



## Praying Life Lenten Vespers

Wednesdays, 6:30 – 7:15 p.m.

Join us in reflecting on and experiencing the psalms for Lent at Lenten Vespers.

March 20 – *Light* (Psalm 27)

March 27 – *Body* (Psalm 63)

April 3 – *Joy* (Psalm 32)

April 10 – *Harvest* (Psalm 126)

After worship, there will be two opportunities to go deeper in the reflective process: caring conversation with healing blessing and anointing will be offered in the nave (two stations); a 45 minute group conversation about the psalm and presentation for each week will take place in the parlor on the second floor.

## Easter Flowers



It is time to plan for Easter! All are invited to donate flowers to decorate the nave for Easter on April 21. Please use the envelopes in the narthex with correct

payment and dedication, or use the links provided in the weekly Thursday email. Each lily or hydrangea costs \$15. We thank the Altar Guild for their dedication to the beauty of our worship and nave.

## Welcome to Worship

We welcome you to worship today. Please sign the guest book and enjoy a cup of coffee and snacks after the service. Donations at the snack table benefit the ELCA World Hunger Appeal.

The pastors and worship servers look forward to meeting guests after worship and answer questions about Christ the King Church.

## Prayers for Healing and Anointing Sundays and Wednesdays in Lent

Throughout Lent we offer Healing Blessing and Anointing for all who desire during Sunday morning worship and after Wednesday evening Vespers. Stations for healing prayers will be available in the back of the nave after communion on Sunday mornings and in the northeast section on Wednesday evenings.

## Lenten Day of Prayer with Brother Michael Gallagher Saturday, March 23, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Christ the King Lutheran Church

\$15.00 Light lunch provided.

**RSVP to [beverlydavis@ctkelc.org](mailto:beverlydavis@ctkelc.org) by March 19.**

During the season of Lent, we are drawn deliberately into the life of Christ. Inherent within Lent are invitations to self-examination and prayer as we seek more intentional connections with God. Come explore new spiritual practices or renew old ones.

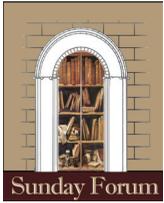
## Soup Suppers in Lent before Vespers

Come out for soup and fellowship on Wednesdays in Lent, March 20 and 27, and April 3 and 10. A delicious variety of homemade soups is offered from 5:30 to 6:20 p.m. served by members of the congregation. A freewill donation will support the work of missionaries Pastor David and Alicia Brondos in Mexico City. Volunteers to help cook or serve are always welcome! Please contact Beverly Davis at 713 400 0517 or [beverlydavis@ctkelc.org](mailto:beverlydavis@ctkelc.org).

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## **SUNDAY FORUM** 9:45 a.m.

in the council room (room 201)



### **Spiritual Practices for the Real World**

#### **March Sunday Forum Series**

Our Sunday Forum series explores multiple methods of prayer each week and you are invited to “try on” as possibilities to begin or to enrich your own daily spiritual practice.

#### **March 17:**

#### **Centering Prayer and Walking Meditation**

#### **March 24: Ignatian Prayer:**

#### **Guided Imagination and Daily Examen**

## **Volunteers Needed for Sunday Snacks Team - 10:50 a.m. Service**

We need you! Please consider joining our Sunday Snack Provider team! CTK Snack Providers contribute light bites to accompany the coffee after our Sunday worship services. Volunteers are asked to help out with this service opportunity no more than 2 - 3 times per year. The snacks alleviate hunger in two important ways: 1) they provide nourishment for our members and visitors, and 2) they **generate monetary contributions to benefit the ELCA World Hunger Appeal**. Join us in volunteering for this important ministry of hospitality to our congregation AND this vital service project to alleviate hunger in the world. For more information, contact Anita Bryant at [awbintx@gmail.com](mailto:awbintx@gmail.com).

## **Plastic Pollution & What You Can Do**

**Sunday, March 31, 6:00 p.m. online** *presented by Prof. Hyun-Min Hwang of TSU*

Hyun-Min Hwang, associate professor at Texas Southern University, Department of Environmental & Interdisciplinary Studies, will speak on plastic pollution in the oceans. Pollution has been deemed one of the most significant environmental issues facing North America by the U.N.'s Global Environmental Outlook, the U.N.'s flagship environmental assessment. Professor Hwang will educate on the latest research and reports on plastic pollution, so that you thoroughly understand the issue. He will also explain the actions you can take to combat plastic pollution in the oceans.

Register at: [eventbrite.com/e/plastic-pollution-what-you-can-do-tickets-55117622292](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/plastic-pollution-what-you-can-do-tickets-55117622292). Contact Lisa Brenskelle at [brenskelle@aol.com](mailto:brenskelle@aol.com)

## **Blues, Brews, and Good News Happens Again**

**Friday, March 22, 7:00 p.m.**

Enjoy this monthly community outreach worship again with The Healers as our house band, playing the Blues with authority and authenticity. Different beers will be available again. AND a conversation will be hosted about religion and race relations. It'll be a powerful evening of song, brews, thoughtful reflection, and interfaith spiritual reconciliation. Spread the news!

**The Night's Theme: Three Pastors and a Rabbi Confront Racism**

## **Houston Science and Religion Discussion Group**

### **Idealism and Materialism,**

*presented by N. Burr Furlong*

The Houston Science and Religion Discussion Group (HSRDG) will conduct its regular monthly meeting on **Monday, March 18 at 7:00 p.m.** in the 3rd floor conference room. The public is welcome to participate in the HSRDG meetings, which are scheduled for the third Monday of every month.

## **Bach Society Organ Concert**

On **Sunday, March 24 at 6:00 p.m.**, we host internationally celebrated concert organist David Higgs in concert at our spectacular instrument! One of the world's most sought-after organists, this is a not-to-be-missed event! Tickets required.

## SEARCH Coffee Hour

Wednesday, March 20, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

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. This collaboration with SEARCH takes place every third Wednesday of the month. Contact Beverly at [beverlydavis@ctkelc.org](mailto:beverlydavis@ctkelc.org).

## Lutherhill Explore Retreat

Friday, March 22- Sunday, March 24

All elementary age school children are invited to come and enjoy the giant swing, archery, arts & crafts and campfire worship at Lutherhill with Deacon Ben Remmert. This is a great opportunity to take a trial run at camp for a weekend before coming out for a whole week in the summer! *Explore* begins Friday evening with games and an opening devotion. Saturday, we explore a typical day of camp with morning worship, Bible study and an activity-filled afternoon. Sunday, we wrap up the weekend with brunch and a sending worship. Cost is \$75 per person. RSVP to Deacon Ben Remmert by March 17.

## Envelope Fundraiser for Youth Trips

The Luther League asks your support for two summer trips Christ the King youth are going on this summer, thirteen to Germany and six to North Carolina. The Envelope Fundraiser begins Sunday, March 10, continuing through Palm Sunday, April 14. Pick an envelope off the bulletin board in the courtyard and match your donation with the number on the envelope. Please write checks to Christ the King Church with 2019 Summer Trips on the memo line. Donations may be dropped in the offering, the mail or the office. Come visit the youth at their envelope bulletin board in the courtyard and learn about their trips!

“Theirs is an endless road, a hopeless maze, who seeks for goods before they seek God.”

(Bernard of Clairvaux,  
French abbot, died 1153)



## 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. **Drop items off in the narthex.** Here's our collection schedule:

#### March 17: Bath towels

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

#### March 24: Toothbrushes

(adult size, in original packaging)

#### March 31: Combs (sturdy, please!

No picks or fine toothed combs)

#### April 7: Nail Clippers

(metal, attached file optional)

#### April 14: 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 April 19.

**We can only assemble as many kits as we have bath towels:**



**new, light-weight, preferably dark colored bath towels (maximum 52"by 27")**

## Keeping Current and Connected to Christ the King Church

Members and friends have many opportunities to stay connected to life in and outside the church through facebook and our weekly email. If you are not getting our Thursday evening emails, or for special assistance, please contact the church office at [ctk@ctkelc.org](mailto:ctk@ctkelc.org).

Like Us On Facebook—Christ the King Lutheran Church—and stay connected.

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

Kendra Cook	Sarah DeVany	George Scheuch
Julia Scruggs	Amy Scaff	Kelsey Linberg
Steven Dobbis	Rebecca Sommer	Emily DeVany
Ali Antar		

### Sunday, March 17

8:30 a.m. Worship ELW 5, nave  
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:50 a.m. Worship ELW 5, nave  
6:00 p.m. Luther League, youth room

### Monday, March 18

Church Office Closed  
8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor  
7:00 p.m. Houston Science and Religion, 3rd floor

### Tuesday, March 19

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor  
5:30 p.m. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

### Wednesday, March 20

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor  
10:00 a.m. SEARCH Coffee Ministry, offsite  
5:30 p.m. Soup Supper through 6:20 p.m.  
5:45 p.m. Infant music, 201  
6:00 p.m. Choristers  
6:00 p.m. Jr Choristers, 011  
6:15 p.m. Confirmation class, 204  
6:15 p.m. Brass ensemble, music suite  
6:20 p.m. Toddler music, 201  
6:30 p.m. Lenten Vespers, nave  
7:30 p.m. Chorus, 011  
7:30 p.m. Choir, 001

### Thursday, March 21

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 22

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, narthex  
10:30 a.m. Friday Morning Bible Study, nave  
7:00 p.m. Blues Brews and Good News, parish hall

### Saturday, March 23

9:30 a.m. Lenten Day of Prayer, parish hall  
1:00 p.m. Yoga, parish hall  
6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, nave

### Sunday, March 24

8:30 a.m. Worship ELW 5, nave  
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:50 a.m. Worship ELW 5, nave  
12:30 p.m. Luther League, youth room  
6:00 p.m. Organ concert, nave



**Mission Offering**

**Meals on Wheels**

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

## 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.**

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