

# RIC AGENDA FOR MAY 22ND CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

## For CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH/CRISTO REY IGLESIA LUTERANA

**Motion:** The Wider Welcome Ministry Team moves that Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana adopt this Welcome statement and its defining RIC Public Partner Commitment statements below.

***Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ  
has welcomed you, for the glory of God.*** Romans 15:7

Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana is a community of children of God who are seeking to know God by following the teachings of Jesus Christ, who welcomed all.

This community of faith is enriched and strengthened by diversity. We welcome all to share in the life and ministries of worship, sacraments, responsibilities, leadership, and blessings of participation in this congregation. We are committed to the work of racial equity.

Believing that God's unbounded love and grace are offered to all and meant to be shared and celebrated by all, we embrace differences of age, race, ethnicity, language, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, physical and mental abilities, appearance, economic status, marital status, and family situation.

No matter what your life experience is or has been,

You are a child of God and you are welcome here.

## RIC(Reconciling In Christ)Public Partner Commitments

1. Your community explicitly states a welcome to people of "**all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions**" or "**LGBTQIA+ people**" and names its commitment to "**racial equity**" or "**anti-racism**" in its welcome statement.
2. **Open to calling** an LGBTQIA+ or Black, Brown, Indigenous, Person of Color (BIPOC) Rostered Leader.
3. Will allow community space/sanctuary to be used for **LGBTQIA+ weddings and blessings**.
4. Will **make a meaningful contribution** annually to support the national RIC program.

\*If this motion is passed, then Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana will be added to the RIC Roster list, so people searching will know we are a welcoming and safe place for all kinds of "all." The Public statements, and our welcome statements are a reflection of Martin Luther, and defines "What does this mean? (to be an RIC church).

Any questions can be directed to the WWMT members (Kathleen Carney, Ruthanne Rusnak, Sherm and Mary Case, Sharon Ray) and Pastor Dorothy Cottingham.