



Children's Summer Activities on Sundays

On Sundays during the summer there are activities for children of all ages as well as adults between worship services. The smorgasbord includes singing, Godly Play stories, Creation Care activities, and repairing and building Godly Play materials. All our young and young at heart are invited to come any or every Sunday and put your fingers and creative minds to work! We meet each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in room 204.

Kids Summer Creation Education Microbes in God's World

Sunday, June 30, 9:45 a.m., room 204

Bacteria, Fungi, Viruses – They are EVERYWHERE. Everyone gets colds and other infections, but did you know that most microorganisms are harmless? In fact, many of them actually help us stay healthy and enrich our environment. Come and learn about the “Good Guys” of Microbiology with Professor Terri Koehler!

Check your Blood Pressure

Blood pressure screenings will be held in the narthex after each Sunday morning service on **June 30**.

Plastic Free Ecochallenge

July 1 – 31, online

Join the Lutherans Restoring Creation – Gulf Coast team for the Plastic Free Eco-Challenge! This challenge engages participants in committing to reduce consumption of single-use plastics during July. Choose from challenges in food, personal care, community, lifestyle, pets, family, or create your own custom challenge. To join the team go to: plasticfree.ecochallenge.org/teams.

The Health of Houston's Waters What You Can Do

Sunday, June 30, at 6:00 p.m., online

In June, Jordan Macha, Executive Director of Bayou City Waterkeeper, will talk about the Lower Galveston Bay Watershed and how you can advocate for your waterways. Bayou City Waterkeeper works to make our bayous, streams, rivers, and bays fishable, swimmable, and drinkable throughout the Greater Houston region. To fulfill this mission, Bayou City Waterkeeper works at the local, state and federal level to bring best-available science to policy-making, holds polluters accountable through litigation, and advocates for clean water, wetland protection, and resilient communities. Jordan will discuss the issues facing Houston's waterways and how you can be involved. Please register for this talk on eventbrite.com.

Walking the Mourner's Path— A Grief Support Program

Registration deadline - July 14

We all experience the grief that comes with losing someone we love and with that grief comes the journey of mourning. Christ the King Church will offer an eight week support program **Wednesdays, August 7 - September 25, 5:00-7:00 p.m.** facilitated by Beverly Davis and Linda Schoene. Participants will have the opportunity to share their journey with others and discover that while their pain is unique, they are not alone. Christ is present with those who mourn and there are tools for moving forward while honoring our loved ones. If you are interested, please contact Beverly, beverlydavis@ctkelc.org, or Linda, lindaschoene@ctkelc.org, to determine if this group will meet your needs. **Registration deadline is July 14.**

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Summer Book Reviews

Sundays 9:45 a.m.
in the parish hall

June 23: Noah's Flood

by William Ryan and Walter Pitman,
reviewed by Chuck Alexander.

June 30: Undocumented: How Immigration Became Illegal

by Aviva Chomsky,
reviewed by Federico Salas-Isnardi.

July 7: Sharing Our Stories

The Summer Writing Circle brings us together to share stories about our adventuresome ancestors, our own youthful experiences and even a few tall tales.

Get to know Christ the King Church members through their surprising stories... a rewarding experience for all. Anna Fay Williams, facilitator.

July 14: The Great Shift: encountering God in Biblical Times, by James L. Kugel,

reviewed by Kristine Wallace.

July 21: Songs of America,

by John Meacham and Tim McGraw,
reviewed by Jessica Lockheed and Tom Frank

July 28: The Meaning of Mary Magdalene: Discovering the Woman at the Heart of Christianity, by Cynthia Bourgeault,

reviewed by Linda Alexander.

August 4: Railroaded,

by Richard White, reviewed by Logan Faron

August 11: Educated: A Memoir,

by Tara Westover, reviewed by John Boles

August 18: Leaders Eat Last,

by Simon Sinek, reviewed by Mary Ann Beseda

SUMMER WONDER: A WEEK OF FUN AND LEARNING

Monday, July 29 – Friday, August 2, 5:30 – 8:15 p.m.

Activities for the whole family!

Scheduled after work hours when the summer heat mellows just a little, this week takes place Monday, July 29 – Friday, August 2, 5:30 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. Lutherhill Ministries will hold **summer camp for children**, and adults get to go to **adult summer camp** at the same time.

Dinner is at 5:30 p.m. Sessions begin at 6:15 p.m. and every night has closing worship at 8:00 p.m. Cost is \$60.00 per person which covers five dinners and all classes.

Summer Wonder for children:

- Lutherhill Day Camp for children ages 5-12, led by Lutherhill Staff

Summer Wonder classes for youth and adults:

- Jonah Bible Study, Kristine Wallace (6:15-7:00 p.m.)
- Craft Beer for Dummies, Nathan Wiker and Karli McGowen (adults only) (7:15-8:00 p.m.)
- Dance Classes, Trish Chapman and David Karohl (6:15-7:00 p.m. & 7:15-8:00 p.m.)
- New Yorker Cartoon Theology, Pastor Duane Larson (7:15-8:00 p.m.)
- Marvel Cinematic Universe Theology, Deacon Ben Remmert (6:15-8:00 p.m.)
- Technology 101, Luther League Youth (6:15-7:00 p.m.)

For information, contact Deacon Ben Remmert at benremmert@ctkelc.org

Leisurely Summer Writing Circle

Fridays from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. (not meeting July 5)

Those interested in writing their family stories are invited to a Summer Writing Circle. In these informal sessions, participants will choose their own story themes or explore other writing interests such as personal essays or fiction. No previous writing experience is required. The sessions will be facilitated by Anna Fay Williams, published writer and teacher. The sessions are on **Fridays from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.** at CTK third floor conference room. For further information and participation, please contact Anna Fay at annafay2016@gmail.com.

**Registration extended to July 1:
Experience Israel and Palestine October 11-22
Optional extension to Istanbul, October 22-25**

Join Pastor Duane and Joen Larson on a pilgrimage and study introduction to Israel and Palestine. Ten days that include time in the region of the Galilee, Caesarea Phillipi, the new Palestinian city of Rawabi, Megiddo, Nazareth, Ramallah, with focused time in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, the Dead Sea and Qumran. Our time will include conversation with Israeli and Palestinian religious, political, medical, and educational leaders. We'll meet with the Rev. Dr. Mitr Raheb at Dar Al Kalima University, learn about the various ministries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, and worship at Christmas Lutheran Church in Bethlehem. We'll pray at The Western Wall and visit the Muslim holy site of the mosque of Al Aqsa atop the Temple Mount. Of course, inspiring visits to The Church of the Nativity (the birthplace of Jesus) and the Holy Sepulcher will be hallmarks for the pilgrimage character of our trip. We'll have the opportunity in evenings for fine dining, casual leisure and/or further conversations with Jewish, Christian, and Muslim leaders.

There is still room for more travelers. Costs for the basic (non-Istanbul) trip range \$3550-\$3800. The low number is based on a group size of 25 participants. There may be extra personal and entertainment expenses, or passport fees. Full payment needs to be made July 1 or before. All trip arrangements are through the highly reputable Group Travel Directors, based in Minneapolis. Direct your further questions to Pastor Duane (duanelarson@ctkelc.org).

Flowers for for the Nave

There are a number of Sundays still open for flower dedications. Available dates are: July 28, August 11, 18, 25, September 1, 8, 15, 22, October 13, 27, November 24, and December 1, 8, 15, 25.

Flower arrangements for weekend services are \$65. Please pay for the flowers when you sign up. For online giving use the Donate link on the church home page (ctkelc.org). Checks to Christ the King Lutheran Church or cash in an envelope should say "Altar Flowers." For information, contact Cheryl at cherlgaspard@ctkelc.org.

SPECIAL SAFETY NOTE CROSSING GREENBRIAR

Life at the intersection of Greenbriar and Rice has become more dangerous! Please cross at the corners and obey the traffic signals. The ongoing traffic changes may impact driver awareness, so please CROSS ONLY at the crosswalks and stay alert!

CCSC Christian Community Service Center



\$45.00

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Sponsoring A Child Is Easy!

There are two convenient ways to make a donation:

- Donate on-line: ccschouston.org
- Submit a check made out to Christ the King Church and earmarked "CCSC Back to School Project" in the offering on Sundays now through August 5.

Donate!

Gently used or new clothing can be delivered to CCSC, 3434 Branard, 77027, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. weekdays or 9:00 a.m. - noon on Saturdays.

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**Saturday
July 13**
Leave the church at 7:30
Return at noon
For information and to
volunteer, contact
ctkhfb@gmail.com

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

Vicki Gorman	Gail Schubot	Elizabeth Lloyd
Martina Longoria	Daphne Simpson	Tom Wilson
Samuel Vollmers	Kathy Collins	LeAnn Watson
Bill Pelham	Kat Sommer	David Stouter

Sunday, June 23

8:30 a.m. Worship, ELW 3
9:45 a.m. Sunday Book Reviews, parish hall
9:45 a.m. Sunday School, room 204
10:50 a.m. Worship, ELW 3

Monday, June 24

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

Tuesday, June 25

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

Wednesday, June 26

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

Thursday, June 27

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
10:00 a.m. Piecemakers, 3rd floor

Friday, June 28

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, nave
9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3rd floor
1:30 p.m. Writing Circle, 3rd floor

Saturday, June 29

1:00 p.m. Yoga, parish hall
6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, nave

Sunday, June 30

Blood Pressure Screening after services
8:30 a.m. Worship, ELW 3
9:45 a.m. Sunday Book Reviews, parish hall
9:45 a.m. Sunday School, room 204
9:45 a.m. Summer Luther League, youth room
10:50 a.m. Worship, ELW 3
6:00 p.m. Creation Care webinar, online



The Rev. Dr. Duane Larson, Senior Pastor The Rev. Karin Liebster, Associate Pastor
Deacon Ben Remmert, Director of Youth and Family Ministry
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LUTHERAN IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE SERVICES

Driven by faith and our nation's values, LIRS works to protect and embrace refugees, migrants, and children seeking a new life in America. Having carried out this work for more than eight decades, LIRS and their national network of service providers are uniquely equipped to provide holistic, trauma-informed, and age-appropriate care to the vulnerable individuals we serve.

LIRS partners locally with Refugee Services of Texas, Houston, a Family Reunification partner.

Areas of Their Work

Refugee Resettlement - Leading the Lutheran movement to resettle refugees since World War II.

Foster Care Services - Connecting vulnerable migrant & refugee children with safe, loving homes.

Family Reunification - Ensuring that migrant children are safely united with their loved ones in the U.S.

Empowering New Americans - Equipping new Americans to be independent, contributing members of society.

Welcoming Migrants - Offering compassionate services to recently arrived migrants.

Engaging Communities - Empowering communities nationwide to join us in welcoming the stranger.



Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service

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