



Gloria in Excelsis Deo!

On Sunday, May 12 at both services, our Chorus and Choir, along with strings and trumpet, present Antonio Vivaldi's great masterpiece, **Gloria**. The work will be sung in its completeness over the course of the liturgy, and give us a chance to reflect on the **Gloria** in this season.

Congratulations to All 2019 Graduates

Graduates of all degrees will be recognized in worship **at the 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. services, followed by cake in the courtyard.**

Confirmation Sunday May 19 at 8:30 a.m.

Eleven youth will affirm their baptism at the 8:30 a.m. worship service. The congregation has supported them with prayer and accompaniment during two years of confirmation class when they studied Luther's Small Catechism and the Bible. Affirmation of Baptism makes these youth full members of the congregation with the right to vote at congregational meetings. We welcome Victoria Allen, Keegan Cook, Sarah DeVany, Aramis Friberg, Tassilo Friberg, Christopher Karohl, Carson Sahualla, Luke Schoppe, John Thweatt, Samuel Vollmers, and Morgan Yaege.

Important Road Repair/Closure News

Road reconstruction on Greenbriar Avenue is scheduled from May 1 to August 31. Northbound traffic on Greenbriar will detour through the Rice Village on Morningside Drive while southbound Greenbriar traffic is reduced to a single lane between Rice Boulevard and University Boulevard. At the Rice/Greenbriar intersection, **Rice Boulevard will be closed to east/west traffic for two days, beginning on or about May 13**, while contractors connect underground utilities. During construction, access to Rice University's Greenbriar Lot will always be possible through Gate 16 on Rice Boulevard at Whitley.

Offering of Letters

Our letters will be dedicated during worship on Mother's Day, May 12.



Bread for the World's annual Offering of Letters campaign engages churches, campuses, and other faith communities in writing letters to Congress. Each year, for the focus of the campaign, BFW chooses specific legislation or a legislative emphasis that can make a real difference to people struggling with hunger and poverty. This year's emphasis urges Congress to protect and increase funding for global nutrition.

Christ the King Church members wrote letters last Sunday. Supported with prayer, our letters become a bold witness to God's justice and mercy. They have had, and continue to have, a significant impact on the decisions made in Congress.

Welcome to Christ the King Church

On **May 19 at 12:30 p.m.** all who are interested in learning more about Christ the King Church's ministries and community are invited to a luncheon with the pastors. On June 9, Pentecost Sunday, we will receive all who would like to join themselves to the mission of Christ the King Church as new members.

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SUNDAY FORUM 9:45 a.m. in the parish hall

May 12: The Theology of New Yorker Cartoons

With Pastor Duane



Do New Yorker cartoons make you laugh?

Do they inspire you to think about God and stuff?

They can!

Pastor Duane will share some New Yorker cartoons at the special Mother's Day

Sunday forum. Come, laugh, and reflect...even do both at the same time. And, with this teaser session, get a preview of what we can do for four nights in a row at the upcoming "Summer Wonders" special intergenerational "vacation church school" the first week of August, each weekday evening. There you can take a class with Pastor Duane on New Yorker Cartoon Theology, learn about craft beer brewing, take dance lessons, cooking lessons, study a biblical book, and more. But before then, see you on May 12. Bring your good humor!

May 19: Jerusalem: Holy City in Time and Imagination

presented by Matthias Henze

Jerusalem, a city holy to Jews, Christians and Muslims, continues to be at the center of our religious imagination. The city is also the source of much strife and contention. Using two specific sites in Jerusalem as examples, the Temple Mount and the City of David, Dr. Henze will brief summarize the significance of these ancient sites in antiquity and then discuss the role these sites play today in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

May 26: Summer Sunday Book Reviews begin.

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.

Please contact Chris Bryant at cbryant0036@outlook.com with title, author and your Sunday availability.

Christ the King Young Adults

Our Young Adults will have their regular meeting on **Sunday, May 19, 7:00 p.m.** at the Volcano, corner of Morningside and Bissonet. No age range is stipulated; it is open to all the young at heart. Newcomers always welcome. For more info, contact Pastor Duane at duanelarson@ctkelc.org.

Leisurely Summer Writing Circle

Those interested in writing their family stories are invited to a Summer Writing Circle. In these informal sessions, participants will choose their own story themes or explore other writing interests such as personal essays or fiction. No previous writing experience is required. The sessions will be facilitated by Anna Fay Williams, published writer and teacher. The sessions will be held on **Fridays from 1:30 to 3:30 pm beginning May 17** at CTK third floor conference room. For further information and participation, please contact Anna Fay at annafay2016@gmail.com.

Do You Speak a Foreign Language?

Each year on Pentecost Sunday (June 9), 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.

Pentecost Picnic

Sunday, June 9 12:15 p.m.

Come and join together for a good ol' time at our annual Pentecost in the courtyard.

SEARCH 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, May 15, 10:00-11:00 a.m.** This collaboration with SEARCH takes place every third Wednesday of the month. For more information, contact Beverly at beverly-davis@ctkelc.org.

Achieving Zero Waste in Houston & What You Can Do

Sunday, May 19, at 6 p.m., online

Join Rosanne Barone, Program Director in Houston for Texas Campaign for the Environment, for an online talk on achieving zero waste in Houston. Rosanne will address policymaking at the local and state levels to achieve zero waste goals and address problematic waste facilities, as well as international efforts to curb the production of products that can't be recycled. She will also explain the actions you can take. Please register for this talk on eventbrite.com. Contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com with any questions about this talk.

Science and Religion Discussion Group

Evolution of Language, presented by Bob Tucker

Monday, May 20 at 7:00 p.m.

The Houston Science and Religion Discussion Group (HSRDG) will conduct its regular monthly meeting in the 3rd floor conference room. The public is welcome to participate in the HSRDG meetings, which are scheduled for the third Monday of every month.

Ascension Day

Thursday, May 30 8:15 a.m.

Holy Communion

Join us for the celebration of Ascension Day in the narthex. This worship service will include a devotion and Holy Communion.

The Houston Brass Band at the Horton Foote Theatre Wharton County Junior College

911 E Boling Hwy, Warton, TX Park in Lot 6



Robert Walp, Music Director

**Sunday
May 19
4:00 p.m.**

Free Admission
houstonbrassband.org

Blues, Brews, and Good News Meets Ramadan!

Friday, May 24, 7:00 p.m.

Did you know that every fourth friday “Blues, Brews, and Good News” is for everybody?

This is “church in a different way,” sponsored and produced by Christ the King Church’s great Young Adult/Young Professional group and it is meant for EVERYBODY and anybody from CTK and from the larger community! Once a month (except for summer) we gather for craft beers, great music, and topical reflection about faith and society. So, spread the word! Come and enjoy!

The May Blues, Brews, and Good News event (the last for the season, we’ll restart in September) on Friday, May 24, 7:00 p.m., will be extra special! We’ll be joined by the Turkish Muslim community of Houston for “Blues, Brews, and Good News... Meets Ramadan”! Great music will be followed by welcoming the sunset and breaking the Ramadan fast with our Abrahamic kin. And a great feast will follow! With even some special “Muslim Blues” music. Christians will enjoy beer...this time after sunset...and we all will enjoy a fine catered halal meal. There will be a cost this time, but will be modest. The Reflection time will include a public conversation on “What Unites Us in Faith and Life.” This will be the biggest B,B, and GN of the year, so don’t miss!

We celebrate with these members and friends who are remembering their baptism this week:
 Peter Bryant Jonah Ybarra Johanna Dorn
 Linda Kuisk Rebecca Shields Maximilian Dorn
 Velma Rice Anne Clutterbuck Matthew Thompson
 Henry Turner Thomas DeVany Chase Batten-Smith



Sunday, May 12

8:30 a.m. Worship, ELW 3
 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 10:50 a.m. Worship, ELW 3
 6:00 p.m. Luther League party, youth room

Monday, May 13

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

Tuesday, May 14

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

Wednesday, May 15

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
 10:00 a.m. SEARCH Coffee, offsite
 6:15 p.m. Brass Choir
 7:30 p.m. Church Choir, nave
 7:30 p.m. Chorus, parish hall

Thursday, May 16

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

Friday, May 17

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, nave
 9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3rd floor
 1:30 p.m. Writer's Circle, 3rd floor

Saturday, May 18

1:00 p.m. Yoga, parish hall
 6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, nave

Sunday, May 19

8:30 a.m. Worship, ELW 3
 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 10:50 a.m. Worship, ELW 3
 12:15 p.m. Membership lunch, 3rd floor
 4:00 p.m. Houston Brass Band concert, offsite
 6:00 p.m. Creation Care webinar, online
 7:00 p.m. Young Adults at the Volcano

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH IN TRUJILLO, PERU

The ELCA uses an accompaniment model for connecting the global church. Christ the King Church has been a companion congregation with the Lutheran Churches in Trujillo, Peru since 2010.



La Iglesia Luterana de Peru, IL-P [The Lutheran Church of Peru], a member of the Lutheran World Federation, is comprised of over a dozen congregations and several mission starts or faith communities, as they are called in Peru.

IL-P communities are mostly found in and around Lima, Peru's political and economic capital, although IL-P has grown near Trujillo, along Peru's Northern coast, Iquitos in the Amazon Basin, and Huancayo and Cusco in the Central Andes. Christ the King Church has a companion relationship with four congregations/faith communities in and around Trujillo (along the northern coast).

Last year our \$1785 mission offering for our partner congregations in Trujillo was used wisely and gratefully. First of all, the two front doors to the San Andres Church in Trujillo were replaced, making both an aesthetic and security improvement for the church. The beloved lay pastor of San Andres said that church members were joking that the new doors should last "hasta el Señor regresa" (until the Lord returns). The remainder of our mission offering went to help with construction of the roof in Chocofán and for supply materials for the preschools in Magdalena de Cao and Cristo Vive.

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