

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

Nathaniel Winston	Joyce Klein	Nettie Lawson
Gunther Klein	Parker Boles	Jimmie Lawson
	Isabelle Feuille	

Sunday, March 4

8:30 a.m. Worship ELW setting 5, nave
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
 10:50 a.m. Worship ELW setting 5, nave
 2:00 p.m. Justice Advocacy Workshop
 6:00 p.m. Luther League

Monday, March 5

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

Tuesday, March 6

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

Wednesday, March 7

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
 5:30 p.m. Soup Suppers begin serving, parish hall
 5:45 p.m. Music Explorers
 5:45 p.m. Love Your Neighbour, narthex
 6:00 p.m. Confirmation, council room
 6:00 p.m. Choristers, narthex
 6:10 p.m. Mind the Gap, 3rd floor
 6:15 p.m. Jr. Choristers
 6:15 p.m. Brass Choir, parish hall
 7:00 p.m. Lenten Vespers, nave
 7:30 p.m. Church Choir, nave
 7:30 p.m. Chorus, parish hall

Thursday, March 8

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, March 9

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

Saturday, March 10

7:30 a.m. Trip to the Houston Food Bank
 10:00 a.m. Activate you Faithful Imagination, parish hall
 6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship

Sunday, March 11 Time Change

8:30 a.m. Worship ELW setting 5, nave
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
 10:50 a.m. Worship ELW setting 5, nave
 6:00 p.m. Luther League

The Rev. Dr. Duane Larson, Senior Pastor
 The Rev. Karin Liebster, Associate Pastor
 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
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Mission Offering

Meals on Wheels

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

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.

aniMeals on Wheels

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.**

Easter Eggs and Candy Needed!

Easter Eggs and 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, March 30, in order for the youth group to fill them that night.



Saturday, March 3 and Sunday, March 4, 2018

This Week and The King's Banner, our monthly newsletter, are available at www.ctkelc.org



Prayers for Healing and Anointing every Sunday in Lent

Throughout Lent we will offer a Healing Prayer and Anointing for all who desire during the Sunday services. Stations for healing prayers will be available in the rear of the nave after communing.

Justice Advocacy Workshop Sunday, March 4, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

The Justice Advocacy Ministry Team, and the Interfaith Environmental Network of Houston, a Houston affiliate of the Texas Interfaith Center for Public Policy, invite you to attend a Justice Advocacy Workshop. This workshop will also be online, via a simultaneous web meeting. The training will be recorded, so you can review later. Contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com.

SOUP, SOUP, SOUP!

Join us on Wednesdays for Soup and Support our Missionaries in Mexico

All members and friends are invited to come and sample a delicious variety of homemade soups each **Wednesday evening during Lent, 5:30-6:40 p.m.** And of course, additional soup makers and servers are most welcome. Proceeds from our soup suppers benefit our missionaries in Mexico, Pastor David and Alicia Brondos.

If you would like to help, please contact Beverly Davis, 713-400-0517 or beverlydavis@ctkelc.org.

Activate Your Faithful Imagination Strategic Planning Process
Saturday, March 10, 10:00 a.m. See inside.



Don't Be Late to Church
 Daylight Saving Time begins
Sunday, March 11
 Spring Ahead



Saturday March 10
 Leave the church at 7:30
 Return at noon
 For information, contact ctkhfb@gmail.com

Project Promise: Building Personal Care Kits for People Around the World

During Lent, we again join Lutheran World Relief's Project Promise 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. Our goal is to assemble at least 100 LWR Care Kits during Lent. Here's our collection schedule:

Drop items off in the narthex or church office.

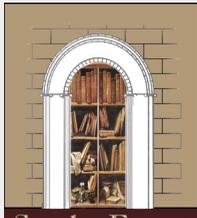
- March 4: Toothbrushes** (adult size, in original packaging)
- March 11: Combs** (sturdy, please!)
No picks or fine toothed combs)
- March 18: Nail Clippers** (metal, attached file optional)
- March 25: Bars of Soap** (each kit includes 2 bars of soap)

Everyone is invited to join the Luther League in assembling our Personal Care Kits after the Good Friday service on March 30.



Bath Towels Needed
 We can only assemble as many kits as we have bath towels:
 new, light-weight, preferably dark colored bath towels (maximum 52" by 27")

THIS WEEK



SUNDAY FORUM

9:45 a.m. in the parish hall

Prayer across Faiths March 4:

Sunday Forum

Prayer in Buddhist life

Seirin Tim Schorre received the Buddhist precepts and lay-ordination, along with the Buddhist name Seirin, meaning Peaceful Forest in 1999. In 2017 he received ordination as a novice Soto Zen priest from his teacher, Rev. Setsuan Gaelyn Godwin. In addition to his professional work as an architect, he currently serves Houston Zen Center as a practice leader and co-leads a Buddhist congregation at the Ferguson Unit of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

March 11 and 18: Spirituality and Sexuality

Led by Pastor Janelle Rozek Hooper, Campus Pastor for Houston Lutheran Campus Ministry serving Rice and UH.

Is it corny to think spirituality and sexuality go together? Some might think so because of the rarity in which we speak about these two topics together publicly. Join us for an open and honest theological discussion about where the Bible helps us interpret the loving connection between people.

Ukrainian Egg Decorating Workshop

Pasanky (Ukrainian egg decorating) classes meet on the 3rd floor at 6:00 p.m. on Thursdays through March 22, led by Marie Monroe. The cost is \$10 for new students and \$5 for returning students. Everyone learns and works at their own speed, and you are invited to enjoy this relaxing, meditative art. You too can make beautiful eggs.

Wednesday Nights

The following programs are offered this semester. Our annual Lenten Soup Suppers will continue during March (no activities on March 28). Soup is served from 5:30-6:40 p.m. Pizza is available for \$2.00 a slice. (see calendar on back page for classes and times).

Wednesday Lenten Vespers 7:00 p.m.

Jesus' I AM-statements

The Wednesday Lenten Vespers continues at 7:00 p.m. in the nave through March 21. Join us for meditations on the "I am" statements of Jesus from the Gospel of John.

Mind the Gap

Wednesdays, 6:10 p.m. 3rd floor through March 21

Pastor Liebster leads a study of *Mind the Gap* on five Wednesdays during Lent, 6:00- 6:50 p.m. The book is available from Fortress Press and on Amazon. Participants may read ch. 5, Did Jesus Abolish the Law of Moses, p. 115-146.

Bach Marathon

Sunday, March 18 from 1:00-7:00 p.m.,

Bach Marathon features many varied artists performing for 6 hours to celebrate Bach's birthday! All artists donating their gifts, and proceeds go to Houston Food Bank. Come and go as you wish!

Easter Egg Decorating for Parents and Kids

March 24, from 2:00-3:30 p.m.

All children ages 0-4 and their parents and older siblings are invited to an Easter egg decorating social on Saturday, March 24, from 2:00-3:30 p.m. in the church courtyard or parish hall if inclement weather. Parents and their children will gather to hear a short story about Easter eggs and then the decorating will begin! We ask that each family bring their own supply of hard-boiled eggs to decorate. Egg decorating supplies and snacks will be provided. Please invite friends to join you and get to know our church in time to worship with us for Palm Sunday on March 25, Holy Week, and Easter on April 1. Hope to see every-bunny there!

ACTIVATE YOUR FAITHFUL IMAGINATION Strategic Planning Process

Saturday, March 10, 10:00 a.m. & Thursday, March 22, 7:00 p.m.

We are now in an exciting strategic planning process here at Christ the King Lutheran Church. What do you want to see happen here within the next five years? What do you want the congregation to be known for five and ten years from now? What does God want us to do and be as a congregation for each other and the world?

These are wonderful and urgent questions for us at this time in our new chapter of faithful ministry. The Council and Ministry Staff already have been touched by the "strategic planning bug." They are eager for their ideas to be shared with you. Pastor Larson is eager to use this occasion to get to know you much better, too. Above all, these next two months are the time for all of us together in different venues to discern prayerfully and to imagine faithfully how we can and will be in these next years. Data from the call process will merge with our conversations. Some of our imagination sessions will be of a general character. Some will focus on particular interest like worship and music, communication technology, education innovations, and a "signature outreach mission."

General Imagination Sessions—that is, free-wheeling conversation and listening prompted by presentation of some initial ideas--will first be hosted in the parish hall on **Saturday, March 10, at 10:00 a.m.** and **Thursday, March 22, at 7:00 p.m.** All are welcome! Pastor Duane will lead the discussions and Congregation Council representatives will take notes and "listen in." Further "Focus Topics" conversation will be planned for April into May. We'll invite specific conversations around Outreach/Service, Life Together, Worship, Education, and Communications. It would be ideal for some of these to be hosted in private homes. Pastor Duane or Beverly Davis will welcome your volunteering of hospitality. Watch for the dates and places for these conversations.

We have an ambitious schedule to build our plan. We've been given a great head start because of much work already done in the past two years with the call process and because of Pastor Duane's familiarity with us already. We want to have the main points and schedule of a new plan ready to report to the congregation at a special meeting in June. Over the summer the plan will be tweaked, thanks to your ongoing input. We pray that we will have a fully articulated plan ready in September for the congregation to adopt, complete with a five-year timeline of goals, how-to steps, deadlines, and budget forecast.

Questions? Contact Pastor Larson. In the meantime, please bring your faithful imagination to one of the two general sessions scheduled for March.

Christ the King Young Adults

Sunday, March 18 7:00 p.m.

Anyone "young at heart" is invited on the third Sunday of the month to the Volcano Pub and Grill, corner of Morningside and Bissonet on **Sunday, March 18 at 7:00 p.m.** Meet new friends, enjoy beer, and discuss anything about living the faith. Newcomers welcome! For more information, contact Pastor Duane at duanelarson@ctkelc.org.

Youth Star Envelope Fundraiser

The Star Envelope Fundraiser will continue until Sunday, March 18. When pick an envelope off the bulletin board in the courtyard it will have a number. Match your donation with the number marked on the envelope. Top donors will receive a special prize. Checks should be made out to "Christ the King Lutheran Church" with Youth Gathering in the memo line. You may put your donation in the offering plate on Sundays or drop it off at the office during the week. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go toward sending our youth to 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering this summer.