

April 2023



#### 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: Church FAX:

(734)285-9695 (734)285-4188

CTK Day School - Trenton Rd.

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

School Office Phone: School FAX:

(734)285-9697 (734)285-5275

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

Main Phone: (734)285-9695

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

Day Care Phone: (734)285-8525 CTK Pre-School: (734)285-0903

www.ctk.me



Trenton Road Campus

Saturday Worship Pennsylvania Road Campus

5:00 PM

Sunday Worship:

9:00 AM 11:00 AM

Bible Study/Sunday School 10:10-10:40 AM



Financial	Snapshot –	Through	February	2023

INCOME (General Fund):	February 2023	Year To Date
Church receipts	\$ 109,027.67	\$ 225,838.82
Tuition	\$ 84,615.95	\$ 173,239.65
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 193,643.62	\$ 399,078.47
BUDGETED EXPENSES:	\$ 187,720.00	\$ 375,440.00
INCOME OVER/(UNDER)	BUDGET	
, ,	\$ 5,923.62	\$ 23,638.47

	February 2023	Year To Date
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 193,643.62	\$ 399,078.47
ACTUAL EXPENSES:	\$ 196,291.38	\$ 361,651.33
INCOME OVER/(UNDE	R) EXPENSE	
`	\$ (2,647.76)	\$ 37,427.14

Thank you, CTK members, for your faithful stewardship. Our 2023 offerings and tuition is over both actual and budgeted expenses through the first two months of the year. As we move into the Easter season, we pray our discipleship will be blessed by God, that all will worship Jesus as our risen Savior and Lord. Phil. 2:10-11 "At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."





In Memory Of	Given By	Memorial Fund
Dallas Heine	Gleason Heine	Food Pantry



<b>Birthday Blessings</b>				
In Honor of Birthday				
Tonia Young	2/28			
Falicity Hamilton	3/3			
David Furgerson	3/19			
Robert Reaume	3/22			
Sophia Furgerson	3/27			
Lila Furgerson	4/10			

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

		<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u> Tota	al <u>(sinc</u>	e 2006 start)
"C" Dollars	\$	1,089.00	\$ 262.00	\$	22,844.00
Scrap Metal	\$	2,470.83	\$ 458.64	\$	52,167.85
Bottles	\$	3,334.40	\$ 645.90	\$	42,217.60
Paper Recycle	e \$	40.52	\$ 23.05	\$	741.18





Upcoming Events:				
Date	Event	Time	Location	
Apr. 2	Easter Egg Hunt	12:05 PM	PA	
Apr. 6	Half Day of School	11:30 AM	TR	
Apr. 6	Maundy Thursday	7:00 PM	TR	
Apr. 7-16	Day School Easter Break	All Week	TR	
Apr. 7	Church Offices Close at no	on	TR	
Apr.7	TreOre Services	12, 12:30; 1	TR	
Apr. 7	Tenebrae Service	7:00 PM	TR	
Apr. 7 & 8	22 Hr. Prayer Vigil	8:00 PM-5:00PM	TR	
Apr. 8	NO Saturday Service	No Service Today	/ TR	
Apr. 9	Easter Sunrise Service	7:00 AM	TR	
Apr. 9	Easter Festival Service	8:30, 9:45 & 11	TR	
Apr. 10	Church Offices Closed	All Day	TR/PA	
Apr. 19	59+ Group—Chair Yoga	1:00 PM	PA	
Apr. 22	Euchre Party	7:00 PM	PA	
May 6	Mom to Mom Sale	8:30-1:30	PA	
May 7	Mr. Bob Voelz Retirement	Recognition	TR	
May 17	59+ Group	1:00 PM	PA	
May 20	Euchre Party	7:00 PM	PA	
May 21	Confirmation Sunday			
May 22	Preschool Field Day		TR	
May 25	Memorial Weekend Thursday Service 7:00 PM		1 PA	
May 29	Church Offices & School Closed		TR/PA	

# 59+ Group

It's Chair Yoga time! Join us Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00-2:15pm at the PA Rd Campus Atrium (inside the Fellowship Center). It's amazing how good you Just Older Youth will feel after a good stretch



# Spiritual Care Ministry



The Spiritual Care Ministry at CTK focuses on persons in the congregation who are hospitalized, confined to their home, reside in a nursing home, or may be recovering from a surgery in a rehab facility. Please let us know if you have a family member or friend who needs a visitation, where they will hear the Word and receive Holy Communion.

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:

Harry Dutka (734) 285 9695 Ext. 150 hdutka@ctk.me
Lisa Demou (734) 285 9695 Ext. 210 lisa@ctk.me
Jessica Bourassa (734) 285 9695 Ext. 100 jessica@ctk.me

360 care visits from January 1 - March 15

#### **Church Office Hours**

The church office hours are as follows:

- \* Monday Friday 8:30am to 3:00pm
- Church Office Closed:
   April 7 (1/2 day) and April 10th



Throughout this year's Lenten season, I have made a special effort to read the Psalms daily. Most of us are probably familiar with the tradition of giving something up for Lent. I personally also really like the idea of adding something to your life during the season of Lent. So this year I added the Psalms. What has really stood out to me this year, as I read through, is just how many different types of Psalms there are. Many people have tried to categorize all the Psalms. Some of the categories we have are Praise and Thanksgiving, Liturgical Psalms, Hymnic Psalms, Lament Psalms, Penitential Psalms. (We are familiar with most of those here at CTK because we often use them as our confession during worship services.) There is even a type of Psalm called Imprecatory Psalms, which are like extreme lament Psalms that often have angry overtones and even curses included in them. As I have been reading Psalms, something incredible started happening. No matter what was going on in my life or how I was feeling on that particular day, it was as if the Psalm I read was written to speak over my life for that day. That's the power of the Word of God. Whether I am giving thanks or lamenting, whether I feel like blessing or cursing, God's Word is still the same. God's Word still offers forgiveness for my sins and life and salvation through Jesus Christ. May God bless you through His Word this Easter Season.

SMP Program Update: I am in the midst of my 5<sup>th</sup> class, which is called Lutheran Distinctions. The title of this class has a double meaning: It is about the things that make us distinctly Lutheran, but also most of the core Lutheran doctrines are themselves distinctions – Distinction between Law and Gospel, Distinction between Hidden and Revealed God, and so on. As always, thank you so much for your support as I continue my classes!



Remember

Your Pledge

Here are ways you can support our ministry at Christ The King Lutheran Church



- Online Scan the QR code below or go to <a href="https://secure.accessacs.com/access/oglogin.aspx?sn=1252">https://secure.accessacs.com/access/oglogin.aspx?sn=1252</a>
- ◆ Website <u>www.ctk.me</u> Click on MyCTK (top right corner) to log on and give online (available to members only).
- ◆ Text Text CTKGIVE to 73256, then follow the prompts to the secure link.

#### 2022 Contribution Statements

Your giving statement is now available through one of the following methods:

- ◆ NEW this year: If we have your current email on file, you will automatically receive a secured link to your statement. Please contact the church office if you need to update your email address.
- ◆ CTK Members can go to the website (<u>www.ctk.me</u>) and follow the instructions to sign in to MyCTK.
- ◆ If you would like your statement mailed or printed to pick up in the church office, request forms are available outside the sanctuaries or email your request to kelly@ctk.me.
- ◆ Please contact Kelly in the church office with any questions regarding your statement at <a href="kelly@ctk.me">kelly@ctk.me</a> or (734) 285-9695 ext. 160

These options are available in order to keep your contribution infor-

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I am requesting my 202	22 Contri	oution Statement:
Please: Mail	or	Hold in Church Office for pick up
Name:		
Address:		
Phone:		
Email.		





Maundy Thursday - April 6, 7:00 p.m. only at Trenton Rd

Good Friday Tre Ore, April 7 at Trenton Rd.

**12:00, 12:30 & 1:00 p.m.** w/ Holy Communion only at 1:00

Good Friday Tenebrae, April 7 - 7:00 p.m. at Trenton Rd

22 Hr. Prayer Vigil, April 7 (starting at 8:00 p.m.) till April 8th (ending at 5:00 p.m.) at Trenton Rd.

No Saturday April 8, 5:00 PM Service

Easter Sunday, April 9 at Trenton Rd.

Sunrise Service, 7:00 a.m.

(w/Holy Communion)

Festival Services, 8:30, 9:45, & 11:00 a.m.

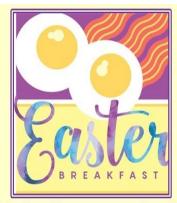




# Earter Breakfart Sunday. April 9 7:30-10:30 AM

Catered by Szegedi's Catering out of Dearborn
Heights. Free will donation - please keep in
mind that the breakfast cost went up this year
due to egg prices. Thank you and can't wait to
celebrate Easter morning with you.





#### The breakfast menu consists of:

- Scrambled Eggs
- Breakfast Potatoes
- Hungarian Coffee Cake
- Bacon & Sausage
- French toast w/syrup
- Juice & Coffee



#### LENTEN FOLDERS

Lenten Folders are now available at the Welcome Desks at TR & PA Rd. Through your donations, we continue to support the Alms and Scholarship Funds. Please consider taking home a folder and each day, as you place a quarter in it, remember to pray for those people who need our help and encouragement. You may also make a contribution online and designate as Lent Folder. If you would like a Lenten Folder mailed to you, please call the church office or email kelly@ctk.me. May God bless your giving!

#### **Luther Library**

D.E.A.R. stands for "Drop Everything and Read"! National DEAR Day/Month is a special reading celebration to remind and encourage families to make reading together a family priority and to encourage people of all ages to make reading a priority in their lives. This holiday is celebrated on Beverly



Cleary's birthday, April 12. Beverly was a famous children's and young adult author.

To celebrate, we are highlighting books for children and teens. The Children's section has 61 books. The Teen section has 30 books. Our Fiction section has 36 books.

Alice Gray, author of "Stories for the Heart", is a collection of 110 stories to touch the hearts of teens and young people. Also, a really great devotional/study book that is sure to impact young lives is "8 P.R.O.M.I.S.E.S.: Really Relevant Super Significant Promises for Teenagers Who Want to Fall in Love with Jesus Forever" by Dan Davidson.

The Children's section has 14 books by author Catherine Storr, from her Bible series for first and second graders.

And finally, the fiction section has several books from authors Jan Karon, Joseph Girzone, and Janette Oke. These are just a few suggestions, but there are more sections (e.g., Parenting/Family Life, Devotion, and Inspiration) for your reading preference. Hopefully, everyone can find something to read for D.E.A.R.

#### BLOOD DRIVE THANK YOU

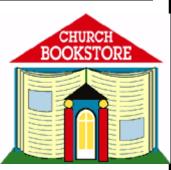
Thanks to everyone who was able to donate on March 20. The American Red Cross and CTK extends their heartfelt appreciation as you offered hope to patients in need. Thank you for your support.

God bless, Nancy Chambo



#### **Psaims & Proverbs Bookstore**

Are you looking to fill your kids or grandkids Easter baskets with something besides candy? Well, look no further! Remind them of the real reason for the season. The bookstore has paperback Easter books, religious books, gifts, and jewelry to fill those baskets. Stop by either location to make your purchase. Thank you for supporting the bookstore.





#### THANK YOU FROM MOST MINISTRIES

Thank you for your donations of eyeglasses to MOST Ministries. Your donations help keep MOST's storeroom stocked with glasses ready to send worldwide as the hosts request eyeglass teams.

The first two (of 22) teams this year were clinics in Tanzania and India. The areas are predominately non-Christian. Your donated eyeglasses brought hundreds of people through these clinics, people who might never step foot in a Christian church. Between these two teams, nearly 1,400 people heard the Gospel message and received needed prescription glasses, as well as sunglasses and eye drops. Lives are changed when they can see clearly and hear about Jesus' love for them.

Please continue to donate your prescription eyeglasses and non-prescription sunglasses. Place them in the baskets at both campuses. Thank you, thank you.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - APRIL 2023



"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

APRIL BIRTHDAYS



Zeke Brooks Levi Brooks Andria Ealey Peyton Erickson Lila Furgerson Bria Glatz Lucas Johnson Vincent Jones Emily Montelauro Josephine St. Charles Marshall St Charles

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### What's all the Buzz about?

Sunday School has kicked-off the "Bee a Blessing" Community Service Project with Samaritan's Purse. We will learn why and how to provide Honeybee kits and God's Word to families in need in the Middle East looking to rebuild

their lives and community. For \$20, Samaritan's Purse will teach a family how to build and grow bee hives, as well as harvest and sell honey and beeswax. This provides a sustainable income while learning and living out God's Word

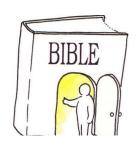
There will be a "B" box to collect "B" dollars in the Atrium. Watch this space for other upcoming fund raisers.

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# DID YOU KNOW?

The High School Bible Study is back!! Students in 9th-12th grade can meet in the High School Youth Room off the Atrium for Bible Study. This class will be led by Gina Davidson. They will follow the same curriculum as the rest of the Sunday School. We hope this will lead to live-



ly Biblical discussions on the car ride home or around the dinner table! We look forward to the Confirmands joining this class after Confirmation Sunday!

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### Thank You Deer Bible Buck Organizers!



A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to Janice Kane and Joyce Zanley for another outstanding Bible Buck shopping day! Sunday School students can earn Bible Bucks through out the year by attendance, participation, etc. We plan to have another Big Bible Buck event in May.



Apr 2: Lesson 5: Jonah 1-3 and Palm Sunday Craft

Apr 9: Easter - No Sunday School

Apr 16: Lesson 6: God calls Isaiah; Isaiah 6, 52, 53

Apr 23: Lesson 7: Israel goes into Exile; 2 Kings 17, 24-30

Apr 30: Lesson 8: Hezekiah; 2 Kings 18, 20







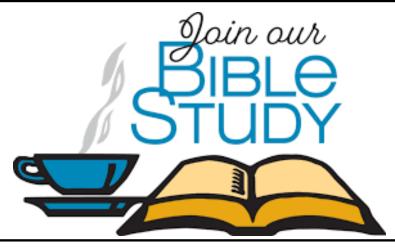






#### **Bible Study Times**

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



### Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 9:00am at PA Rd. in the Fellowship Center, classroom #4. Class is led by Nancy Kurtz. We will not meet on April 5th.

### Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study meets Wednesdays at 8:00 am in the PA Rd. Fellowship Center. Class led by Pastor Terry.

BRICK PAVERS Come check out the brick paver patio at Pennsylvania Rd. It is a wonderful addition next to the PA Rd Campus Sanctuary. Stop by and head down memory lane. If you would like to honor/remember a loved one, family member or close friend, look for the informational brochures and order forms that are available online at <a href="https://www.ctk.me/brickpaver">www.ctk.me/brickpaver</a>, at the Ministry Center at Trenton Rd and the Atrium at PA Rd. Contact Lisa Demou at <a href="lisa@ctk.me">lisa@ctk.me</a> or Denise Cashmer at <a href="mailto:denise@ctk.me">denise@ctk.me</a> with questions.



# Mark Your Calendars 2023 Euchre Dates 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 late-comers.) Cost is \$3 per person. Each player is asked to bring a beverage and snack to share. Partners are not necessary and guests are welcome. This is a FUN event and prizes are awarded. Questions? Contact Mike Shoup 734.624.4350 or <a href="mailto:blueknight007@hotmail.com">blueknight007@hotmail.com</a>

# Save the Date! Donations & golfers needed!!!

The **29**<sup>th</sup> **CTK Annual Golf Scramble** is being held on **Saturday, August 26**, at Sandy Creek in Monroe. Cost will be \$85 per golfer and includes cart, lunch at the turn, and a steak dinner. Shotgun start at 8am. Website registration will be available soon.

This year all proceeds will again benefit the CTK Food Pantry & ChristNet!

Please contact Deanna Warrington at 313-505-1704, or Jennifer Gepes at 734-775-1972 if you are interested in helping out with the event. We are also looking for local business owner(s)/individual(s) that can donate items or baskets to raffle off. Thank you!







# 22-Hour Prayer Vigil

Trenton Rd Campus Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 p.m. through Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m.

You are invited to participate in the Christ The King 22-hour Prayer Vigil. You will experience a unique hour of prayer and meditation. It is one hour that draws us closer to our generous and loving God. Please come and share an hour with others experiencing this closeness. We would like to have people in prayer during each hour of the vigil. There will be a leader present to help you get situated and notify you when the hour is over.

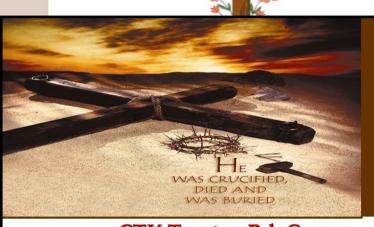
No prayer will be public. You will be praying for the concerns of people that others have placed on prayer cards. This is done in private and you may be anywhere that you are comfortable.

Many past participants have said that this was the fastest and sweetest hour they have experienced. May your experience also be blessed.

Sign-up books are available at the Ministry Center and in all weekend Bible classes.

If you have prayer concerns for a loved one or yourself, please fill out a prayer card and place it in the basket provided. They are available just outside the Sanctuary at both campuses.

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22 Hour Prayer Vigil

CTK Trenton Rd. Campus
Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> - Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>
8:00 pm - to - 5:00 pm
Please note there is no Saturday Worship at either location on Saturday, April 8



### Easter Lily Chart

The Lily Chart will be up on the bulletin board at PA Rd and near the West Gallery at Trenton Rd, beginning the weekend of March 19<sup>th</sup>. This year's cost is \$8. We encourage you to purchase a plant in memory of or in honor of a loved one. A list of honorees will be published on Easter Sunday and posted on our

website. Deadline for ordering is April 2nd. Please take an envelope and place payment in the offering. The tree will be displayed at Trenton Rd. You may pick up your plant(s) after the 11:00 service.





# Stephen Minister Training helps us learn how to help others

Stephen Ministry caregivers are well-prepared to walk alongside others in challenging times by thorough first-class training before being assigned a care receiver.

My name is Deborah Watterson. I have been blessed to be a Stephen Minister for 20 years and a Stephen Ministry Leader for 10 years. By the power of the Holy Spirit and my comprehensive training, I feel well prepared for Christian Caregiving. Topics in the first half of training include:

- The Person of the Caregiver what is the role of the Stephen Minister and what is it not?
- Feelings: Yours, Mine, and Ours how to address your care receiver's feelings, as well as your own
- The Art of Listening provides some great guidance on how to be a good listener.
- Distinctively Christian Caregiving Part 1 & 2 teaches how faith is applied in caregiving.
- A Process Approach to Caring teaches ministers that they are the CARE-givers and Christ is the CURE-giver and how to support the process of healing.
- Assertiveness: Relating Gently and Firmly Part 1 & 2 teaches how to be more than a listening empathetic ear.
- Maintaining Boundaries in Caregiving important to care receiver and caregiver health.

 Crisis Theory and Practice – how to recognize when the care receiver may need additional help.

 Confidentiality – the absolute key to the care receiver/giver relationship.

For more information and to sign up for the next information meeting, contact our Stephen Ministry Leaders through the CTK church office.



#### Welcome Communicant Members

On Sunday, March 19th, we welcomed five young people into our family of Holy Communion members. The following Confirmation students who have completed their study of Rite of the Sacrament:

- Brady Begeman
- Carson Begeman
- Alex Czentnar
- Madisyn Eastabrooks
- Christian Joyce



Holy Communion



# **Youth Group**

Join us for youth group! We have some exciting events planned! We meet at the Pennsylvania Rd. Campus.

#### Schedule:

April 2 - Youth Meets 6:30 PM

April 9 - No Youth Group

April 16 - Youth Meets 6:30 PM

April 23 - Youth Meets 6:30 PM

April 30 - Youth Meets 6:30 PM





A big thank you to everyone who came out to enjoy the Lenten Dinners and support the HS youth Group! It was such a pleasure to see you all.

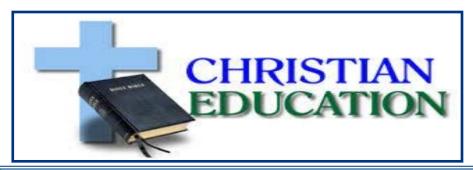
High School Youth Leader: Gina Davidson - HSYouth@ctk.me



#### SALVATION BIBLE STUDY

Every 4th Thursday, Carol Cashmer teaches a Bible Study, using the Kennedy Evangelism Gospel presentation. It is held in the Admin. Building kitchen at the PA Rd Campus, from 10:30-11:30am. The study is the same every month. People are encouraged to bring a friend who may not understand the Gospel. This study also helps Christians learn how to be better prepared to share the Gospel, and finally, this study is for those who would just like to be reminded and encouraged by the incomparable gift God has offered to all. If you would like to attend this month, please join us on April 27. To register, or for more information, please contact <a href="mailto:carol@ctk.me">carol@ctk.me</a> or 734.281.3773.



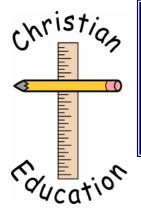


## **Day School News**

Behold I am making all things new. Revelation 21:5

It's an exciting time in our school year. Winter is gone, and things become new. Spring is here bringing warmer temperatures, more time outside, and open classroom windows. In March, we celebrated National Lutheran Schools Week and all the wonderful things we have been able to do together. We held our Education Fair Open House and welcomed families to tour our school/projects. We finished our Raise Craze fundraiser to raise money for our gymnasium renovation, playground updates, and new curriculum. This month, we will induct our second group of students into the CTK chapter of the Lutheran Junior Honor Association. The LJHA works together to complete service projects for our community while we study and practice our leadership skills. As we begin the fourth quarter of our school year on April 3, we are thankful for the time we've shared together and looking forward to all the exciting events still to come.

God's Blessings, Dr. Kelli Kapp-Heifner



#### **School Events:**

Apr. 6 1/2 Day School

Apr. 7-16 No School Easter Break

May 5 1/2 Day—VIP Day

May 7 Mr. Voelz Retirement Recognition

May 22 Preschool Field Day

May 26-29 No School Memorial Day

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# Winter Campaign Dates



#### CTK Food Pantry Supporters

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'Simply Give' to stop hunger

Donate any day!

#### **Important Notes:**

- 1. Use Simply Give cards from CTK sanctuaries, so that we get credit as the gift-giver.
- 2. You need only one card for your gift of \$10 or increments of \$10.
- 3. You can only donate at the Southgate Meijer Store for CTK Pantry.
- 4. Campaign ends on 4/1/23.

We thank Jesus and your hearts for the support!
"The Thirty" Pantry Volunteers





# Dementia/Alzheimer's Disease?

Marilyn and I recently read a booklet (28 pp.) by Pastor Michael Casting, a friend of ours since our days at Concordia Jr. College, Ann Arbor. The booklet's title is <u>Into the Valley of Shadows.</u> It describes Mike and his wife Sue's 10+ years journey with Sue's Alzhei-

mer's disease. The booklet is written very truthfully, sensitively, informatively, and concisely about their very difficult experience. It is a valuable booklet for any of us. <u>Into the Valley of Shadows</u> is available at Christ The King's book/gift shops.

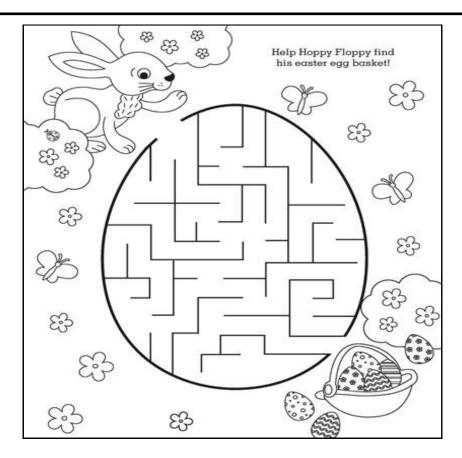
Pastor Harry and Marilyn



# **USHERS NEEDED**

#### Elder & Usher Volunteers

We are getting our usher teams back together to begin "passing the plate" again. If you formerly served as an usher, you will be contacted soon. If you have not ushered before, training will be provided. Please contact Lisa Demou, Volunteer Coordinator, at <a href="mailto:lisa@ctk.me">lisa@ctk.me</a> or 734.285.9695 ext. 210 to help out and/or find out more information.





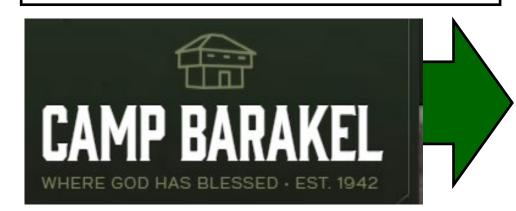
Encouraging each other through prayer, scriptures, notes and gifts

Secret Prayer Sisters will run for 1 year June 2023 - June 2024

- Each participant will be asked to complete a form that will be given to your Secret Prayer Sister.
- There will be a meet & greet scheduled for June
- At the meet & greet you will select an envelope with your secret prayer sisters name inside. If you are unable to attend you will be sent your Secret Prayers Sisters form.

To sign up for Secret Prayer Sisters contact Gina Davidson gmd.lwml@gmail.com By May 20th.

Ladies, we will be encouraging each other as we secretly love and empower one another. We can remind our sister that we are praying for them and reminding her of Christ's love for us.





#### Secret Prayer Sisters Reveal Meet & Greet Lunch

Saturday, June 3, 2023 1:00 PM Christ the King 16700 Pennsylvania Road

Calling all current Secret Prayer Sisters and anyone interested in becoming a Secret Prayer Sister.

This is the day all will be "revealed"

Envelopes will also be given to all continuing
and new Secret Prayer Sisters with your new SPS names.

Please RSVP to Gina

amd.lwml@amail.com

# Fall Women's Retreat Camp Barakel in Fairview, Michigan

Join us for kayaking, hiking, zip line, plus a wonderful speaker, music and fellowship

- October 6-8, 2023
- Cost is \$145
- \$5 deposit due April 30<sup>th</sup>

Contact Gina for more info. at davidson2@wowway.com



# Important LWML Notes LWML Mites Collection Spring Date is May 20-21.

CTK is in need of an LWML Representative. If you need more information or are interested, please contact Gina Davidson at gmd.lwml@gmail.com







SATURDAY

CHRIST THE KING

FELLOWSHIP BUILDING 16700 PENNSYLVANIA SOUTHGATE, MI MAY 6th

8:30 AM - 1:30 PM

\$2 ENTRANCE FEE

Space is limited, Reserve yours today

CONTACT GINA FOR MORE INFO GMD.LWML@GMAIL.COM



THIS EVENT IS HOSTED BY
"ROOTED IN CHRIST" HS YOUTH GROUP

# Pastor's Message

Happy Easter! 1 Corinthians 15:14-15 says it best, relative to the importance of Christ's resurrection. "And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he



raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised." The foundation of the Christian faith is Easter Sunday. When the women found the empty tomb, they also found the truth that will live forever: Jesus is the Son of God. The testimony of the witnesses and the fact that Jesus is risen will be proclaimed everywhere in the world until the day Jesus returns. Christianity has done much good throughout the ages. For example, hospitals are a direct result of Christian kindness and charity. Today, some say Christianity is under attack in American. Granted, there is more hostility to the Christian faith today than there was even a few generations ago. The evidence for this is not just anecdotal, but based on research and polling. However, our jobs, homes, reputations, especially our lives are not in jeopardy because of our confession of Christ. Let us not take this for granted! We are very blessed to live in a land and time where we are free to express our beliefs—the most important being the truth we proclaim this season: He is Risen, He is Risen, indeed! Our faith is not in vain; the tomb is empty. Jesus is alive and ascended to the right hand of God, where He intercedes for us. God bless your Easter celebration!

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