

The Lutheran Church of Christ the King
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Church Office Hours

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

Friday-9:00am to Noon



New Life Center

We are looking for another person to join the auxiliary for the New Life Center. Monthly meetings are held on the third Friday of the month, September-May at noon.

Lunch is included!

If interested, please contact the church office.

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



Faithfully Fit

Faithfully Fit Forever will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning on October 7th at 9:30am.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ –

I looked back at my pastor's message from 3 years ago – my first October with you – and we were just heading into our Capital Campaign. I have to admit, I never dreamed that in my first three years of serving CtK that I would have a Capital Campaign to reduce our mortgage, need to replace our roof on the new addition and replace our furnace system. Wow! That's way more than any one would want to have to deal with and yet you all stepped up and made it all happen! I am blessed to be your pastor.

As we head into this years Stewardship season let me remind you that this is the pledging of simply meeting our needs to cover our facility and programming needs. We are not asking for anything regarding our many needs for continued repair and replacement as our building continues to age. We will always need to deal with items that may be wearing out or should be updated as they continue to arise. As I find almost daily.... There are things that we never expected or that we just didn't plan for when we believed the addition and our original building was built. I don't doubt however that we will find the means and the manpower to make things happen as we have done in the past and I hold to that as always!

I do however need to ask that our younger folks find a way to step up and help the church and congregation to take care of the facility and the needs of the church. We have many needs for repairs and maintenance and our less younger folks (Janitors for Jesus who meet on Friday mornings – because yes, they are retired) just can't keep up and aren't physically able any longer to do some of the tasks that need to be done. Please, if your family is willing and able to take something on, don't hesitate to reach out to me as I'm definitely beginning to worry about what happens when Janitors just can't keep it all happening any longer.

And now, as I think about the month of October and the love that I have for the amazing season of beautiful leaves changing colors, the idea of letting go of the summer and embracing my sweatshirts and yet still hoping that I can get one more motorcycle ride in tomorrow before the bikes get put away for the winter....

GOD IS GOOD all the time!

Blessings to you all!

Pastor Michele



39th Annual Ham Dinner and Bake Sale

CtK's Annual Ham Dinner will be held on
Saturday, October 25th from 4pm-7pm.



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: \$20 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!!!! We will also have a book sale, so please donate used books to the library.

The Lutheran Church of Christ the King Financial Snapshot

Financial Numbers as of:

August 31, 2025

	Current Month	Year to Date		Current Month	Year to Date
General Offering:	\$19,102	\$213,483	General Expenses:	\$33,923	\$250,204
RUIJ/BFT Campaign:	\$5,461	\$68,621	Mortgage Interest:	\$4,296	\$35,753
Designated Offering:	\$3,600	\$54,110	Designated Expenses:	\$29,202	\$136,611
Other Revenue:	\$938	\$34,527			
Total:	\$29,101	\$370,741	Total Expenses:	\$67,421	\$422,568

****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:	\$0	0.0% of \$6,150 goal
ELCA Synod Missions:	\$9,000	75.0% of \$12,000 goal

Building Faith Together 2024-26

\$430,960.00	Pledge for Date Range
\$239,796.80	Amount Given by People who have Pledged
(\$191,163.20)	Difference
55.64%	Percent of Pledges Paid
\$17,971.69	Amount Given by People that did not Pledge
\$257,768.49	Total Donated for Date Range

Christ the King Members and Friends,

This fall, as we enter a season of stewardship, we ask you to center your hearts and minds on “Living in God’s Blessings.” We often feel as if there is never enough – never enough time, money, or energy. But Scripture tells us our God is a God of abundance, blessing us through His love.

2 Corinthians 9:7-8 tells us “Each of you should give as you have decided in your heart to give. You should not be sad when you give, and you should not give because you feel forced to give. God loves the person who gives happily. And God can give you more blessings than you need. Then you will always have plenty of everything--- enough to give to every good work.”

We also give thanks for the incredible generosity and faithfulness shown for the funding given to provide a new HVAC system, a new roof on the Christus Rex, parking lot repair, a new audio/visual system in the sanctuary and various other repairs and replacements throughout the church.

Pledge cards will be available to pick up beginning October 8 and 12. Any remaining will be mailed, with commitment of our pledges on October 26 and 29th. In preparation, I encourage you to prayerfully consider growing in your giving. Please see information elsewhere in the Heartbeat regarding ways to give electronically.

Stewardship is not about obligation----it is our joyful response to the goodness of God.

Respectfully,

Sandy Knutsen

Stewardship Committee

The 10:45am Contemporary Service Starts back up on Sunday, October 5th in the Sanctuary!



CtK is thrilled to welcome our new Visitation Pastor, Pastor Mike Schendel! Pastor Mike will be visiting our shut-ins to help get communion and conversation to those who are unable to make it to church. Be sure to take a moment to thank him for coming back to CtK and helping Pastor Michele with serving our members!



BIO Girls Mentors Needed!

Our BIO Girls site at Christ the King Lutheran Church is coming back in 2026 and is looking for mentors for the upcoming season! Mentors support the girls in grades 2-6 with small group lesson facilitation, being a positive role model, and participate in the physical activity with the girls. Mentors must commit to attending at least 10 of the 12 sessions. Anyone in 9th grade or older can be a mentor, and we can also welcome up to 5 Junior Mentors (grades 7-8).

Site Details:

- **Start Date:** Thursday, February 5
- **Meeting Day/Time:** Thursdays, 5:30–7:00 PM
- **Finale Date:** Wednesday, April 29 & Thursday, April 30, 2026 - Find Your Kind 5k fun run
- **Location:** Christ the King Lutheran Church, Moorhead, MN

Registration for participants opens January 6, but now is the perfect time to sign up as a mentor! Bonus - if you sign up as a mentor, you get to register your girl early and guarantee a spot!

Scan the QR code to access the mentor application, or visit

<https://www.biogirls.org/mentor> and find the CTK site!

For questions or to sign up, contact Brianna Gibbons at 701-367-3243

or email Moorhead.mn.ctk@biogirls.org



CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN OCT 8TH



We feel like Walmart – we haven't barely gotten out of Summer but it's already time to start thinking about

Christmas Wreaths/Garland and Swags! The Confirmation students will be selling them October 8th through October 31st – reach out to one of them to place your order or place an order in the church office.

Christ the King Library

Dedication

Join the CtK Library Committee in celebrating the long-time commitment of their Library Director, Laurie Radde, as they dedicate and name their library after her on

Sunday, October 19th at 10:00am.

Coffee and refreshments will be served in the library after the dedication.



Ctk will be serving at the Emergency Food Pantry on:

Thursday, October 16

9am-Noon

1pm-4pm

Monday, December 22

9am-Noon

1pm-4pm

Both dates are school out days for Moorhead. This is a great opportunity for confirmation students to complete one of their service projects. Sign up on the bulletin board outside of the church office.



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, Vel Schneeweiss

Eventide: Elaine Borgen, Shirley Haugen, Kathy Melarvie, Joanne Reitan, Sandee Rasmussen, Beverly Rogness, Bonnie Simonson,

Lilac Homes: Lyle Hanson

One Riverside: Mary Ann Lavold

Riverpointe: Juneal Doeden, June Adele Dolva, Jan Jensen, Annie Luttio, Blanche Olson, Peggy Reed, Arvid Sonstelie

Riverview Place: Jan Whaley Labore

Sheyenne Crossings: Carl Hjalmquist

The Villa at Farmstead: Lil Torgrimsen

Touchmark – Janet Ostercamp

AT HOME: Dick Bolton, Arlene Dalbol, Jeanie Issel, Carol Sorum, Eldon Wollman



Volunteers are needed to help with projects around the church. There is a new "Parish Projects" bulletin board in the hallway outside of the office. Tasks and on-going projects will be placed on the board throughout the year for you/families to volunteer to take on and complete to keep the church clean/kept up and operating as it should. Please check it out often and consider take on projects as your time allows!



New Life Center

New Life Center is in need of the following items. Please drop off at the church by

October 16.

Men's Long Sleeved Shirts-All Sizes

Men's Long Underwear-All Sizes

Benadryl/Antihistamine Capsules

Disposable Razors & Shaving Cream-Travel Size

Dishwashing Soap

Coffee



October is Pastor Appreciation Month with Pastor Appreciation Day celebrated on Sunday, October 12!

Thank you, Pastor Michele, for all you do for CtK!



Mariah Smith
The Alexander Family



Get your smiles ready! We will be taking pictures for a new church directory, November 19-22.

More details to come with sign up times. Be a part of this opportunity to connect with our church family.

Check out the Potato Soup in a Jar available in both gathering spaces of the church! All \$20 goes directly to Churches United – and the soup tastes great! Consider supporting the cause!!!!



Tuesday, October 28, 2025
at the Courtyard by Marriott

CtK WELCA has once again sponsored a table to support Heart of Clay. If you are interested in attending the event contact Sandy Knutson – we have 10 spaces for the event.



CtK will be serving the Emergency Food Pantry in Fargo December 8th-12th.

Shift sign up is on the bulletin board.

It is such a full-filling volunteer opportunity and actually a lot of fun!

October 2025 at A Glance
Wednesday, October 1
Gift of 3-Year-Old Bibles
New Members

9:00am-Quilters
5:00pm-Dinner: Tater Tot
Hotdish
6:00pm-Contemporary
Worship/FaithWalk

Thursday, October 2

Friday, October 3
9:00am-Janitors for Jesus
4:00pm-Kari Del Rio
Rehearsal (Rex)

Saturday, October 4
9:00am-Al-Anon
12:00pm-Kari Del Rio
Rehearsal (Rex)

Sunday, October 5
9:00am-Traditional Worship
9:45am-Fellowship
10:15am-Relevant Life Church
Worship
10:45am-Contemporary
Worship-Sanctuary

Monday, October 6
3:00pm-WELCA Board
Meeting
6:00pm-Children/Youth
Committee Meeting

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

Wednesday, October 8
Stewardship Kickoff
10:00am-Packing LWR Kits
1:00pm-Pastor at Riverpointe
5:00pm-Dinner: Spaghetti
6:00pm-Contemporary
Worship/FaithWalk
7:00pm-Confirmation Begins

Thursday, October 9
9:30am-Faithfully Fit

Friday, October 10
8:00am-Bethesda Church
Using Kitchen
9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

Saturday, October 11
9:00am-Al-Anon

Sunday, October 12
Stewardship Kickoff
9:00am-Traditional Worship
9:45am-Fellowship
10:15am-Relevant Life Church
Worship
10:45am-Contemporary
Worship in Sanctuary

Monday, October 13
4:15pm-Worship and Music
Committee Meeting

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

Wednesday, October 15
9:00am-Quilters
2:00pm-Anna/Esther Circle
5:00pm-Dinner: Pulled Pork
6:00pm-Contemporary
Worship

Thursday, October 16
9:30am-Faithfully Fit

Friday, October 17
9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

Saturday, October 18
9:00am-Al-Anon
10:00am-Dakota Jazz Band
Rehearsal
10:00am-Saturday Circle

Sunday, October 19
9:00am-Traditional Worship
9:45am-Fellowship
10:00am-Dedication of Library
10:15am-Relevant Life Church
Worship
10:45am-Contemporary
Worship in Sanctuary

Monday, October 20
7:00pm-Property Committee
Meeting

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

Wednesday, October 22
Puerto Rico Mission
Trip Worship /Faithwalk
1:00pm-Pastor at Riverpointe
5:00pm-Dinner: Chicken
6:00pm-
7:00pm-Confirmation

Thursday, October 23
9:30am-Faithfully Fit
1:00pm-Library Committee
1:30pm-Pastor at Heart of Clay

Friday, October 24
9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

Saturday, October 25
9:00am-Al-Anon
4:00-7:00 - **Ham Dinner**

Sunday, October 26
Reformation Sunday Puerto
Rico Mission Trip Worship
Return Stewardship Cards
9:00am-Traditional Worship
9:45am-Fellowship
10:15am-Relevant Life Church
10:45am-Contemporary
Worship in Sanctuary

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

Wednesday, October 29
Reformation Wednesday
Return Stewardship Cards
5:00pm-Dinner: Pizza
6:00pm-Contemporary
Worship/FaithWalk
7:00pm-Confirmation
7:00pm-3rd Grade Bible Class

Thursday, October 30
9:30am-Faithfully Fit
3:00pm-Beer & Hymns- RiverPt

Friday, October 31
9:00am-Janitors for Jesus

NWMN Synodical Women's Organizations'
2025 Conference 5 Fall Gathering



Will be held at
North Buffalo Lutheran Church
2542 120th Ave N
Moorhead MN 56560

Please join us for an
Autumn Morning Tea Party
Saturday, October 18 at 9:00am



Pastor Rebel Hurd, Assistant to the Bishop
Will share a presentation entitles
“Fill, Steep, Pour: A Recipe for Discipleship”

Registration begins at 9am Brunch, Tea, Pastries at 9:30
Business Meeting
Pastor Rebel's Presentation

Please register by October 10th – Registration fee is \$15.00

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