

# King's Chronicles

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## It's Your Family at the Lord's Table!

*"The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the participation in the body of Christ? For we, though many, are one bread and one body, for we all partake of the one bread..." I Cor. 10:16-17*

Dear Family in Christ,

The Word "communion" is made up of two familiar words: "com-" the prefix meaning "with" and "union" meaning "together." When we receive the Lord's Supper, there exists a two-fold 'together with' going on. We enjoy a "together with" God the Father through the blood of Jesus Christ, and we share a "together with" each other through Jesus' blood. We are one with God and one with each other and what makes this so is Jesus' blood-bought forgiveness. The blood of Jesus and the forgiveness of sins it brings makes us family, even though we have many names and come from many places.

This truth is one of the teachings in I Cor. 10. The Cup of Blessing was the name given to the third cup in the Passover feast, the cup Jesus used when He instituted the Lord's Supper. The meaning here is that those who participate in the cup...receive Jesus Christ. Jesus emphasizes this communion when He says in the Words of Institution: "This is My body/blood."

Another dimension of "together with" also exists. As one loaf was used at Communion but received by many, so a unity, a "together with" exists. While we believers are many, we are yet "one bread and one body" in Jesus.

God has designed His body the Church family so that there would be no division. He wants us to care for one another (I Cor. 12:24-27). If one rejoices, we all rejoice. If one hurts, we all hurt.

Now... before you go to communion, what are you thinking about as you watch people kneel? Do you consider others as people you hardly know and think: "Haven't seen them since Christmas!" or "Isn't that dress is too short for church?" Or, do you see others as

members of your very own family, people with whom you have fellowship, saying: "There's Tom, I wonder how his family is doing since his wife's diagnosis?" or "There's Marian, she must be over 80 now, but God bless her faithfulness...I see her all the time!" The communion we celebrate, says Jesus, is not only about our communion with Him. God says it also involves our relationship with each other.

Do you see the point? As members of the Body of Christ at CtK, we need to take these verses about being a "together with" in Christ to heart and remember that the souls you see are brothers and sisters who believe in Jesus, confess the same truth, and receive the same forgiveness as you and me. If between your prayers of preparation and singing hymn verses you watch others attend the Holy Table, remember that they are your family in the forgiveness of sins. The interesting thing is that this very outlook is worked in us by the Holy Spirit as we receive Christ in His Holy Sacrament. We are a close family here...for Jesus forgives our sins...mine, yours, others. Your presence is important, because it testifies to your togetherness in Christ with others, and the presence of others testifies to their togetherness in Jesus with you.

Jesus says we are a fellowship, a communion. We are a family in the forgiveness of our sins.

Grateful to be part of this family with you,  
Pastor Boelter

## 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

#### Levels II and III Confirmands

Members of our Level III Confirmation Class have successfully completed their Winter and Spring studies, have taken their test on the Sacrament of the Altar, and are now being given their summer assignments. Duties this summer will include the preparation of a banner, writing an essay on one of the 6 Chief Teachings of the Scriptures, the completion of review questions in preparation for their examination, and of course, continued, faithful attendance at worship with their parents. Please remember our 4 level III Confirmands in your prayers: Robert Hays, Sarah Fuller, Molly Anderson and Stephanie Westrick. Level II Students completing their Winter-Spring assignments are Brigitte Zook and Carly Harris.

Students will return to classes this fall on Tuesday, September 5th and complete their last units of instruction by mid-October. Witness Sunday is scheduled for October 15th and Confirmation Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### Vestry and Voters' Assembly for the 2nd Quarter

CtK Vestry will meet on Thursday, June 1, 2017 at 6:30 P.M.  
Our next Voters' Assembly will be held Sunday, June 4, 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.

### Official Acts

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

#### Funeral

Norma Jean Davis, died in the Lord May 4, 2017 at St. John Hospital. Funeral Service was held Wednesday, May 10 at Christ the King Lutheran Church. Burial was held at Downing Cemetery in Deckerville, MI on May 11. Officiant: Pastor Boelter. Text: John 10:11ff.

#### Christian Burial

Ashley Lauren Benton, daughter of Cathy Coleman, died in the Lord April 7, 2017. Memorial Service held at Christ the King Lutheran Church Sunday, May 21, 2017. Cremation with interment pending.

#### Holy Marriage

Daniel Ray Bohannon and Lindsey Quinn Winters, to be married at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Northville, MI on Saturday, June 24, 2017. Witnesses: Rachel Winters and Jordan Parks. To officiate: Pastor Boelter.

Brett Anthony Granger and Lauren Elizabeth Gersch, to be married Saturday, June 24, 2017 at Christ the King. Witnesses: Breanna Granger and Justin Morgott. Officiating in Pastor Boelter's absence: Pastor Timothy Holzerland of Shepherd King Lutheran, West Bloomfield, MI.

Sean Gilbert Metry and Julie Nicole Paavola, to be married Friday, July 28, 2017 at Addison Oaks, Leonard, MI. Witnesses: Genna Sorget and Christopher Metry. To officiate: Pastor Boelter.

## Preschool Happenings



The preschool has completed their school year and everyone enjoyed the end of the year graduation programs and our all school picnic. We are now looking forward to our Summer Extended Program and our next school year praying that God will continue to send children to our ministry and keep our program alive and vibrant!

We always need and appreciate your help with advertising and being an advocate for our preschool. Please encourage people you know to send their preschoolers to Christ the King. There are several ways you can promote our program.

- Put a lawn sign in your yard this summer and be ready to talk to neighbors about our great program. If you need a lawn sign they are available in the church office.
- Grab a preschool brochure from our Welcome Center and give it to a prospective preschool family. It outlines our program hours/days/tuition/and curriculum in detail. It also has the preschool phone number and our website information.
- Pray for our preschool ministry that God would bless our efforts and that He will bring families in our midst that we can minister to at our preschool and other ways.



The Preschool will be having two TCBY fundraiser nights this summer. Mark Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, and Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> on your calendars and get yourself a treat at the TCBY across the street from Christ the King. TCBY will donate 10% of all purchases made between 7pm - 10pm. It will also be great to see some familiar faces there and do some fellowshipping!



**VBS 2017 is a victory celebration!** Mark your calendars for **JUNE 19<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.** when our *Mighty Fortress* VBS will take place. Students who have completed a year of preschool through students who have completed grade 5 are welcome. Every child will learn that in Jesus, the victory is won! We will look into the Bible, God's Holy Word, and explore five Bible accounts about God, our Mighty Fortress, and the victory Jesus has won for us.

**REGISTRATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE** in the Welcome Center, church office, and attached to this newsletter. Bring a friend or neighbor!

**ATTENTION ALL VBS VOLUNTEERS:** Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help with our Barnyard Roundup VBS. We will have a short meeting on **Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m.** Volunteers are still needed and we would love to have you join our team! Please fill out the attached volunteer form and return it to the church office.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DONATIONS:** Please check the church Welcome Center for items needed for our Vacation Bible School. Your donations are so appreciated in helping to keep the cost of VBS to a minimum. Please take a tag or two, buy the requested item, and return it by the date requested. Thank you so much for your help!

## Youth Group News



### June and July Youth Group Happenings

School's Out For Summer!!! And with all that free time – you guessed it – comes boredom! Although many of our kids keep plenty busy year- round, we hope they can make the time to join us for VBS at Christ the King and for a few fun activities too!

**Vacation Bible School—June 19th through June 23rd—9:30 until Noon** Volunteer for one or two days – or the whole week. Mrs. Ziegler says she can really use your children's help....Could your son or daughter be a Team Leader? Would they rather help with the snacks? Perhaps helping with a group game is something they would enjoy? Do any of you parent's have some free time? All are welcome – and needed. Just send me an email and I will let Mrs. Z give you and/or your children a valuable assignment!

**Belle Isle Picnic and Kayaking—Friday, June 23rd—10:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M.** We will be heading down to the island around 9:30 a.m. to stake out our picnic spot, grill some hot dogs and hamburgers, do a little kayaking or paddle boating and maybe even have some time to organize a game of Whiffleball. Parents – haven't been down to Belle Isle in a while? Come along, you will really enjoy this outing!

**GPW Lakefront Park Picnic—Tuesday, July 11th—10:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M.** Bring along your swimsuit and sunscreen as we head over to the Woods park to swim, BBQ, toss a few water balloons, play tennis, and maybe even stop by the activities center to play some Wallyball!

If you have any questions, please call the church office.  
313-884-5090

### **Watering and Weeding Crew Needed**

We are again in need of a watering and weeding crew for the grounds at CTK. This mostly involves watering the flowerbeds where the annuals and perennials are planted. Also occasional weeding is needed in these beds and is easily done after watering. We are always short on volunteers for this task.



In the past it has been divided up throughout the summer on a day of the week basis. The same person waters every Wednesday, etc. We could also divide it up on a weekly basis where a person waters and weeds the entire week, Sunday through Saturday for a one-week period of time.

Ideally, it would be nice to have 10 volunteers (or more) so that you could work in pairs and get the job completed quicker since it does take about an hour to thoroughly water the beds. A parent and child could be a pair or maybe some of our Youth Group might like to volunteer.

Please contact the church office 313-884-5090. Let us know what your preference is as far as one entire week or once a week for the entire summer. The schedule is open so contact us quickly and pick your day. Thanks for any help you can give.

## Stewardship

### Living a Life of Service

Just as Jesus came not to be served but to serve (Matthew 20:28), we are called to serve Jesus by serving others. Christ is our example of servanthood. He is our reason for serving. He is the One Who calls us to serve, equips us to do His will, and the One Who forgives our failures to live as servants should.

Our service, when done out of a sense of duty, is a burden. However, as redeemed children of God, we joyfully serve out of gratitude for the One Who has given us eternal life. We desire to *“walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us”* (Ephesians 5:2).

We are very much like Jesus’ disciples, who, although they lived with Jesus for three years and witnessed daily His acts of service, longed to be recognized and exalted. Jesus’ words are recorded in Matthew 20:26-27a: *“But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave.”* We serve, not as the slave who serves out of fear of punishment, but out of love for our Savior and others.

Where do we get this desire to serve? How do we work up this motivation? God does not call us to do anything He has not already done, and He equips us to carry out His will for us. *“And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work”* (II Corinthians 9:8).

Still, we fail. We do not love the Lord our God as we should, nor do we love our neighbors as ourselves. We bring disrepute on the name of Christ, because, although we bear His name, we are not witnesses of His power in our lives. *“If we confess our sins,”* the Apostle John tells us, *“He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness”* (I John 1:9).

In Hebrews 10:24 we read, *“And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works.”* As we do so, we will experience the joy of living lives of service.

#### Christ the King Wish List

Our Vestry and Voter’s Assembly has approved a “wish list” of items that are needed for our ministry. “Wish list” items included at this time:

-Rainy Day Fund- the establishment of an account to help us save for unexpected repairs to our facility. For instance, our roof is nearing 25 years in age, and will need replacement in the next 5-8 years or so.

-Actuator replacement- replacement of the valves that control the heat on our hot-water lines on each side of the Church Nave. Actuators are leaking and failing, and will need replacement in the not so distant future (ahead of estimate cost: \$12,000.00-15,000.00).

-Cement work to repair the steps that are crumbling just outside of our Mack Avenue Library Door. (ahead of estimate cost: \$ 10,000.00) as well as at our Bell-Tower entrance.



Mark your calendars for our Vacation Bible School to be held June 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 9:30am-12:00pm. Our theme this year is *Mighty Fortress*. We will explore five Bible accounts and learn that in Jesus, the victory is won!

**Be a part of Mighty Fortress VBS!** God's children of all ages will learn that in Jesus, the victory is won. As VBS staff you can live out the theme as you share the message and the fun with kids! If you can help full or part time, we have many ways to be involved to suit your schedule and interests. Please indicate your interest and return this form to the church office as soon as possible so we can begin planning our *Mighty Fortress* experience. If you have any questions about what your responsibility would be, please call the church office at 313-884-5090. Please pray for God to bring children to our program and to provide leaders and helpers for this important mission.

**VOLUNTEERS**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Team Leader to accompany children through each station

\_\_\_\_ Kindergarten \_\_\_\_ First/Second Grade \_\_\_\_ Third - Fifth Grade

\_\_\_\_ Decorating Committee \_\_\_\_\_ Snack Committee (Great Hall Snacks)

(to be done before VBS)

\_\_\_\_ Registration Table \_\_\_\_\_ Games Committee (Tournament Games)  
(work from 9:15-10:00) \_\_\_\_\_ Clean-Up Crew (on June 23rd)

\_\_\_\_ Craft Committee (Festival Crafts) \_\_\_\_\_ Storytelling (Stronghold Storytelling)

**Please circle your t-shirt size:** Adult S M L XL XXL XXXL

\_\_\_\_ Donation to offset cost (Please attach to this form.)



**Cost: \$35.00/one child \$55.00/2 children**  
**\$70.00/3 or more children in the same immediate family**  
**(Make checks payable to Christ the King Lutheran Church)**

**Mighty Fortress**  
**VBS Registration Form**  
**(Please fill out 1 form per child)**  
**Date: June 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Time: 9:30 a.m. – Noon**

**STUDENTS MAY ENROLL WHO HAVE COMPLETED A YEAR OF PRESCHOOL THROUGH THOSE WHO HAVE COMPLETED 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Birth day \_\_\_\_\_ Grade completed \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Names \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact person \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. phone \_\_\_\_\_

Food Allergies or other medical problems \_\_\_\_\_

Siblings attending VBS (names and ages) \_\_\_\_\_

Church membership at \_\_\_\_\_

**VBS Leaders have permission to photograph/film the minor designated above in any manner or form for any lawful purpose associated with this VBS program.**  
**Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_**