a rapid rise in out-of-pocket expenses for many unsuspecting patients. This talk will describe the rapid growth in utilization and costs of FrEDs.

February 3: Health Care You Can Live With

presented by Linda Schoene

Book review of *Health Care You Can Live With* by Dr. Scott Morris, founder of the Church Health Center in Memphis, TN.

Assisting Minister and Server Training

Training for Assisting Ministers and Servers will take place in the nave on **January 19 and February 2 at 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon in the nave**. If you are interested in serving in one of these capacities, whether you have experience or are a novice, attendance at one of the trainings is required. If the church parking lot is full, please park on the Rice Stadium lot (\$2.00 paid by credit card). If you are considering to become a worship server, please speak with one of the pastors.

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, January 16, 10:00-11:00 a.m.** This collaboration with SEARCH takes place every third Wednesday of the month. **If you have any 2019 calendars** you'd like to contribute you may drop them off in the donation basket on Sundays or in the church office. For more information, contact Beverly at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org.

Art Tour of Rice University

Sunday, January 20 3:45 - 7:00 p.m.

Enjoy a tour of some of the wonderful public art at Rice University, hosted by the Altar Guild. Starting with the main door at Jones Graduate School, Marie Monroe will lead a 1 1/2 hour walking tour of the main quads at Rice, which contain such beautiful pieces as Mirror, the Monumental Barn Owl, Endeavor and other pieces in the Library and the Rice Chapel. You will end at twilight at the Twilight Epiphany Skyspace and then venture back to Christ the King Church for wine and cheese and conversation. A donation of \$25 will benefit SEARCH Homeless Services.

Guided Tour of the H.M.N.S.

Smith Gem Vault & McFerrin Fabergé Collection Sunday, January 27, 1:30 p.m.

Join CTK's own brilliant and entertaining tour guides Inda and Neil Immega for a tour at the Houston Museum of Natural Science. A donation of \$15 will benefit SEARCH Homeless Services.

Winter Luau* Dinner, Fundraiser for Luther League Saturday, February 9, 7:00 p.m.

The youth group of Christ the King Church, Luther League, invites everyone to a fancy night out at church! Come together for a warm luau during the cold month of February with beach sunset scenery and a luau competition. Chef Nathaniel Winston will again pull out all the stops and create a four course meal. This fundraiser supports the 2019 summer trip to Germany for which 20 youth have signed up. Seating is available for individuals, pairs, and small and large groups. Individual tickets are \$50, \$90 for two. A table is \$300 (seven people). Free childcare is available. Email Ben Rimmert at benremmert@ctkelc.org to RSVP.

*luau: a Hawaiian feast



**Wednesdays@Church
Resumes January 16**

Family Music for Babies and Toddlers

Wednesdays, 5:45 and 6:20 p.m.

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. Cost per child is \$65/semester.

Conversations with Martin Luther's Small Catechism

The 5 O'Clock class, January 16-February 27

Martin Luther's Small Catechism does not cease to enrich our faith and spiritual practices. Join this group to read together the beautiful annotated edition "by heart, Conversations with Martin Luther's Small Catechism," published in 2017 during the 500th anniversary year of the Reformation. The volume was edited by Lutheran scholars and a bishop, and is a delightful read. Copies of the book are available as class set to all participants.

Isaiah January 16-February 27, 6:30 p.m.

Jesus read from the Isaiah scroll in the synagogue at Nazareth (Luke 4:16-20). Paul and the evangelists cite Isaiah more than any other book of the Hebrew Scriptures. The early Christian church fathers referred to Isaiah as their "fifth gospel". For seven sessions (January 16-February 27), Kristine Wallace will lead a study of the book of Isaiah, a complex text encompassing oracles from the 8th century to the 6th century BCE. Our lectionary contains more passages from Isaiah than from any other book of the Hebrew Bible; more prophetic readings are taken from it in the Jewish lectionary as well. Our study can give us a fuller and deeper understanding of this beloved text.

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 spring semester. Food service will be from 5:30-6:40 p.m. each Wednesday from January 16 through April 24. We have a full range of positions available from cooks to servers to dishwashers. Contact Beverly Davis at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org.

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

Sam Petner Miles Burton Sandy Troff
Nathan Wiker Raymond Beyer Rita Carlson
David Padgett

Sunday, January 13

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
5:00 p.m. Adult Class: Suffering, Death, and Resurrection, parsonage

Monday, January 14

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

Tuesday, January 15

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

Wednesday, January 16

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
10:00 a.m. SEARCH Cards and Coffee, offsite
5:00 p.m. The 5 O'Clock, 3rd floor
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, 201
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, 201
6:30 p.m. Isaiah, 301
7:30 p.m. Chorus, 011
7:30 p.m. Choir, 001

Thursday, January 17

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

Friday, January 18

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, narthex
10:30 a.m. Friday Morning Bible Study, narthex

Saturday, January 19

10:00 a.m. Assisting Minister/Server training, nave
1:00 p.m. Yoga, parish hall
6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, nave

Sunday, January 20

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3:45 p.m. Art Tour of Rice University
7:00 p.m. Young Adults, parsonage



SEARCH Homeless Services

*For a Houston
without Homelessness*

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

Since 1989, SEARCH Homeless Services has pursued a mission of providing hope, creating opportunity, and transforming lives for the thousands of individuals experiencing homelessness in our community. They bring this mission to life every day by connecting men, women, and children not only with housing and employment, but with the targeted resources and wrap-around support they need to remain stably housed and regain self-sufficiency.

Annual Reports

The 2018 Annual Reports are due on **January 22**. See last year's reports online as a reference at ctkelc.org/about-us/how-we-work. Please email your report to michaelskelton@ctkelc.org.

Annual Meeting Part II

Part II of the annual congregational meeting will be held on **February 10 at 12:30 p.m.** in the parish hall. On the agenda are the 2018 annual reports and the adoption of the 2019 budget and the 2019 Missional Emphases. Everyone is strongly encouraged to attend.

Justice Advocacy Workshop

Sunday, February 3, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

The Interfaith Environmental Network of Houston, a Houston affiliate of the Texas Interfaith Center for Public Policy, invites you to learn to effectively raise your voice for the voiceless. The Justice Advocacy Workshop is free, and will take place at Emerson Unitarian Universalist Church, 1900 Bering Dr., as well as online. Please register for this event. For more information, please contact Lisa Brenskelle at gcs.lrc@gmail.com.