



Special Congregational Meeting

April 7, 9:45 a.m., parish hall

Join the **Christ the King Foundation** board for a special congregational meeting to address two items: (1) final approval of a \$150,000 grant to fund the basement restoration project, completing a two-year, \$310,000 grant; and (2) discussion of the decision to transition the existing Foundation into a newly-constituted Foundation with the same core mission, updated bylaws and policies, and greater flexibility for the future mission of the congregation.

Soup Suppers and Vespers on Wednesdays

Join us for two more Wednesdays of Soup and Vespers on April 3 and 10. Soup is offered from 5:30 to 6:20 p.m. A freewill donation will support the work of missionaries Pastor David and Alicia Brondos in Mexico City. Vespers begin at 6:30 in the nave. Don't miss the experiences of Joy (Psalm 32) and Harvest (Psalm 126). April 10 will feature liturgical dance.

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

Check your Blood Pressure

Blood pressure screenings will be held in the narthex after each Sunday morning service on **March 31**.

Family Friday April 5, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Bring the kids, a bottle of wine or beer to share and let's "crash together" after the work week. We will eat, enjoy fellowship, and play. Invited are all young families with babies, toddlers and Kindergarten children with their older siblings.

Easter Flowers

Please use the envelopes in the narthex with correct payment and dedication, or use the links provided in the weekly Thursday email. Each lily costs \$15. We thank the Altar Guild for their dedication to the beauty of our worship and nave. Only paid flower donations will be listed on the dedication steet.

Young Adults Volunteer

April 6, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

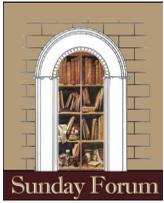
Join the Young Adults as we volunteer at CCSC's Emergency Services (3434 Branard) on **Saturday, April 6 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon**. All are welcome to join us on the first Saturday every other month. For questions or to RSVP, please contact nathan@wikernet.com.

St. Matthew Passion

Bach Society Houston presents Bach's towering masterpiece, the *St. Matthew Passion*, on **Palm Sunday (April 14, 6:00 p.m.) and Good Friday (April 19, 3:00 p.m.)**. These performances have no admission charge and are open to all in the community. This year, we will present the Passion in a manner seldom heard in the United States: the choir comprises only eight singers, and each of the singers sings solos in addition to the ensemble parts. This approach is described in historical materials from Bach's own time, according to research by musicologist Daniel Melamed, who will give the pre-performance lecture on Sunday, April 14 at 5:15 p.m. Come join us for this powerful work, and hear a fresh take as well!

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SUNDAY FORUM

9:45 a.m. in the parish hall

March 31: Members and friends are invited to join **Donna Vass and Tom Bouldin** in the courtyard for a celebratory

reception following the Blessing of their Marriage during the 8:30 a.m. service.

April 7: Congregational meeting lead by the Christ the King Foundation

April 14 Palm Sunday: Stations of the Cross, presented by students of the Sunday School

April 21 Easter Sunday: No Sunday Forum
Easter Potluck Breakfast, Easter Egg Hunt and Flowering of the Cross

April 28: The Ecological Crisis & The Response of Faith presented by *Lisa Brenskelle*

Young Adults

Sunday, April 7, 7:00 p.m.

DATE CHANGE AGAIN! We'll meet the *First* Sunday of this month, **Sunday, April 7, 7:00 p.m.** cuz, you know, Holy Week. We'll still meet at The Volcano. We will debrief Blues and Brews, plan about the next one, look to the further future, and just enjoy our time together. For further info, check in with Pastor Duane.

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 continues 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!

Help Make Palm Crosses

Saturday, April 13 at 2:00 p.m.

All who worship on Palm Sunday will be given a palm cross to wear. The Altar Guild invites you all to join us on **Saturday, April 13 at 2:00 p.m.** in the narthex. Socialize with us and learn to make the Palm crosses! We have great snacks! Contact Altar Guild president Linda Marx at lindamarx@sbcglobal.net for more information.

Stations of the Cross – Passion Sunday

We invite you to visit the Stations of the Cross in the parish hall between the Sunday services (9:30 - 10:30 a.m.) and following the late service (12:15 p.m.) on Palm Sunday, April 14. Starting with a presentation about Jesus in the Garden, the Stations depict Jesus' actions from the Garden to the Resurrection. Ponder the trial of Jesus; struggle with the cross; grieve at the crucifixion; and wonder as the sadness turns into the pure joy of the Resurrection. Take as long as you want, thinking or praying, then you may pick up a scripture card, an item relating to the story, or both to remind you of each part of the story.

Easter Morning

Flowering of the Cross and Egg Hunt

Easter at Christ the King Church is always an exciting time for children! Little ones help celebrate the Resurrection of Christ by participating in the *Flowering of the Cross* and hunting for Easter eggs. Please plan to bring lots of lovely flowers for your children to use and be sure to bring a basket for the egg hunt. The festivities begin with a potluck Easter Breakfast at 9:45 a.m. and Flowering of the Cross. There will be several egg hunts beginning at 10:00 a.m., with special designated areas for the little ones. Age groups will be split 0-2, 2-4, and 5 and up. Donations of candy are needed. Please drop them off to the church by April 14 (Palm Sunday).

Easter Candy Needed!

Easter egg 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, April 19, in order for the youth group to fill them that night.

Pleaseeeee...we do *not need* plastic eggs this year!

HOLY WEEK

April 14 Sunday of the Passion (Palm Sunday)

- 8:30 a.m. Procession of Palms
Holy Communion
- 9:30 a.m. Stations of the Cross
- 10:50 a.m. Procession of Palms
Holy Communion
- 12:15 a.m. Stations of the Cross
- 6:00 p.m. St. Matthew Passion
by JS Bach, Bach Society Houston

April 18 Maundy Thursday

- 7:30 p.m. Individual Absolution
Washing
Holy Communion
Stripping of the Altar

April 19 Good Friday

- 3:00 p.m. St Matthew Passion
by JS Bach, Bach Society Houston
- 7:30 p.m. Liturgy of the Word
Adoration of the Cross

April 20 Holy Saturday

- Midnight until 6:00 p.m. (every three hours)
Canonical Hours
- 6:00 p.m. Vespers (Contemplative Worship)
- 9:00 p.m. Easter Vigil
The Service of Light
The Readings of Redemption
Eucharist

April 21 Easter Day

- 8:30 a.m. Festive Easter Eucharist
- 9:45 a.m. Potluck Breakfast
Flowering of the Cross
Easter Egg Hunt for Children
- 10:50 a.m. Festive Easter Eucharist
- 2:00 p.m. *Ostergottesdienst*,
German-language Easter Eucharist

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.

Season of Hope: Building Personal Care Kits for People Around the World

During Lent, we again join Lutheran World Relief's Season of Hope 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:

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.

HATE SPEECH AND THE 1ST AMENDMENT: A DIALOGUE

Tuesday, April 9, 7:00 p.m.

Rice University, McNair Hall, Shell Auditorium

Presenters: **Jeremy Waldron**, New York University Law School

Jonathan Turley, George Washington University Law School

Moderator: David Leebron, President, Rice University

Should hate speech receive the same constitutional protections as other speech? Should the US regulate hate speech? Should we try to balance the harms of hate speech and the harms to free speech? How should we define hate speech?

Two distinguished legal scholars noted for their strong views on hate speech and the 1st amendment will debate these questions in a dialogue moderated by Rice University President David Leebron.

A dessert reception will follow this event. FREE and open to the public, but reservations are recommended. (boniuk.rice.edu/events)

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

Weldon Kuretsch	John Lund	Scott Swanson
Anita Bryant	Kate Paxton	Chloe Henningsen
Kelly DeVany	Landon Krynak	Tristyn Henningsen
Colin Eddington	Mirabelle Krynak	Alexandra Kieffer
Graham Glatzel	Marilyn Edwards	Julie Giam
Hutchison Glatzel	Kim Jacobson	Christian Eberhart
Larry Hamm		Malcolm Waddell



Mission Offering

Meals on Wheels

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

Sunday, March 31

Blood Pressure Screenings after services
 8:30 a.m. Worship ELW 5, nave
 9:45 a.m. Wedding reception, courtyard
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 10:50 a.m. Worship ELW 5, nave
 2:00 p.m. Luther League fellowship event, offsite
 6:00 p.m. Creation Care webinar

Monday, April 1

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

Tuesday, April 2

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

Wednesday, April 3

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
 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
 6:00 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, April 4

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, April 5

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, narthex
 10:30 a.m. Friday Morning Bible Study, nave
 5:00 p.m. Family Friday, parish hall
 Confirmation retreat, offsite

Saturday, April 6

9:00 a.m. Young Adults Volunteer at CCSC
 1:00 p.m. Yoga, parish hall
 6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, nave

Sunday, April 7

8:30 a.m. Worship ELW 5, nave
 9:45 a.m. Special Congregational Meeting, parish hall
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 10:50 a.m. Worship ELW 5, nave
 12:30 p.m. Luther League summer trips meeting
 1:30 p.m. Creation Care Environmental Stewardship event, offsite
 7:00 p.m. Young Adults at the Volcano

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.

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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.

Spring Confirmation Retreat: April 5-6

Our confirmation grade students are invited for an overnight at Lutherhill Zion Galveston Retreat. Our students will have a great opportunity for fellowship and fun as we learn more about Christian mission. This is a wonderful opportunity to experience the new and only spiritual retreat center on Galveston Island. Cost is only \$60 for housing, food, and activities. Please RSVP no later than Wednesday, April 3.

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