

Isaiah 40:1-117

A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord." (v. 3)



CTK CONNECTIONS

Keeping you informed on the Mission and Ministry of Christ the King Lutheran Church, Delafield, WI

The December Advocate Is Here

This Sunday at Worship

Sunday's Parable

On the second Sunday of Advent, we light two candles on the wreath and we listen to John the Baptist, preaching, baptizing, and urging also us to prepare for the coming of Christ. The first reading from Isaiah is familiar to anyone who knows Handel's Messiah, and the psalm includes the beloved line, "righteousness and peace have kissed each other."



CTK Worship Leaders for December

After Worship: Fellowship & Adult Forums

"Shaping Faith-Building Community"

Coffee & Conversation

Faith forms through time at the table together!
Fellowship is held each Sunday in the Upper



Sanctuary following worship.

All are welcome!

Children's Ministry

Christmas Eve
Special Activity for Children
(offered during 4 pm and 7 pm worship services only)

*Nativity Scene
Snow Globe Ornament*

☞ All children are welcome ☞



Youth Ministry

*Members of the congregation
are encouraged to participate
with our youth!*



Contact **Shari Showers** with questions!

Donut Sunday

Donuts are baked fresh the 3rd Sunday of the month during worship by our CTK youth and their families or other adults.

Donut bags are available for sale after worship @
\$2 per bag

Proceeds benefit
CTK's Youth Program
& Activities

Sign up today!

Music Ministry



THIS SUNDAY!

"Carols Around the World"

Sun., Dec. 10th - 6-8 pm

Featuring Handel's Messiah & International Carols and Sing-Alongs!

Join CTK's Music Ministry Coordinator, Mark Gould, the Royal Bells, adult/children choirs along with St. Adalbert Milwaukee Hispanic Band and a chamber instrumental ensemble!

Freewill offering - Light reception to follow - All are welcome!

Faith Formation & Fellowship

Table Teams Needed for Table Time at CTK

In January, we hope to have 3-4 designated Table Time teams (4-5 people each). Each team will be responsible for one Wednesday per month (Fellowship will provide Lenten Meals). [**Signup for Table Teams!**](#)



Questions and/or suggestions may be directed to [Teri Bergendahl](#) or [Pastor Jordan](#).

"We are followers of Jesus, gathered at the table for Meal & Ministry."

Advent Small Group Study

"Awaiting the Already" Advent Study (by Magrey R. deVega)

Led by Pastor Nikki Blanks/Teri Bergendahl

Join us for this Advent journey through the Gospels

7-8 pm at CTK Room 207

Following our Table Time Meal on Wednesdays - Dec. 13, 20 & Jan. 3

"Advent is not a time of pretending that Jesus has never been born; It is a time of preparing for what that birth might mean for us today."

All are welcome to join us!

We will review the chapter on Luke on Dec. 13th

CONTACT Teri Bergendahl for your copy: teri@ctkdelafield.org

The Acts of the Apostles Bible Study Group



The Thursday morning Bible Study Group will break until after the new year. Resume date to be announced. If you are interested in participating in this group, please contact [Pastor Gerry](#).

A Night Under the Stars - CTK's Annual Christmas Tea Gathering

**Mon., Dec. 11 - 6:30-8 pm in
the Great Hall**

Join us for an evening of fellowship,
message and music!

Click [here](#) to RSVP!



December Book Club: Book Exchange!

Tues., Dec. 12th - 10 am at CTK

Bring a gift-wrapped book, new or used, with which you do not mind parting. After coffee, snacks and friendly swapping, you'll go home with your first

Christmas present. Please contact Glenda Dolphin at 262-424-3011 with questions.

Mexican Train Game is Back!

Mon., Jan. 8th - 6:30 pm

Monday Mavens will be meeting on Monday, January 8th at 6:30 pm in the Upper Sanctuary to play Mexican Trains (Dominoes Game) and plan our activities for the year. Please join us!

Contact [Bev Waltz](#) with questions!



Announcements

Poinsettias for Christmas

Each year, we adorn the chancel with beautiful



poinsettias plants (or two) to offset the cost. What a simple way to beautify our sanctuary in remembrance of or in honor of your family, special friends or loved ones.

Plants are \$8 each – see your Sunday bulletin for order forms! (Orders are due by Sun., Dec. 17). Thank you.

SAVE THE DATES April 14-21, 2018 **2018 ADULT SERVICE TRIP**

Houston, Texas

A participant meeting will be held on
Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 6:30 pm
at St. Luke's Lutheran Church - Waukesha

Register online: www.ctkdelafield.org/adultservicetrip

[Register](#)

Congregational Meeting Called by Church Council Sun., Dec. 10th following worship

The purpose of the meeting is:

1. To elect people to Church Council and other vacancies.
2. To vote on the two "Voting Members to the 2018 Synod Assembly."



Shorehaven Christmas Giving Tree

Please look for the Shorehaven Outreach Christmas Giving Tree/Board in the Narthex. Take an ornament or two off the tree with the gift you would like to bless a Shorehaven resident with this Christmas.

Bring your unwrapped gifts back to CTK by

Reminder: Stewardship Pledges

The Stewardship Committee is grateful for your pledges. If you have not yet submitted your pledge, please consider doing so. Pledge cards are available at CTK. If you have questions, please contact [Jon Kilmer](#).



Opening for Delegate to Attend the ELCA Great Milwaukee Synod

We have an opening for one more delegate to attend the ELCA Greater Milwaukee Synod to be held May 31-June 2 at the Country Springs hotel in Waukesha. Anyone who would like to serve in the capacity, please talk to **Carol White** or **Sue Etmayer** for additional details. For information on being a delegate, check the ELCA website or talk with the 2017 delegates, **Char Hall** and **Joel Gerth**.



Thursday, January 11
2-7 pm



Sign up at www.bcw.edu or call (262) 424-3011

Future Leaders Needed

Christ the King is blessed to have many willing to devote their time and talents to carrying out the ministries of CTK. We are looking for those willing to serve in leadership roles on the council now and in the future. Prayerfully consider opportunities to serve CTK in this manner. Contact **Sue Etmayer**, President, if you have any interest or want to hear more about the role of council in our church community.



Family Promise Week at CTK Dec. 3rd-10th

Consider volunteering! Please contact:
Jenni Marquardt, [Vicky Jaeger](#) or
[Shelly Fuller](#) for details and signup link.

Events



TONIGHT!
A Service of Advent Lessons & Carols
Thurs., Dec. 7th - 5 pm
St. Mary's Chapel
2777 Mission Rd., Nashotah, WI 53058

The Choral Scholars of Nashotah House under the direction of Fr. Alexander Pryor

Freewill offering to support student scholarships

**Trauma Transformed
Through Art**
Sat., Dec. 9th - 2:30-4:30 pm

**16 veterans to be featured in art show -
free to the public**

Warrior Songs is a Wisconsin non-profit organization committed to facilitating the healing of veterans through music and the creative arts. December 6th - 10th, Warrior Songs is hosting a Creative Arts Healing Retreat for 16 Midwest veterans in Racine, Wisconsin. The retreat culminates with an art show where the veterans will display their healing creations.

Doors open at 2:30 pm for a gallery viewing of the artwork created by the vets over the weekend. A presentation begins at 3:30 pm where the veterans will discuss their experience at the retreat and share their works. Coffee and light refreshments will be served. Doors close at 4:30 pm.

During the retreat the veterans will use various modalities of the creative arts to explore their service and its effects on their lives. The four day retreat is provided completely free for the attending vets, thanks to generous donations made to Warrior Songs.

Warrior Songs founder and Iraq war veteran Jason Moon says, "The weight of war is too much for one individual to carry alone. By viewing their art and hearing their stories you are helping the veterans who attend our creative arts healing retreat to externalize their trauma. This allows them to leave behind some of what they carry from their time at war."

A donation in the amount of \$500, collected by those who attended the Veteran's Memorial

★ TRAUMA ★ TRANSFORMED THROUGH ART

THE CULMINATION OF A 4 DAY CREATIVE ARTS
HEALING RETREAT HOSTED BY WARRIOR SONGS.
15 VETERANS WILL DISPLAY THEIR VISUAL ART
AND READ FROM THEIR CREATIVE WRITINGS.

WHEN: SATURDAY DECEMBER 9TH, 2017
Doors open for gallery 2:30pm
Presentation 3:30pm doors close 4:30pm

WHERE: The Siena Center 5635 Erie St, Racine, WI 53402

COST: FREE!

WHY: The weight of war is too much for one individual to carry alone. By viewing their art and hearing their stories you are helping the veterans who attended our creative arts healing retreat externalize their trauma.



CONTACT:
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MORE INFO AT:
www.warriorsongs.org

held at CTK, was offered to this organization. Thank you to all how made an offering!

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