

The Advocate

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CTK Annual Meeting

Christ the King's Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 22, following the Service. It will be held in the Great Hall. The Congregational Meeting is the congregation's highest legislative body. It meets annually to conduct business of the church, to celebrate successes and more. Annual reports are anticipated to be ready for distribution two weeks in advance. They will be available in print and online. You can find the print version on the table in the back of the sanctuary when they are ready. The online version will be found on the leadership page of our website.

Weather Notifications at CTK

Inclement weather can be a headache for us at times. We are Committed to being a safe Community that encourages each other to be careful when weather threatens. It is our commitment to announce weather-related Cancellations at CTK on our Website, www.cktdelafield.org. Cancellations will be posted at least an hour and a half before the start of an event. Further, if Kettle Moraine Schools close, CTK will be closed for the remainder of that day.

Setting the Table for Beggars



The holidays are past. Decorations are coming down, resolutions are becoming action, and thank you notes are being written. In our house, the last of the guests left the Monday after New Year's Day. Now everything is returning to normal.

Here's what's normal in the church: We gather around the table of Holy Communion and celebrate that God has resolved to bring us new life. The decorations of Christmas go up and come down, Lent's austerity will leave the altar bare, and plans for Easter's lilies are already being thought about. And in the middle of all these shifts of the season, the table remains at the center of all we do.

Our altar's beauty is often remarked on by visitors in our building. I love the rooted base of our enormous table. They remind us that the table is a place of growth and seasonal renewal. When I look at them, I think of how our Christian life is rooted in the work of Jesus, who gives himself for us on the cross and in the meal. Our lives are rooted in the work of Christ in Holy Communion... and in Holy Baptism.

The prominence of the altar is intentional. The church is always a community at its best when it gathers at the table. We come there to be refreshed and renewed - and in that meal, God forgives us through Jesus; the Holy Spirit helps us believe this good news to be true. At the table, God gives us a glimpse of who we are to be: people who hold out our hands for God's gifts.

Beggars before Christ. That's what we all are. The extending of our hands at the table reminds us that all of us have the same basic need: to be fed by the life-giving presence of Jesus. In this need, none are superior, none are less, all are the same. And yet, we come in all our diversity, gathered at the table to be the people of God, fed by the life-giving, forgiveness granting, gracious Jesus.

This equalized gathering, begging, and receiving is a vision of the church. This vision is completed when we remember that we, who gather at the table, are sent into the world to be the presence of Jesus for a world that hungers and yearns for what only God can give: a community of grace, love, forgiveness, and joy.

Pay attention to this table. When you gather at it, contemplate how it is a powerful place for us. Consider the gifts God gives, the people God draws to it, and the church we are called to be through this table.

From Our Church President.....



It's a magical time of year, a time to count our blessings. I feel blessed to be part of this congregation. I am thankful to have had the opportunity to serve this congregation as president of the Church Council. I am thankful for all our devoted council members, committee members, volunteers, pastor and wonderful staff. I wish you and your families a very blessed, healthy, happy new year.

God's Peace,
Toni

Monday Mavens 2017 Kickoff

Join Monday Mavens on Mon, January 9 at 7:00 p.m. to play some Spoons (fun card game) and plan the year. We want your input, so bring ideas of activities/games/crafts that you would like to see us do. Any questions, contact Bev Waltz at bev-waltz410@gmail.com

January Book Club

The CTK Book Club will meet on January 10, 10am in the bell choir practice room to discuss *The Killer Angels* by Michael Shaara. Copies of this historical fiction account of Gettysburg are available at the Delafield Public Library. For extra credit you could watch the movie, *Gettysburg*, starring Jeff Daniels, based on this book. Glenda Dolphin

Celebrating AGC's 40th-January 15

You've been hearing about the 40th anniversary of All God's Children Preschool. Join us in Worship on January 15, as we celebrate and give thanks for the preschool and those who have been a part of it during the years. In the adult forum, we'll gather around a light meal and hear stories of its wonderful ministry.

A Letter Of Thanks

Dear Juanita & Members of CT K
Please extend our thanks and appreciation to everyone who generously gifted our Shorehaven residents this Christmas. We truly are blessed to have this continued support.

My staff and I feel honored to not only deliver these gifts, but to witness our resident's responses, from big smiles to tears of joy. It was special!

God Bless,
Denise Peplinski, Shorehaven

Worship Support Task Force (WSTF) Update

The WSTF presented at the congregational meeting on Sunday Dec. 11. Thank you to everyone that attended.

The purpose of the meeting was to bring the congregation up to date on progress of the task force, systems that were taken into consideration, and to vote on the proposed video system that has been approved by council.

Paul Neumiller ran the presentation that provided background on the task forces work to date, examples of what other congregations have for video systems, photos and descriptions of those systems, and the recommendation before the congregation.

The presentation was followed by Q&A. A written vote was taken and the motion to approve the recommendation by council to move forward with the purchase and installation of the video system presented passed.

The WSTF is now working on "next steps" and a time line for the purchase and installation along with other pieces to the project. We will keep you informed with additional update sessions as we move forward.

In the meantime, if you have additional questions/thoughts, please reach out to a member of the task force.

Roland Broberg, Paul Neumiller, Bob Rooney, Jeff Roth



Watch your weekly online "Connections" for the CTK 2016 Annual Report. Coming the second week of January.

January Adult Forums After the 9:00 a.m. Service

January 8- No Adult Forum
Pastor Jordan will be at a Youth Event.

Jan 15- AGC Celebrating 40 Years of Ministry. We'll celebrate this important ministry of the church with a light meal and share some stories.

Jan 29- Symptoms & Triggers Of PTSD
Join us to watch Jason Moon's very powerful DVD presentation that goes in depth on the symptoms and triggers of PTSD along with what people should and shouldn't say/do for returning Veterans.

Save Money and Taxes

CTK has an account with Scottrade in which you can directly transfer your Required Distribution or Stock without paying a selling commission or capital gains tax. Simply ask your financial institution to transfer the Stock Directly to:

Scottrade, 3230 Golf Rd
Delafield, WI 53018
Account #21154319
Christ the King Lutheran Church
1600 N Genesee St
Delafield, WI 53018

You will receive credit for whatever the value is on the date received by Scottrade, or what we end up selling the stock for, whichever is greater. You can call Norb Steinbach at 262-646-2418 with any questions.

January Worship Volunteers

1/8/2017

Asst. Min. Tom Seegert
 Lector Sandy Mounts
 Acolyte Lena Schueneman
 Acolyte Jacob Bonesho
 Comm. Asst. Mary Susa, Allie Rahn
 Comm. Asst. Amy & Joey Meier
 Ushers Neumiller
 Greeters Sandy Mounts, Gayle Maney
 Sound Showers/Neumiller

1/15/2017

Asst. Min. Bob Rooney
 Lector Jeff Roth
 Acolyte Marissa Tegeder
 Acolyte Katie Varrelmann
 Comm. Asst. Dick Reul, Diane Crowley
 Comm. Asst. Jeri Rooney, Marcia Hombsch
 Ushers Etmayer
 Greeters Jeri Rooney, Marcia Hombsch
 Sound Neumiller

1/22/2017

Asst. Min. Char Hall
 Lector Jeri Bonadurer
 Acolyte Autumn Bostrom
 Acolyte Matthew Heyel
 Comm. Asst. Neil & Bonnie Voskuil
 Comm. Asst. Jeff & Bonnie Roth
 Greeters Rich & Lee Ann Quinlan
 Ushers Varrellmann

1/29/2019

Asst. Min. Cole Roecker
 Lector Diane Crowley
 Acolyte TBA
 Acolyte TBA
 Comm. Asst. Chris & Al Kraemer
 Comm. Asst. Barb Hamann, Karie Mantey
 Greeters Jennie & Kent Marquardt
 Ushers Sternemann



Individuals: Iovino Family, Chris, AJ, Amelia, Ken & Judith Kasten and their children, Marty & Nancy, Baby Maisie, Margaret Heuler, Dave, Carry, Jenna, Nancy, Vicky Patterson, Noah, Kathy, Bill Wachtel, Joel, Rachel Tegeder & Family, Tom & Marilyn, Jean and those serving in the military and their families.

Grieving Families of:
 Martha (Marty) Schuster

Ministry Partners: Serenity Inn, Family Promise, Reformation Lutheran Church, All God's Children

Are You In Need Of Prayers?

Would you like to have your faith family praying for you? Christ the King has a very special Prayers Please Group! If you or someone you know needs prayers, contact Barb Justman. Would you like to know when others need your prayers? Join our CTK e-pray chain by emailing or calling Barb Justman at 367-3542 or email sjustman@wi.rr.com.

YOUTH ON THE MOVE

CTK Youth Encouraged to Escape

Sunday, January 8, the youth (grades 7-12) of our church will be locked up at Waukesha's Escape Chamber, and given opportunity to work together to solve a puzzle that will lead to their escape. We'll leave the church at 10:30 a.m. and return at 3:00. The cost of this event is \$15 and covers transportation, food, and the Escape experience. (If this is too much to bear, call PJ. He has a secretive "stash" that he can slide to you under the table... spy-like...)

Every participant must have a current signed Youth Permission Form on file with the church and must have a signed participation waiver on file with the Escape Chamber to enter this mission. Links to these forms are on the youth page of our website. You must register to participate. Payments are due the day of the event, using the invoice generated when you register. The registration will allow you to save your space. Note: This registration process is under development. PJ would love your feedback on how it went. We are trying to make it easy for everybody to sign up for an event. Don't forget: Invite friends!

Ski Lutherdale!

Lutherdale's annual ski and snowboard retreat is scheduled for February 10-12. Information and registration forms have been posted to the youth page of our website. Invite a friend!



@PJCTK

Provide Flowers For Worship



The 2017 Flower Chart is hanging on the bulletin board outside the church office. If you have a special occasion or date that you would like to commemorate, sign up to sponsor the Chancel Flowers. The cost is \$30, make check payable to CTK and bring it to the church office.



Sign Up for
 Youth Ministry Updates
 via
CTK's Y-Text
 For parents and youth

CTK's Y-Text

**If you have a smartphone,
 get push notifications.**

On your smartphone, open your web browser and go to: rmd.at/996fhd. Follow the instructions to sign up for the Y-Text. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app. If you don't want to download the app, follow the instructions for text notifications, below.

**If you don't have a smartphone,
 get text notifications.**

Text the message @996fhd to the number 81010.
 If you're having trouble with 81010,
 try texting @996fhd to (920) 264-0920

All God's Children News



Christmas time at pre-school is a time filled with fun and excitement! The children in our KMSD 4K classroom just finished the week learning about the Nutcracker. On Thursday morning the kids braved the cold and traveled to Shorehaven. What a wonderful time as the residents love to see the little children and share the time with them.

The children in our Monkey/Alligator and Rainbow room have been learning about the Advent wreath and the meaning of the candles during their circle time. Our 3 year old children acted out the nativity during class and all had a very special Happy Birthday party for Jesus.



AGC Registration Begins Soon

Do you know someone who is interested in enrolling for preschool? Registration for the 2017-2018 school year will be starting on February 2 & 3 for our alumni and Christ the King members. The week of February 6 will be an open house where families new to All God's Children are welcome to observe our classes in session and enroll for fall. Please feel free to contact our office if you know someone who is interested. Watch for more details and information in the bulletins in 2017!

Thanks so much for your continued support of our Christ the King ministry and spreading the word to your friends and neighbors!

Laurie

Best Wishes To Teri Borgwardt On Her Retirement.

We wish our special friend Teri the very best. Teri has worked faithfully for All God's Children for 21 years and supported us throughout the transition to our new classrooms and getting our Quickbooks set up. On Teri's last day in December, the children surprised her with special cards and notes in her office. All of the children ended Friday's class by singing our favorite group goodbye song in her honor. We admire and thank Teri for the many years of loyal service and we all will truly miss having her in the office at AGC.



Lutherdale Opportunities A life changing Adventure! Where will you be called to spend Summer 2017?

Check out the many summer staff positions at Lutherdale; Cabin leader, media manager, arts and crafts manager, summer kitchen manager, summer ropes course manager, health care coordinator and many more. Go to Lutherdale.org/ employment.

Family Camp Summer 2017

Family camps are packed with your favorite activities. Campers of all ages enjoy swimming, pontoon rides, canoes, climbing tower, zip line, baseball and more! Register on-line at www.lutherdale.org.

Women of the ELCA Triennial Gathering

Come and listen to inspiring speakers; participate in worship and praise; learn by attending workshops, viewing films and engaging in servant events and other special events.

When: July 13-16 2017

Where: Minneapolis Convention Center
For more information check the website <http://www.welcatg.org>.



Gather Magazine

Gather, the magazine of Women of the ELCA, offers a mix of articles, theological reflections, devotions and stories of comfort and challenge that help readers grow in faith and engage in ministry and action. Gather is published 10 times a year with combined issues in January/February and July/August. A print subscription is \$15 a year. Digital access (computer, iPad, Android) is free to print subscribers.

Stay Connected with Bold Connections

As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world. Get Involved » Connections is a monthly e-newsletter that features the latest news and information about our programs and activities. Bold Connections is delivered via e-mail toward the end of the month.

Women of the ELCA, stay in touch. Sign up for e-newsletters from Bold Connections, Cafe' or Gather.

Kids Corner With Teri Bergendahl



Many thanks to our Christmas Eve volunteers who helped with the children's activity/craft at the 4 and 7 p.m. services! The crafts were beautiful and the children truly enjoyed creating the "story" of Christ's birth.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER/STAFF TRAINING

Who? – Sunday School teachers, subs, youth helpers, Godly Play leaders
Sunday, January 15

10:15 to 11:30 a.m.

Childcare provided (please let Teri know how many children and ages)

- Devotion/Opening Prayer
- Exercise – What does it mean to be a "shepherd?"
- Sunday School – What's working? Where do we need changes/adjustments? How can we best support you in your call to lead?
- Community building

Please confirm your attendance – email teri@ctkdelafield.org

See You Sunday!

Join us for worship at 9 a.m./Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

NEW for 2017 – We will gather as usual at the top of the stairs. ALL CHILDREN will go downstairs in the resource center for LARGE GROUP. We will sing a few songs, have a caring conversation for 5-7 minutes. Children will then be dismissed to their classrooms for small group time.

From Juanita! My 2016 Hi-Lites And More Thoughts.....



1. I not only gave up driving any car. My son Larry offered to take me wherever I wanted to go, but by the end of the year he had the car in his name. He is available when needed as he lives next door to me in our cottage.

2. Before summer, I was presented with two great grandsons- Beckett arrived in Germany, where he joined Air Force. Dad, wife Amber and 3 young sisters. A few months later, Samuel joined brother Peter in Maryland (My daughter Ardith's grandson). Total great grandchildren 2016 end = 13. WOW

3. Where's the extended family? All over! Annette-Illinois, Suzanne-near Milwaukee, as is Ardith, Shirley-Wisconsin Northwoods, Larry-Delafield and single, John-Lawyer in Davenport, Iowa, married, Mark-On disability in Iowa, single, Paul-Near L.A., married banker. The Grandchildren are all over, from NY to Texas to Spain. Nathan is in the military since high school, including the Air Force Academy.

4. I turned 97 last March, still being active in church, but napping every day to keep my somewhat swelling legs in shape. Thanks daily to our Lord.

Cheers to you all!
Love,
Juanita

In This New Year-Pray More Easily!

How? Perhaps use this "five finger" prayer. As you look at your first finger, the thumb: pray for those who are closest to you. Next is the pointing finger: pray for those who teach and heal, as they "point" us in the right direction. The tallest finger represents our leaders at all levels and endeavors as they need God's guidance in helping to guide public opinion. The ring finger, or weakest, reminds us to pray for the weak, those in pain or in want. The littlest finger reminds us where we should place ourselves in relation to God and others. You can then pray for yourself more effectively. Thanks be to God!

"The Twelve Days of Christmas"

The "Twelve Days of Christmas" (December 25-January 6) include our secular New Year, so let's say again, "Merry Christmas, Happy New Year". On greeting card was this poem entitled, "Christmas is Love"

Love is the meaning of Christmas... Love sent our Savior to earth... Bringing the light to His people, bringing new hope with His birth. Love is the heart of the season... Love makes the world seem bright... Love is the promise from heaven-Fulfilled that first Christmas night.

Epiphany

As we look at the church calendar, we see that we are once again in the the season of Epiphany a time when we take a cue from the wise men and take a look at what God is revealing to us in the sky above, in the words of ancient Scripture, in the Baby Jesus, and in the recesses of our very heart and soul.

It was the wise men from the East who looked up and saw the star that told them that a King had been born. And the wise men kept looking up as they followed the star that led them to Jesus. It's time this Epiphany season to look up at the stars at night, marvel at God's creations, and continue your way to the Lord above, who has sent Jesus to be with us.

When the wise men got to Jerusalem, they asked King Herod, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews?" (Matthew 2:2). Herod called the chief priests and scribes to look back in Scripture. They found the answer in the words of the prophet Micah: "You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel" (Micah 5:2). It's time this Epiphany to look back at the words of Scripture that declare to us that Jesus is indeed the Messiah, the fulfillment of all the prophecies of old, the revelation of all the promises of God.

When the wise men found the Baby Jesus, they looked down, as they knelt before the Son of God and worshiped him. Only then did the wise men open their treasures of gold, frankincense, and myrrh to the Lord. It's time this Epiphany season to bow our heads in prayer to the Savior, to come to church for worship, and to humbly offer your gifts to the One who has given us so much-forgiveness, renewal, peace, and love.

Happy New Year,
Juanita

Upcoming Events

January

- 5 Blood Drive
- 7 Eagle Scouts Court of Honor
- 8 DT Youth Skating Event
- 9 Cards/Planning Meeting
for Monday Mavens
- 10 CTK Book Club
- 15 Celebration for AGC's
40th Anniversary in Worship
Light Meal & Adult Forum
- 21 Family Promise Reunion
- 22 CTK Annual Meeting
- 22 Youth Group (OS)

February

- 1 No School AGC
Teacher Work Day
- 2-3 AGC Registration For CTK
Alumni & Members
- 6 AGC Week-Long Open House
- 10-11 Youth Ski Lutherdale Retreat
- 11 Boy Scouts Pine Wood Derby
- 16 AGC Teacher Conferences
- 18 Lions Pancake Breakfast
- 21 Primary Election
- 22 DT Project Presentation
- 26 Youth Group (OS)
- 28 Serenity Inn Dinner (OS)

Weekly Meetings

- Mon Boy Scouts
- Tue Serenity Inn Dinners Monthly
- Wed Choir
- Wed Bell Choir
- Wed Discipleship Training
- Thur Lake Country Quilters
- Thur Adult Bible Study-The Gospels
- Fri Men's Bible Study
- Fri Alcoholics Anonymous



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