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CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sundays 10:30am

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Remember you are dust.

By the sweat of your face
you shall eat bread
until you return to the ground,
for out of it you were taken;
you are dust,
and to dust you shall return" (Genesis 3:19).

My sister told me she was not afraid to be dead, she was just a little uneasy about the transition from breathing to not breathing, that point when the human body transcends the thin veil and becomes dust. She and I shared an affinity for the season of Lent because we held onto the hope of the Easter resurrection.

What does the church have to say to the hundreds of thousands of families whose loved ones have died from this horrific pandemic in the past year? What does the church have to say to the hundreds of thousands of people who are struggling financially? What does the church have to say about injustice and insurrection? We have a lot to say because we have the hope of the Easter resurrection.

ELCA Bishop Rick Jaech shared his wisdom on these questions recently and I want to share it with you as we continue to

wrestle with what it means to be church for the world and church *in* the world.

"Surrounded by turmoil and violence in our nation, it is more important than ever for Christ's church to be a visible, public church. Filled with God's grace and Spirit, we are set free to courageously bring God's love, healing, and justice to all around us".

Drawing from the writings of Dr. Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, professor at Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Bishop Jaech calls on three core tenets of Lutheranism:

1. We are God's beloved
2. We are broken
3. We are bearers of God's love for all creation

When confronted by the realities of the human condition of brokenness, the church, through the Word of God brings us back to the love of God in Christ Jesus that is ours to claim. Not only for ourselves, but for all humans, indeed, all of creation. Dear church, we cannot ignore the world around us. The world is hurting and hungry for the promise of Easter resurrection. We have the good news. We must not keep it for ourselves.

As you mark the dust on your forehead this Lent, do not give up something. Take on something. Tell one person each week that they are God's beloved. Invite one person to join you at church, on Zoom. Call one person you have argued with just to say hello. Be creative. Be the church. Be the bearer of God's love for the sake of the world.

Peace be with you, always, Pastor Dorothy

To read Bishop Jaech's entire message copy this link and paste into your browser.

<https://lutheranssw.org/archives/5793?fbclid=IwAR3nFwr3caY0y7AbIQTOkaa2Tf64AwSQLcDDfkJUCJb3iFGuNhS9wGueSc>



Zoom! How are you all doing? How can we help you be more comfortable walking in the door of Zoom? It's not overly difficult to learn. You don't have to "sign up", just check that your computer, smart phone or iPad can support it. It is especially helpful that you have audio and video on your device. If you don't have any of that fancy technology, you can still phone in and be part of any meeting or gathering. It's good to see your faces and hear your voices.

Zooming in on Christ the King Activities

Weekly Worship Link, ID and password:

Time: 10:00am "doors open" (click on this link)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86517107296?pwd=aVZpWFV0b0QzbFF6ZFVPTDFsL0FZQT09>

Phone in using this number)

1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Meeting ID: 865 1710 7296

Password: 299944

Monthly Council Meeting Link, ID and password:

Second Tuesday every month. Gather at 6:30pm (click on this link)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81585552324?pwd=RnlhOGMvUTNoekZld1RJM29GNmtsQT09>

Phone in using this number 1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Meeting ID: 815 8555 2324

Password: 823311

Topic: Book Study and Anti-Racism Discussion

It's a scary topic and this gathering of faithful followers of Jesus is a safe place to bring your questions, raise doubts, be honest and be loved. Please prayerfully consider joining in this important discussion of the book "White Rage" by Carol Anderson. The title does not mean what you think it does.

Every Thursday, until February 11th. Doors "open at 6:30pm.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84098720009?pwd=N2hXQ0c2T1paZ0hlaGhTeFlOcJkKdz09>

Meeting ID: 840 9872 0009

Passcode: 677456

Dial in by phone using same ID and Passcode

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Topic: Book of Faith, The Gospel According to Mark

Every Wednesday, until February 10th. Doors "open" at 6:30pm.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86530640555?pwd=VEg5Yll0NEVEaEhac1Fjc2V2M1g2dz09>

Meeting ID: 865 3064 0555

Passcode: 163034

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NOTE: Book of Faith on hiatus February 17 to April 21, 2021

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2	Bev Ashenfelter
3	Lorna Kautzky
3	Del Metcalf
6	Sandy Clifton
8	Nicole Foreman
10	Kathy Gutow
12	Dawn Stell
13	Sharon Ray
17	Glenn Hershberger
17	Scott Hershberger
21	Mary Case
21	Marilynn Walker
28	James Case

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

<u>TO:</u>	
13	David & Nancy Doss
13	Tom & Windi Struck

Please call the church office if your birthday or anniversary date is not listed or is incorrect.

AND IN OTHER NEWS!**LENT 2021****“The Gospel According to Jesus’ Enemies”**

Imagine lining up the enemies of Jesus and asking them why they said what they did about him; why they did what they did to him. Imagine no longer. Dann Ettner has done exactly that.

Along with an order of worship, which includes a responsive dialogue, a “Gospel Drama” and original lyrics to a familiar hymn tune, Ettner has created six monologues portraying the enemies of Jesus. Each character asks us to consider why he did what he did and “what would you do”?

The characters we will meet are:

Ash Wednesday, February 17 th	Caiaphas, the High Priest
February 24 th	An Arresting Soldier
March 3 rd	A Member of the Crowd Who Shouted Crucify Him
March 10 th	Pilate
March 17 th	The Centurion
March 24 th	The Grave Guard

These services and testimonials are meant to take us into the action so that we can judge for ourselves how God moved these enemies of Jesus to unwittingly speak words of truth about the Son of God. The series was written in 1957 by Dann J Ettner, a lieutenant in the US Air Force and a Lutheran pastor in California. The book was reprinted in 1995. The monologues are the creation of Pastor Ettner. Some of the language may sound a bit dated, yet, the truth of the gospel never gets old.

Join us on Zoom to hear these enemies tell their stories!

Topic: Ash Wednesday and Mid-Week Lent Worship

Every Wednesday February 17th to March 24th. 7:00pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82406769540?pwd=bE0va1lvNTFBSXNNaHc3THEzL2h3UT09>

Meeting ID: 824 0676 9540

Passcode: 386468

Dial by phone using same ID and Passcode

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Giving: Thank you for your generous contributions to the work of the church. 2020 Giving Statements include all contributions received through December 31, 2020.

Giving options remain the same in the New Year:

First, mail a check to the church office.

Second, use your online banking bill pay.

Third, set up an automatic payment through our third-party giving platform, Vanco. Use the link on our website

www.tigardlutherans.com to set this up

(if you need help setting this up, give a call to the church office.).

Fourth, click on the “donate” button on our website to make a single contribution through Vanco.



CTK PRESCHOOL NEWS

CTK Preschool classes spent the month of January learning all about winter, outer space, colors, shapes and Penguins!

Eagle Scout Candidate, Noah Kløver took on the project of sprucing up the playground. He laid fresh bark dust, created a new sand pit, made a new sand table and put of a canopy to keep the rain out of the sand. He supplied all the materials and volunteers for the project. We are so grateful! The children are enjoying the new space! We are accepting enrollment for the TTh class next Fall. We have a wait list for our MWF class. Thank you Christ the King Church members for your prayers and support.

Heidi Livingston, Director
Director@christthekingpreschool.com!



CRISTO REY MISA

Padre Roberto Maldonado continues to celebrate weekly misa on Facebook live every Sunday at 5pm. Invite your friends to like or follow our Facebook page or check out Christ the King/Cristo Rey website at www.tigardlutherans.com.

DO YOU NEED ANYTHING?

Are you in need of anything? ANYTHING!!! Seriously, do you need some groceries, a meal prepared, your sheets changed, your laundry done...Anything! Please contact the church office. No need is trivial. Your fellow ministers of the gospel of Jesus are ready to be the hands and feet of Jesus for you. 503.639.2789. Or send an email to ctkoffice@tigardlutherans.com. You are precious, you are loved.

LAWN MOWERS NEEDED

Hi everyone, I hope this year finds you full of peace and good health.

Please let me know if you can join the mowing team this year or are able to return in 2021 so I can set the schedule. (It takes about 1 hour 6 times a year and is a flexible schedule)

Thanks Soooooo much once again for those who supported and helped with the mowing in 2020, you are truly appreciated and underpaid hero's!!!!

In God's service, George Klein
Gkleins@comcast.net
 503-318-9637

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Continue to set aside non-perishable food for the Cascade Vineyard Church food bank. There are members ready to pick up your donations, or you can stop by the church and drop it in the barrel outside the office doors. Bless you. There are members who need assistance with household projects, shopping and other errands. Please contact the office if you are able to help.

Dear Congregation of Christ the King Cristo Rey,

Our Annual Meeting was held on January 31st via Zoom. Thirty seven voting members arrived via Zoom and our business was faithfully conducted. All business items on the agenda were passed by unanimous accord. The new council members proposed by the nominating committee were all elected. They are Greg Lof, Juan Roman and Ruthanne Rusnak. Congratulations and thank you for agreeing to serve the congregation. A huge thanks to Kathleen Carney and Jane Hershberger for their service as they retire from the council.

The support of the people of Christ the King to the continuing work of the church during the COVID-19 year has been overwhelming. As we begin 2021 all our obligations of a financial nature have been met and we go forward with a positive balance. As Martha Crimi, our treasurer, is stepping down from that position, we still need a member of the congregation to agree to fill the treasurer position. Please consider serving in this ministry.

We never could have carried off the meeting without the awesome help of Tim and Jonathan. Their generous offer of their time and talents made a seamless meeting possible. Many Thanks.

In His Service
 Nancy Skirvin, Council President

VACCINATION INFORMATION

Vaccinations are underway in Oregon, and some of you may be wondering when and how you will be able to get yours. Here is some information I've found that may be useful to you. First, you'll need an appointment. Until February 7, the only people who can make an appointment are health and home care providers, people living in group settings or who need health providers to come to their homes regularly, and educators.

People over 80 will be eligible the week of Feb. 7; over 75, Feb. 14; over 70, Feb. 21, and over 65, Feb. 28. You will not be able to sign up

until the week eligibility begins for you.

When you become eligible, go to the Oregon Health Authority's vaccine scheduling tool, <https://covidvaccine.oregon.gov>. This site will ask you some questions and then connect you to the scheduling system. Scroll down to Vaccine Eligibility & FAQ Tool and click on the "Let's get started" button, or use the pop-up window in the lower right corner of the page. KGW has a quick tutorial on using the tool:

<https://www.kgw.com/article/news/health/coronavirus/vaccine/heres-how-eligible-oregon-residents-can-register-for-the-covid-19-vaccine/283-7b45661e-f98d-4e08-ac57-1f6abd18e2d6>.

Even though you might be eligible, you may not get an appointment for several weeks. The scheduling system can only handle 1,000 people at a time, so you may have to try back several times and once appointments are full for the week you will have to try again the next week. Hope it goes easily for you! =

Jane Hershberger
CTK COVID 19 Task Force

My Faith Journey by Sherman Case

I first got involved with Reconciling in Christ in the late 1990s at St. Luke Lutheran Church in SW Portland. A family whose oldest son came out as gay as a college freshman requested that the congregation look at becoming an RIC congregation. I volunteered to be part of the exploratory group. We ultimately decided that our congregation was not ready at that time. While we felt that the goal of becoming welcoming to the gay & lesbian communities (there were not the Alphabet communities identified then that are identified now) was desirable to the majority of the members, we recognized the welcoming statement would be problematic for a minority of the members, and that they probably would be quite vocal and a congregational fracture would be one of the likely outcomes.

Fast forward to 20+ years later, and I am again a member of a Reconciling in Christ exploratory group. Some things have changed, and some haven't. One thing that has changed is that in my last go-around, I didn't start out knowing exactly how I felt about the issue of homosexuality and the teachings of the Bible, but now I do. I attended church and Sunday School as a child, but those teachings weren't on the agenda. I drifted away from the church, and it wasn't until I had children that I really returned. As a newly baptized adult when I volunteered for the first exploratory group, I got to look at the teachings with new eyes. There are several Bible passages that are used to condemn homosexuality, and RIC teaching materials can give you reasons why each of those teachings does not condemn homosexuality. I read the reasoning's, and found most of them to be convincing, but a couple of them, quite frankly, used what one of my college professors called "Philadelphia lawyering", meaning that they used convoluted reasoning that felt less convincing. This led me to question what I should be doing. After much praying and thinking about it over the 20+ years, here is what I've come up with – I don't why these passages are in the Bible, but I don't think we are interpreting or using them correctly. I'm thinking Pastor Dorothy might tell me that I'm not really understanding the explanations, but my position is that I do not really care. The couple things I really do understand from the Bible is that Jesus Christ died for our sins, and that He commanded us to love one another. If reaching out to our LGBTQIA+ brothers, sisters, and others is wrong, then on my judgement day, I will answer Jesus that I am a sinner, I did my best, and that's why he had to die for me. I ask that you all search your hearts to find you own ways to accept all our fellow Christians and to profess that without reservation.

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CTK OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY-FRIDAY
8:30 AM TO 12:30 PM

CHURCH CALENDAR

February 7, 14, 21, 28 10:30am Service Zoom Worship
February 3, 10 Zoom Book of Faith, 7pm
February 4, 11 Zoom Anti-Racism Discussion, 7pm
February 17, 24 Ash Wednesday & Mid-Week Lent Zoom Worship 7pm

Church Staff

Dorothy Cottingham, Pastor
Roberto Maldonado, Padre
Linda Wesolowski, Business Administrator
Tim Ditch, Music Director
Heidi Livingston, CTK Preschool Director

Sunday Service

10:30 am Worship
5pm Misa

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