

# CTK Communiqué



**november**

## November 2022

### **CTK Church -Trenton Rd. Campus 15600 Trenton Rd., Southgate, MI 48195**

Church Office Hours: Mon-Friday 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Church Office Phone: (734)285-9695

Church FAX: (734)285-4188

### **CTK Day School - Trenton Rd.**

School Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

School Office Phone: (734)285-9697

School FAX: (734)285-5275

### **CTK Church - Pennsylvania Rd. Campus 16700 Pennsylvania Rd., Southgate, MI 48195**

Main Phone: (734)285-9695

### **Day Care - Pennsylvania Rd. Campus**

Day Care Hours: Mon-Fri 6:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Day Care Phone: (734)285-8525

CTK Pre-School : (734)285-0903

**[www.ctk.me](http://www.ctk.me)**



### Trenton Road Campus

**Saturday Worship 5:00 PM**

### Pennsylvania Road Campus

**Sunday Worship: 9:00 AM**

**11:00 AM**



## Financial Snapshot – Through September 2022

INCOME (General Fund):	<u>September 2022</u>	<u>Year To Date</u>
Church receipts	\$ 90,129.57	\$ 943,357.68
Tuition	\$ 92,315.95	\$ 675,693.41
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 182,445.52	\$1,619,051.09
BUDGETED EXPENSES:	\$ 230,220.00	\$1,795,716.00
INCOME OVER/(UNDER) BUDGET	\$ (47,774.48)	\$ (176,664.91)

	<u>September 2022</u>	<u>Year To Date</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 182,445.52	\$ 1,619,051.09
ACTUAL EXPENSES:	\$ 174,218.93	\$ 1,681,516.30
INCOME OVER/(UNDER) EXPENSE	\$ 8,226.59	\$ (62,465.21)

The current financial climate has adversely affected our church. Our giving is down and expenses have increased due to rising costs. We know that it is a challenging time for all and trust the Lord will continue to provide, as He always has through the faithful giving from our family in Christ. We ask all CTK members to prayerfully consider their giving so that our generosity toward God reflects the encouragement we receive in His word, *"He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness."*<sup>11</sup> *You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.*<sup>12</sup> *For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.* 2 Cor. 9:10-12



**THANK YOU!!**

**Our congregation's total offering to the Florida-Georgia LCMS District to support them in their disaster response to Hurricane Ian was \$1,321.74. Thank you for your tremendous generosity in helping those in need. May the Lord bless you and the relief efforts in Florida.**

**YOUR GIVING MATTERS!**

## **Scrap Metal, Cans/Bottles & Capital Fund Drive Fundraising**

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>Total (since 2006 start)</u>
"C" Dollars	\$ 1,143.00	\$ 949.00	\$ 22,331.00
Scrap Metal	\$ 4,965.47	\$ 2,031.31	\$ 51,269.69
Bottles	\$ 6,269.70	\$ 3,068.30	\$ 41,305.60
Paper Recycle	\$ 78.71	\$ 40.52	\$ 718.13

# *In Loving Memory*



## In Memory of William Creutz



### Given By

Friends and Family  
 Nick Martin  
 M/M Larry Franzel  
 M/M Kevin Beaudrie  
 Cynthia Loeschner  
 Lisa Lilly  
 Mary Lou Jenkins  
 M/M Bud Shoup  
 M/M Norman Miller  
 M/M Robert Reed  
 Donna Tuite  
 M/M Wayne Dawson  
 Sylvia Ziesmer  
 Rhonda Warrington-Mundy  
 M/M Michael Harden  
 Dorothy Hassenrik  
 M/M Philip Leeds  
 William Debiase & Ann Adams  
 Ann Twork  
 Ruth Ann Brayman  
 M/M Robert Kelemen  
 Judy Bielby  
 Laikos Family

### Memorial Fund

CTK School & Food Pantry  
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 General Fund  
 Memorial Fund  
 CTK School  
 Memorial Fund  
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 Memorial Fund  
 Scholarship Fund  
 Food Pantry  
 Food Pantry  
 Food Pantry  
 Music Fund  
 Food Pantry  
 CTK School & Food Pantry  
 Food Pantry  
 Food Pantry  
 CTK School  
 Food Pantry  
 Alms Fund



# *In Loving Memory*



## In Memory of William Creutz



### Given By

M/M Joe LaFramboise  
Gendron Family  
Vida  
Jeff Holbrook  
Sonny LaFramboise  
M/M John Thies  
M/M Larry Creutz  
Carol Howell  
Elaine Fritz  
Bobby Boggs  
Denise Hartman  
M/M Carl Schuler

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<u>In Memory Of</u>	<u>Given By</u>	<u>Memorial Fund</u>
Carletta Acheson	The Acheson Family	General Fund
Betty Johnson	Sylvia Ziesmer	Food Pantry
Ronnie Mamula	Deborah Puskarich	Memorial Fund
Nicholas Nagorski	M/M Paul Nagorski	Memorial Fund
Paul Mongelluzzo	Judy Mongelluzzo	Food Pantry
Arlene Williams	M/M Tharon Neil	Food Pantry
Arlene Williams	Nancy Nissen	Memorial Fund

### Birthday Blessings

#### In Honor of      Birthday

Gloria Eicholtz	8/18
Marlaine Miller	8/22
Jessica Edenfield	10/3



# “Eschatological Stewardship”

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**After prayerful consideration, my 2023 financial steward goal will be:**

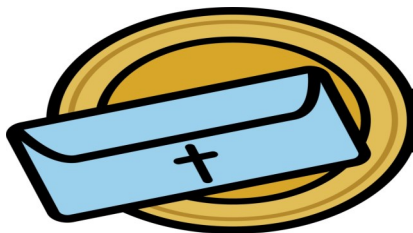
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(This amount does not include tuition)

My contribution to the work  
of the Lord's Church  
in 2023 is:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Please retain this portion and place in  
your Bible or where you will see it to  
pray about your decision.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_





**Remember  
Your Pledge  
This November**

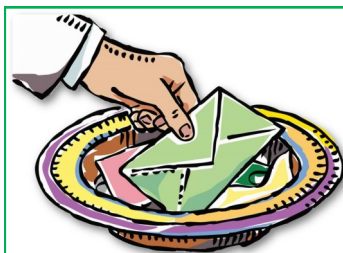
## PLEDGE CARDS

During stewardship month, we are making a pledge to the Lord regarding our tithe during 2023. Pray to see the Lord's will in the commitment He wants you to make to support His church. Pledge cards will be available starting November 6th outside of both sanctuaries, next to the bulletins. Loyalty Sunday will be November 20th for pledge card turn in or you may mail the pledge card below into the church office. You also have the option to make your pledge online at [www.ctk.me](http://www.ctk.me) and click on MyCtk at the top of the page. After you log in, you select My Pledge History found under My Giving History and click on 'ADD PLEDGE.'

Family Annual Income	Weekly Income	Weekly Giving					
		3%	5%	7%	10%	12%	15%
\$ 20,000	\$ 385	\$ 12	\$ 19	\$ 27	\$ 38	\$ 46	\$ 58
\$ 35,000	\$ 673	\$ 20	\$ 34	\$ 47	\$ 67	\$ 81	\$ 101
\$ 50,000	\$ 962	\$ 29	\$ 48	\$ 67	\$ 96	\$ 115	\$ 144
\$ 65,000	\$ 1,250	\$ 38	\$ 63	\$ 88	\$ 125	\$ 150	\$ 188
\$ 80,000	\$ 1,538	\$ 46	\$ 77	\$ 108	\$ 154	\$ 185	\$ 231
\$ 100,000	\$ 1,923	\$ 58	\$ 96	\$ 135	\$ 192	\$ 231	\$ 288
\$ 125,000	\$ 2,404	\$ 72	\$ 120	\$ 168	\$ 240	\$ 288	\$ 361

## Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes will be available in mid-December. If you would like offering envelopes for 2023 and currently do not have them, or if you no longer need envelopes due to online giving, please contact Kelly in the church office (737) 285-9695 ext. 160 or [kelly@ctk.me](mailto:kelly@ctk.me) or fill out the envelope request at [www.ctk.me](http://www.ctk.me).





# Upcoming

## EVENTS

### Upcoming Events:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Nov. 9-11	Student/Teacher Conf.	All Day	TR
Nov. 11-14	No School	All Weekend	TR
Nov. 12	LWML Craft & Vendor	10am-4pm	PA
Nov. 16	59+ Group	1:00 PM	PA
Nov. 19	Surviving the Holidays	12-2:00	TR
Nov. 19	Family Connection Ministry	10:00 AM	PA
Nov. 23-27	No School	All Weekend	TR
Nov. 23	Thanksgiving Eve Service	7:00 PM	TR
Nov. 24 & 25	Church Offices Closed	All Day	TR/PA
Nov. 30	Advent Service	3:30 & 7:00	TR
Dec. 3	Advent By Candlelight	6:30 PM	PA
Dec. 7	Advent Service	3:30 & 7:00	TR
Dec. 9	ECC Christmas Concert	4:30 PM	PA
Dec. 12	Preschool Christmas Prog.	6:00 PM	TR
Dec. 13	Toy Basket Assembly	9:00-11:00 AM	TR
Dec. 14	Children's Christmas Prog.	1:30 & 7:00PM	TR
Dec. 15	Children's Christmas Prog.	7:00PM	TR
Dec. 16	Food Basket Assembly	11AM-2PM	TR
Dec. 16	No School	All Day	TR
Dec. 17	Food Basket Pick-Up	9:00-11:00 AM	TR
Dec. 17	Family Connection Ministry	10:00 AM	PA
Dec. 18	DCB Concert	3:00 PM	TR
Dec. 21-Jan. 3	1/2 Day start of School Break		
Dec. 21	59+ Group	1:00 PM	PA
Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Services	5:00, 6:30, 8:30 & 10:00	TR
Dec. 25	Christmas Day Service	10:00 AM	TR
Dec. 26	Church Offices Closed	All Day	TR/PA
Dec. 31	Saturday Evening Worship	5:00 PM only	TR

CTK Early Childhood Center is hiring for leads and aides. Must be at least 17 years of age and love working with children. Contact Kristi at 734-285-8525 for more info.





# *Spiritual Care Ministry*

...The harvest truly is  
great, but the labourers  
are few: pray ye therefore  
the Lord of the harvest,  
that he would send forth  
labourers into his harvest.

Luke 10:2

If you have a family member or a friend who is hospitalized, in a nursing home, or confined to their own home and needs visitation or a phone call from Spiritual Care, please call:

<i>Harry Dutka</i>	(734) 285 9695 Ext. 150	<a href="mailto:hdutka@ctk.me">hdutka@ctk.me</a>
<i>Lisa Demou</i>	(734) 285 9695 Ext. 210	<a href="mailto:lisa@ctk.me">lisa@ctk.me</a>
<i>Jessica Bourassa</i>	(734) 285 9695 Ext. 100	<a href="mailto:jessica@ctk.me">jessica@ctk.me</a>

So far in 2022, there have been 1,326 Spiritual Care visits.

## DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

On Sunday, November 6,  
Don't forget to fall back!

**DAYLIGHT**  
**SAVING TIME**



## Bible Study Times

- ♦ **Saturday Bible Study** meets in the West Gallery at 6pm at Trenton Rd. Thank you to Suzanne Todd for being our hostess.
- ♦ **Sunday Bible Study & Sunday School** meets in the Gym at 10:00am at Pennsylvania Rd.

## Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study meets at 9:00 AM in the Pennsylvania Rd. Fellowship Center. We are studying the book of Daniel.

## Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study meets at 8:00 am, Pennsylvania Rd., Fellowship Center. We are studying the Book of Exodus.

**4<sup>th</sup> Thursday Salvation Bible study**, based on the Kennedy Evangelism presentation of the Gospel. It is held in Administration Building Kitchen at the Pennsylvania Rd Campus from 10:30 – 11:30. Contact [carol@ctk.me](mailto:carol@ctk.me) or 734-281-3773.

## Soup & Study

### Mark Your Calendars!

Soup & Study will be is back after Christmas! We will meet for five weeks starting Tuesday, January 10 through Tuesday, February 7 at 5:30 PM for a light dinner, then classes will begin at 6:15 PM. Stay tuned for the list of classes and leaders.





# Note From the Vicar

## Is Gnosticism a Problem for Christians Today?

Well, before we can answer that question, we need to talk about what Gnosticism is. Gnosticism is the belief that human beings need special knowledge to be able to shed their physical bodies and become spiritual beings. Why would humans want to do that? Because, according to Gnosticism, the physical world is inherently flawed because it was created by a god called a demiurge who is lesser than the highest beings of the universe who are spiritual beings called the Aeons. Jesus then comes to give this special knowledge to humans so they can ascend up the ladder to be spiritual beings. So if we break down the story of Gnosticism into it's most basic parts it would be something like this: The spiritual world is the real world, the physical world is flawed and lesser. Humans need to access the special knowledge of the spiritual world given by Jesus and leave the physical world behind. To us as Christians, some of that sounds a little crazy and some of it might not sound that far off from what we believe. Let's break down the story of the Bible into it's core components and see how it compares: God creates the world, physical and spiritual, and it is very good. Humanity and creation fall into sin and then are redeemed by Jesus. One day all of creation will be restored. One of the key differences here is how the world was created. In Gnosticism, the physical world is bad, but in Christianity, the physical world is created by God and is made good. The end of the story is also different. In Gnosticism, you want to flee from the physical world and live only as a spiritual being. This is the part that might be attractive for us as Christians as well, to want to flee the world and live only as a spirit. However, in the story of the Bible, the end game is for creation to be restored. Heaven and Earth reunited again, not permanently separated. God crafted a beautiful creation, and He doesn't intend on leaving it behind. That is why the work of Jesus means everything for us; Jesus rose again from the dead to defeat death, and He will raise us on the last day to live with Him eternally in the fully restored new creation.

SMP Program Update: I will be finished with my 3<sup>rd</sup> class this month! This 3<sup>rd</sup> class is called the Master Narrative and is all about telling God's story and understanding how every person has their own story that fits inside of God's story. After this class is over, I won't have any homework from Thanksgiving until after Christmas, so I am excited for a little break there! Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

In Christ, Vicar PJ Brooks



## Advent Devotions

ADVENT DEVOTIONS Lutheran Hour Ministries have FREE, easy-to-use resources for Advent devotions. Visit [www.lhm.org/advent](http://www.lhm.org/advent) for access.

## Advent Folders

Thanksgiving will be here before we know it and then the season of Advent. Advent folders contain a quarter holder, starting on Nov. 17th, for each day of Advent, which helps serve as a daily reminder to pray for those in need. The quarters you place in your Advent folders are distributed to the Alms and Scholarship Funds. As the cold winter months approach, the need is always great.



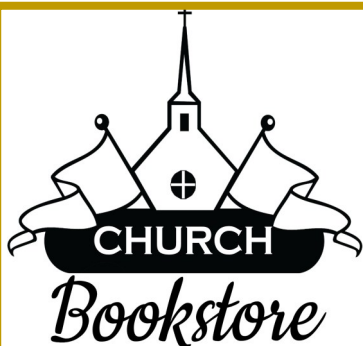
At CTK we endeavor to be good stewards of the resources entrusted to us by our congregational members. Thanks to your generosity, we can help those in need. If you'd like to pick up an Advent folder, they will be available starting Nov. 12th at the Welcome Desks at PA & TR Rd. If you would like to have an Advent Folder mailed out to you directly, please contact the church office or email [kelly@ctk.me](mailto:kelly@ctk.me). God bless your giving!

## Downriver Community Band Concert

*Sunday, December 18 - 3:00 PM*

Christ The King Lutheran  
15600 Trenton Rd., Southgate, MI





## **Psalms & Proverbs** **Bookstore**

The Advent season begins at the end of this month. The bookstore will have items to help you through the Advent season, including Advent calendars, books, and devotions. And don't forget to shop local for all your Christmas gifts, especially the Psalms & Proverbs bookstore! The bookstore has books,

gifts, jewelry, Christmas cards, and Bibles at both locations for all your gift giving needs. May your Advent season be blessed with hope, joy, peace, and love.



## *Celebrate Our Heritage*

### **This Month in CTK History**

Did you know CTK had a different address up until November 1968? It was in November 1968 that the address for CTK was changed. A Certified Resolution of Change of Registered Office by the State of Michigan Dept. of Treasury changed the address of CTK from 15260 to 15600 Trenton Rd!

November has many significant events for CTK.

- In the beginning, November 1952 was the month that the church members were chartered. There were 11 singles and 35 couples.
- Two important dedications took place in the month of November. The first was the dedication of the completed church and school "Committed to Grow" project in November, 1994. And then, it was just a short 7 years ago, in Nov. 2015, that we celebrated with a dedication ceremony for the Pennsylvania Rd Campus Sanctuary.



# Christmas Worship SCHEDULE

## Advent Services

Advent Service	November 30	3:30 p.m. TR 7:00 p.m. TR
Advent Service	December 7	3:30 p.m. TR 7:00 p.m. TR

## Preschool Christmas Program

December 12 - 6:00 p.m. TR Sanctuary

## Children's Christmas Program

December 14 - 1:30 & 7:00 p.m. TR Sanctuary

December 15 - 7:00 TR Sanctuary

## Christmas Eve Services

Saturday, December 24 (Candlelight Services)

5:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m. & 10:00 p.m. at TR

## Christmas Day Service

Sunday, December 25 -10:00 a.m. at Trenton Rd.

**\*10:00 AM ONLY at Trenton Rd. No PA Rd. Services\***

## New Year's Eve Service

Saturday, Dec. 31 - 5:00 p.m. ONLY at Trenton Rd.

TR - CTK - 15600 Trenton Rd., Southgate  
734-285-9695







# Thanksgiving Eve Service

## Wednesday, November 23, 2022

### 7:00 PM at Trenton Rd.

## Poinsettia Orders

The Poinsettia chart will be available starting the weekend of December 4 in the Narthex at PA Rd and in the West Gallery at Trenton Rd, by the Welcome Center. Cost last year was \$8; cost this year is to be determined. We encourage you to purchase a plant (or two) in memory or honor of a loved one. Honorees will be listed on a poster next to the tree, displayed at Trenton Rd. Please take an envelope and place payment in the offering. You may pick up your plant(s) after the Christmas Day Service.



## *Children's Christmas Programs*

### Preschool Christmas Program

Monday, December 12 - 6:00 PM

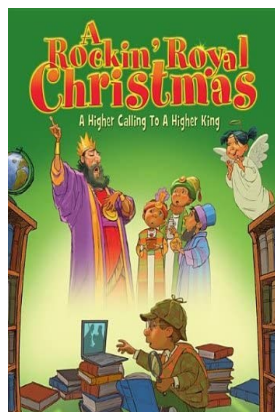
### Day School Christmas Program

#### **"A Rockin' Royal Christmas"**

Wednesday, December 14 - 1:30 & 7:00 PM

Thursday, December 15 - 7:00 PM

All performances will be located at  
Christ The King Lutheran,  
15600 Trenton Rd., Southgate.  
**Come celebrate Jesus birth!**





## Church Office Hours

The church office hours are as follows:

\* Monday - Friday 8:30am to 3:00pm

**The Church Offices will be closed**

**November 24 & 25, 2022**

**December 23, 1/2 day & December 26**

**December 31, 1/2 Day & January 2, 2023**



## Youth Groups

Calling all youth grades 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>!! Join us November 6, 13 and 20<sup>th</sup> for devotion, pizza and fun!!!!

Mark your calendars for  
Springhill. February 10-12, 2023.  
More information to follow.

**SpringHill!**  
Camps

There will be a mandatory youth parent meeting on November 20<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm (before Youth) for any youth interested in the Michigan Youth Gathering in Mackinaw in June 2023.

High School Youth Leader:  
Gina Davidson - HSYouth@ctk.me



Plans to Prosper You

I will listen to you

Give you a future

**Seek Me with**  
*Give You Hope* **COME AND PRAY**  
**All Your Heart**  
 You will find me His Plans  
**Call on Me**

**Jeremiah 29:11-13**

**Christ The King Lutheran School**  
**2022-2023**

## Day School News

*I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds. Psalm 9:1*

November brings the change of school quarters. With one quarter of the school year complete, we have so much to be thankful for. The first quarter of the school year was eventful! In September, we held our annual Fun Run. The funds raised will allow us to save for our gymnasium renovation and provide money to each classroom for teacher wish list items. In October, we hosted our fourth annual Trunk or Treat at the Pennsylvania Road Campus. We collected nearly 1,000 pounds of candy from our day school, local sponsors, and the congregation to distribute. Our Trunk or Treat continues to grow. This year, we had over 800 kids trick or treat with nearly 2,000 people in attendance.

As we begin quarter two, we are looking forward to our Veteran's Day celebration, Parent/Teacher Conferences, and our Christmas Program. We hope you'll be able to join us on December 14 or 15 for A Rockin' Royal Christmas!

We are so very blessed to be your school, to be loved, supported, encouraged, and prayed for by you. Thank you for caring for us, lifting us in prayer, and participating in all we do. God has created a wonderful community at CTK. We are blessed to serve Him together.

God's Blessings, Dr. Kelli Kapp-Heifner



## *All Saints' Day - November 1st*

All Saints' Day falls on the first Sunday of November. On this day, we commemorate those we have lost, as well as the Christians who have lived before us and have testified to their Christian faith. All are saved by grace. For Lutherans, All Saints' resonates with the belief that in Christ, every saint is a sinner and every sinner a saint. Lutherans especially remember that it is God's grace, apart from our works, that makes us saints. We find lasting rest only in the mercy of God. **We include in our prayers CTK members and/or their immediate family members who were transferred to the kingdom of glory from November 1, 2021 through October 31, 2022.**



## **E.M.I.M MENUS**

If you did not turn in your Every Member in Ministry menu in October, there is still time. You can hand it to an usher as you enter the sanctuary or drop it in the tithing basket/box. You can also complete a form virtually by visiting [www.ctk.me](http://www.ctk.me). Click on the Forms and Schedules tab/Every Member in Ministry form, either print or scan it and email it to [lisa@ctk.me](mailto:lisa@ctk.me). We would like to have all forms in by November 3rd to give the church office time to get all names to the ministry leaders. This is the perfect time, if you are interested in selecting new areas of ministry in which you would like to volunteer, or even just to continue where you are. Menus are available at both campuses at the Welcome Center or from an usher. Not sure for what or where you would like to volunteer? Pray to the Lord...He will guide you. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa at [lisa@ctk.me](mailto:lisa@ctk.me) or 734.285.9695, ext. 210.

## **2022 All Saints List**

*Joseph Hughes, Jr. – October 20, 2021*  
*Gertrude Thursam – November 8, 2021*  
*Emilie Bellair – November 11, 2021*  
*Thomas Cole – November 27, 2021*  
*Donald Oginski – December 8, 2021*  
*Dan Rehahn – December 9, 2021*  
*Bruce Thomson – December 13, 2021*  
*Dominick Marano – December 17, 2021*  
*Michael Richard – December 20, 2021*  
*Glenn Vogel - January 16, 2022*  
*James Saunders - January 19, 2022*  
*Joyce Corte – February 9, 2022*  
*Esther Gyorko – February 12, 2022*  
*Rebecca Bianchi – March 4, 2022*  
*John Cooper – March 24, 2022*  
*Raymond Sturgill – April 9, 2022*  
*Sharon Tarnowski – April 14, 2022*  
*Joe Czentnar – April 18, 2022*  
*Donald Hatfield – April 27, 2022*  
*Jeff Brown – May 28, 2022*  
*Cheri Giles – June 12, 2022*  
*Ronnie Mamula - June 13, 2022*  
*Helen Campbell – June 22, 2022*  
*Gerald Rocheleau – August 2, 2022*  
*William Creutz, Jr. – September 11, 2022*  
*Carletta Acheson – September 16, 2022*  
*Arlene Williams – October 4, 2022*

# LWML Dearborn Downriver Zone Women's Retreat

Saturday, November 5, 2022

Check-in Begins: 8:00 am

Retreat Begins: 8:30 am— 3:00 pm

Guardian Lutheran Church

24544 Cherry Hill

Dearborn

Join us for a Women's Retreat!! We will take this time to focus on thanksgiving and what it means in our lives. Learn to visualize a sign above every door we go through during the day that says, "I will enter His gates with Thanksgiving in my heart."

Register by October 22, 2022

Cost \$30

Contact : Gina Davidson

[gmd.lwml@gmail.com](mailto:gmd.lwml@gmail.com)

(734) 626-2329

Enter <sup>into</sup> his <sup>with</sup>  
gates  
thanksgiving,  
& <sup>into</sup> his  
with courts  
PRAISE:

Mites Collection at Registration

Ingathering : Newly purchased non  
-perishable food items.

(5 items/\$5 toward food items =1  
Raffle ticket)





# Holiday Market!

SATURDAY, NOV 12TH  
10am - 4pm

CHRIST THE KING  
FELLOWSHIP BUILDING - GYM  
16700 PENNSYLVANIA ROAD  
SOUTHGATE, MI



## Local Vendors & Artisans!

CONTACT GINA DAVIDSON FOR MORE INFO \* [gmd.lwml@gmail.com](mailto:gmd.lwml@gmail.com)

WE WILL ALSO HAVE A DROP OFF AREA FOR NON PERISHIBLE FOOD DONATIONS  
TO BENEFIT OUR FOOD PANTRY





## **SAVE THE DATES:**

Christmas will be upon us soon and, as we do every year, Christmas Food and Toy Baskets will be getting prepared. (Last year we prepared for 45 families.) Important dates to keep in mind:

**Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> – Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>**—Anyone wishing to **ADOPT** a family may call the church office to put your name on the list. Families will not be given to you at this time, as we won't have family names starting until the following week. Adopting means a few small gifts for kids and possibly a few small household items, if asked for. We will find a family that will fit your budget.

**Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> – Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>**—**FAMILIES IN NEED** may call to get on the list for a basket. This is an anonymous list, with only 40 baskets, so please do not feel uneasy about calling in if you need a food and/or toy basket for your home. Baskets are only intended for those that live in your home.

**Tuesday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>**—Toy Baskets are being put together from 9 to 11am (or longer) at Trenton Rd. Please call the church office or email [lisa@ctk.me](mailto:lisa@ctk.me) if interested in helping.

**Friday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>**—Food Baskets are being put together from 11am to 2pm at Trenton Rd. Please call the church office or email [lisa@ctk.me](mailto:lisa@ctk.me) if interested in helping.

**Saturday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>**—Christmas Food/Toy Baskets for those on the list to be picked up between 9 and 11am. Please call the church office or email [lisa@ctk.me](mailto:lisa@ctk.me) if interested in helping load baskets in cars.







## **Christmas Toy Basket Donations:**

We are planning the need for Christmas assistance to be once again higher this year. The following donations would be greatly appreciated.

- ◆ \$5-\$10 gift cards from Dollar Tree, Meijer, Target, or Five Below
- ◆ Any small stuffed animals, toys, books and board games, socks, hats, gloves, etc.
- ◆ We will also have a need for teenage (up to 18yrs old) items, such as makeup items, gloves, hats, card games, socks, etc.

All donations are very much appreciated and would need to be to the church office or in the PA Rd Campus marked bin by the week-end of **December 11<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you so much!



**HOMELESS**  
*Ministry*

## **CHRISTNET THERMAL GIVING MINISTRY**

Please note: thermal drop offs for the Christ-Net program will be accepted starting October 30 through November 27, 2022. There will be baskets set up at both campus locations where you can drop purchased thermals. All sizes are needed, but especially men's small-XL and women's small-XL. If you are interested in purchasing thermals for this program but are unable to make the drop off or have any questions/concerns, please contact Dawn Prim at [dprim1229@hotmail.com](mailto:dprim1229@hotmail.com) or via cell at 734-308-1853 and options can be arranged.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2022

*"TRAIN UP A CHILD IN THE WAY HE  
SHOULD GO, AND WHEN HE IS OLD  
HE WILL NOT TURN FROM IT."*

PROVERBS 22:6 NIV



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## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Connor Buck  
Alexander Czentnar  
Leah Gorman  
Cole Johnson  
Harper Johnson

Paige Johnson  
Noah Krueger  
Bennett Lambrecht  
Syaira Wyrabkiewicz

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## PARENT AND TOT CLASS

ATTENTION PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN - WE HAVE A PLACE FOR YOU!! You and your infant or PreK child, or any child that is not ready for Sunday School, can still get into God's Word! The Parent and Tot class is in the Nursery just outside the Sanctuary. Mandy Boelter leads this class. You and your littles can study God's Word at the appropriate level. This class follows the same subject as the other Sunday School classes to make for interesting family conversation on the car ride home!



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# BIBLE BUCKS COMING IN NOVEMBER!

November 6 is the day the kids have been waiting for! The Bible Bucks store will be open during Sunday School hour. Kids will go to class and get the Bible Bucks earned so far this year. During the class time, they will be able to go shopping!



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## CHRISTNET COMMUNITY SERVICE



Our Community Service Project is making care packages for Down-river's Homeless through Christ-Net. Sunday School Students will decorate bags and offer words of encouragement throughout the fall and winter months. The next

day to pack these bags is November 20. Thank you for supporting this important project!

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## COMING UP IN NOVEMBER

Nov 6: Lesson 8: The Faith-Full Family - Ruth 1-4  
plus Bible Bucks

Nov 13: Lesson 9: The Chosen King - Saul;  
Samuel 8. Plus Decorate Bags

Nov 20: Lesson 10: Thanksgiving Party;  
Pack lunches

Nov 27: Lesson 11: Movie and Popcorn



## ***Red Cross Blood Drive Thank You***

Thanks to everyone who was able to donate blood on Oct. 17. People feel good knowing they've just helped save someone's life. American Red Cross & CTK extends their heartfelt appreciation. You offered hope to patients in need.

Thanks to everyone who helped set-up & take down tables & chairs. Thank you for your support. ~ Nancy Chambo

**EVERY  
BLOOD DONOR  
IS A HERO**



## **Voters' Assembly Christ The King Church Thursday, December 8th**

The Voters' meeting for December will be Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the West Gallery at Trenton Rd. Campus. Agenda items will include election of Vestry members and approving the 2023 budget.



## ***EUCHRE***

## ***Mark Your Calendars 2023 Euchre Dates***

***January 14, February 18  
March 11, April 22, May 20  
September 16 & October 14  
at 7:00 PM Sharp!***

We play in the Atrium at the PA Rd Campus, starting at 7pm SHARP! (Sorry, but we are unable to accommodate latecomers.) Cost is \$3 per person. Each player is asked to bring a beverage and snack to share. Partners are not necessary; guests are welcome. This is a FUN event and prizes are awarded. Questions?

Contact Mike Shoup 734-624-4350 or [blueknight007@hotmail.com](mailto:blueknight007@hotmail.com)

## 6 Reasons to Become a Stephen Minister

**Is God calling you to become a Stephen Minister?** In Stephen Ministry, members of our congregation are trained and equipped to meet once a week, one to one, with someone going through a difficult time. Stephen Ministers provide a caring presence, a listening ear, and comforting words—supporting care receivers throughout their journey. There are many reasons people become Stephen Ministers. Here are a few to think about as you prayerfully consider whether Stephen Ministry is the right place for you to serve.

1. **Make a real difference in the lives of people who are hurting.** **Stephen Ministers walk alongside** people going through life challenges like grief, divorce, a medical crisis, job loss, and more. They offer care, support, and encouragement, connecting hurting people with Christ's healing love during some of the hardest times in their lives.
2. **Help our congregation ensure that no one suffers alone.** Caring for one another is a hallmark of the Christian faith. As a Stephen Minister, you will play a crucial role in helping our congregation carry out that mission so that, even if we can't take away their pain, those who are suffering know our church truly cares.
3. **Learn what to say and do—and what not to say and do—to care effectively for people who are suffering.** Stephen Minister training teaches highly practical caregiving and relational skills that equip and empower you with everything you need to effectively care for others. In addition to preparing you for caring ministry, these skills can help you deepen and enhance relationships in all facets of your life—with family, friends, coworkers, and others.
4. **Be involved in meaningful ministry that uses your spiritual gifts.** Serving as a Stephen Minister gives people an opportunity to put their spiritual gifts into action—gifts such as faith, mercy, compassion, and encouragement. Ministry that draws on your gifts is personally fulfilling and touches people's lives in powerful ways. As well, the strong relationships you'll form among the Stephen Ministers are both rewarding and a great source of support.
5. **Deepen your faith as you see God at work through your ministry.** Providing care while trusting in God is at the core of Stephen Ministry. Stephen Ministers regularly say how their faith deepens as they experience training, learn to use distinctively Christian caring tools, and witness God at work in the lives of their care receivers.

***"Therefore encourage one another and build up each other." 1 Thessalonians 5:11***

Contacts: *Pastor Harry Edenfield*  
*Donna Tobeler*  
*Deborah Watterson*  
 734-285-9695





# Advent By Candlelight



## *Advent By Candlelight*

With the hustle and bustle that accompanies the Christmas season, Advent by Candlelight is a wonderful time to prepare our hearts and minds to celebrate the birth of our Savior. The women of CTK are invited to join us on **Saturday, December 3rd from 6:30-8:30 P.M. at the Pennsylvania Rd Campus** for this beautiful evening of food, fellowship, and the Christmas story. Host sign ups will be posted at both campuses at the beginning of November. Hostess packets, invitations, and more information can be found on the website. Please contact Jackie Brooks ([jbrooks@ctk.me](mailto:jbrooks@ctk.me)), Tina Pawloski ([tpawloski@hotmail.com](mailto:tpawloski@hotmail.com)) or Karen Kerezi ([kkerezi@aol.com](mailto:kkerezi@aol.com)) with any questions.

## 59+ Group

Join us for a potluck craft activity on Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm in the PA Rd Campus Fellowship Center (look for the flag-pole). Plan on a little something for about 12 people. Everyone is wel-

come. Plan to leave with a little extra love in your heart and possibly a new person to call "friend"! P.S. Last month's chair yoga was a blast. There will be no 59+ in December but plan on chair yoga again in January.





**Family Connection Ministry - Family Friendsgiving**—Please join us on Saturday, November 19th from 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. at the Pennsylvania Rd Campus for a Friendsgiving Brunch! Please bring a dish to share and enjoy some family time and fellowship. We will have a special family service project following our meal. Families of all sizes and ages welcome! Please contact Katie Holzer ([kholzer@ctk.me](mailto:kholzer@ctk.me)), Courtney Pomroy ([cpomroy@ctk.me](mailto:cpomroy@ctk.me)), or Jackie Brooks ([jbrooks@ctk.me](mailto:jbrooks@ctk.me)) with any questions.



## **CTK Family Connection Ministry**

### **Mark Your Calendars**

### **Upcoming Family Connection Events**

- Saturday, December 17th  
Pennsylvania Rd Gym and Atrium - 10 A.M. - 12 P.M.



# Simply Give

*Donate to your Local Food Pantry.*



**Help us in the fight against hunger!**

## **CTK Food Pantry Meijer "Simply Give"**

Hello, CTK members and other worshipers of Christ The King.

Through the years, you and the Meijer Corp./family have helped your Food Pantry on Pennsylvania Rd. Meijer's "Simply Give" program allows us to buy milk, bread, cheese, eggs, and margarine from our local Meijer store on Fort St. As you know, the above-mentioned products, in most cases, are much more expensive than not too long ago. We greatly need your continued help.

"Simply Give" dates are from now through December 31.

"Our" store is at 16300 Fort St., Southgate.

The difference between the "Simply Give" cards at CTK and at Meijer is the barcode. This helps Meijer track in-store and CTK donation card sales.

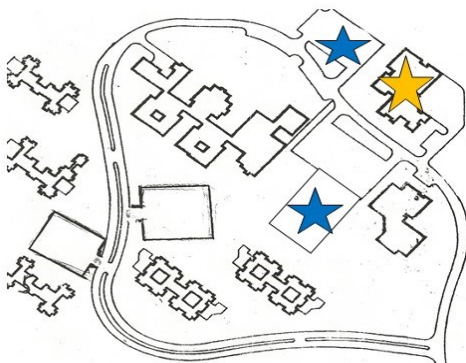
The one and only Double-Match Day will be Saturday, December 17. There will be a special Thanksgiving week promotion (details forthcoming).

Along with the food we give because of God's love, we also give food recipients a short devotion written by some of the classes at CTK school. Thank you for being Jesus' hands.

Pastor Harry for the Volunteers 30

P.S. Notice that December 17 is a special day in this Meijer Holiday "Simply Give" campaign. Thank you.

# Donation Station



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Lutheran Church**

**16700 Pennsylvania Rd.**

**Thursdays 12:00-2:00**

**Saturday 10:00-12:00**

**Parking**



**Resale Station**

**Misc. Items**



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GRIEF SHARE



**SURVIVING  
THE HOLIDAYS**

The 2 hour presentation of "Surviving the Holidays" will be held on Saturday, November 19, from 12-2pm in the Trenton Rd Upper Room. This program includes a video discussing many aspects of grief and managing it through all holidays, to include birthdays, anniversaries and other memorable occasions. Booklets will be provided with more information and there will be time for discussion. Donations are welcome to help defray the cost of the booklets. Contact Teresa Samson at 734-282-8012 or [tsamson50@yahoo.com](mailto:tsamson50@yahoo.com).

## GriefShare

There will be no Griefshare on November 7th. The last Griefshare meeting of this session will be November 21. Join us 6-8pm in the Trenton Rd. Upper Room. Bottled water and a light snack will be provided. Contact Teresa for more information at 734.282.8012.

# Pastor's Message

## “Eschatological Stewardship”

The Church Year has a rhythm to it, like our calendar year. As one season ends and another begins, our activities and plans change. Likewise, themes change, as we move from one part of the church year to the next. November has us thinking about Thanksgiving and being grateful. November in the church year is about Jesus' Second Coming, or End Times. The study of end times is called eschatology from the Greek “eschaton,” which means “last things.” We live in the last times. Jesus could return any day. We are encouraged to prepare for Jesus' return throughout the New Testament. In fact, the Early Church was certain Jesus would return *in their lifetime*. This worldview would have a profound effect on stewardship, the way in which we manage earthly resources. The same is true for us today. November is Stewardship Month, and our theme is “Eschatological Stewardship.” Our giving reflects our faith in Jesus' return. We know this world is temporary, so we don't cling to it. We recognize the world's limitations, so we don't build our foundation on it. We are thankful for all that God gives to us, so we gladly and willingly give back to Him. We pray that all our members will prayerfully consider their stewardship and pledge to support our ministry at Christ The King, mindful that Jesus, the King of kings is preparing a place for us and He will return to take us there!

In Christ, Pastor Jason Cashmer

