CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Give Thanks for the Holy Spirit's Work in You!

"Don't you know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, WHOM YOU HAVE FROM GOD, and you are not your own?" I Cor. 6:19

If you believe that Jesus Christ the Crucified and Risen Savior is the Son of God and confess that He alone is Lord, you need to drop to your knees and give thanks to God, because the Holy Spirit lives in you! The Scriptures remind us that His presence and dwelling in us, as well as the faith and salvation He gives us by baptism and the Word of God is none of our doing, for: "No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the power of the Holy Spirit."

With the Holy Spirit living in us, Paul reminds us that we are the temples of the Holy Spirit, living for God, not just for ourselves. If you feel any love for God's Word and desire to hear it, if you think about God's love for you in Jesus, if you seek God's will and study His Word, you need to remember that none of this comes from your will or your own reason. It ONLY comes from the Holy Spirit. Desiring to hear God's Word, using God's Word, seeking God's will or thinking about Christ's love for you is absolutely impossible without the Holy Spirit's work in you. On the other hand, if you find yourself minimizing your need for Jesus, becoming indifferent to hearing His Word and receiving Jesus' body and blood or rarely considering Jesus' sacrifice to redeem you, then you need to remember that Satan is always at work to deafen ears and darken eyes and hearts so that the light of Jesus's Gospel cannot shine on us. This is the case with many who call themselves Christians but live as if the Word of Jesus does not concern them.

If you love Jesus and hunger for His grace, His help and His assurance of peace, if you desire His Word and Sacrament, then gratefully acknowledge that this mindset has been placed into your mind and heart by God's Spirit. You were not born with this mindset. You did not acquire it on your own. Also, you cannot keep this perspective by your own doing. This change of heart and mind and spirit is completely from the hand of God. As Luther explains: "I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength, come to Jesus Christ my Lord or believe in Him, but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctifies me, and keeps me in the one, true faith..."

When we come and eagerly listen to the Word of God read and preached, we hear how Jesus came to earth, to suffer and die to be our Savior and to set us free from sin. God sends His Holy Spirit into our minds and hearts through the proclamation of the Word.

It is very good for us believers to remember that the Holy Spirit lives in us. His work prompts us to worship Jesus, not ourselves, and live as His true temples.

Rejoicing in the Spirit's work and worshiping Christ Jesus with you,

Pastor Boelter

Sunday School Starts Again Sunday, September 10th! Welcome Back!



Though I am still young and small In Jesus Christ I'm strong and tall; So when people look at me May it be God's own Son they see.

Divine Worship

Sunday Worship 8:15am & 10:45am

Holy Communion 1st & 3rd Sunday 8:15am 2nd & 4th Sunday 10:45am

Monday Worship 7:00pm 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation Instruction begins Tuesday, September 5th for Levels I II and III classes.

Level II- your first assignment due for your first class will be to read and finish the questions in Workbook Lessons 40 and 41. You are also to memorize "The Nature of Baptism" in Luther's Catechism, and read Catechism Questions: 239-247 on pages 204-208.

Level III Students- your banners are to be completed before September, as well as your essays. Please begin to submit your first drafts to Pastor Boelter in Word Perfect format by email as soon as you can. Also, be sure your review questions are all completed on the 6 chief teachings of the Scriptures. When you return to class on the evening of September 5th, we will begin our final unit before Confirmation on Worship. Worksheets will be handed out in class. There will be no lesson for you to prepare beforehand except that you have completed your summer assignments.

Witness Sunday is October 15th at the 10:45 A.M. Divine Service.

Pictures will be taken after worship, and a confirmand's dinner will be held in our library. Confirmation Sunday is Sunday, October 22nd at the 10:45 A.M. Service.

Continue to pray for our 4 confirmands who will profess their baptismal faith on October 22nd: Stephanie Westrick, Molly Anderson, Sarah Fuller and Robert Hays.

Adult Bible Class and Adult Information Class

Our Sunday morning Adult Bible Class will resume on Rally Day, September 10th at 9:30 AM. Our class meets in the comfort of our conference room near the Pastor's office.

Our Wednesday morning Adult Bible Class will resume September 13th, the Wednesday after Rally Day in the conference room. Class is held every Wednesday from 10 AM until 11 AM. We will continue our verse-by-verse study of the Book of Hebrews.

Notice: Pastor Boelter is assembling an Adult Information Class in August for those who are interested in learning more about the Scriptures and the Lutheran Church. If you would like to join this group which is a preparation for joining Christ the King Congregation, call pastor at 313-884-5090 ext. 3 for times and dates.

Mark Your Calendars -

Our Rally Day Potluck Picnic will be held in our Church Library (tables inside and outside as weather permits) on September 10th at Noon! Plan to bring a dish to pass! Our grill will be hot and hamburgers and hotdogs will be the main fare, with desserts, salads, etc. provided by everyone. It has been a great summer, but on September 10th it will be time for us to come together to worship, begin our fall program, and have a good dinner together. We look forward to seeing everyone!

Women's Guild

welcome!

The Women's Guild meets the second Tuesday of the month September through May at 11:30 A.M.

Come join your friends for some good fellowship. Everyone is

Vestry and Voters' Assembly for the 3rd Quarter

CtK Vestry will meet on Thursday, August 24, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. **Our next Voters' Assembly** will be held Sunday, August 27, 2017 between the services at 9:30 A.M. Plan to join us to conduct the business of God's Kingdom through our Church and Preschool Ministries.

Preschool Happenings





Preschool begins their 2017-2018 school year on September 11th. We are still accepting enrollment and have space in all of the three- and four-year-old classes. We will also begin another Moms and Two's class in late September or early October. If you know of anyone interested in these classes, please have them call the Preschool at 313-884-5998.

Make sure your Preschool lawn signs are out for people to see. If you do not have one you can get one from the church office. It's a great way for people in all communities to see our name and that we have a preschool. If you don't know specifics about our program that's okay. If someone has a question you can have them call the phone number on the sign. Thanks for your support!





Please plan to attend our next TCBY Fundraiser on Tuesday, August 8th. Visit the TCBY across the street from Christ the King between 7:00-10:00pm and the Preschool will receive a percentage of all sales! Invite a friend!

Youth Group News



August-September Youth Group News

Pastor Rutter and I have been working on the last of the details for our trip to tour the **Creation Museum and life-size replica of Noah's Ark August 14th through the 16th** (a big thank you to St. Paul's for inviting us to come along). We have a combined total of 8 youth going down to Kentucky on this great trip – considering all of the family vacations, camps and practices our kids are involved in we consider ourselves lucky to have that many! We will be staying in a Christian campground (cabins, not tents) so we'll be doing a little cooking around the campfire and making s'mores, riding the zipline and doing a little hiking in our free time too.

Tuesday, September 5th our Confirmation students come back to class and......Trivia! This is something that we did this past Spring during the pizza dinner – students were awarded prizes as they accumulated points! Hopefully they are enjoying it as much as Pastor and I are!

Friday, September 22nd from 7:00 until 10:00 p.m. – Marty, Noelle and Holly Fleszar will kick off our Fall season with a great night of games, music and dinner! If your kids have not had an opportunity to join us for one of these fun Friday night events, please try to fit it into their schedules – they will have a great time! Friends are always welcome!

Thank You Most Sincerely!

Please let me take this moment to thank everyone for the wonderful celebration of my 60th Birthday which was held June 11th between the services. Thank you to all who planned this event, those who provided and served food, those who sent greetings and/or provided me with gifts and remembrances. A special thanks to all who donated toward the large-screen in my honor which will be placed in our church library and will continually display historical photos of our church, all confirmation class pictures, and special events for visitors and members alike to see. From my heart, I truly thank each and every one of you who participated, and may God bless your love and generosity to the praise of our Lord Jesus Christ.

As many of you know, I was blessed to receive a trip to Germany for my birthday to walk in the footsteps of Dr. Martin Luther, Pastor and Reformer on this 500th Anniversary Year of the Lutheran Reformation. It was a wonderful and most educational trip. I enjoyed the German culture, the food, the history of Luther and our Church, as well as the 25 other Lutheran believers that accompanied us on this trip. It is my sincere desire to put together a power point presentation of my trip and of Luther's life and ministry for the celebration of the Reformation this October here at Ctk. In the planning stages at this time will be a German dinner held on the last Sunday of October with a concise presentation of pictures of places Luther lived, ministered and preached. I hope you will enjoy the presentation this October as much as I enjoyed seeing in person the historic sites I had learned and read about throughout my seminary years and during my ministry.

Again, thank you so much for making my 60th birthday a memorable occasion for me!

Thankful to God for you,

Pastor Boelter

Official Acts

The following acts were performed or are scheduled to be performed by your Pastor on behalf of the congregation:

Holy Marriage

Sean Gilbert Metry and Julie Nicole Paavola, married Friday, July 28, 2017 at the Buhl Estate in Addison Oaks, Leonard, MI. Witnesses: Genna Sorget and Christopher Metry. Pastor Boelter officiating.

To be married:

Michael Patrick Mullinger and Brooke Nichole White, to be married Saturday, September 23, 2017 at Christ the King. Witnesses will be: Robbie James Mullinger and Brianna Rae White. Pastor Boelter to officiate.

Christian Burial

Susan Elaine Smith, born September 24, 1951, died in the Lord June 9, 2017 in Grosse Pointe Park, MI. Funeral Service held at Verheyden Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Park, MI on June 13, 2017. Pastor Boelter officiated. Cremation. Interment pending.

Johns S. Hughes, born April 14, 1929, died in the Lord June 8, 2017 in Grosse Pointe Woods. Memorial Service held June 26, 2017 at the Tompkins Center, Grosse Pointe Park, MI. Interment: Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Detroit, MI Tuesday, June 27, 2017. Pastor Boelter officiated.

David Lee Shepherd, born September 23, 1962, died May 24, 2017 in Florida. Memorial service held Saturday, July 8, 2017 in Roseville, MI. Pastor Boelter officiated. Cremation. Interment: Grosse Pointe Memorial Church Columbarium.

Robert Kromm, born June 25, 1931, died in the Lord March 10, 2017. Interment: Oakview Cemetery, Royal Oak, MI on July 26, 2017. Pastor Boelter officiated.

Holy Baptism

To be baptized:

Amelia Eleanor Canko, daughter of Klajdi Canko and his wife, Jillian ne'e Isherwood Canko, born June 8, 2017 at St. John Hospital, Detroit, to be baptized Sunday, August 20, 2017. Baptismal Sponsors: Jenna Isherwood and Bradley Isherwood. Also witnessing: Olta Canko. Pastor Boelter to officiate.