



THE CROWNICLE

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Worship Live on Zoom
Sundays 10:30am
Find Zoom Link at
www.tigardlutherans.com

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Go to the CTK website

www.tigardlutherans.com and under donate click on the link to Vanco. It's quick, it's easy and it's convenient.

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20/20 HINDSIGHT! AND WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

If I had known then what I know now . . .

Think back to January 2020. Do you remember? Do you remember anything about the hopes and dreams you had for the New Year? I looked back at the Crownicle from that month. Here's what I found:

"We are facing some challenges at Christ the King Lutheran Church. Challenges that are being faced by Christian churches all over the country . . . We are no longer the center of culture. Demographic shifts in this country are moving the ethnic and cultural center of gravity from majority white-Eurocentric to no ethnic majority".

Followed by this: ***"¡Bienvenido a su casa de fe!
Welcome to your house of faith!***

*On January 5, 2020 we welcomed into our midst Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana. Christ the King Lutheran is adding a bilingual worship service beginning January 12, 2020. Fr. Roberto Maldonado will become a familiar face around the office, stop in and introduce yourself. Welcome brothers and sisters!
¡Bienvenido hermanos y hermanas!"*

And this also caught my attention:

"We have begun the Reconciled In Christ process. A new season of music ministry has begun. There is much to be hopeful about".

And then the world changed. We gathered to smudge our heads with ashes and that was it. We were changed in ways we never would have imagined. And we continue to be changed, reshaped, reformed for God's service in this place at this time.

What's ahead in 2021? We are still faced with a demographic shift for which we are well positioned to participate. The weekly Facebook Live Cristo Rey worship has drawn as many as 90 participants. We continue to welcome guests to our English Zoom worship on Sunday mornings. Welcoming guests to online worship is a challenge, yet you all have risen to meet it.

Your continued faithful giving will allow us to enhance the technology we have learned together. We are committed to retaining remote, electronic worship even when we can safely gather in person. In addition to weekly worship, we will continue gathering on Zoom for Bible Study, Council Meetings, RIC Core Team, Anti-Racism Study and soon, the Annual Meeting. We have learned to use the necessary technology and will need to add equipment and personnel to support a continued online presence.

2021 is here! Let's REJOICE that 2020 is GONE!
Let's use the lessons we have learned to make 2021 another year of the Lord's favor.

Blessed New Year! Pastor Dorothy





Zoom! It's the new front door and meeting place! We are becoming accustomed to this new gathering place. It's not 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 those devices, 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 of Faith, The Gospel According to Mark

We will "re-Zoom" (sorry! Not sorry!) Book of Faith.

Every Wednesday, January 13th until February 10th. Doors "open" at 6:30pm.

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

Meeting ID: 865 3064 0555

Passcode: 163034

Dial in by phone using same ID and Passcode

+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

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. We will start a new book study on Thursday, January 14th. 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, January 14th until February 11th. Doors "open" at 6:30pm.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84098720009?pwd=N2hXQ0c2T1paZ0hlaGhTeFlOc1JKdz09>

Meeting ID: 840 9872 0009

Passcode: 677456

Dial in by phone using same ID and Passcode

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ANNUAL MEETING ZOOM

Christ the King Lutheran Church, Tigard, OR

January 31, 2021 12:00Noon

Use this link to join

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83716502325?pwd=IGZNd0laRmVKdGJRT1BZSW1ORTFNQT09>

Meeting ID: 837 1650 2325

Passcode: 508633

Or dial using your phone: +1 253 215 8782,,837 1650 2325#,,, *508633# US (Tacoma)

Use the same ID and Passcode above

OTHER INFORMATION!

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.

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.

COUNCIL LETTER

Dear Congregation of Christ the King,

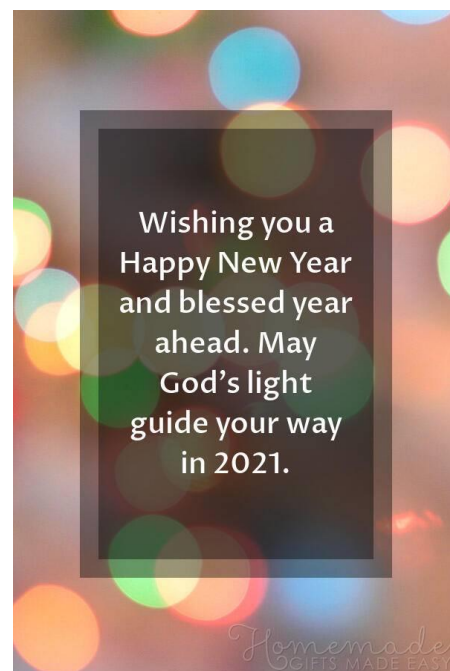
This unusual year of 2020 is drawing to a close. We look back on the main twists and turns this year has taken. We, as a congregation, have seen God's hand at work in the midst of this trying year. We are grateful that Pastor Dorothy came through a very serious illness and recovery and has returned to active pastoring of our congregation. Many prayers for her have been answered and we thank God for His hand of mercy.

Leadership from our Director of Music, Tim Ditch, has brought forth Zoom worship and music for not only our congregation, but beyond, into our wider community. We are grateful for Tim's knowledge in this area and support from Jonathan. The work of our congregation has pressed forward in spite of Covid. The preschool is flourishing. The Word of God reaches out through our Zoom connection. God's hand is at work in many places.

Our congregational meeting will take place Sunday, January 31, 2021. It will be on Zoom at 12:00 noon after our Sunday worship. You will need to exit from the worship service and use a new access code and password for the meeting. This information is included in this newsletter. Each person in a household that is a voting member of the congregation will need to use a separate device (such as a cell phone, iPad or computer) so that your individual vote will be counted. The congregational secretary will use your login to verify voting requirements per our constitution. Our constitution does permit internet meeting and voting. The annual meeting will be conducted on Zoom with reports and business being presented. If anyone has something they wish to bring up at the meeting, please submit it in writing to Linda at the church office ctkoffice@tigardlutherans.com. All voting will take place on line. We did this at the Synod meeting in November and it worked well. You will receive instructions of the mechanics of voting and we will hold a practice session before the meeting. A note to committee chairs for the church. Please submit your annual activity report to Linda as soon as you can so your report can be included in the Annual Meeting Year-end report. Blessings to you all as we bid 2020 goodbye and welcome the New Year!

Nancy Skirvin

Council President



BRAVO! To Tim Ditch and the musicians who made Christmas Eve look very different and sound glorious. THANK YOU! If you have not yet viewed the Christmas Eve worship service, we highly recommend you do so. You will find a link to the video on our website, www.tigardlutherans.com. Can we expect future opportunities to participate in the Christ the King Virtual Choir?

CTK PRESCHOOL NEWS

CTK Preschool classes performed in virtual Christmas Programs. It was very different from previous years! The T/Th class sang Christmas songs. The MWF class acted out the story of the birth of Jesus and finished with 'We Wish You a Merry Christmas. We are so thankful that Pastor Dorothy was able to join us for our programs.

All through December, the children worked on special presents for their families. We sang a lot of songs, read Christmas stories and even decorated our classroom Christmas tree!

Enrollment has begun for the 2021-22 school year! We are not able to host an open house this year, but will schedule individual tours for interested families. If you have friends or family interested in preschool for next year, please have them contact, Director@christthekingpreschool.com!

Heidi Livingston, Director

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.

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.

LAWN MOWERS NEEDED

The Property and Grounds Team are looking for more volunteers to help with mowing the church lawn. If you are interested in being on the lawn mowing team, please email George Klein at Gkleins@comcast.net

It involves about an hour of your time, about 6 times in the year during the lawn mowing months and we can be flexible in the schedule.



Tues/Thurs 3 year olds



M/W/F 4 & 5 year olds

Just in case you missed seeing our sanctuary all decorated for Advent, here is a picture that captures the excitement and celebration of our coming Lord and Savior.



My Faith Journey by Kathleen Carney

As part of my faith journey and being part of the Reconciled in Christ (RIC) process, there is a part of the process called "Public Storytelling." I am the first of several members who will be sharing their story. This was an awesome opportunity for me to look inward and examine my life as a Christian and believer of the "Way." I encourage everyone to take a quiet moment or two to ponder and reflect on their journey. I started my faith journey in the neighbor's station wagon. They took me and my two sisters to church every Sunday morning to Pilgrim Lutheran church. We were baptized there and I continued by attending a robust Youth Group.

I came to Christ the King after my Divorce. As most Divorces go...it was not pleasant and certainly not the plan I had in mind. I drew closer to God and needed that Church family for support. Post-Divorce left me questioning myself and emotionally rejected and bruised. CTK was and is still the warm friendly family I needed and the family I cherish to this day. I must admit I was never involved in my previous churches except for worship and Bible Study opportunities. Christ the King has helped me grow as an active and contributing member. I have widened my depth and breadth of what it means to be a faith follower and steward of what I believe. I never really saw myself as a leader, but I learned I can be a quiet introvert and a leader. CTK members have challenged me in directions I never thought about going before.

Some of the activities/ministries I have been involved in are Stephen Ministry, National Youth Convention Chaperone, Bible Studies, and I helped a little with Sunday morning Youth. I wanted to help find and call a new Pastor when Pastor Jeff left... (just have to leave that one at dot..dot...dot....), but I was not voted onto that committee. Therefore, I joined the Council....and then I joined the Council again (yep six years, two as vice president). Right now, part of my faith journey rests at RIC. Reconciled means: to restore friendship or harmony, to make consistent (to settle/resolve). I ask the question how do we bring people to CTK and spread the good news that CTK is a safe and warm place to learn, visit and grow. That is my experience and my testimony. Just to let you inside my brain I have the hymn "This is my Story, this is my Song," playing inside my head. After all, we are all beloved children of God, made in his image.

My vision is not to change CTK, but to let the community know how we welcome EVERYONE. There are church members, family members of members, friends and co-workers that are part of the LBGTQIA+ community. This community has been rejected and wary of sharing who they are. After all, how many times do they touch the hot stove, or do we learn how to turn off the burner? As Jesus says "come all who are weary and I will give you rest." Some may know my nephew, Justin Livengood, well, he came out gay a couple years ago. He shared with me that "he didn't want to be viewed differently just because he was gay, and that is why he was not open to sharing. Also, "being gay was only a part of who he is as a person." From a different perspective, one of my students is Autistic and I (the teacher) must personally invite him to transition from one activity to another. I find this irritating at times in the business of a classroom. I have to stop.... and remember that this is how his brain is wired and if I want him to eat lunch I must walk with him to the bathroom so we can all start lunch.

Doesn't our Lord leave the flock to rescue that one lost sheep? A personal, deliberate welcoming statement could go a long way. I hope through this RIC process we learn about ourselves, and our place and role in God's family, and how as a congregation we can ponder ways to grow CTK. The ultimate mission to provide and spread the good news. Thank you for reading my story...the part of me that is an introvert can't ttttttalk and share something so personal out loud. I hope through this RIC process it will challenge us to look outside the box, and dream big for the future.

Sincerely a beloved and devoted child of God,
Kathleen Carney (she/her).....we will learn about that stuff too (forever a student of God's creation)

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

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Steven Larsen
- 9 Christina Heikens
- 10 Sarah Doss
- 13 Julie Helle
- 15 Jacob Stollberg
- 15 Annika Stollberg
- 16 Valerie Briggs
- 18 Tim Larsen
- 18 Tammy Brink
- 20 Jeanne Durbetaki
- 20 Mark Henninger
- 24 Carolyn Snow
- 26 Tom Struck
- 27 Amanda Burtch

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

- 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.



CHURCH CALENDAR

- January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 10:30am Service Zoom Worship
- January 13, 20, 27 Zoom Book of Faith, 7pm
- January 14, 21, 28 Zoom Anti-Racism Discussion, 7pm
- January 31, 2021 Noon Annual meeting by Zoom

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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