

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

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| Denise Engle | Michelle Jennings | Bud Wendt |
| Cheryl Pfenning | Weldon Kuretsch | Terri Spriester |
| Amelie Edelmann | Terry Marks | Randy Naquin |
| Tod Schenck | Elaine McAnelly | Jodi Nash |
| Michael Edelmann | Jeff Thompson | Leslie Winesett |
| Logan Faron | Diane Persson | Phil Richey |
| | Cathleen Trechter | Armas Stayton |



Mission Offering

Christian Community Service Center

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

The Christian Community Service Center (CCSC) is a coalition of churches working to reduce the effects of poverty in the local community. The mission of Christian Community Service Center (CCSC) is to serve the poor, hungry, disabled and otherwise needy while respecting their religious, ethnic, or cultural differences. CCSC was created out of faith and founded in the belief that we are called to help all of God's children heart to heart and hand in hand.

In 2017, 10,967 unduplicated persons in crisis were provided immediate relief with everyday necessities. Together we offered food, clothing, hygiene items and financial assistance, helping our neighbors avoid homelessness and substandard living conditions. Additionally, 713 persons were assisted with job readiness and employment services and 10,254 children were served through special programs: Back to School, Jingle Bell Express, and Vision Care Program. We are grateful to members that contribute and volunteer with CCSC on a regular basis.

CCSC serves as our congregation's Food Pantry, Clothing Closet, and Emergency Services to our members and neighbors in need.

Lutherhill Elementary Summer Camp July 15-20

Those completed 1st-5th grade will spend a whole week at Lutherhill discovering all of the joys camp has to offer with Deacon Ben Remmert! Alpha Campers (1st Graders) are at camp July 15-18 and Youngin's (2nd-3rd Graders) and Yearling's (4th-6th Graders) are at camp July 15-20. Register at lutherhill.org.

Jr. High Beach Camp July 22-27

Those that have completed 6th-8th grade can experience a week at Lutherhill as a confirmation group with Deacon Ben Remmert! Beach camp is located at the new Zion Retreat Center, Galveston Island. Campers will experience the love of Christ both inside and outside the walls of Zion. Register at lutherhill.org.



Saturday, April 28 & Sunday, April 29, 2018

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



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. Donations at the snack table benefit the ELCA World Hunger Appeal.

The pastors and worship servers look forward to meeting guests after worship and answer questions about Christ the King Church.

Ascension Day

Thursday, May 10 8:15 a.m.

Holy Communion

Join us for the celebration of Ascension Day in the narthex on Thursday, May 10 at 8:15 a.m. This worship service will include a devotion and Holy Communion.

Recognition of 2018 Graduates May 13

If you are receiving a degree from high school, undergraduate, technical or graduate programs, we would like to know! Email the church office with details about your graduation date and any plans you have for your future (ctk@ctkelc.org).

Graduates of all degrees will be invited to participate in a short rite of recognition on **May 13 at the 10:50 a.m. service**. High school seniors will receive a gift from the Prayer Shawl Knitters.

Lay Chaplains and Lay Eucharistic Ministers Recognized

In worship this week we recognize and celebrate the ministry of our Community of Hope Lay Chaplains and Lay Eucharistic Ministers with a rite of Affirmation of Vocation. We also welcome 6 new lay chaplains at the 8:30 a.m. service. Terri Bourne, Valentine Boving, Lee Herrick, Edward Pennell, Petra Rantanen and Susanne Savely join the ranks of our congregation's pastoral care ministries. We are grateful for the many Christ the King members who have responded to God's call to be a sacred listening presence to those who are suffering.

Eastertide Vespers

Sunday, April 29 at 6:00 p.m.

Join us for a festive musical celebration of Easter with the Eastertide Vespers in the nave at 6 p.m. on April 29. The Bach Choir will perform Bach's ebullient Easter cantata *Bringet dem Herrn Ehre seines Namens*. Come early for a pre-Vespers talk with musicologist and Leipzig expert Christopher Anderson at 5:15 p.m. in the parish hall. This Vespers follows the format of evening vespers and is free of charge.

Check your Blood Pressure

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

Yoga on Saturdays

Saturdays at 1:00 p.m. in the parish hall

All welcome: novice or experienced. Wear comfortable clothes and bring a mat.



Saturday May 12

Leave the church at 7:30
Return at noon

For information, contact ctkhfb@gmail.com

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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
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SUNDAY FORUM

9:45 a.m. in the parish hall

April 29:

Mexico City

Mission Experience

Our Christ the King Church choir and chorus members will share with the congregation their recent mission experience in Mexico City.

May 6 and 13: What is Moral Injury?

Pastor Larson leads a two week series on Moral Injury, introducing his book "Care for the Sorrowing Soul," co-authored with Jeff Zust, published in 2017. Moral Injury (MI) is damage to conscience, with profound implications for religious faith. It happens when one must act counter to one's foundational convictions or when one is betrayed by a higher trusted authority. While the book is focused on MI in military culture, it has consequences for all of us, as MI is growing into a pandemic in our society and is showing up also as "spiritual trauma" for people abused by religion. The book is available for discounted purchase in the church office for \$25.00 or is available on Amazon for \$34.00.

May 20: Sunday School For All – The Pentecost Story

Adults and kids join together to hear and wonder about the story of Pentecost. This is a great opportunity for all adults to get back in touch with Sunday School and see how it has become a place of spiritual practice.

May 27: Christ the King Book Fair

All authors and composers from among Christ the King Church will present their published books/works at a fair in the parish hall. Books will be available for autographing, or you may bring your own copies to be signed. Come drop by this fun fair and let's celebrate our authors and composers.



MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING OF LETTERS MAY 13

GATHER IN THE COURTYARD AND WRITE LETTERS

Calling all Christ the King Authors and Composers May 27

We will kick off our Summer Book Reviews with a **Book Presentation and Signing Party** on Sunday, May 27, at 9:45 a.m. As a special treat, we will also include our resident composers.

All composers and members who have authored books of any genre (personal memoirs, historical, academic, children's, etc.) are invited to join the party! We want to celebrate all authors in our midst, so please let Beverly Davis, beverlydavis@ctkelc.org, know if you (and your book) can join us!

Summer Book Reviews

During the summer months members and friends lead book reviews on various topics. All interested in presenting a book on a Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m. are invited to contact Chris Bryant at cbryant0036@outlook.com with title, author and your Sunday availability.

If you have recently read a good book you'd love to discuss or need an excuse to read a good book, then sign up and share your reading pleasures with our members and friends. As much as we enjoy the wide variety of books that we usually hear reviewed, we particularly welcome books that explore religious, moral, or ethical concerns of our society and the world.

Do You Speak a Foreign Language?

Each year on Pentecost Sunday (May 20), we invite those who speak or read a language other than English to participate in the reading from the book of Acts. We encourage wide participation from all who worship with us. The readings will be done from the seats, taking place simultaneously with the languages filling the nave. Please contact Cheryl Gaspard in the church office (713-400-0519 or ctk@ctkelc.org) for more information or a copy of the reading in your language.

SPRING CONCERT



Sunday April 29th at 6PM

Lanier Middle School Auditorium

2600 Woodhead Street Houston, TX 77098

This concert is free of charge

houstonbrassband.org

Conversation on Creation

Addressing Ongoing Air Quality Challenges in Houston Sunday, April 29, at 6:00 p.m.

We welcome Bakeyah Nelson, Air Alliance Houston's Executive Director. Bakeyah will provide her perspective on some of the current air quality challenges that Houston is facing. Bakeyah will highlight how you can get involved. Please register for this talk on eventbrite.com. Contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com with any questions.

Making Houston a Resilient City – How Houses of Worship Can Help Sunday, May 6, 4:00 p.m.

Online & at Congregation Emanu El

The Interfaith Environmental Network of Houston invites you to consider the challenges and opportunities that lie before Houston, a key city in the global response to changing weather patterns, emerging economies and changing consumer preferences and needs. In this presentation, Jim Blackburn will discuss the scope of current problems, some ideas to bring resilience to our community in the future, and the role of houses of worship could play in realizing this future. Jim is a Professor at Rice University, co-director of Rice University's Severe Storm (SSPEED) Center and an environmental lawyer and planner. Please register for this event on www.eventbrite.com. Congregation Emanu el is located at 1500 Sunset Blvd. For more information, please contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com.

Pentecost Picnic
Sunday, May 20 12:15 p.m.

VBS on Location June 11-15 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

This summer experience sacred stories on location with your loved ones. That's right! We are taking Vacation Bible School on the road with our children and their parents/grandparents. Every day we will meet in a new place, participate in a Godly Play sacred story, eat lunch together and enjoy our surroundings. Then a take home activity will be given for families to continue the holy conversation. Cost is \$20 a family. Join us at the park, the zoo, the arboretum, on a bike or in a pool as we enter into stories such as "creation" while amidst...you got it, creation at the Houston Arboretum. Get the idea? Ask more questions and/or RSVP to Janelle Hooper 3hoops@gmail.com 281-726-7634 or Ben Remmert at benremmert@ctkelc.org.

Lutherhill Day Camp at Christ the King Lutheran Church August 6-10

Can't come to camp in La Grange or Galveston? Lutherhill will be coming to Christ the King Church to have summer camp in Houston. The Lutherhill staff will come and lead a full day camp from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$40 and this week is for children who have completed kindergarten through 5th grade. Campers this summer will explore the theme of "Be Someone" and learn 5 bible stories where throughout the day will have different games, crafts, service projects, and God focused celebration at the end of the day. Register by email to benremmert@ctkelc.org or call 713-400-0521.