



Welcome, Dr. Mitri Raheb

We welcome to the pulpit and at Sunday Forum Pastor Raheb, formerly pastor of Christmas Lutheran Church in Bethlehem. He is the founder, president, and CEO of Dar Al-Kalima University for arts and culture in Bethlehem, and president of Bright Stars of Bethlehem, the United States support base for his work in Palestine. Our October mission offering goes to Bright Stars of Bethlehem.

Healing Blessing in Worship

After communion this Sunday healing prayer and anointing is offered at stations by the columbarium window in the nave.

Brass Band Oktoberfest Sunday, October 14, 5:00 p.m.

in the courtyard

The Houston Brass Band and Saengerbund present an Oktoberfest Konzert which will include a variety of polkas, marches, and German drinking songs, followed by brats and beer. Admission is free; donations will benefit our Luther League.

All Saints

Worship Service

Light a candle to remember
loved ones who have died.

Sunday, November 4

World Homeless Day: October 14

Christ the King Church, as a member of the Council of Congregations of SEARCH Homeless Services, joins congregations throughout Houston on October 14 in prayer, awareness raising, service, and advocacy for some of the most marginalized and vulnerable members of our city.

You can participate by donating toilet paper for distribution to SEARCH clients living at New Hope Housing, picking up Luther Packs (survival kits) in the narthex for distribution to individuals on the street, and by advocating on behalf of the homeless in the courtyard between and after worship services.

SEARCH Cards and Coffee Ministry

Please join us in hosting our monthly coffee hour for SEARCH Homeless Services clients at the Perry St. Apartments, 4415 Perry, a New Hope Housing project in the Third Ward on **Wednesday, October 17, 10:00-11:00 a.m.** This collaboration with SEARCH takes place every third Wednesday of the month. Contact Beverly at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org.

Bread for the World Sunday Offering of Letters October 21

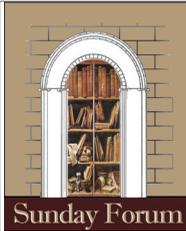
Gather in the courtyard after both services and write letters. Sample letters and writing materials will be provided.

On October 21, trusting in Jesus' promise to his disciples that "for God all things are possible" (Mark 10:27), we join others in praying for those who struggle with hunger, and we rededicate ourselves to efforts that create hope and opportunity for those in need.

Our prayers and our actions are especially urgent at this time. In Africa and the Middle East, severe drought and civil conflict have pushed millions of people into near-famine conditions. In the weeks ahead, voters and our elected officials will make decisions that will affect the 1 in 8 U.S. families who struggles to get enough to eat.

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SUNDAY FORUM

9:45 a.m. in the parish hall

Jerusalem

October 14:

Christian in Palestine

The Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb

October 21:

Jerusalem - in the Holy Land?

Dr. Matthias Henze, Rice University

When we travel to Jerusalem today, where do we travel? To the homeland of the Jews, which God promised to the Patriarchs? To the Holy Land of the Christians, who walk in the footsteps of Jesus? Or to the home of the Palestinians, who were driven from their land when the modern State of Israel was created? Does it matter? This class looks into different groups today, religious and political, and their invested (and often competing) interests in Israel.

October 28:

The Origins of the English Bible

Dr. Andrew Kraebel, professor of English in Medieval and Renaissance Studies at Trinity University and a member of Christ the King Church.

The history of Bible translation tends to begin with the Reformation, but in fact a robust culture of biblical translation existed for centuries before the advent of Protestantism. What were these pre-Reformation Bible translations? Who was responsible for making them, and how were they used? How can we fit them in to our understanding of the history of the Church, and of changing views on interpretive authority? Addressing these questions, we will focus our attention in particular on fourteenth-century England, exploring the different forms and functions of English Bibles in the centuries before the invention of print.

Common Mental/Emotional Diagnoses

Saturday, October 20, 9:15-11:00 a.m. in the parish hall.

John O'Neill EdD, LCSW, from the Menniger Clinic will offer insight into the more common mental/emotional diagnoses and suggestions about how to provide support and identify the red flags. Please RSVP by Monday, October 15 to beverlydavis@ctkelc.org.

American Premiere at Christ the King Church

October 21, 6:00 p.m.

Reformation Mass by Vincenzo Righini, 1817

Come and immerse yourself in the celebration of a celebration, right here in our nave. For the 300th anniversary of the Reformation, Italian composer Vincenzo Righini composed a mass which was performed in Houston's sister city Leipzig in 1817. Dr. Jeffrey Sposato, University of Houston, discovered the work in archives while researching a new book. Our Bach Society is premiering this mass now on American ground for our ears to hear! Tickets are \$40, \$35 seniors, \$5 students. Visit bachsocietyhouston.org.

Texas Medical Center Orchestra Concert

Soon to be member **Petra Rantanen** will be playing with the Texas Medical Center Orchestra. On **October 20, at 7:00 p.m.**, we'll be at Zilkha Hall in the Hobby Center. Tickets are \$20 (\$10 for students). Then, on November 10, they'll be doing a free Veterans Day concert at 7:00 p.m. at Miller Outdoor Theater. Check out the orchestra website: tmcorchestra.org/HOME

New Members to be Received

November 11 at the 10:50 a.m. Service

Orientation Luncheon, November 4, 12:30,

We've a good number of people interested in joining Christ the King Church. There are no "pre-membership requirements," though we encourage all interested to make themselves known to the pastors and, perhaps, attend the orientation luncheon. Please RSVP for lunch to 713-523-2864 (church office) or email cherylgaspard@ctkelc.org.

Fall Festival: Harvest Gathering

October 27 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Activities for all ages:

- 10 a.m. Planting the garden
- 11 a.m. Pumpkin carving or painting
- 12 p.m. Environmental learning activities
- 12 p.m. Games

Talks:

- 10 a.m. Climate Change,
Dan Cohan, Rice University
- 11 a.m. Pollution,
Dr. Hyun-Min Hwang,
Texas Southern University
- 12 p.m. Biodiversity Loss,
Dr. Kerri Crawford,
University of Houston

And for lunch: Hot Dogs!

Trunk or Treat Returns on Halloween!

We have been asked to again provide an amazing Trunk or Treat experience on **Wednesday, October 31, from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.** The regular Wednesday night programming will be replaced by Trunk or Treat and a blessing service at 6:45 p.m. for the trick or treaters. Pizza will also be provided at that time.

Volunteers to help produce the event are needed. If you would like to join the fun by providing your decorated car with a trunk full of treats or help manage the crowd, email Joen Larson at drjoenlarson@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAYS@CHURCH

Christ the King Church comes together every week of the school year for *Wednesdays@Church* or *W@C*. All activities are centered around dinner together. There is music for children and parents, singing for children, classes and music for adults. With dinner at the center there is ample time to make and meet friends. Dinner is served from 5:30-6:40 p.m. in the parish hall.

Love Your Neighbor

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

The Love Your Neighbor group convenes in the basement room 006. Share dinner, then join the discussion.

Lutheran Basics Course

Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

October 17: The Cross, Lutheranism's Theological Center

October 24: Lutheran Worship, Singing and Doing the Drama of Christ

November 7: The Living Word, Lutheranism and the Bible

November 14: Treasures for Teaching, Lutheranism's Doctrinal Guardrails

November 28: Vocation and Neighbor; Lutheranism's Liberation to Love

Everyone is welcome – Lutherans and non Lutherans of every alike. The class is taught by Duane Larson and Rick Erickson

Class for Parents: Raising Children to Thrive as Adults

Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.-7:20 p.m.

In *How to Raise an Adult: Break Free of the Overparenting Trap and Prepare Your Kids for Success*, Julie Lythcott Haims explores how current parenting is not necessarily producing fully functioning, independent young adults. She offers analysis and ideas for building self-sufficiency in our kids. The book is relevant to parents of toddlers as well as twenty-somethings. The conversations will be led by Lucky Sahualla with an eye to practical application for each week between the meetings. Room 107, access from the courtyard cloister.

The Unknown Bible: Reading Ruth

Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m.

All are welcome to join the ongoing reading of biblical books. We read a book at a time, in no particular order, share our observations and are enlightened by commentary where necessary. Join the reading of the delightful book of Ruth in the third floor conference room. Keep your eyes out for the next book. Pastor Liebster leads this class.

CHRIST THE KING FESTIVAL

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

Plan now to attend the annual Christ the King Festival party on **Friday, November 16 at 7:00 p.m.** To make our celebration wildly successful you can help by donating the following items by November 2:

- 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.)

Sunday, October 14

8:30 a.m. Worship ELW 3, nave
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship ELW 3, nave
5:00 p.m. Oktoberfest, courtyard

Monday, October 15 Church Office Closed

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

Tuesday, October 16

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

Wednesday, October 17

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
5:00 p.m. The 5 O'Clock, 3rd floor
5:30 p.m. Dinner begins, through 6:40 p.m.
5:30 p.m. PreK-K music, 011
5:45 p.m. Infant music, 201
6:00 p.m. Choristers, 001
6:15 p.m. Confirmation class, 204
6:15 p.m. Brass ensemble, narthex
6:15 p.m. Jr Choristers, 011
6:20 p.m. Toddler music, 201
6:30 p.m. Love Your Neighbor, 006
6:30 p.m. Raising Children, 107
6:30 p.m. Lutheran Basics
7:30 p.m. Chorus, 011
7:30 p.m. Choir, 001

Thursday, October 18

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
10:00 a.m. Piecemakers, 3rd floor

Friday, October 19

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, narthex
9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3rd floor
10:30 a.m. Friday Morning Bible Study, narthex

Saturday, October 20

9:15 a.m. Common Mental/Emotional Diagnoses,
parish hall
1:00 p.m. Yoga, parish hall
6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, nave

Sunday, October 21

8:30 a.m. Worship ELW 3, nave
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Offering of Letters, courtyard
10:50 a.m. Worship ELW 3, nave
5:15 p.m. Pre-concert talk, parish hall
6:00 p.m. Reformation Mass 1817, nave

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

Melinda Fazekas Martha Stoerner Ana Cristina
Krystyna Steffens Martina Bahr Kolmel
Hayden Wood Anne Walker Angelica
Schmidt-Lange



Mission Offering

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

Bright Stars of Bethlehem

Bright Stars of Bethlehem, a program of Christmas Lutheran Church in Bethlehem, Palestine, promotes the many outreach ministries that serve the educational, medical, professional and spiritual development needs of people living in Palestine.

From the first breath of life to the last, Bright Stars of Bethlehem partners to grow hope in Palestine by connecting people in the United States through awareness-raising and fund-raising, to these ministry efforts in the Holy Land:

- Diyar Academy for Children and Youth
- Dar al-Kalima College
- Azway Young Families Program
- Ajyal Senior Care Program

More information at brightstarsbethlehem.org.

Peru Interest Meeting

Our congregation has enjoyed a companion relationship with the Lutheran churches in Trujillo, Peru for over a decade. As a part of our recent “faithful imagining,” we were encouraged to strengthen that partnership, along with our relationship to the Iglesia Luterana Peruana (ILP). With that in mind, we are planning a trip to Lima and Trujillo for the summer of 2019. If you are interested in joining a small group of members in an exploratory and service-oriented trip, please join us for lunch at **12:30 p.m. on Sunday, November 4**. For more information and to RSVP for lunch, contact Pr. Larson at duanelarson@ctkelc.org or Beverly Davis at beverlydavis@ctkelc.org.

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