

The Lutheran Church of Christ the King  
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### Worship Band.....

**We are always looking for musicians for the Worship band. If you are interested in playing/singing please let JoMarie know at [jomarie@goctk.org](mailto: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.

### Church Office Closed

The church office and building will be closed on **Wednesday, January 1** and **Monday, January 20** for New Year's Day and Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

### 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](http://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.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ.....

Happy New Year!!!!

I don't know about you but I've all but given up on New Year's resolutions. I saw a post on Facebook recently of a young boy asking his parents about what a new year's resolution was and the father replied, "it's something you do the FIRST week of January!" Pretty true when it comes to how well I do with those plans.

I have decided that I need to be better at that however and decided this year my resolution is to "do more!" Now for many of you who keep telling me to slow down I don't want you to start the intervention you may think I might need. What is on the top of the list, in regards to "doing more" is for me to be more intentional in what I do. Do more care for myself alongside of care for others. Do more reading of scriptures and prayers alongside of reminding everyone how rewarding that time can be. Do more being "still" alongside of reminding yourselves to take time for YOU! After all, we can only do as much as we can physically, mentally and spiritually handle so we need to be doing more for ourselves in order to be able to do more for others.

January will bring us our Annual Meeting and plans for the 2025 year. I am blown away by all the stewardship drives we tackled this past year to not only put a new roof on our building but a new furnace as well. I am thrilled that we have a budget that is looking manageable and I feel a sense of renewal inside the walls of the church these days. There are still going to be many conversations needed to continue to grow and thrive as a healthy congregation but I feel that we are definitely heading in the right direction.

May God bless you with a wonderful, healthy, spiritually-blessed and yes, AMAZING 2025!

In peace,

*Pastor Michele*



There was a wonderful gathering of believers on these blessed days celebrating the birth of Jesus!

3:30pm Service - 138 in attendance

5:00pm Service - 135 in attendance

9:30pm Service - 35 in attendance

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So thankful for all those families and friends to share Christmas with Christ the King!

Special Thank you to those who helped with the services as well!

## Church Staff & Contact Information

### Lutheran Church of Christ the King

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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](mailto:council@gockt.org)

#### Pastor Michele Jenson:

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#### Office Administrator/

Director of Worship [JoMarie@gockt.org](mailto:JoMarie@gockt.org)

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#### Children's Ministry Support: Steph Deitz

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#### Church Office Hours

Monday- Thursday from 9:00am to 4:00pm

Friday- 9:00am to Noon

Check out the Christ the King Facebook page to see all of the fun family photos taken at the CTK Photo Station on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day!



**FaithWalk and Confirmation  
will resume on Wednesday, January 8.  
Confirmation Students bring your bingo cards!!!**

Thank you to all who gave gifts to purchase flowers for the Christmas season to decorate the Sanctuary and Christus Rex. Both spaces were beautiful places to worship and celebrate Jesus' birth.



### Annual Meeting

Please join us on Wednesday, January 29 at 6pm in the Sanctuary for our Annual Meeting. To kick off this wonderful evening, we will be serving a wonderful meal prepared by Andy, starting at 5pm. Come and join us as we look back on 2024 and dream of our future as we look to 2025. Annual Reports will be available in the office beginning Wednesday, January 15.



Jo Marie and I can't thank everyone enough for the amazing messages, cards, treats and gifts we received this holiday season. Thank you so very much!!!  
Pastor Michele

### The Lutheran Church of Christ the King Financial Snapshot

Financial Numbers as of:			November 30, 2024		
	Current Month	Year to Date		Current Month	Year to Date
General Offering:	\$27,178	\$300,556	General Expenses:	\$32,837	\$292,356
RUIJ/BFT Campaign:	\$9,083	\$124,457	Mortgage Expense:	\$9,964	\$134,604
Designated Offering:	\$2,554	\$237,447	Designated Expenses:	\$20,537	\$186,921
Other Revenue:	\$7,871	\$126,306			
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$46,686</b>	<b>\$788,766</b>	<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$63,338</b>	<b>\$613,881</b>

\*\*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:	\$3,017	49.1% of \$6,150 goal
ELCA Synod Missions:	\$12,000	100% of \$12,000 goal

#### Reunited in Joy Campaign 2020-23

\$430,960.00	Pledge for Date Range
\$162,934.20	Amount Given by People who have Pledged
(\$268,025.80)	Difference
37.81%	Percent of Pledges Paid
\$12,734.69	Amount Given by People that did not Pledge
\$175,668.89	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:**
- 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 Sonstelic
- Riverview Place:** Jan Whaley Labore
- Sheyenne Crossings:** Carl Hjalquist
- The Villa at Farmstead:** Lil Torgrimson
- Touchmark** – Janet Ostercamp
- AT HOME:** Dick Bolton, Sonya Hansen, Jeanie Issel, Carol Sorum



A very special thank you to everyone who donated to the Hat, Mitten, Scarves or Socks... oh my! Tree, the Caring Closet Tree and of course the WE CARE fund. Your generosity was much appreciated!

#### **IMPORTANT REMINDER**

**No Meal, Worship, Faith walk, Confirmation on Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Regular Wednesday Night programming will begin again on January 8<sup>th</sup>**

## January 2025

### at a Glance

**Wednesday, January 1**  
Church/Office Closed

**Thursday, January 2**

**Friday, January 3**  
9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

**Saturday, January 4**  
9:00am-AI-Anon

**Sunday, January 5**  
9:00am-Traditional Worship  
9:45am-Fellowship  
9:45am-New Member Meeting

**Monday, January 6**  
3:00pm-WELCA Meeting  
6:00pm-Children/Youth  
Committee Meeting

**Tuesday, January 7**  
8:30am-TOPS  
9:30am-Faithfully Fit  
9:30am-Staff Meeting  
6:30pm-Scouts

**Wednesday, January 8**  
9:00am-Quilters  
5:00pm-Dinner: Taco Bar  
6:00pm-Contemporary Worship  
6:00pm-FaithWalk  
6:45pm-New Member Class  
7:00pm-Confirmation

**Thursday, January 9**  
9:30am-Faithfully Fit  
9:30am-Tai Chi

**Friday, January 10**  
9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

**Saturday, January 11**  
9:00am-AI-Anon

**Sunday, January 12**  
**New Member Sunday**  
9:00am-Traditional Worship  
9:45am-Fellowship  
10:45am-Contemporary Worship

**Monday, January 13**  
5:30pm-Worship and Music  
Committee

**Tuesday, January 14**  
8:30am-TOPS  
9:30am-Faithfully Fit  
9:30am-Staff Meeting  
2:00pm-Circle Leader  
Bible Study  
5:30pm-Finance Committee  
6:15pm-Executive Committee  
6:30pm-Scouts  
7:00pm-Church Council

**Wednesday, January 15**  
**New Member Wednesday**  
2:00pm-Anna/Esther Circle  
5:00pm-Dinner: Burgers  
6:00pm-Contemporary Worship  
6:00pm-FaithWalk  
7:00pm-Confirmation

**Thursday, January 16**  
9:30am-Faithfully Fit  
9:30am-Tai Chi

**Friday, January 17**  
9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

**Saturday, January 18**  
9:00am-AI-Anon  
10:00am-Dakota Jazz Big Band  
Rehearsal-Christus Rex  
10:00am-Saturday Circle

**Sunday, January 19**  
9:00am-Traditional Worship  
9:45am-Fellowship  
10:45am-Contemporary Worship

**Monday, January 20**  
**OFFICE CLOSED**  
7:00am-MHD Schools  
Training  
6:00pm-Property Committee

**Tuesday, January 21**  
8:30am-TOPS  
9:30am-Faithfully Fit  
9:30am-Staff Meeting  
1:30pm-Sarah Circle  
6:30pm-Scouts

**Wednesday, January 22**  
**Kids in Worship**  
9:00am-Quilters  
5:00pm-Dinner: Tater Tot  
Hotdish  
6:00pm-Contemporary Worship  
7:00pm-Confirmation

**Thursday, January 23**  
9:30am-Faithfully Fit  
1:00pm-Library Committee

**Friday, January 24**  
9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

**Saturday, January 25**  
9:00am-AI-Anon

**Sunday, January 26**  
9:00am-Traditional Worship  
9:45am-Fellowship  
10:45am-Contemporary Worship

**Monday, January 27**

**Tuesday, January 28**  
8:30am-TOPS  
9:30am-Faithfully Fit  
9:30am-Staff Meeting  
6:30pm-Scouts

**Wednesday, January 29**  
**Annual Meeting**  
5:00pm-Dinner: Spaghetti and  
Meatballs  
6:00pm-Contemporary Worship  
And Annual Meeting  
6:00pm-FaithWalk

**Thursday, January 30**  
9:30am-Faithfully Fit  
9:30am-Tai Chi

**Friday, January 31**  
9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

**Saturday, February 1**  
9:00am-AI-Anon  
9:00am-Scouts Pinewood Derby



If you or you know of someone looking for a church please invite them to come and check out Christ the King.

**We will be having brief New Member meetings on the following dates:**

9:45am – Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> in the Library

6:45pm – Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> in the Library (come at 5:00 for dinner on us and we will meet briefly after the 6:00 service)

**New Members will join CTK on the following dates:**

Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at both services  
Wednesday, January 15<sup>st</sup> at 6pm service