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Joint Lutheran-Catholic Prayer Service Wednesday, October 25, 7:30 p.m., at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, 1111 St. Joseph Parkway

We will join with our Catholic brothers and sisters in a commemoration of the Reformation in 1517 in a prayer service with Cardinal DiNardo and our own Bishop Michael Rinehart as presiders. Praying in a spirit of confession and repentance we remember our baptism with thanksgiving. Christ the King Church pastors and deacons will process, our choirs join in the service choir.

No Wednesday Night activities at Christ the King Church on October 25.

Halloween Trunk or Treat at CTK

Christ the King Church is hosting a new event for young families, Trunk or Treat! On October 29 from 4-5:30 p.m. in the back parking lot. This safe and fun activity is for kids 0-6th grade with the kids going from car to car to get their treats. CTK members will be hosting this event and providing the treats. Babies in strollers and grandparents are also welcome! Parking for families is in the main parking lot.

Volunteers to help produce the event are needed. If you would like to join the fun by providing your car with a trunk full of treats, call or text Joen Larson at 515-231-9692. Decorating trunks is optional, but there will be a prizes for the scariest trunk and the funniest trunk! Volunteers are also needed to serve as welcomers, manage the parking lots, and to distribute information. Costumes not required since some of us are scary just the way we are.



Congregational Conversation on the Parsonage

Sunday, October 22 12:30 p.m.

Luther Goes Jazz Tuesday, October 31 7:30 p.m. in the nave

A Reformation Day free concert of jazz music with readings. Spiritual Standards Duo Markus Burger and Jan von Klewitz will present Lutheran Chorales on piano and saxophone. Sponsored by the Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany. A reception follows in the narthex. Join us for this splendid time.

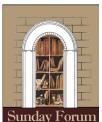
Reformation Market

We have a booth set up in the narthex selling all kinds of Lutheran merchandise. We have "Here I Stand" socks, t-shirts, travel coffee mugs, and bags. All proceeds go to help the synod's hunger appeal to raise \$500,000 by October 31.

Check your Blood Pressure

Blood pressure screenings will be held in the narthex after each Sunday morning service on October 29.

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SUNDAY FORUM

9:45 a.m.

Welcoming the Stranger in **Contemporary America:** Sunday Forum Recent Developments

in US Refugee Policy October 22

October 22 — Refugee resettlement in Houston

Changes in U.S. resettlement policy have a significant impact on refugees. Members of the staff of Refugee Services of Texas—the local affiliate of Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services—will discuss the refugee experience and the resettlement process. Speakers will include Jacqueline Mercilliott, RST's Houston area director, and Bekhal Saeed, a refugee and RST support specialist. Bill Mintz, church member and a member of the RST board, will moderate the discussion.

October 29 — Questions and Answers with Bishop Mike Rinehart. The bishop will also be preaching at both Sunday services.

November 5 — Mind the Gap

presented by Matthias Henze

Reading the Old Testament is not enough to understand Jesus of Nazareth, the apostles, and the rise of early Christianity. To understand the Jews of the Second Temple period, it's essential to read what they wrote—and what Jesus and his followers might have read—beyond the Hebrew scriptures. Matthias Henze, member of Christ the King Church, introduces his 2017 book Mind the Gap, and will speak about key ideas found in specific New Testament texts that simply can't be understood without the early Jewish "intertestamental" writings—the Messiah, angels and demons, the law, and the resurrection of the dead. Mind the Gap broadens curious students' perspectives on early Judaism and early Christianity and welcomes them to deeper study. The book is available at its publisher Fortress Press and amazon.

Friday Morning Bible Study

All are invited. We gather after 10:00 a.m. for snacks and fellowship in the narthex. Bible Study and prayer begin at 10:30, and we finish approximately 11:40 a.m.

Friday Morning Bible Study is an opportunity to enrich life in preparation for the Sunday assemblies. We read the texts assigned for the Sunday liturgy and prepare ourselves for the encounter with the living Lord who promises to be with us in word and sacrament.

Sunday Evening Conversation on Creation October 29, 6:00 p.m.

Connections between People & Nature:

Scripture & Science

Lisa Brenskelle, leader of the Creation Care Team at Christ the King Church, member of the Interfaith Environmental Network of Houston planning committee, and a research and development project manager with a PhD in Chemical Engineering, will address the connections between people and nature from the perspectives of both scripture and science. Her talk will investigate the relationships and similarities between people and nature highlighted in scripture and then give examples of how these relationships and similarities have been observed by science. If you would like to join this online conversation, please register at www.eventbrite.com and you will receive an invitation to the web meeting. For more information, contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com.

2018 ELCA Youth Gathering June 27 - July 1, 2018

Youth have a great opportunity to participate in the ELCA Youth Gathering this summer in Houston. Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through days spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service and fellowship, young people grow in faith and are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives. We hope to bring a group of our youth to participate this summer in this great event. If you are interested in attending, RSVP to Ben Remmert no later than November 1 with a \$200 deposit.

All Saints Worship Service

Light a candle to remember loved ones who have died.

Sunday, November 5

Installation Service for Senior Pastor Duane Larson

Christ the King Sunday, November 26, 4:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving Dinner at Christ the King Church

Grandma comes to the parish hall - and you don't even have to drive "over the river and through the woods"- for Thanksgiving Dinner! Paul and Marie Monroe have graciously volunteered to prepare turkey & dressing for a family-style Thanksgiving Day dinner in the parish hall. Any students who aren't going home, young adults without plans, and all adults without family in town are invited to join them. If you would like, you may bring a covered dish to share (salad, vegetable, bread, dessert, fancy drinks, etc.). For an accurate count, please notify Beverly Davis (beverlydavis@ctkelc. org). However, if you don't sign up, you are still welcome: everyone will eat their fill and we'll have baskets of food left over. Thanksgiving dinner will begin around 11:40 a.m. and run until the turkey tryptophan kicks in.

Let's party like it's 1517!

Christ the King Festival Dinner and Party

Friday, November 17, 7:00 p.m.

Celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation

Interested in volunteering or donating? Contact Mary Ann at maryannbeseda@gmail.com or Beverly at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org

The annual Christ the King Festival party will be the culminating event of our Reformation 500 Celebration this year. Plan now to attend Friday evening, November 17. There will be food, fellowship, sociable sign-ups, music and games. Proceeds for this special event benefit CTK outreach ministries such as Christian Community Service Center and Lutherhill Camping Ministries.

To make our celebration wildly successful you can help by donating:

- A \$20+ bottle of wine for a wine pull
- A quality item for live auction (vacation home, art item, tickets)
- Sociable event (dinner or themed party, outing, educational or art event, etc.)

We are Looking for Hosts for Sociables

Christ the King Church *Sociables* are simply hosted events that support our church mission in two important ways: 1) they build and strengthen relationships and connections across our community, and 2) they raise funds for our outreach ministries. Each year during our Festival weekend we invite members, friends and family to purchase places at *Sociables*. All of the money that people pay to purchase places at *Sociables* is donated to one or more of our outreach ministries. *See the October King's Banner for more information*.

Festival Party Tickets on Sale

\$15 per person: advance purchase after services on October 22, 29 and November 5, or on Wednesday nights on November 1. 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.

Now Is The Time! Piecemakers Quilt Drawing

A gorgeous queen size handmade quilt may be yours on Festival night, November 17. Tickets for the drawing are sold Wednesdays and Sundays until November 15 at \$10 for one and \$25 for three. All proceeds of the festival auction and drawing will benefit ministries supported by the congregation.

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

James Sandoz Katrin DeBakev Cheryl Rhode Daniel Matz

Kirstin Springmeyer David Scaff Allison Hoenen Elizabeth Linsenmayer Michael Mattern August Azure-Keller **Emily Triantaphyllis**

Sunday, October 22

8:30 a.m. Worship, Reformation 500 Setting, nave

9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum 9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:50 a.m. Worship, Reformation 500 Setting, nave 12:30 p.m. Congregational Conversation on the

Parsonage, parish hall

12:30 p.m. Luther League

Monday, October 23 Church Office Closed

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

5:00 p.m. Mourner's Path

Tuesday, October 24

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

Wednesday, October 25

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

7:30 p.m. Lutheran-Catholic Prayer Service,

Co-Cathedral

No Wednesday Night Activities

Thursday, October 26

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

10:00 a.m. Piecemakers, 3rd floor

Friday, October 27

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, narthex

Eco-Reformation retreat

Saturday, October 28

Eco-Reformation retreat

Luther League trip to the Renaissance Festival

6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, nave

Sunday, October 29

Blood Pressure Screening after services

8:30 a.m. Worship, Reformation 500 Setting, nave

9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, Questions and Answers with Bishop Rinehart, parish hall

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:50 a.m. Worship, Reformation 500 Setting, nave

12:15 p.m. Baby Shower for the Remmerts, parish hall

4:00 p.m. Halloween Trunk or Treat, back parking lot

6:00 p.m. Creation Care Web talk, online

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 Brian Glikes, Music Associate Robert Walp, Brass Choir Director Noelle Jung, Church Business Administrator

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

Who We Are - Disaster Response

When everything seems to be falling apart around you, Upbring is there to help you keep standing. Serving Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma, Upbring Disaster Response assists families and communities in the aftermath of natural disasters like tornadoes, hurricanes, floods or wildfires.

How We Help

We are not first responders, but committed neighbors who will stay with you until you're back on your feet. We offer financial assistance for basic needs in the short term and case management and spiritual care over the longer term to individuals and families, and we work continually to ensure we are ready to meet the needs of our communities if and when disaster strikes.

Preparedness Emergency Hardship Grants Repair & Rebuild **Emotional and Spiritual Care**

Disaster Case Management

Volunteer Coordination

Assistance

Who We Are - Helping Children Thrive

At Upbring, we're changemakers determined to create a world where all children are cherished. We understand that breaking the cycle of child abuse means more than removing children from harmful situations and providing clothing, food and shelter. Because when the cycle is broken, it means children get to live every moment of every day with every inch of their whole hearts. So you've got to help children heal physically, emotionally and spiritually. Upbring does this.

We've been helping children thrive for more than 135 years, and we're not stopping. We have an opportunity to shape not only the way we deliver our programs and services, but shape the way Texas treats children. We have Faith in Every Future.