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Event Coordinator

Do you have a heart for
hospitality?

CtK is looking for an event
coordinator.

This person would be responsible
for greeting rental groups,
assisting with needs as the event
is being held, and clean up after
the event.

If interested, please contact Pastor
Michele or Jo Marie

. 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



Book Sale

The library committee is planning for the annual book sale that will take place during the ham dinner on Saturday, October 26. If you have books to donate, please leave them in the church library.



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Brothers and Sisters in Christ –

It's hard to believe how quickly the warmth of Summer has passed and how the leaves are already falling. I do have to admit however that Fall is indeed my all-time favorite time of year for a number of reasons.

1. Everything gets going again and yes, that is both good and bad. I know the craziness of school, sports, church activities and all our commitments can be overwhelming at times but the hustle and bustle of you being back in the church is such a wonderful and spirit-filled feeling that I can't help but feel the Holy Spirit at work when the chaos ensues! It's Crazy Christ-filled Chaos – and that's a blessing.
2. There is a coolness to the air – we find ourselves getting out our sweatshirts and blankets – perhaps lighting a fire after dinner and enjoying some time gathered with family and friends visiting, laughing and enjoying each other's time when we can peacefully watch the flames crackle.
3. AND THEN THERE IS THOSE LEAVES!!!! What a blessing in itself for God to create such beauty for us. There is absolutely nothing more peaceful and beautiful than a walk through the woods in the fall with the multitude of colors over head and under foot.

I found a beautiful poem called a Prayer for Autumn Days by Joyce Rupp – here's an excerpt from it that just seems to be perfect for us to think about as we head into Fall.

*God of autumn, the trees are saying goodbye to their green, letting go of what has been.
We, too, have our moments of surrender, with all their insecurity and risk.
Help us to let go when we need to do so.*

*God of fallen leaves lying in colored patterns on the ground, our lives have their own patterns.
As we see the patterns of our own growth, may we learn from them.*

*God of misty days and harvest moon nights, there is always the dimension of mystery and wonder in our lives.
We always need to recognize your power-filled presence. May we gain strength from this.*

*God of harvest wagons and fields of ripened grain, many gifts of growth lie within the season of our surrender.
We must wait for harvest in faith and hope.*

*Grant us patience when we do not see the blessings. God of geese going south for another season,
your wisdom enables us to know what needs to be left behind and what needs to be carried into the future.
We yearn for insight and vision.*

*God of flowers touched with frost and windows wearing white designs, may your love keep our hearts
from growing cold in the empty seasons.*

*God of life, you believe in us, you enrich us, you entrust us with the freedom to choose life.
For all this, we are grateful. Amen.*

Blessings,

Pastor Michele

LAST CHANCE TO BRING IN ITEMS FOR THE LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL KITS

WELCA will once again be collecting items for school kits to send to Lutheran World Relief.
A box for collection will be set out beginning in August.
Collection will continue through September.
Thank you.

Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper; approximately 8" x 10½" (NO loose-leaf paper.),
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 MUST BE AT THE CHURCH BY
8AM ON WEDNESDAY, OCT 2ND**

HVAC UPDATE

We are blessed to let you know we have collected \$188,444 towards our purchase of the new HVAC units! Thank you to each and every one who has made a contribution or attended a fundraising event- your support of CtK is deeply appreciated! The final cost to the Geo Thermal Company (GSI) for installation was \$192,073 and has been paid. We are still however waiting for the invoice from Sun Electric which could be substantial as well. Please continue to donate as you can.

Checks can be made out to Christ the King with HVAC in the memo line.
Or scan the QR code below to give to our Facility Maintenance Fund directly.



38th Annual Harvest Festival Supper and Bake Sale

**CtK's Annual Ham Dinner will be held on
Saturday, October 26th from 4pm-7pm.
Looking for someone to take leadership of the event.
Connect with Pastor Michele if you are interested.**



Several shifts will be available throughout the day including set-up/clean-up, assisting in the kitchen, preparing and/or delivering take out. We will also be selling tickets. Youth workers will receive credit in their accounts and will get service project credit for helping too!

**Adults: \$18
Children Age 6-10: \$10
Preschool: Donation**

- Sign up Sheets will be posted on stands in the gathering areas.
- Tickets can be checked out for selling in the church office.
- Tickets may also be purchased on-line through the church website or by using this QR Code.



**NOTE – This is CtK's biggest Fundraiser so we do need all hands on Deck! 😊
That includes bringing items for the bake sale – YUM YUM!!!!!**

	Current Month	Year to Date		Current Month	Year to Date
General Offering:	\$28,222	\$223,722	General Expenses:	\$27,711	\$205,625
RUII/BFT Campaign:	\$8,547	\$97,892	Mortgage Expense:	\$9,964	\$79,712
Designated Offering:	\$45,179	\$218,824	Designated Expenses:	\$130,726	\$193,731
Other Revenue:	\$524	\$103,026			
Total:	\$82,472	\$643,464	Total Expenses:	\$168,401	\$479,068

Please consider setting up a recurring gift to the church through our **Simply Giving Program. If you have questions about setting up reoccurring giving please ask in the office.

2023 Mission Giving

Local Missions:	\$167	2.7% of \$6,150 goal
ELCA Synod Missions:	\$6,000	50% of \$12,000 goal

Reunited in Joy Campaign 2020-23

\$430,960.00	Pledge for Date Range
\$140,308.50	Amount Given by People who have Pledged
(\$290,651.50)	Difference
32.56%	Percent of Pledges Paid
\$10,870.00	Amount Given by People that did not Pledge
\$151,178.50	Total Donated for Date Range

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Please remember in prayer all of our family and friends who have been dealing with health issues, loss of loved ones, or who are not able to come to Worship with us each Sunday.

Assisted Living/Nursing Homes & Rehab:

Arbor Park: Nancy Ingison
Bethany on 42nd: Del Walby
Bethany on University: Nancy Halvorson, Bill Linson
Eventide: Elaine Borgen, Shirley Haugen, Kathy Melarvie, Beverly Rogness, Bonnie Simonson
Lilac Homes: Lyle Hanson
One Riverside: Mary Ann Lavold
Riverpointe: Juneal Doeden, June Adele Dolva, Jan Jenson, Annie Luttio, Blanche Olson, Peggy Reed, Arvid Sonstelie
Riverview Place: Jan Whaley Labore
Sheyenne Crossings: Carl Hjalmsquist
The Villa at Farmstead: Lil Torgrimson
Touchmark – Janet Ostercamp
AT HOME: Dick Bolton, Sonya Hansen, Jeanie Issel, Marilyn Nissen, Carol Sorum



Pastor Michele is one of the new volunteer leaders helping lead worship service twice a month in the Clay County Jail Heart of Clay program. It is an amazing organization that works with inmates to find the Lord and have better lives when they are finally out of prison.

Sweet Freedom is an evening event that not only puts a spotlight on all the organization does but allows for those who have changed their lives to tell their stories of what that has meant to them. WELCA sponsored a table so a group of 10 will be attending the event on Oct. 1st

October 2024 at a Glance

Tuesday, October 1

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

Wednesday, October 2

9:00am-Quilters
12:00pm-Assemble School Kits
5:15pm-Dinner: Burgers
6:00pm-Contemporary Worship
6:00pm-Faithwalk

Thursday, October 3

9:30am-Faithfully Fit

Friday, October 4

9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

Saturday, October 5

9:00am-Al-Anon

Sunday, October 6

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

Monday, October 7

10:30am-T'ai Chi
3:00pm-WELCA Meeting
6:00pm-Children and Youth
Committee Meeting

Tuesday, October 8

8:30am-TOPS
9:30am-Faithfully Fit
9:30am-Staff Meeting
2:00pm-Circle Leader
Bible Study
5:30pm-Finance Meeting
6:15pm-Executive Committee
6:30pm-Scouts
7:00pm-Church Council

Wednesday, October 9

Gift of 3 year old Bibles

1:00pm-Pastor at Riverpointe
5:15pm-Dinner: Tater Tot
Hotdish
6:00pm-Contemporary Worship
6:00pm-Faithwalk
7:00pm-Confirmation

Thursday, October 10

9:30am-Faithfully Fit
12:00pm-Pastor at Hearts of Clay
1:00pm-Cookie Baking

Friday, October 11

9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

Saturday, October 12

9:00am-Al-Anon
12:00pm-Rental of Rex

Sunday, October 13

Gideon Presentation

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

Monday, October 14

10:30am-T'ai Chi
5:30pm-Worship and Music

Tuesday, October 15

8:30am-TOPS
9:30am-Faithfully Fit
9:30am-Staff Meeting
1:30pm-Sarah Circle
6:30pm-Scouts

Wednesday, October 16

Gideon Presentation

9:00am-Quilters
2:00pm-Anna/Esther Circle
5:15pm-Chicken
6:00pm-Contemporary Worship
With Kids in Worship

Thursday, October 17

9:30am-Faithfully Fit

Friday, October 18

9:00am-Janitors for Jesus
5:00pm-Rex Rental

Saturday, October 19

9:00am-Al-Anon
10:00am-Saturday Circle

Sunday, October 20

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

Monday, October 21

10:30am-T'ai Chi
6:00pm-Property Committee
Meeting

Tuesday, October 22

8:30am-TOPS
9:30am-Faithfully Fit
9:30am-Staff Meeting
5:30pm-NAMI Board Meeting

6:30pm-Scouts

Wednesday, October 23

1:00pm-Pastor at Riverpointe
5:15pm-Dinner: Spaghetti and
Meatballs
6:00pm-Contemporary Worship
6:00pm-Faithwalk
7:00pm-Confirmation

Thursday, October 24

9:30am-Faithfully Fit
12:00pm-Pastor at Hearts of Clay
1:00pm-Library Committee

Friday, October 25

9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

Saturday, October 26

HAM DINNER

9:00am-Al-Anon
4:00pm-Ham Dinner

Sunday, October 27

Reformation Sunday

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

Monday, October 28

10:30am-T'ai Chi

Tuesday, October 29

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

Wednesday, October 30

Reformation Wednesday

5:15pm-Dinner: Pizza
6:00pm-Contemporary Worship
6:00pm-Faithwalk
6:00pm-Trick or Canning for
Grades 4-9
7:00pm-Confirmation
7:00pm-3rd Grade Bible Class

Thursday, October 31

9:30am-Faithfully Fit
3:00pm-Beer and Hymns at
Riverpointe

Friday, November 1

9:00am-Janitors for Jesus



Gifting Bibles

On October 9th, we as a congregation gift our 3-year-olds with their very own Bibles. The 3-year-olds receive Spark Story Bibles. 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. Three Year Olds receiving bibles are:

Rosalyn Kaiser
Aiden Ott
Laken Percy
Hattie Solma

Third graders receiving bibles are:

Olivia Halsa
Max Lundberg
Grady Saum

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!

If you have a three-year-old or third grader that should be on this list- please reach out to the church office so we can get them added to the list and prepare the Bible for the appropriate service.

Trick-O-Canning is Coming October 30th!
Fourth through Ninth 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.



We are currently looking for Office Volunteers to help cover a couple of mornings/afternoons
If interested reach out to JoMarie



Confirmation begins for 7th -9th Grade on Wednesday, October 9 at 7pm

Young Life Youth Night

Join with youth across the area for a fun night of inflatables, music, and a message.

High School

Date: Friday, November 8th

Time: 6:30pm-8:30pm

Location: Red River Valley Fair

Middle School

Date: Saturday, November 9th

Time: 6:00pm-8:00pm

Location: Red River Valley Fair