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## **SIEMPRE REFORMANDO – ALWAYS REFORMING**

October 31<sup>st</sup> is a weird day for me. I want to join in the fun and frivolity, the costumes and creepiness of Halloween AND I want to remember the defiant, prophetic acts and words of Dr. Martin Luther in Wittenberg, Germany 504 years ago. It's so Lutheran...we deal in both/and, instead of either/or conversations. Thus, October 31<sup>st</sup> is both ghoulish fun and important church history.

As you read this newsletter, we are approaching the end of another church year. We have spent months learning, growing and reflecting on what it means to follow Jesus. Just exactly what is this "good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God"? Now we plunge into a flurry of celebrations as we close out the liturgical year. Reformation Day...actually ON a Sunday! All Saints Sunday and finally, the New Year's Eve of the church year, "The Reign of Christ Sunday" (formerly known as Christ the King Sunday).

Beginning November 28<sup>th</sup>, the church slows down to make time to prepare our hearts, our spaces, our very lives for the Word made flesh to appear...again...for the first time.

But it is NOT the first time. We have heard this story, it hasn't changed in, like, forever! What's so special about Advent? What's the big deal, it's the same old story, year after year after year after year? WAIT a minute! Maybe that's exactly what IS so special about this time of year, in fact the entire church year...it IS the same old story, year after year after year after year.

God's mercy is from everlasting to everlasting. Alpha and Omega. The beginning to which there is no beginning and the ending to which there is no ending. *"In the beginning was the Word...and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth" (John 1:1, 14).*

I invite you to take some time this month, November to prepare for your December preparations. Seriously. Consider how you will spend your December this year. Will it be in a rush of activity? Will it be in quiet meditation? Will it be one or the other or might it be a balance of both? Let's be Lutheran together – "both/and" – creating space and time to meet the Word made flesh, again, for the first time.

May you always be reforming, always being made new.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Dorothy



**Zoom!** We are worshipping in person but we are also offering worship by Zoom! Here is the information with the links for coming to events being held on Zoom.

## Zooming in on Christ the King Gatherings

### **SUNDAY WORSHIP (Same link for every Sunday Zoom Worship)**

**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

### **CRISTO REY MISA**

Padre Roberto Maldonado leads misa being offered both in person and 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](http://www.tigardlutherans.com).

**MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING** Link, ID and password:

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

Time: 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82607652262?pwd=Zis5NzhXWDhucXFhYUhBZEhBZ2Y3UT09>

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

Meeting ID: 826 0765 2262

Passcode: 417394

### **BOOK STUDY AND ANTI-RACISM DISCUSSION**

**"Baptized in Tear Gas"** (Elle Dowd) and **"I'm Still Here"** (Austin Channing Brown)

Two autobiographies. Two women. One Black, One White. They share their experiences with racism and their journey toward anti-racism.

Every Thursday. Doors "open at 6:30pm.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84098720009?pwd=N2hXQ0c2T1paZ0hlaGhTeFlOcUJkZD09>

Meeting ID: 840 9872 0009

Passcode: 677456

Dial in by phone using same ID and Passcode +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

### **BOOK OF FAITH, 1 PETER**

Materials will be available from the office. Call to check if they have arrived. \$7 covers the cost of the materials and is not required to join this lively group of biblical students! We have decided to carry on through December on Wednesdays at 7pm on Zoom. If you would like to join us, let us know how to get the materials to you.

<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)

## CALLING ALL SINGERS!

If you love to sing, the Friends of CTK Virtual Choir wants you! We'll perform a few pieces to be included in our Advent and Christmas services.

You don't need choir experience (but if you have it, that's great!). You don't have to be a techie. You don't have to be a certain age. It doesn't matter where you live. You don't even have to read music. All you need is a willing spirit and two devices—smart phone, tablet, desktop computer, laptop computer, iPod—any two as long as one has a camera and microphone.



I'll send you sheet music and recordings of each piece. Your vocal part will be prominent on the recording, so it's easy to learn your part, even if you don't read music. Just sing along with the recording until you know your part. Then you'll record a video of yourself singing. Once I have everyone's video, I'll combine them all into a virtual choir! If you participated last year, you know it's not hard. If you're new, don't worry. I'll provide step-by-step instructions so you know exactly what to do.

If you'd like to participate, send a note to [timd@figardlutherans.com](mailto:timd@figardlutherans.com). I'll follow up with more info. Questions? Just ask!

Tim Ditch, Director of Music

## ADVENT-TO-GO

Advent Season begins November 28<sup>th</sup> and we will not gather in person, again, boo. BUT! We will be delivering another Advent-to-Go bag to each household. In addition to an Advent devotion book, we hope you will enjoy some activities that we have included in the bag. There are some activities especially for little ones, let us know if you have grandkids who would enjoy those. Be waiting for a phone call just before Thanksgiving followed by a knock on your door for a bag full of fun and reflection.

Blessed Advent! Sharon Ray, Council Vice President.



## Have you considered . . .

What it costs to run a church the size of Christ the King? About \$250,000 per year. And that is doing exactly what we are currently doing, nothing more. What would it look like if we could add a couple of key staff positions, not full time, yet highly strategic? We are praying for a technical assistant and a social media expert. These positions cost money.

So, what would it take to establish these strategic positions and add vital ministries? Well, we are asking you each to prayerfully plan how you will continue to support Christ the King and how you can increase your giving by a small amount, maybe half of one percent. For instance, if you're giving \$50.00 per month, would you consider giving \$52.50? If you are giving \$100, \$105 per month. You see where this is going. Even if you are giving \$5.00 per week, that small increase would have a significant impact on our ministry presence in the community.

There are other means of supporting the work of God's church in this place.

1. Worship regularly at Christ the King, on Zoom or in person.
2. Volunteer your time to benefit others, can you count money? Fold bulletins? Stuff envelopes?
3. Give electronically making it easier to remember, even when you are worshipping remotely.
4. Make Christ the King ministries a beneficiary of part of your estate, there are folks at the Synod level who can help you plan that.
5. Make a written commitment to giving a specific amount to Christ the King in 2022.

\$\_\_\_\_\_ per (circle one) week/month/quarter/year

We are not asking you to submit this commitment, though it would help us to better understand how to plan financially for the coming year. We pray that as you consider your faith journey you will remember the many blessings you have received and share those blessings with others through the ministries of this church.

## WIDER WELCOME TEAM

### WE ARE LEARNING TO LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS

I felt the need to share some more definitions. Learning the terms and understanding the diverse and ever evolving Sogic (Sexual orientation and Gender Identity and Expression) Spectrum can be overwhelming and enlightening. One element that is consistent in our RIC materials, is to remember it is People over definitions. We are all beloved children of God. Definitions do give us more information and understanding, and using correct pronouns shows respect and hospitality to God's diverse people.

**Cisgender:** This term means a person's gender identity corresponds with the sex they were assigned at birth.

**Transgender:** A trans person is someone whose gender is different from their assigned sex at birth.

**Non-binary:** Non-binary is a spectrum of gender identities. A non-binary person doesn't identify as exclusively male or exclusively female. They may feel like a mix of genders or like they have no gender at all. "Genderqueer" is often used interchangeably with non-binary.

**Genderfluid:** This term applies to a person whose gender identity changes over time or changes at different times.

Personal pronouns are the set of pronouns a person wants others to use when talking to or about them. Understanding there is a difference between a person's sex, gender identity, and gender expressions makes the use of pronouns important. Asking someone "What pronouns do you use?" is a great way to hospitably see, name, and care for LGBTQIA+ people. (Lutheran introduction to sexual orientation, Gender identity & Gender Expression)

#### GENDER PRONOUN CHART

PRONOUNS	PRONUNCIATION	SUBJECT	OBJECT
he-him-his-himself	hee, him, his, himself	He went to the beach.	I gave it to him.
she-her-her-herself	shee, hur, hur, herself	She went to the beach.	I gave it to her.
ze-hir-hir-hirself	zee, heer, heer, herself	Ze went to the beach	I gave it to hir.
ze-zem-zir-zirself	zee, zem, zeer, zeerself	Ze went to the beach	I gave it to zem.
they-them-their-themselves	they, them, thair, themselves	They went to the beach.	I gave it to them.
ey-em-eir-emsself	ey, em, air, emself	Ey went to the beach.	I gave it to em.
xe-xem-xyrs-xyrself	zee, zem, zeers, zeerself	Xe went to the beach.	I gave it to xem.
per-per-pers-perself	pur, pur, purs, purself	Per went to the beach.	I gave it to per.
name, no pronoun		Sofia went to the beach.	I gave it to Sofia.

If you don't know which identity terms, pronouns or titles to use, and find yourself getting "stuck" on terms, re-center yourself on the fact you are talking about a person. If you accidentally use the wrong pronoun for someone, the best thing to do is correct yourself with a simple "Sorry, I meant (insert the correct pronoun). It is also ok to ask which pronouns one prefers, or just avoid using gendered terms. Remember, all you need to welcome someone is their name. We can practice by introducing ourselves to friends and visitors. "My name is Kathleen, and I go by (or use the pronouns) she/her." I introduce myself as Kathleen, and some people just go right to the assumption of calling me Kathy?? I have always politely corrected people, and people have respectfully corrected their mistake and honored me by using "my name," which identifies me in a very personal way. I know this is a lot to take in and wrap your head around.

The team appreciates your time and energy given to this learning journey.

Blessings, WWMT, Kathleen Carney, Sherm & Mary Case, Ruthanne Rusnak, and Sharon Ray

## CTK PRESCHOOL NEWS

CTK Preschool had a fun filled October! Check out our pictures of our discoveries on our Facebook Page, 'Christ the King Preschool-Tigard.'

We were not able to do a pumpkin patch field trip this year, so we made our own pumpkin patch in the playground! The children had fun picking out their pumpkins, then painted and decorated them.

Please continue to pray for CTK Preschool! During these times more than ever, we are so thankful for this mission of serving families! We are so glad we have had a safe and healthy start to our school year!

Heidi Livingston, Director,  
Christ the King Preschool.  
Cell ph # 503-333-5331



## FALL CLEAN UP

This year's fall Cleanup is Sat. Nov. 20 starting at 9:00am but come any time. Bring the Grandkids, friends, neighbors and enemies 😊

Thank you so much everyone for your help in the past and thank you in advance if you can share a bit of your time with us this year. I'm always amazed and inspired by your generous hearts and many hands will make for a fast, fun fellowship 😊

If you are not able to join us on the Saturday you are also welcome to come at your own leisure and do what you can any day or time. Contact Steve or myself if you want guidance.

Bring any tools you like such as rakes, blowers, pruners, etc... and know we have extras also.

Because of Covid, we will practice safety guidelines. I will supply Costco muffins on a table outside but I would ask that you bring your own beverages and snacks. Hope to see you there!

In God's service, George

## QUILTERS

We could use more help with the Lutheran World Relief quilts. The November opportunities to join us for quilting are Tuesday, November 2 and November 16 at 9 a.m. Hope you can join us! Even if you don't feel you are a quilter, there is always something you can do to help. For questions call, Gloria Barnum at 503-593-1266.

## PIE MINISTRY

Thank you so much for your generous support with pumpkin pie contributions! CTK will once again be partnering with Cascade Vineyard Church to provide Thanksgiving meal boxes for families in need and with all your contributions we will be providing all the pumpkin pies for this ministry.

Thank you again for your thoughtful generosity! We are truly blessed!

God is truly good all the time!  
Lorna Kautzky- The Pie Lady

## GIVING

Thank you for your generous contributions to the work of the church. Giving options are:  
**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](http://www.tigardlutherans.com) to set this up.

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

**THE KING'S PANTRY** food bank continues to store up our harvest of canned goods and boxed non-perishables to fill Thanksgiving food baskets for our hungry neighbors. Bless your continued generosity. There is a basket in the sanctuary and the food barrel is outside the office doors under the portico.



## LIBRARY NEWS

The weather is wet and windy. What a perfect time to hunker down with some good books! Look what's new in our library!

### **I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made For Whiteness**

by Austin Channing Brown is a black woman's account of growing up in majority – white schools, organizations, and churches. In reading reviews online, I saw this book was described as heartwarming, heartbreaking, powerful, educational, and eye opening. I can't wait to read it!

### **Baptized in Tear Gas, From White Moderate To Abolitionist**

is Elle Dowd's story of how she went from considering herself to be an advocate for justice to her transformation into an activist who fully committed to the work of anti-racism and abolition

### **Desperate Women of the Bible, Lessons on Passion From the Gospels**

by Jo Kadlecek introduces us to eight biblical women driven by a passion and desperation to seek out Jesus.

In the children's Picture Book Section of the library, two new books on diversity and inclusivity are being added.

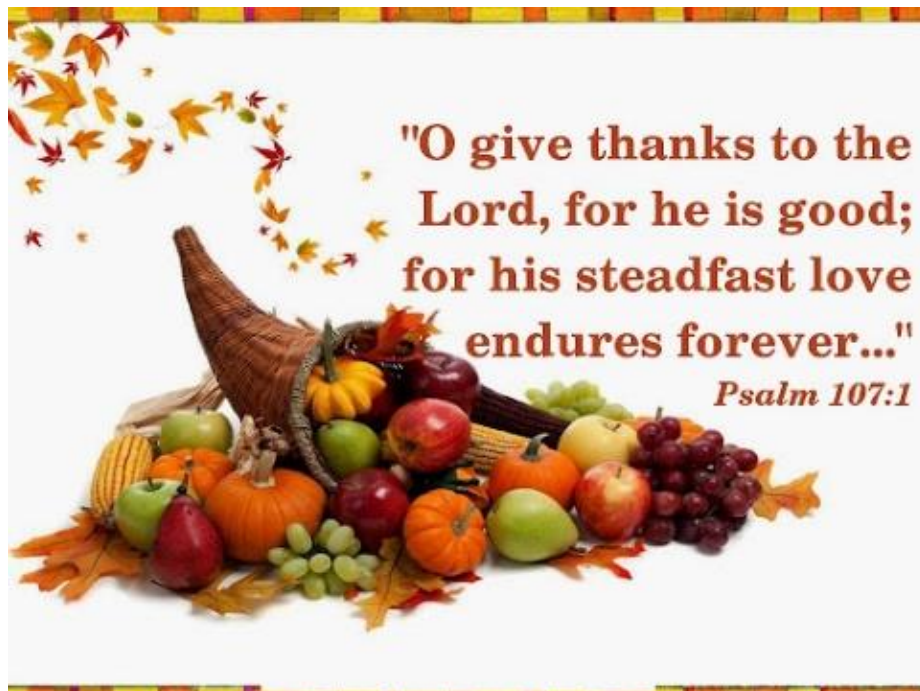
**Whoever You Are** by Mem Fox gently leads the little ones to understand that *"all over the world, children are laughing and crying, playing and learning, eating and sleeping. They may not look the same. They may not speak the same language. And their lives may be quite different. But inside, they are just like you."*

**All Are Welcome** by Alexandra Penfold and Suzanne Kaufman includes lovely and colorful illustrations of children of different religions and cultures, children who are differently abled, and

children from LGBTQ families as they learn, eat, and play side by side. *"No matter how you start your day. What you wear when you play. Or if you come from far away. All are welcome here."*

## PROPERTY & GROUNDS UPDATE

We are happy to report that we received our new air conditioner for the sanctuary after quite a long wait for it to be available due to supply conditions at this time. Now we are prepared for when the warm spring and summer weather returns. Thank you to everyone for your help with your giving to be able to afford this needed replacement to our facility. Thank you, Steve Larsen, for supervising this project.



**LET THE PLANNING BEGIN!**

Mark your calendars now to ring out the old year and ring in the new!



**Ring out the Old!**

The long season of growing is almost over. Not only literal crop growth, but the spiritual growth of the people of God. The Harvest is upon us. The festival season that will conclude another church year has begun!

November 7 – All Saints Sunday – honoring the saints who have gone to their rest this past year.

November 21 – The Reign of Christ (Christ the King Sunday) – raising our praise with the church triumphant in eternity

November 24 – Thanksgiving Eve – celebrating the harvest, literal and spiritual

**Ring in the New!**

Year three of our three-year lectionary cycle takes us, once again to the gospel according to Luke.

November 28 – the first Sunday in Advent begins our preparation for receiving the Christ Child.

Friday, December 24 – Christmas Eve worship, 7pm

Saturday, December 25 – Christmas Day worship, recorded message

Sunday, December 26 – Christmas 1, 10:30am (likely to be Zoom Only)

**Advent 2021**

After prayerful deliberations, the staff of Christ the King has chosen to suspend Wednesday evening live gatherings for the season of Advent. Instead, Pastor Dorothy will record a weekly meditation that will be available on the church website and on Facebook by Wednesday morning each week. Please invite your friends to “like” and “follow” our Facebook page so that we may share the good news with them. Guide them to our website, also where they can view any Sunday worship, join our Bible Study and Book Study ministries and find a place at the table with you.

**Turn your clocks back  
on Saturday night, Nov. 6**



**CHURCH CALENDAR**

November 7, 14, 21, 28	10:30am In Person & Zoom Worship
November 2, 16	Quilting, 9am
November 9	Church Council, 7pm
November 3, 10, 17	Book of Faith, 7pm on Zoom
November 4, 11, 18	Zoom Anti-Racism Discussion, 7pm

**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:**

- 1 Nathan Henninger
- 3 Jake Ness
- 4 Katie Shay
- 6 Diane Wearne
- 8 Sharon Dickerson
- 8 Lauri Stollberg
- 8 Ernie Tucker
- 11 Margaret Westersund
- 11 Joe Scalia
- 14 Judy Maggio
- 18 Laura Simmers
- 19 Thad Clifton
- 21 Myrna Gleason
- 23 Carey Cornutt
- 24 Leah Khalili
- 26 Dick Renken
- 28 Ned Snow
- 30 Harry Brown

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:**

- 4 Larry & Sharon Dickerson
- 14 Roger & Sandy Clifton
- 16 Karen & Mike McNaught
- 18 Harry & Sally Brown

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



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

**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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