

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

Michael Mattern	William Streng	Rochelle Manske
David Scaff	Larry Baehre	Gary Miertschin
Eliana LoTurco	Christian Bruns	Janeen Cornor
Reinetta Hansen	Phil Cezeaux	Presenta Cabascango
Peggy Johnson	Alicia Goodrow	Kirstin Springmeyer
Heather Waters	Ian Kragas	Elizabeth Linsenmayer
Karin Liebster	Greg LoTurco	Melody Braun-Wilds

Sunday, October 27

Blood Pressure Screening after services.
 8:30 a.m. Worship, Schubert Mass
 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Confirmation
 10:50 a.m. Worship, ELW 9
 12:00 noon Garden Planting Party, courtyard
 4:30 p.m. Luther League, off site
 6:00 p.m. Creation Care webinar, online

Monday, October 28

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

Tuesday, October 29

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

Wednesday, October 30

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, 3rd floor
 5:30 p.m. Trunk or Treat, parish hall
 6:15 p.m. Brass Choir, 001
 7:30 p.m. Church Choir, 001
 7:30 p.m. Chorus, 011

Thursday, October 31

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

Friday, November 1

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, nave
 8:30 a.m. Prayer for our Vets, courtyard
 9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3rd floor
 10:00 a.m. Friday Morning Bible Study, council room
 1:00 p.m. Writers Circle, 3rd floor

Saturday, November 2

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

Sunday, November 3

8:30 a.m. Worship, Schubert Mass
 9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Confirmation
 1:00 p.m. Bike Safety course
 10:50 a.m. Worship, ELW 9



EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC (EEL-RCA)



The EEL-RCA strives to participate in:

- national reconciliation
- rebuilding and training efforts
- clinics and community health care
- village schools
- the building of spring boxes for pure water sources
- university scholarships
- village micro-finance groups
- veterinary projects to improve animal health and crop yield

Our offerings also support:

- the translation of Sunday School materials
- roofs for churches
- motorcycles for pastors who need transportation as they serve multiple small rural congregations

Christ the King Church along with our synod celebrates CAR Companion Synod Day on October 20.

Let us join this month our voices and our resources with those of the congregations of the EEL-RCA who pray fervently, dance their way to the offering plate, and sing hymns joyously even in times of trouble.

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
 Mary Joy Silmaro, Music Associate Robert Walp, Brass Choir Director
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Saturday, October 26 & Sunday, October 27, 2019

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



Trunk or Treat in the parish hall

Come for our indoor Trunk or Treat on **Wednesday, October 30, 4:30 - 7:00 p.m.** Children may be dressed in their costumes or not, and go from table to table in the Halloween style parish hall to go "trick or treating." Families and everyone young and old is welcome! We will end our festivities at 6:45 p.m. with a blessing for the trick or treaters. Pizza will also be provided at that time. We hope to see you there!

We are looking for volunteer Halloween witches, ghouls, and skeletons to host a booth. Please contact drjoenlarson@gmail.com asap.



What is the CTK Festival?

It's our time to party for a good cause, really, several good causes. CTK Festival is a dinner and fundraiser for charities supported by our church.

Festival Tickets on Sale

\$15 per person through November 8 at church or online.

Late sales \$20 per person.

Piecemakers' Quilt

Drawing tickets are sold on Sundays.

Sounds like fun! How are the funds raised? Festival Luncheon

There are several fun ways to party for our causes:

- make gifts directly to the organizations at the festival dinner, sign up for more parties (also known as Sociables),
- raise your hand to buy one of the exciting items offered in the live auction,
- or buy tickets for an opportunity to take home an original Piecemakers hand-stitched quilt.

What can I do to help?

- Plan to attend the festival
- Offer to host a Sociable
- Buy lots of drawing tickets
- Donate a quality bottle of wine (\$20+) for the "wine pull"

Interested in volunteering?

Contact Mary Ann Beseda- maryannbeseda@gmail.com.

Sunday, November 17, 12:30 p.m.

Our Welcoming City of Houston is the most diverse large city in the US, and it welcomes refugees, immigrants and asylees, among others. The diversity of its residents enriches our communities with different cultures, cuisines and languages. Let's celebrate the unity of our diverse Houstonians, with a delicious lunch, prepared by some of the refugees and immigrants, on Sunday, November 17 at 12:30 p.m., during which, you will have the opportunity to learn more about them, their experiences and journeys". Please help our guests plan by your RSVP to beverlydavis@ctkelc.org.

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

Three week series on
"The Apocalypse" Then
and Now

Sunday Forum

October 27: Scholars have long debated who the historical Jesus really was: A Jewish peasant cynic or a Rabbi? A revolutionary or a Pharisee? An exorcist, a healer, or a magician? In this talk Matthias Henze will evaluate the evidence that comes to us from the New Testament and evaluate the hypothesis that Jesus was an apocalyptic prophet.

November 3: Apocalypticism in America: Religious Apocalypticism in full view after being underground and strategically nurtured for 50 years, Duane Larson

Novovember 10: The American Apocalypse: End Time Beliefs and the Religious Right, Matthias Henze.

Open House at the Chaucer House this Sunday 12:00-1:30 p.m.

Crossing Borders School invites our members to an Open House at the newly renovated "Chaucer House" (behind the church parking lot) after late service this Sunday. Enjoy meeting the school's director and learning more about our tenant and neighbor.

Friday Morning Bible Study

All are invited to Friday Morning Bible Study. **Join us for a cup of coffee at 10:00 a.m. in the council room** Bible Study and prayer begin at 10:30, and we finish approximately 11:40 a.m.



Saturday November 9
8:00 am - noon

For information and to RSVP,
contact ctkhfb@gmail.com

ELEVEN DAYS OF PRAYER FOR VETERANS AND THE SUICIDE CRISIS

Still welcoming veterans on their journey home.
Veterans Day is November 11.

November 1-11 we pray, thank, and care for military service members and veterans. Their "journey home" is not complete until we whom they've served have our ears and hearts fully open and welcoming and supportive. Twenty-Two Service Member and veteran suicides a day show we're not there yet.

On weekdays from November 1-8, at 8:30 a.m., a "prayer moment" will be held outside our nave at the corner of Rice and Greenbriar. At the conclusion each day, we'll hang 22 symbolic dog tags on a special tree.

At 7:00 p.m. November 11, a Veterans Day Service of Thanksgiving and Intercession will be held in the nave, open to the wider community.

Fall Outing in Nature – Nature Journaling at Sheldon Lake State Park Saturday, November 9, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

The CTK Creation Care Team invites you to explore Sheldon Lake State Park through nature journaling, led by master naturalist Irmi Willcockson. "Nature journaling is your path into the exploration of the natural world around you, and into your personal connection with it." Leslie and Roth, 2000. This introduction is for all ages, and supplies will be provided. We'll meet at the Sheldon Lake State Park Visitor Center to distribute supplies and provide simple instructions. We'll go out and journal for about 30 min, then gather back at the visitor's center to reflect. **NOTE:** There is plenty to see within feet of the visitor center, no hiking required. Sheldon Lake State Park is located at 14140 Garrett Rd. in Houston. To provide adequate supplies for all attendees, please register for this event at eventbrite.com. Contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com with any questions.

Check your Blood Pressure

Blood pressure screening in the narthex after each Sunday morning service on **October 27.**

Native Plant Pollinator Garden Party Sunday, October 27 at noon

Bring your gardening gloves & tools to weed and plant native pollinator plants in the garden. Refreshments afterward.

Bike to Church/Alternative Transport Sunday, November 3

The CTK Creation Care Team invites you to walk, bike, carpool, take the bus...to church! We will have bike route and bus information available after each worship service. Contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com for more information.

Community Bike Safety Course Sunday, November 3, 1:00 p.m.

Nervous about biking in Houston? The CTK Creation Care Team and Bike Houston invite you to a free Community Bike Safety Course where you'll gain the confidence to cycle safely around town. This is the only free bike safety course in Houston taught by certified instructors. The course takes begins with 90 minutes of classroom instruction at CTK. 90 minutes of drills in the Rice University parking lot follow the classroom instruction, and then we'll take a leisurely 1 hour ride around the neighborhood to practice our skills on the road. Instruction is provided by certified instructors from Bike Houston and the course is suitable for all ages. You may attend all or just a portion of the class, as your schedule permits. Participants should bring their bikes and helmets. Please register for this course on eventbrite.com. Contact Lisa Brenskelle at brenskelle@aol.com with any questions.

Dinner for Hospitality Apartment Residents

Thursday, November 7, 6:00 p.m.

Give the gift of a couple of hours of your time and talents for our Annual Fall Dinner for the residents of the Hospitality Apartments! (hospitalityapartments.org) on Thursday, November 7 at 6:00 p.m.

This is a great one-time volunteer opportunity for those looking for a meaningful way to serve others. Please join us to provide a pot-luck dish, help serve dinner, and enjoy fellowship with others. Invite friends and family to join in! We have a wonderful core group of volunteers for this special event every year, but we always welcome and look forward to new faces and helping hands! The residents, all from outside the Houston area and receiving treatment in the Medical Center, love this time of fellowship and connection with others. Let us know what you can bring and if you will be able to help serve. If you can provide a dish, but are unable to join us, you may drop it off at the church, or we can make other arrangements to get it from you. You may also make a cash donation towards the dinner.

The Hospitality Apartments are located at 7300 Bertner, 7 blocks south of MD Anderson, off of Holcombe. Meet us there at 5:15-5:30, or carpool with us from the church parking lot at 5:00 p.m. **If you have questions, please contact Julie Giam at juliegiam005@gmail.com or 713-443-4196, or Janice Stuff at jestuff@pdq.net or 713-516-5748.**

hospitalityapartments.org

Converge Jr. High Retreat at Lutherhill: November 8-10

Our worlds collide as middle school youth 6th-8th grade from Texas, Louisiana and beyond converge on this sacred ground! Come to the Hill for an action-packed weekend of high ropes, crazy games, meaningful conversations, new friends and faith formation. Schedule: Converge begins Friday evening with a little community (controlled) chaos, followed by a time of music and reflection led by Lutherhill alumni staff. Saturday, we explore the intersection of faith and life before heading off to an afternoon of camp activities. Converge concludes with a community brunch and sending worship on Sunday morning.

Cost: \$120 per youth; \$96 per adult sponsor. RSVP to Ben Remmert to guarantee a spot for a great event by November 5.