



All Saints Sunday November 6

Sunday School Class at 9:00 a.m.

Children and youth only

Coffee in Courtyard at 9:00 a.m.

**One worship service at 10:00 a.m.
with Columbarium Blessing**

Light a candle to remember
loved ones who have died.

**Senior Pastor Call Committee
at 11:30 a.m.**

presentation in the parish hall
The nursery will be attended.

Special Call Committee Report

On **Sunday, November 6**, at 11:30 a.m., the congregation is invited to a special "report out" from the Call Committee. The Call Committee will present the results of its self-study process that enter into the text of the Ministry Site Profile. This will be a great way for the congregation to learn both how we understand our identity and mission and how we will present ourselves to candidates for senior pastor. Grab a beverage and an snack after worship and join the meeting in the parish hall.

Organ Recital

Sunday, November 6, 4:15 p.m.

Christopher Holman will present a free program of works by Bach, Widor, Mendelssohn, and more at Christ Church Cathedral (1117 Texas Ave.).

Vicar Iris Schneider-Ungar returns to Germany

Iris Schneider-Ungar has received a call to serve as pastor in the Evangelical Church of Hesse-Nassau, beginning December 1. Her last Sunday at Christ the King Church will be next Sunday, November 13. She will lead the liturgy of the Word in both services. Iris will be ordained to the ministry of Word and Sacrament in December. Iris has served us here in worship, pastoral care, and youth ministry and received deep insight into the workings of an American Lutheran congregation and the American (Texan!) culture. You may read her farewell and thank you note in the November Banner on page 2 and 11.

Salt and Light

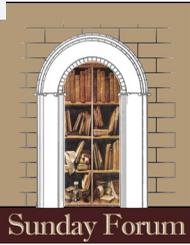
The Fall Stewardship Campaign

These are exciting times at Christ the King Church. We are into week five our Fall stewardship campaign. It all culminates with the Sunday of the grand Christ the King Festival on November 20. We are called by Christ to be his salt and light to the world. We are grateful for all of God's blessings and for the future God intends with Christ the King Church. Last Sunday we heard a challenging stewardship reflection about the needs for staff support in the coming year. Today we highlight the fact that we are attractive to a high percentage of single professionals and young families when the same demographic otherwise is the largest part of society who are "none" and "done." One of our goals in 2017 indeed is to provide even more outreaching ministry to single professionals and young families of Houston.

How can we together through Christ the King Church be a brighter light to single people and young families within our overall vital ministries? The question calls us to give generously of ourselves in worship, study, service, and financial support. On November 20, in fact, all members are invited and encouraged to rededicate ourselves as members of Christ the King Church and to offer our statements of intent for financial support for ministry in 2017.

Thank you for all you do in Christ and please pray that the Holy Spirit will bless this campaign.

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Sunday Forum

9:45 a.m. in the basement classroom

Special November Schedule

November 6: Coffee at 9:00 a.m., Sunday School for children/youth 11:30 a.m. Call Committee report

November 13:

Sunday Forum at 9:45 a.m.

Poverty, Trees & Justice: What's the Connection?

Have you ever thought about the life of a rural farmer in Tanzania or Haiti? Picture a woman who works long hours every day tending crops on land she does not own. She often goes to bed hungry at night. When her child is sick, she will cut down a fruit tree to make charcoal to sell in order to pay the doctor, further jeopardizing the productivity of her land. She is affected by droughts one season and flash flooding the next due to climate change that she has not caused. Come learn about the connection between her poverty, deforestation and a myriad of other justice issues she faces in a conversation with Valerie Foulkes of Plant With Purpose.

November 20: Festival Sunday at 9:45 a.m. Coffee and Festival Fair

November 27: Advent Wreath Workshop at 9:30 a.m. First Sunday of Advent

Interested in Membership Here at Christ the King Church?

On **Sunday, November 13, noon**, a light lunch will be provided for any inquirers about membership at CTK. No classes are required for baptized Christians who wish to join CTK Church. This orientation will last about an hour. New members will be received at worship on November 20 as part of our grand Christ the King Festival Weekend, along with all current members who wish to re-dedicate themselves as members of Christ the King Church's mission. Please contact or speak with Pastor Duane about your interest in attendance at this orientation meeting.

Christ the King Young Adults

Christ the King Young Adults continue their "spirited" monthly conversations with Pastor Duane at the GINGERMAN Pub on **Sunday, November 13, at 7:00 p.m.** This month's conversation will center around whatever religiously is moving our hearts and minds after the election. Also, we want to get some longer range planning down in print, talk about a possible retreat, AND come up with a good brand name for our fine group, which is open, by the way, to anyone under forty, single or partnered, member of CTK or not. For more information, contact Pastor Duane at duanelarson@ctkelc.org.

Music at Christ the King Church

On **Sunday, November 13 at 6:00 p.m.**, Bach Society Houston presents what promises to be a unique event - Art of Fugue with Dance! SYREN Modern Dance of New York joins Rick Erickson to present a fusion of sound and movement! Rick has teamed with this outstanding group twice already to bring this event to life in New York and Hartford. The dance troupe is a group of five dancers, who combine both modern and classical style to interpret Bach's monumental study of counterpoint. The performance lasts about one hour. Tickets are required - all are welcome!

Sunday morning, November 13 at the 10:50 service, Houston Boy Choir will sing a number of anthems. This outstanding choir rehearses at Christ the King two evenings a week, and pursues an active program of education and arts engagement throughout Houston. This is an expression of thanks from the choir for Christ the King's support of their important work!

Devotionals with prayers for each day of the Climate Conference in Marrakech (November 7-18) can be found in the narthex.

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 bank  **Saturday**
November 12
 Leave the church at 7:30
 Return at noon
 For information, contact ctkhfb@gmail.com

Justice Advocacy: Reduce the Nuclear Threat

At the ELCA Churchwide Assembly in August, a call was issued for all congregations to engage in prayer and discernment around expanded U.S. war efforts since 1990. At this time, congressional leadership is considering a \$1 trillion plan to build a new generation of nuclear bombs, missiles, bombers & submarines. Experts warn that building a new generation of nuclear weapons could ignite a new global arms race, making nuclear catastrophe more likely. In consideration of the ELCA's call, contact congressional leaders to make a national discussion of the risks and costs of nuclear weapons a priority by going to <http://www.ucsusa.org/>, clicking on Take Action, and selecting the advocacy topic on nuclear weapons.

Interfaith Environmental Stewardship Event

The CTK Creation Care Team invites you to join with people of other faiths in caring for creation on **Sunday, November 13, from 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.** We will engage in hands-on environmental stewardship by mulching around plantings and trimming trees in a wetlands area at the Willow Waterhole Conservation Reserve. This event will offer activities for all ages and skill levels, so bring the whole family, your neighbors and your friends. Meet at The Gathering Place, 5310 S. Willow. Metro bus line 7 stops nearby. Contact Lisa Brenskelle for more information or to sign up to help (and receive a copy of the waiver form).

Fill a Shoebox and Delight a Seafarer

Christ the King Lutheran Church is collecting shoeboxes filled with gifts to give to seafarers who visit the Port of Houston during the holiday season. The gifts will be distributed by the Seafarers' ecumenical ministry. Check out the mobile bulletin board for a list of suggested items. Please bring your filled shoebox to church by **Sunday, December 4.**

Thanksgiving Day Service of the Word Thursday, November 24, 10:00 a.m.

The service will include traditional Thanksgiving hymns, a sermon, and a Litany of Thanksgiving. All are welcome. Casual attire is encouraged.

Festival Party and Auction *Salt and Light* Friday, November 18

Mark your calendars for the 71st anniversary of Christ the King Church on Friday, November 18, 7:00 p.m. to celebrate *Salt and Light*. Tickets will be on sale on Wednesday nights and Sundays in November. Don't miss the raffle for the highly sought after Piecemakers' Quilt. Sociables and a Live Auction will of course be part of the evening! Join us for this evening of Fun, Fellowship and Fundraising for our Outreach Ministries. Proceeds from our Festival party benefit Lutherhill Ministries, Central African Republic, and our Service and Care Ministries, including Christian Community Service Center, SEARCH Homeless Services, Meals on Wheels, the Hospitality Apartments and more. Opportunities to help (before, during and at the end of the evening) are plentiful; please contact Meaghan Wheeler at Meaghan.Wheeler@mercerc.com.

We are Looking for Hosts for Sociables

"Sociables" are offered silent auction-style at the Friday party. Sociable hosts plan a party, a shindig, a dinner, a get-together, an outing, whatever group activity you like. 100% of ticket sales are donated Outreach Ministries. Email your sociable idea and a date to Beverly Davis at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org. (Tax receipts can be requested for hosts' expenses for Sociables.)

Festival Party and Auction Tickets on Sale

\$15 per person: advance purchase after services on October 30 and November 6, or at Wednesday Night Alive! on November 2 and 9. You may also purchase online at ctkelc.org. Click on "About Us," then go to "Make a Donation," and enter your ticket purchase under "Festival." Late sales \$20 per person. Raffle tickets for the Piecemakers' quilt are sold also on Sundays and Wednesdays.

Sunday, November 6

Daylight Saving Time ends

- 9:00 a.m. Coffee in the Courtyard
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship ELW 5, nave
- 11:30 a.m. Call Committee report, parish hall
- 1:00 p.m. Bike Safety Course, basement classroom

Monday, November 7

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

Tuesday, November 8

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 5:00 p.m. Community of Hope, council room

Wednesday, November 9

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 5:30 p.m. *Wednesday Night Alive!*
- 5:45 p.m. Classes begin through 7:30 p.m.
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation class
- 6:00 p.m. Declaration on the Way, 3rd floor
- 6:00 p.m. Food for Life, 3rd floor
- 6:15 p.m. Medieval Church, council room
- 6:15 p.m. Brass Choir, music suite
- 7:05 p.m. Vespers, nave
- 7:30 p.m. Church Choir, music suite
- 7:30 p.m. Chorus, rehearsal room

Thursday, November 10

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 10:00 a.m. Piecemakers, 2nd floor
- 6:00 p.m. Circle of Care, council room

Friday, November 11

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3rd floor
- 10:00 a.m. Friday Morning Bible Study

Saturday, November 12

- 7:30 a.m. Trip to the Houston Food Bank
- 1:00 p.m. Yoga, basement classroom
- 6:00 p.m. Taizé, nave

Sunday, November 13

- 8:30 a.m. Worship ELW 4, nave
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, council room
- 9:45 a.m. Luther League, youth room
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:50 a.m. Worship ELW 5, nave
- 12:00 noon Membership lunch, parish hall
- 12:30 p.m. Luther League meeting, youth room
- 1:30 p.m. Creation Care Environmental event, offsite
- 6:00 p.m. Bach Society event, nave
- 7:00 p.m. CTK Young Adults, offsite



Lutheran Port Ministry

November 6 and 13

The Houston International Seafarers' Center is a "home away from home" for seafarers visiting the

Port of Houston. Chartered in the late 1960's and early 1970's as a non-profit organization under the laws of the State of Texas, the Center has served over a million visiting seafarers. The Center exists as the result of a deep desire and concern within the local maritime industry, followed by active support and involvement of the community and local churches, to provide a safe and welcoming recreational and spiritual environment on land for those who have chosen the sea as their livelihood.

Recognizing that all human persons are a gift of God, the mission of the chaplains and Committee for Ministry to the Port of Houston is to carry out a ministry of presence, outreach, witness, worship, service, and advocacy to, with, and for seafarers and their families from around the world.

You can also help the seafarers by filling a shoebox with personal items and small gifts which will be distributed for Christmas by the chaplains.

These shoeboxes are almost always their only Christmas present, and they delight to receive them (often safely tucked away until Christmas Day feasts aboard ship). We have witnessed over and over again the true joy and excitement in the seafarer's faces when we board their ships with these gifts you so graciously provide. It doesn't matter what country they are from or how they say "Merry Christmas," the love of Christ is with them through your kindness, love and support. It is our mission to be the hands and feet of Christ and to extend to each and every seafarer we meet the loving hospitality of Jesus.

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

Blake Bourne	Zachary Bryant	Elliot Harlan
Jeffrey Smith	Ingar Mork	Kirby Leshner
Chase Hooks	Lola Graham	Alan Luedemann
Emily Norboge	Annabel Thorvilson	

The Rev. Dr. Duane Larson, Interim Pastor
The Rev. Karin Liebster, Associate Pastor for Faith Formation
Vicar Iris Schneider-Ungar

Ben Remmert, Director of Youth and Family Ministry
Beverly Davis, Director of Congregational Care
Linda Schoene, Congregational Nurse
Rick Erickson, Cantor, Director of Bach Society Houston
Chris Holman, Music Associate Robert Walp, Brass Choir Director
Noelle Jung, Church Business Administrator

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