



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. You may leave contact information or write a note on the worship card in the pew. Donations at the snack table benefit the ELCA World Hunger Appeal.

Kids' Summer Nature Education

Sunday, August 13 at 9:45 a.m.

Rocks Rock!

The August Creation Care Sunday School session on **Sunday, August 13**, will feature Rocks Rock!, taught by Steve Long. Kids will learn about the age of the earth, its components (i.e. crust, mantle, and core) and the processes by which rocks are formed. Rock samples for kids to see and touch will be used to illustrate rock formation and earth history. Kids meet at 9:45 a.m. on the second floor in the library area for the Kids' Summer Nature Education Series. Parents are welcome to join in.

New Music Associate

Brian Glikes joins our Christ the King Church music staff and Bach Society as of **August 15**. Brian moves here from Rochester, NY, where he is finishing work on his DMA in Organ Performance and Literature. He holds the M.M. in organ performance from Emory University in Atlanta and a B.M. in organ performance with a minor in Biblical and Theological Studies at Gordon College in Wenham, MA. He has most recently served as Organ Scholar at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Buffalo, NY, and prior to that at Episcopal churches in Fairport, NY and Loganville, GA. Brian will be active in many parts of our music ministry, including leading the Chorus, working with our Choristers, accompanying Bach rehearsals, continuo work, and much more.

Campus Ministry Sunday

August 20

Blessing of college, graduate and certificate students at both services.

Houston Lutheran Campus Ministry (HLCM) Pastor Janelle Rozek Hooper will be preaching. Campus ministry "Cookies and Conversation" with the HLCM students and board will follow in the courtyard after both services.

Rally Day August 27

Join us for breakfast tacos in the courtyard and the start of our new Sunday School year. Sunday School classes are offered for children and youth ages two through high school. Children, youth, and parents will meet in the parish hall and then children will go to their classrooms to meet their teachers and have class pictures taken. Parents wanting their children to newly join Sunday School or Confirmation class please contact Pastor Liebster (karinliebster@ctkelc.org).

8:30 and 10:50 in the nave

Blessing of all school children and youth
Third grade Bible presentations
Welcome for Music Associate Brian Glikes
and blessing of choirs

9:45 courtyard and Sunday school rooms

Breakfast Tacos and
Sunday School Kick-off
Picture taking in classrooms
Reformation Quiz for Adults –
What Do YOU Know
about the Reformation?

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Summer Book Reviews

The summer book reviews are a beloved tradition as an educational offering on Sundays at 9:45 a.m. during the summer months.



August 13: Pastor Karin Liebster, presentation and discussion on the Barmen Theological Declaration

August 20: Logan Faron, *Our Kids: The American Dream in Crisis*, by Robert Putnam

August 27: Lisa Brenskelle, *Dream of the Earth*, by Thomas Berry (date change from July 23)

Stand Together in Support of Refugees

Learn what you can do stand together with refugees in a training webinar offered by Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service on **Monday, August 14, from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.** The webinar will equip you to engage with your elected officials to advocate on behalf of refugees. Registration details for the webinar were sent in the weekly email.

Pictorial Directories Available

Our new pictorial directories are available in the foyer for members who participated by either having their photo taken or by submitting a photo. If you did not participate, you may purchase a directory for \$10.00. Please place \$10.00 in the offering basket.

A Summer Discussion Group All are Welcome!

Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m., at the parsonage

The “Love Your Neighbour” discussion group invites you to an ongoing discussion about racism in American society. The group is committed to caring, honest, and safe conversation on issues of race, seeking how more faithfully we as Christian individuals and as church can bring our part to God’s intended rule of reconciling love to neighbor and world. The book basis for our conversations is Michael Eric Dyson’s, *Tears We Cannot Stop, A Sermon to White America*. All is casual; snacks and beverages to share are welcomed.

Walking the Mourner’s Path – A Grief Support Program



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 **Monday, September 18 - November 6** facilitated by Beverly Davis and Linda Schoene. The sessions will be held on eight consecutive Mondays from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the church. 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 in joining the group please contact Beverly, beverlydavis@ctkelc.org, or Linda, lindaschoene@ctkelc.org, to determine if this group will meet your needs. **Registration deadline is August 18.**

Confirmation Class Fall 2017

Confirmation Class for 7th and 8th grade students begins with a Milestone Celebration for youth and parents on Wednesday, August 30 at 6:00 p.m. Students will receive their study bibles and Small Catechisms at this meeting. Weekly classes for students are Wednesday nights 6:00-7:30 p.m. beginning September 6. Pastor Liebster and Ben Remmert will lead the class through a year of studying Martin Luther’s Small Catechism, thereby exploring, experiencing and studying the key components of faith in the Christian life.

Confirmation class is generally for students in grades 7 and 8, though special circumstances may be accommodated as to when a student joins the class. New students are welcome anytime. Please contact Pastor Liebster, karinliebster@ctkelc.org or Ben Remmert, benremmert@ctkelc.org.

Sound in the Nave

Your ministry staff is addressing the urgent issue of spoken word sound quality in the nave. A significant upgrade is necessary. Anyone with acoustical expertise is welcome to share advice with Pr. Larson (duanelarson@ctkelc.org)

Choir/Chorus Retreat August 25-26

Our Choir and Chorus retreat to Zion Center in Galveson will be **August 25-26** in order to tune up and prepare for the season of singing ahead. New members welcome, please speak to Rick Erickson for further information, and please keep our singers in your prayers.

Call for Ushers and Bellringers

Have you wondered in which way you could volunteer around the church and make a meaningful difference? We are looking for ushers and bellringers. Ushers are the friendly face to all who enter worship on Sunday morning and Saturday evening. The many small tasks are shared among a team of four ushers on Sunday mornings. There will be an ushers' meeting sometime in late August/September. The bells of Christ the King Church are rung manually, on Sundays mostly three, sometimes all five. Bell ringing includes climbing up a ladder to toll the small Lord's Prayer bell. New bell ringers are scheduled with experienced ones which makes learning an easy job. Bell ringing is a great activity for parents and children.

If you are interested in learning how to be an usher or bell ringer please speak with Pastor Liebster (karinliebster@ctkelc.org) or Pastor Larson (duanelarson@ctkelc.org).

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Sponsoring A Child Is Easy!

- Donate on-line: www.cschouston.org
- Submit a check made out to Christ the King Church and earmarked "Back to School" in the offering on **Sundays through August 14.**

Summer Night with Godly Play August 17 at Christ the King Church

Thursday, August 17 at 7:00 p.m. the Houston Godly Play Network hosts a Summer Night with Godly Play at Christ the King Church in room 204. Members, friends, and parents are encouraged to take advantage of this time to hear a story and get a good idea of what Godly Play is. Come enjoy a glass of wine and fellowship while learning about children's and your own spirituality and ways for enrichment. Anyone considering helping with Sunday school this year is especially invited.

First Guest Speaker for CTK's Reformation 500 Observances

On Sunday, September 3, Msgr. Dennis Mikulanis will be the first in a series of outstanding guest speakers for Christ the King Lutheran Church's Reformation 500 observances. Msgr. Mikulanis will preach at both services on Sunday morning (8:30 and 10:50), speak at the 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, and address a luncheon following worship at 12:15 p.m. The luncheon will be open to the public as well as to those unable to attend the morning's Sunday Forum.

Wednesday Night Alive! and Evening Prayer

Christ the King Church's *Wednesday Night Alive!* program resumes **September 6**. Programs and activities run from 5:30 p.m. through 9:00 p.m. Dinner is served starting at 5:30 p.m. until 6:40 p.m. Children's regular programs end at 7:00 p.m.

Vespers service for everyone is held at 7:05 p.m. in the parish hall. This 15 minute service of prayers, readings, and hymns is less formal than our Sunday worship and includes a variety of forms and styles for all ages.

Lego Blocks Needed

We are planning to build a giant **Lego Luther Rose** so if you have a collection of Lego blocks (not the big blocks but regular size) in **BLUE, RED, YELLOW, BLACK** or **WHITE** that you could donate, please bring them to the narthex any Sunday.

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

Eric Boyce	Christopher Holman
Michael Weida	Raul Vieira
Sabina Entzian	Akiko LoTurco
Philip Feldwisch	Rick Erickson

Sunday, August 13

- 8:30 a.m. Worship, Summer Setting, nave
- 9:45 a.m. Summer Book Reviews, basement classroom
- 9:45 a.m. Kid's Summer Nature Education, 2nd floor library
- 9:45 a.m. Luther League, youth room
- 10:50 a.m. Worship Summer Setting, nave

Monday, August 14

- Church Office Closed
- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 12:00 noon LIRS Webinar, online

Tuesday, August 15

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

Wednesday, August 16

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 6:00 p.m. Love Your Neighbour discussion group, parsonage
- 6:15 p.m. Brass Choir, music suite

Thursday, August 17

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
- 10:00 a.m. Piecemakers, second floor
- 7:00 p.m. Summer Play with Godly Play, room 204

Friday, August 18

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

Saturday, August 19

- 1:00 p.m. Yoga, basement classroom
- 10:00 a.m. Altar Guild, narthex
- 6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, nave

Sunday, August 20

- 8:30 a.m. Worship, Summer Setting, nave
- 9:45 a.m. Summer Book Reviews, basement classroom
- 9:45 a.m. Summer Sunday School
- 9:45 a.m. Luther League, youth room
- 10:50 a.m. Worship Summer Setting, nave

The Rev. Dr. Duane Larson, Interim Pastor
The Rev. Karin Liebster, Associate Pastor for Faith Formation
Deacon Ben Remmert, Director of Youth and Family Ministry
Beverly Davis, Director of Congregational Care
Linda Schoene, Congregational Nurse
Deacon Rick Erickson, Cantor, Director of Bach Society Houston
Robert Walp, Brass Choir Director
Noelle Jung, Church Business Administrator

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CAMPUS MINISTRY

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

Is The Church Dying? What Do You See?

As I stand on the corner of Rice and Greenbriar what stands out for me is a parking lot for students, staff and faculty of Rice University. A parking lot we share on Sundays, Wednesdays and high holy days for overflow. What else do we share?

A love for education is at the root of our Lutheran faith. Did you know Lutherans were the first to start campus ministry in 1905? A group of Lutheran students meeting at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, made the case for calling the first full-time campus pastor in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. And by 1909 it was determined that, "Religious work in universities and colleges is no longer an experiment. . . . It has been established as not only a legitimate, but also a necessary sphere of general church activity."¹

The Lutheran church is ever reforming. Over a hundred years ago campus ministry became a vital and necessary activity of the whole church. Why? Because it continues our baptismal promise to journey with each other in some of the most faith challenging times of our lives.

This past year I moved from interim to the called pastor for HLCM. I will be installed as Campus Pastor on August 17 at the Metro Meeting of the Gulf Coast Synod pastors and leaders.

I'm excited to lead along with our Board, with the support of the Gulf Coast synod and every individual and congregation that gives to our ministry together. Over half of our gifts come from individuals like you! So thank you! Just look on the faces of these students, staff and faculty as we worship, pray, study, and serve together...what a difference your generosity makes!

Join us for "Cookies and Conversation" in the courtyard after both services on Sunday August 20 so we can say thank you for your support!

Together in ministry,
Pastor Janelle Rozek Hooper
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¹ Quoted in Mary Markeley,
The Lutheran Church and Its Students
(Philadelphia: The Muhlenberg Press, 1948), p. 23.