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Worship Band.....

We will be building a Sunday and Wednesday Worship band for the fall. If you are interested in playing/singing please let JoMarie know at jomarie@goctk.org



Can you help us?

We are looking for individuals that can't make it to church. Whether a situation with being shut-in, hospitalized or other?

Volunteers can visit you and your family, send cards, call and chat, or give you communion in your home! Please call the church office to inform us of your current situation or situation of friends/family members who may be interested.

CTK Services Streamed Live!



You can find all services streaming live on Facebook. Check it out if you are unable to be in church but don't want to miss the service.

Thank You!

You stepped up and covered the cost of all the 3 year old and 3rd Grade Bibles that will be gifted this Fall. God is good and gifting the Word is an amazing forever gift for these youngsters!

Giving Made Easy at Christ the King

We thank you for your support of the church and offer many ways for you to give your offering-donations.

- Place your offering/donation in the offering plate during the service.
- Create an automated on-line giving that will take your gifts directly from your account. Sign up sheets for VANCO are on the welcome desk or visit <https://secure.myvanco.com/YKB3/home>
- Donate using this QR code. Just place your phone camera over this code and it will take you directly for you to use your credit/debit card.



Or click on the "Giving" tab on the CTK Homepage www.ctkmhd.org

Mail or Email????

If you currently receive the Heartbeat in the mail and wish to have it sent to you electronically, please contact the church office.

As I think about fall and the upcoming Capital Campaign I find myself really thinking about the last few weeks' parables and reminders of how important relationship is in our lives. I am feeling so blessed to be able to re-build some of the relationships that I let slip away when I was away from CTk. I also am finding such joy in the new relationships that I am building with all of you – it's a fun and exciting time as we do "church" together here.

Whether you have been a member at Christ the King from the very beginning or are still just "checking us out", there is a feeling of pride and joy in what is beginning to happen again here. It feels like we are all moving in a positive and building direction as we continue see guests and past worshippers coming to the services and find new neighbors and friends stopping by to see what is all going on here. I pray that as we continue to work on our relationships with each other that we too find ways to welcome and invite others that are still working to find the right fit in a church home or community.

God is always with us – in a relationship that can never be broken – regardless of what we say, do or even question. What a wonderful promise He gives to us and wants us to share with all those who enter into the church and our community. We have a lot to share with others. Look for ways to do just that – invite others to come to church, let people know of what things are happening at CTk, post that yard sign in your yard, put the window sticker on your car etc..... Let's make sure that all of the FM area knows that CTk is active, growing and a place that they can be themselves amongst a community of believers.

As we kick off the Capital Campaign this month, I pray that you not only remember and rely on the importance of our relationship with each other here at CTk but also with the need of what we do and continue to plan within the walls of this church and this community. It is in this building – with all of its people – that the love of God is shown, praised and shared. We are all going to have to dig a bit deeper to help us to get our mortgage paid down, sustain and repair the roof and other needed repairs, in order to take that love we have beyond just this space and out into the community! Please be open to the discussions and making CTk a priority in your thoughts in these coming few weeks as we work to secure the necessary funds to get things done.

Blessings and don't forget – it's not a race. It's ok to slow down and "turtle" sometimes!

Pastor Michele

WELCA Fall Conference 5 Gathering



WELCA Fall Conference Gathering will be held at CtK on Saturday, October 7th. Registration begins at 10:00am and will feature speakers with discussion on Family/Elderly mental health. Brunch will also be served.

Page Turner Book Club

It's not too late to join us for our Book Club discussion group. Our next meeting is Monday, October 23rd at 6:30pm. Our first book is "All Good People Here" by Ashley Flowers. We normally meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month, but due to MEA, we have moved the date for October. Come and join us for a great group discussion!

Office Volunteers

The CtK office is needing office coverage on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:00pm-4:00pm. Duties are simple-answer phones, greet guests, and some projects when needed. If interested contact Jo Marie at 236-7576.

Church Clean Up Day Thank You!



General Clean up day was held on Saturday, September 23. Special THANK YOU to the 13 volunteers who gave of their time and talents for a deep cleaning of the church. Together they put in over 60 hours of volunteer time and saved the church about \$1500 in cleaning expenses. We are a church together and we thank them for seeing the need and stepping up to keep our church looking welcoming and clean. If you were unable to participate, you can still do your part! We have cards with tasks left to complete on the bulletin board under the heading "How Can I Help?" Grab a card and turn it back into the office once you have completed it.

October 2023 at a Glance

Sunday, October 1

9:00am-Traditional Worship
9:45am-Fellowship
10:45am-Contemporary Worship

Monday, October 2

3:00pm-WELCA Meeting
6:00pm-Children/Youth
Committee Meeting

Tuesday, October 3

9:30am-Faithfully Fit
8:30am-TOPS
9:30am-Staff Meeting
4:30pm-Griefshare
6:30pm-Scouts

Wednesday, October 4

Gift of 3yr. old Bibles

9:00am-Quilters
12:00pm-LWR School Kit
Assembly
5:00pm-Dinner
6:00pm-Contemporary Worship
6:00pm-FaithWalk and
PromiseWalk
7:00pm-Confirmation Starts

Thursday, October 5

9:30am-Faithfully Fit

Friday, October 6

9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

Saturday, October 7

9:00am – Al-Anon
10:00am-WELCA District
Gathering
1:00pm-Capital Campaign
Training

Sunday, October 8

Capital Campaign Kickoff

9:00am-Traditional Worship
9:45am-Fellowship
10:45am-Contemporary Worship
4:00pm-Table of Mercy at
Davy Memorial Park

Monday, October 9

5:30pm-Finance Committee
5:30pm-Worship and Music
Committee
6:30pm-Executive Committee

Tuesday, October 10

8:30am – TOPS
9:30am-Faithfully Fit
9:30am – Staff Meeting

10:00am-Kindergarten Co-op
10:30am-CtK Book Club
10:30am-Tai Chi
2:00pm-Circle Leader
Bible Study
4:30pm-Capital Campaign Dinner
4:30pm-Griefshare
6:30pm-Scouts

Wednesday, October 11

Capital Campaign Kickoff

5:00pm -Dinner
6:00pm – Contemporary Worship
6:00pm – FaithWalk and
PromiseWalk
7:00pm – CrossWalk

Thursday, October 12

9:30am-Faithfully Fit
4:30pm-Capital Campaign
Dinner

Friday, October 13

9:00am Janitors for Jesus

Saturday, October 14

Ham Dinner/Bake Sale

9:00am-Al-Anon
11:00am-Concordia Parade
4:00pm-Ham Dinner/Bake Sale

Sunday, October 15

9:00am – Traditional Worship
9:50am -Fellowship
10:45am – Contemporary Worship
4:30pm-Capital Campaign Dinner

Monday, October 16

6:00pm – Property Committee

Tuesday, October 17

8:30am-TOPS
9:30am-Esther Circle
9:30am-Faithfully Fit
9:30am-Staff Meeting
10:30am-Tai Chi
1:30pm-Sarah Circle
4:30pm-Griefshare
6:30pm-Scouts

Wednesday, October 18

No School: No FaithWalk, Promise/Walk/CrossWalk

9:00am-Quilters
2:00pm-Anna Circle
6:00pm-Contemporary Worship

Thursday, October 19

9:30am-Faithfully Fit
6:00pm-Beer and Hymns
At Riverpointe

Friday, October 20

9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

Saturday, October 21

9:00am-Al-Anon
10:00am-Saturday Circle
10:00am-Dakota Jazz Big Band

Sunday, October 22

9:00am-Traditional Worship
9:45am-Fellowship
10:45am-Contemporary Worship

Monday, October 23

6:30pm-Page Turners Book Club

Tuesday, October 24

8:30am-TOPS
9:30am-Faithfully Fit
9:30am-Staff Meeting
10:00am-Kindergarten Co-op
10:30am-Tai Chi
4:30pm-Griefshare
6:30pm-Scouts
7:00pm-Church Council

Wednesday, October 25

5:00pm-Dinner
6:00pm-Contemporary Worship
6:00pm-FaithWalk and
PromiseWalk
7:00pm-CrossWalk
7:00pm-3rd Grade Bible Class

Thursday, October 26

9:30am-Faithfully Fit
1:00pm-Library Committee
6:00pm-NAMI
6:30pm-Laurie Neill Book Study

Friday, October 27

9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

Saturday, October 28

9:00am-Al-Anon

Sunday, October 29

Reformation Day

Confirmation

9:00am-Traditional Worship
9:45am-Fellowship
10:45am-Contemporary Worship
With 10th Grade Confirmation

Tuesday, October 31

8:30am-TOPS
9:30am-Faithfully Fit
9:30am-Staff Meeting
10:30am-Tai Chi
4:30pm-Griefshare
6:30pm-Scouts

Mission Trips for Summer 2024



The Youth of Christ the King were sent information about the Summer 2024 Mission trip plans:

9th – 12th graders – July 14th through July 19th - mission trip to Puerto Rico

7th – 12th graders – July 28th through August 2nd – mission trip to Lake Travers SD

Questions can be directed to Pastor Michele if you want or need more information.



Trick-O-Canning is Coming October 25!
PromiseWalk (5th and 6th Graders) will wear their costumes (if they want) as part of a service project to collect food for the Fill the Dome project. Please help us out by bringing non-perishable food items this night. Students: Remember to dress for the weather and bring fabric grocery bags.



YOUTH MINISTRIES

Youth Position Needed:

Looking for someone to take on a 4–5-hour week paid position in our Youth Ministry program. This person would be responsible for planning youth activities, service opportunities, and building faithful relationships with the 7th-12th graders of CTK. If you are interested or know of someone who may be a perfect fit, please contact Pastor Michele.

3rd Grade Bible Class

All 3rd Graders are invited to attend the following Bible class on Wednesday, October 25th from 7:00pm-7:45pm in the Library. You will receive your new Bibles in church on Wednesday, November 1st.

FaithWalk Teachers Needed

Preschool Teacher

2nd Grade: 1 Teacher

3rd Grade: 1 Teacher

4th Grade: 2 Teachers

Any questions or for more details, talk to Steph or Kris.

Email: FaithWalk@gockt.org

Wednesday Night Meals



Come join us for delicious food and fellowship prepared by Andy.

October 4-Burgers

October 11-Tater Tot Hotdish

October 18-No Meal Served

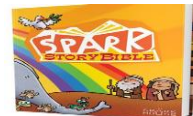
October 25-Spaghetti and Meatballs

Congrats to our newest 3year old Bible Milestone students on receiving their Spark Storybook Bibles on Wednesday, September 27th!

+Roslyn Kaiser

+Laykin Percy

+Emmitt Surita



Thanks to our Ctk Family as well for sponsoring these bibles for this special day!

Save the Date!

Middle School Youth Gathering will be held on Friday, November 17-Saturday, November 18 at Luther Crest in Alexandria, Minnesota. More details and information will be available soon.



CTK SWAG



It's time to get your CTK swag to show off your church.
Window clings for your vehicle-suggested donation of \$10
to defray cost

Yard signs-suggested donation of \$15 to defray cost.

CTK T-Shirts: Place your order in the office. Cost will
be about \$20.

Contact the church office for more information.

Concordia College Homecoming Parade



Christ the King will be participating in the Concordia
College Homecoming parade on Saturday, October 14th.
The line up for the parade begins at 10:30am. If you are
willing/able to participate in the parade, please contact
the church office by Tuesday, October 10th.

New Members

We welcomed the following individuals into our worshipping
community on Wednesday, September 27th.

Randy and Carrie Henrickson
Michael and Bryana Kaiser, Cole and Roslyn
Ron and Marlene Rasmussen
Madison Stokes
Trey and Anna Surita, Madelyn and Emmitt

Church Staff & Contact Information

Lutheran Church of Christ the King

1900 14th St S, Moorhead, MN 56560

Phone: 218-236-7576

Email: ctk@gockt.org

Website: www.ctkmhd.org

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Lutheran Church of Christ the King,
Moorhead, MN or from a web browser:
[Facebook.com/gockt](https://www.facebook.com/gockt)

Church Council:

council@gockt.org

Pastor Michele Jenson:

pastormichele@gockt.org

Office Administrator/

Director of Worship JoMarie@gockt.org

Finance Director: Dani Costello

finance@gockt.org

Children's Ministry Support:

Steph Deitz & Kris Buermann

faithwalk@gockt.org

Church Office Hours

Monday– 9:00am to 4:00pm

Tuesday– 9:00am to 4:00pm

Wednesday– 9:00am to 4:00pm

Thursday– 9:00am to 4:00pm

Friday– 9:00am to Noon

Check out our new webpage!

www.ctkmhd.org

If you have ideas/suggestions,
please reach out to Jo Marie
or Pastor Michele to share them.

Servant Helper Opportunities at Ctk!

Do you have a heart for your Christ the King family?

Are you recently retired and looking for a way to give back to the community?

Do you want to create a culture of servant helpers with your family by giving back to your community?

Consider giving back to your church community-listed here are a few ways you can. Those who volunteer will find
they receive back more than what they expended.

- General Clean Up Day was held on Saturday, September 23 and a lot of projects were completed but there
are still more to do. If you were unable to participate, you can still do your part! We have cards with tasks
left to complete on the bulletin board under the heading "How Can I Help?" Grab a card and turn it back into
the office once you have completed it.
- Janitors for Jesus meets at 9am on Friday's. They do light housekeeping duties such as vacuuming, wiping
down tables in the Rex and the Gathering area, cleaning the alter area, and other cleaning needs as they arise.
They would love to have able bodied helpers join whenever it works, it's not necessary to be there every
week. Your reward is a sense of satisfaction at keeping our building clean and beautified for whenever we
have people present and you may get a treat or two at coffee time as well!
- Altar Guild-we are looking for servant helpers to prepare the elements for communion. Your time
commitment would be 20 minutes prior to the service for preparation and roughly 20 minutes after the
service for cleanup. There would be an initial training and there are instructions posted in the Sacristy. We
are looking for Sunday mornings, months open are October, December, June, August, and September.
Wednesday months open include January, February, and April.

Annual Ham Dinner/Bake Sale/Book Sale

Join us for our annual Ham Dinner on Saturday, October 14th from 4pm-7pm. Several shifts are available throughout the day including set-up/clean-up, assisting in the kitchen, or delivering take out. Tickets are available in the office. You can also pick up a pack of tickets to sell to friends and co-workers.

Cost: Adults \$15
Children 6-10 \$10
Preschool, Donation



WELCA BAKE SALE



WELCA bake sale will be held in conjunction with the Harvest Dinner, October 14th. Baked goods can be dropped off at the church Friday, October 13 from 3pm-6pm or Saturday, October 14 from 8am-Noon. Bake sale begins at 2pm on October 14. Please sign up for a shift to help. Proceeds are used to provide scholarships to our graduating high school seniors.

Financial Numbers as of:			August 31, 2023		
	Current Month	Year to Date		Current Month	Year to Date
General Offering:	\$24,612	\$218,730	General Expenses:	\$21,144	\$255,042
RUIJ Campaign:	\$4,636	\$57,625	Mortgage Expense:	\$8,757	\$84,515
Designated Offering:	\$2,784	\$58,899	Designated Expenses:	\$1,826	\$35,105
Total:	\$32,032	\$335,254	Total Expenses:	\$31,727	\$374,662
**Please consider setting up a recurring gift to the church through our Simply Giving Program . If you have questions about setting up recurring giving please ask in the office.					
2023 Mission Giving					
	Local Missions:	\$233			
	ELCA Synod Missions:	\$6,000	50% of \$12,000 goal		
Reunited in Joy Campaign 2020-23					
	\$315,349.00	Pledge for Date Range			
	\$206,914.67	Amount Given by People who have Pledged			
	(\$108,434.33)	Difference			
	65.61%	Percent of Pledges Paid			
	\$62,958.47	Amount Given by People that did not Pledge			
	\$269,873.14	Total Donated for Date Range			

Results from Special Congregational Meeting held on September 24, 2023

The following resolution was approved: The Lutheran Church of Christ the King proposes to borrow from Mission Investment Fund up to \$100,000 for a complete roof replacement on the asphalt shingle roof and repairs to the metal roof of the Sanctuary. Here is a break down of the costs:

Complete roof replacement: \$317,162
(Includes metal roof repairs to Sanctuary roof)
Heat mats: 44,093
Total estimated cost: \$321,255
Less projected insurance payment: \$196,630
Remaining Balance: \$124,625
Less Anticipated Loan Proceeds: \$100,000
Remaining costs to cover: \$24,625

Work on the roof is scheduled to begin October 16 and will take 5-7 days. We have requested to be approved for up to \$100,000 loan with Mission Investment Fund and are currently waiting to hear back.



Welcome New Members!

We welcome the following individuals into our worshipping community on Wednesday.

- Randy and Carrie Henrickson
- Michael and Bryana Kaiser, Cole and Roslyn
- Ron and Marlene Rasmussen
- Madison Stokes
- Trey and Anna Surita, Madelyn and Emmitt

GRIEFSHARE

The Griefshare class will be offered again beginning on October 3rd. Griefshare is a 13-week program for people who have experienced the death of a loved one. It is a place where grieving people will find healing and hope. The sessions are video based, with a different topic each week, followed by a time for discussion and sharing. We will be using a new edition that combines new videos, workbook, and discussion. Cost of the class is \$25.00 to cover the cost of the workbook. Scholarships are available, if necessary. The class will be led by Karen Sustad assisted by DeeAnne Hansen and Lynn Sipe. If you have any questions, or wish to sign up, please contact Karen Sustad at 701-367-8598 or call the church office, 218-236-7576.

Giftng Bibles

On September 27th and October 1st, we as a congregation gift our 3-year-olds with their very own Bibles. The 3-year-olds receive Spark Story Bibles. We also gift our 3rd Graders Bibles, more information will be out on that in late September, however the Bible tags are hanging up.

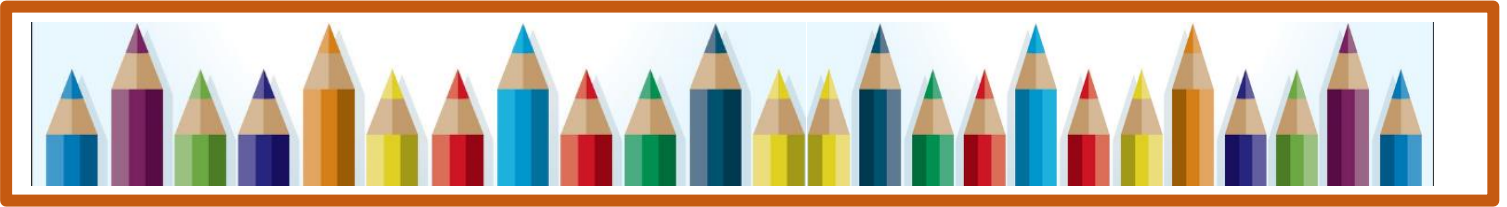
When a child is baptized, we as a congregation promise to place in their hands the Holy Scriptures, nurture them in faith, and pray for them joyfully. In keeping these promises, we gift Bibles to both 3-year-olds and 3rd graders.

Since this is a promise we make as a congregation to our baptized children, we extend the opportunity for each of you to donate \$30 for a Spark Storybook Bible. **Hanging on a board by the FaithWalk office, there is a tag with all of the names of our 3-year-olds and 3rd Graders.**



Please pick up a tag, pray for that child, and donate for their Bible. On the inside cover of their Bible we will have a sticker with your name on it, saying you have been a part of fulfilling the Baptismal promises, donating this Bible to them. Please join us in this wonderful ministry of placing Scriptures into our children's hands. Thank you!





It's time to collect items for School Kits:



- Four 70-sheet notebooks or wide- or college-ruled paper; approximately 8" x 10½" (NO loose leaf paper please.)
- 1 blunt scissors
- One 30 centimeter/inch ruler (2 sided)
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 5 new unsharpened pencils with erasers
- One 2 1/2 "eraser
- 5 blue or black ballpoint pens (no gel);
- 1 box of 16 or 24 crayons

All items can be placed in the marked wooden box in the gathering space outside of the church office by September 30th.

WELCA thanks you for your continued support in creating these kits!

Women of the ELCA

NW MN Synodical Women's Organization

35th Annual Convention

Saturday, Sept. 9, 2023

Registration & Coffee - 9:00-9:30am

Day includes worship, business meeting, speakers, fellowship, and lunch.

Concludes by 4pm

Registration forms are in the church office.

Zion Lutheran Church -Thief River Falls

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Page Turners Book Club

Page Turners, an evening book club for adults, is eager to start up again this fall. We meet monthly from September-May and maybe into summer if anyone wants. Each month we read one book and meet together for discussion on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30pm. Our first meeting will be September 21 at 6:30pm in the CtK Library. We will be selecting the books we are going to read. Come ready with suggestions. Please contact Marcy Harvala if you are interested so you can be added to the email list.

701-261-7513 or marcyharvala@msn.com