



THE CROWNICLE

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH

LEARNING TO TRUST

Let us all be thankful for the many blessings from God over these past few weeks. The first that comes to mind is the care and recovery for Pastor Dorothy from a very serious condition. So grateful for her ministry to us here at CTK and now we support and pray for her as she is home healing. We have been blessed by so many faithful members of our congregation that help our staff, take care of our grounds and pray for our church. We are blessed that Pastor Paul Teyler is available to conduct our Sunday worship service beginning this Sunday. We will be able to have communion at our home and yet together through the Zoom virtual worship. So grateful for Linda in our church office and Tim providing not only the music for worship but so much skill in making the Zoom worship run smoothly. Your offerings continue to enable Christ the King Lutheran church to carry forward in ministry during this time of isolation.

The pandemic has changed our lives in many ways. We have drawn closer to God and looked for His guidance and protection. I have a lovely book by Martin Luther called "Reading the Psalms with Luther". He comments on each Psalm and has a prayer. Considering it was written over 500 years ago, the messages jump out as if he were here and now writing for us in this time. God is timeless. Let me share Psalm 121 and Luther's comment:

"The 121st psalm is a psalm of comfort in which the psalmist comforts us by his example, so that we may remain strong in faith and wait for God's help and protection. Although it appears as though He sleeps or slumbers so that we are struck down by the sun by day and the moon at night, yet it is not so, though we may think or feel it. For God watches and keeps us secure and does not let the sun strike us dead. This we will come to know for certain at last, though we can now only look forward to it.

Psalm 121

I lift my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who has made heaven and earth. He will not let your foot be moved, he who keeps you will not slumber. Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is your keeper, the Lord is your shade on your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all evil, he will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and for evermore.

Luther's prayer: To you oh God who has hitherto been our Father and our Patron, do we lift up our eyes, knowing that from you alone can come our help and our salvation. Grant us a living trust in your mercy and truth that hearts do not fear when we must pass through the fire of trials or must wade through the waters of affliction, but always maintain a cheerful trust in your help through Jesus Christ. Amen "

Blessing, Nancy Skirvin
Council President

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Worship Live on Zoom

Sundays 10:30am

Find Zoom Link at

www.figardlutherans.com

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Go to the CTK website

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

Sunday Services Videos & Texts

are also on our website

www.figardlutherans.com

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Go to Christ the King Lutheran Church and click on the "follow" and/or "like" button.



LIVE WORSHIP VIA ZOOM! It's the new front door and meeting 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. You are invited to "arrive" at worship anytime after 10am for the 10:30am worship.

Need help getting Zoom to work? Contact Jane Hershberger 971-340-8020 (cell), or Tim Ditch 503-774-4535 (home).

CONNECTING TO A ZOOM MEETING

Adapted from Zoom's documentation Quick Start Guide

A Zoom call is a conference call which can be joined using either:

- an app on your computer, tablet, or smartphone to see video
- or by calling in from any phone and entering the Meeting ID

Each meeting has a Meeting ID that will be required to join.

We will send you an email with the Meeting ID and/or the phone numbers you need to join.

You do not need to sign in or have an account to use Zoom.

If using your computer, you can test your audio and video any time by going to: <https://zoom.us/test>

To join from a link on your computer, iPad, iPhone or Smartphone:

The Meeting ID is part of the Zoom email invitation.

Click the link and follow the prompts to either install Zoom (the first time you use it) or open the Zoom app.

To join by phone call:

Call in using the teleconferencing number (use the phone number labeled (Tacoma)).

Type in Meeting ID when prompted and press #.

When asked to enter a participant ID, just press # unless you are also using an app to watch video.

If you are using the app to watch video but not listen to audio, you can get a participant ID when you select not to join via audio. Enter it and press #.

To join from an app:

Open the app on your computer, phone, or tablet. Choose "Join meeting." Type in the meeting ID and your name. Choose whether you want to use video and audio. If you don't have speakers/microphone, you should not join audio and should call in as well. You will be provided a number to call.

ZOOM WORSHIP LINK FOR CHRIST THE KING ACTIVITIES

Weekly Worship ID and password:

Time: 10:00am "doors open"

(copy and paste this link in your browser)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86517107296?pwd=aVZpWFV0b0QzbFF6ZlVPTDFsL0FZQT09>

(or phone in using this number)

+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Meeting ID: 865 1710 7296

Password: 299944

IN OTHER NEWS!

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

BOOK OF FAITH BIBLE STUDY AND “WAKING UP WHITE” BOOK STUDY/CONVERSATION are taking a little break while Pastor Dorothy recovers her health. Watch for news of resuming these popular Christ the King small groups.

GIVING: Your faithful, generous, and regular giving has allowed Christ the King to continue ministry relatively uninterrupted. There are at least four ways to share your tithes and offerings. First, you can mail a check to the church office. Second, you could use your online banking bill pay. Third, you can set up an automatic payment through our third-party giving platform, Vanco (if you need help setting this up, give a call to the church office, Mon/Wed/Fri mornings). Fourth, you can go to the website www.tigardlutherans.com and click on the “donate” button to make single contributions through Vanco.

RECONCILING IN CHRIST (RIC) UPDATE

I want to take a moment to share the progress of our “listening Season,” with the congregation. Our core team has had some delightful and insightful conversations with our members. We appreciate everyone who has shared their faith story, their experiences and their concerns during their one-on-one visitations. Although, we are not quite finished...covid has added an unforeseen twist to the process, and we haven't reached everyone. It is our highest priority to listen to every member and provide a safe and confidential one on one visit. If you haven't received an invite from one of our core team members for a one-on-one, please contact me or leave a message with the church office (Linda), and will let your voice be heard.

We are on a faith journey, and we want to “Welcome all people with God's unconditional love.” Thus far, our members are mostly thoughtful, respectful and brave as we consider a deliberate and thoughtful welcoming of our LBGTQia brothers and sisters. There is some fear of what others might think of these opinions. As we hear many times in the bible, “Be not afraid.” The core team will keep you updated, so you are a part of the process. Remember you always have a voice, and can share ideas or concerns with the team or church council.

The core team takes this process thoughtfully, carefully and seriously with you the members in mind as we are disciples of Jesus Christ. As our mission statement proclaims to: “Welcome all people with God's love, Celebrate Jesus Christ and each other, Grow in faith through the Holy Spirit, and Serve human and community needs.

Blessings,
Kathleen Carney, RIC Team Leader



WORDS FROM COUNCIL

Beloved fellow members of Christ the King,

“When will we reopen?” That’s the big question. Unfortunately, the Council doesn’t have an answer yet. In the interests of the health of our congregation, we’ve decided to wait until the number of new covid-19 cases in our local area has fallen to a lower level before choosing to come together in person on Sunday mornings. In the meantime, we are putting together protocols and gathering necessary supplies in anticipation of reopening.

Please keep the Council and the reopening task force in your prayers as we work through these decisions. Contact Jane Hershberger at jjhershberger@gmail.com or 971-340-8020 (cell) to give her your suggestions or concerns. We’ll keep you posted!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

On behalf of the council, congregation and myself, as liaison to the property committee:

A **BIG THANKS** and tip of the cap in gratitude to George Klein, Steve Larsen, Mark Gohlke and the entire crew of lawn mowers and other maintenance volunteers. Your aid in cleaning and striping the parking lot and having our lawn and environs so impeccable are enormously appreciated.

Brian J Liebenstein
Council Member

CHRIST IN OUR HOME

There are copies of the daily devotional Christ In Our Home sitting all alone in the narthex, waiting for someone to request them. If you would like to have one, please contact Linda in the office at ctkoffice@tigardlutherans.com or call 503.639.2789. There are regular and large print copies.

WHAT’S IN A NAME?

A name is just a name, right? A title doesn’t mean anything, right? Not necessarily. Names are important for many reasons. Titles are equally important. Names and titles identify particular individuals and particular professions. When an individual introduces herself, pay attention to how she names herself, because that is what she prefers to be called. “Hi, I’m Pastor Dorothy”. This is my sort of subtle way of asking you, the members of Christ the King, to please call your pastor by her preferred title and name. Other pastors have other preferences, and I thank you for honoring mine. Blessings.

HOME ALTAR

If you have prepared a place of worship in your home we would love to see a picture of it. Take a photo and send it to the church office at ctkoffice@tigardlutherans.com



In this time of distance, we continue to pray for one another. When you have a prayer request there are several ways you can communicate that with us.

One, call the church office, 503.639.2789 .

Two, send an email to the church office at ctkoffice@tigardlutherans.com

Three, send an email to Jeanne Durbetaki at jeannedurbetaki@gmail.com or call 503-985-3188 and the prayer chain will be activated.

And Four, go to the church’s website www.tigardlutherans.com and click on the “How May We Pray For You” button.

FOOD BARREL

Cascade Vineyard Church, our partners in ministry, continue to serve the needs of the food insecure in our community with their King’s Pantry food bank. As you are able, we invite you to share non-perishable food as you have so generously done in the past. You may drop by the church and the “food barrel” is outside the door to the church office, under the porch roof. If you would like to donate and are not able to bring your donations by, members of Christ the King have volunteered to come to your house and pick up your donations, just call the church office and let us know. CVC will collect the donations and stock the pantry. Bless you.



We are looking forward to another year of Preschool at Christ the King. We have been planning and training for the new Covid 19 guidelines in order to open in September. Please pray for a

successful and healthy school year! We have a few openings left in our Tues/Thurs class; please let neighbors, friends, and family members know. We'd love to give them a tour.

Thrivent members please consider Christ the King Preschool for your Thrivent Choice Dollars and non-Thrivent members please consider donating to our SOS Fund to support our scholarship students and for needed supplies. Checks

can be made to CTK Preschool and marked for the SOS Fund. Because of church members donations and our CTK Preschool Board no family, thankfully, has ever been denied attendance at CTK Preschool in these past 16 years. For more information or questions, please contact: Heidi Livingston, Director, 503-333-5331 (cell).

This was in the newsletter last month but it is worth repeating Worship Is a Verb!

In these days of virtual worship services, it's easy to let worship become a spectator sport. Watching a worship service on a video screen can feel like watching a TV show. Grab a snack, snuggle into your recliner, and you're a spectator.

But God calls us to worship *actively*. To sing, pray, praise, learn, proclaim, and be nourished. Can we do this from our homes? Yes! Can we be active participants in a worshiping community when we're not physically together? Yes! Absolutely!

Join us for LIVE! Worship on Sunday mornings at 10:30. Here are a few things you can do in advance so you're ready to jump in and get involved.

- Print the Sunday bulletin or view it on a second device. The hymns, scriptures, prayers, and more are included in the bulletin.
- Set aside the time so you can be present for the whole service.
- It might help to dress for the service. Consider getting ready just as if you were going to go to church. Put on your Sunday clothes! (If you're old-hat at Zoom meetings, this might mean church clothes on top and pajamas on the bottom.) But remember, you're welcome as you are—fancy clothes, sweats, or pajamas!
- Set aside a place for worship. Set the table for communion.
- The service starts at 10:30, but I encourage you to log on at 10 and spend some time chatting with others. It's really fun to see who's going to pop up on the screen! And just wait until the passing of the peace later in the service. If you haven't done this virtually yet, let me tell you—it's a blast!

Once the service starts at 10:30, take part! Speak the congregational responses. Sing the hymns! Pray! Be nourished at the table. Worship—like a verb!

Can't wait to see you "in church"!
Tim Ditch
Director of Music

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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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CHURCH CALENDAR

August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
August 11

10am doors Open, 10:30am Service Zoom Worship
7pm Council Zoom meeting