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#### **September Faces**

Dateline: September 1982; St. Peter, MN; Gustavus Adolphus College, Christ Chapel.

The first day of school is a big deal whether you are 6 or 60. One of the most memorable first-day-of-school experiences was with my daughter when she began her college education in Southern Minnesota. There was, as is true for most religious schools, the obligatory chapel service. Families and students gathered for a word of grace and hope from the campus spiritual leader, Chaplain Elvee. I don't remember much about that day 30 years ago, but I remember his use of the phrase "September faces" ... fresh, hopeful, and a little terrified?

This month at Christ the King/Cristo Rey we are seeing September faces. Fresh and hopeful, we are listening to God's plan for our life together in this community of faith. There is much possibility, much joy, and much that is still unknown. Yet, we have one constant, a promise from God expressed by the prophet Isaiah: Behold, I am about to do something new; even now it is coming. Do you not see it? Indeed, I will make a way in the wilderness and streams in the desert. See, I am doing a new thing! Isaiah 43:19

As we emerge from the wilderness of the COVID era, we are asking "What new thing is God doing among us?" In what ways might we emerge strong, enthusiastic, and ready to extend our welcome to our neighbors, friends, and families. We don't have to literally start a new school year to experience September faces. It is enough to know that this is an exciting time to be a follower of Jesus. We have a story to tell. It's an old story, it's a good story, it's a story that the world is waiting to hear.

**Christ the King/Cristo Rey** 

# **September Faces Picnic**

Sunday, September 11 12:30 p.m. Church Courtyard

Food will be prepared and served. All you have to do is show up!

already RSVPd!

RSVP to 503-639-2789 or ctkoffice@tigardlutherans.com.
If you completed the survey a few weeks ago, you've



Take your September faces out into the highways and byways and invite your neighbors. Invite them to the September picnic, invite them to the table of grace where all are fully welcome.

Dateline: September 2022; Tigard, OR; Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana Put on your September Faces! God is doing something new, here!

Blessings be upon us all, Pastor Dorothy

#### **Cristo Rey**

The reimagining of Cristo Rey Spanish-language worship is ready to launch. Join us Sunday, September 11, at 5 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Led by our Spanish-speaking members and Pastor Dorothy, we will view a recorded homily from various Spanish-speaking pastors. Worship will be the second and fourth Sundays of the month.

### **Christian Education Opportunities**

**Book of Faith Bible Study**—Wednesdays beginning September 14, 7 p.m. on Zoom (link is on the **church website**) We are about halfway through the study of Jeremiah/Lamentations. You are invited to join this lively and informative conversation.

Anti-Racism Conversation and Book Study—Thursdays, beginning September 15, 7 p.m. on Zoom (link is on the church website). Black Christians: The Untold Lutheran Story is a fascinating history of Black Lutheranism in the United States. Written in 1991, it examines our denomination's heritage from the perspective of a Missouri Synod-trained, Black pastor, Rev. Dr. Jeff G Johnson. The book is easy to read, chronologically arranged, and so very interesting.

You can check this book out from the library, and we encourage you to join the conversation for broader insight from your fellow Lutherans.

#### CTK Is on Zoom

Weekly Worship

Sundays at 10:30 a.m. "Doors open" at 10 a.m. Click on **this link** to join the Zoom meeting.

Phone in **1-253-215-8782** 

Meeting ID: 865 1710 7296 Password: 299944

**Monthly Council Meeting** 

Second Tuesday of every month. Gather at 6:30 p.m.

Click on this link to join the Zoom meeting.

Phone in **1-253-215-8782** 

Meeting ID: **826 0765 2262** Passcode: **417394** 

#### **Quilt Group to Meet**

The Quilt Group is starting again on Tuesday, October 4. We will meet in Haven Hall around 9 a.m. until about 11:30. Hope to see you October 4!

#### The King's Pantry

Please continue to set aside non-perishable food for the Cascade Vineyard Church food bank. Stop by the church and drop it in the barrel outside the office doors.

Plastic and glass bottles and aluminum cans with Oregon redemption value can be dropped in the barrel in the Youth Room. Cascade Vineyard will redeem them to purchase food for the food bank. Please be sure to rinse bottles and cans before you drop them in the barrel!

#### **Giving**

Thank you for your generous contributions to the work of the church. There are several ways to support CTK with your offerings:

- · Mail a check to the church office.
- Use your online banking bill-pay service.
- Set up an automatic payment through our third-party giving platform, Vanco. Visit www.tigardlutherans.com and click on the Donate tab to set this up.
- Set up a single contribution through Vanco. Visit www.tigardlutherans.com and click on the Donate tab to set this up.

#### Now Is the Time to Prepare

Have you thought about your tithes and offerings personal giving plan for 2023? Would you be willing to share your plan, even anonymously, with the leadership team so that we can begin to make our spending plan for 2023? Write it down on a piece of paper—no need to sign it—and give it to Steve Larsen or Diane Wearne. They are the team responsible for guessing what ministries we can imagine for the coming year. They will present their guesstimate to the council who will then present it to you, the entire congregation. Thank you!

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#### CTK Preschool Celebrates 19 Years

We're excited to start our 19th year at Christ the King Preschool. Both of our classes are full for 2022-23 and we are looking forward to welcoming children for the school year..

No family has ever been denied attending CTK Preschool for lack of tuition money because of the generosity of CTK Lutheran church members. Checks can



be made to CTK Preschool, and if you are a Thrivent member you can choose Christ the King Preschool for your Choice Dollars. Also, please **like us on Facebook** (Christ the King Preschool - Tigard) to see what we are up to throughout the school year.

#### **September Birthdays**

2 Joel Stollberg

5 Nicholas McNaught

10 Peggy Noles

12 Wayne Apple

15 Suzanne Metcalf

16 Sherie Knutsen17 Barb Coufal

20 Ernie Coufal20 Hilde Konarzewski

23 Ed Maggio

25 Leanne Klein

27 Brian Liebenstein

28 Lauren Justice

## **September Anniversaries**

1 Sherman and Mary Case (43 years)

Bill and Gaynelle Dressel (64 years)

6 Don and Sherie Knutsen (58 years)

10 Tim Ditch and Paul Gonzales (31 years)

12 Carl and Pastor Dorothy Cottingham (35 years)

21 William and Judy Potts (64 years)