

# CTK Communiqué



## June 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: (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

**Thursday Worship: 7:00 PM**

**(May 25-August 31, 2023)**

**Sunday Worship: 9:00 AM**

**11:00 AM**

**Bible Study/Sunday School**

**10:10-10:40 AM**



# STEWARDSHIP

*Managing God's Gifts To Us*

## Financial Snapshot – Through April, 2023

INCOME (General Fund):	April 2023	Year To Date
Church receipts	\$ 119,717.03	\$ 473,464.60
Tuition	\$ 77,472.38	\$ 296,138.61
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 197,189.41</b>	<b>\$ 769,603.21</b>
<b>BUDGETED EXPENSES:</b>	<b>\$ 187,720.00</b>	<b>\$ 797,810.00</b>
<b>INCOME OVER/(UNDER) BUDGET</b>	<b>\$ 9,469.41</b>	<b>\$ (28,206.79)</b>

	April 2023	Year To Date
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 197,189.41</b>	<b>\$ 769,603.21</b>
<b>ACTUAL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>\$ 186,678.20</b>	<b>\$ 748,541.96</b>
<b>INCOME OVER/(UNDER) EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$ 10,511.21</b>	<b>\$ 21,061.25</b>

Heathy stewardship within a church grows from the planned giving of our tithes and first-fruits. Families decide what they will give to the Lord, and follow through on that plan. The opposite is “emergency giving,” when a church says, “Help! We’re short, we need you to give.” We avoid that approach at CTK. God doesn’t command giving because a church needs funds. Rather our stewardship lives are meant to connect us to the eternal gifts while properly managing the temporal ones, as Jesus said, “Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” (Matthew 6:19-21)



**STEWARDS**  
— IN ALL SEASONS

# memorials & gifts

In Memory Of	Given By	Memorial Fund
Lenore Sturtz	M/M Jeff Giese	Memorial Fund
Cara Watterson-Fayz	Mrs. Bev Creutz	Food Pantry
Cara Watterson-Fayz	M/M Bud Shoup	Memorial Fund
Nora Ziesmer	Sylvia Ziesmer	Food Pantry
Tom Cole	Harriet Cole	
	Memorial Fund (Mother's Day)	
Glenn Vogel	Marlene Vogel & Dorothy Hassenrik	
	Memorial Fund (75th Birthday, April 24)	



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

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	Total (since 2006 start)
"C" Dollars \$	1,089.00	\$ 574.00	\$ 23,156.00
Scrap Metal \$	2,470.83	\$ 458.64	\$ 52,167.85
Bottles \$	3,334.40	\$ 1,179.40	\$ 42,751.10
Paper Recycle \$	40.52	\$ 38.46	\$ 756.59



**Love. Grow. Serve.**

# U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

## Upcoming Events:

Date	Event	Time	Location
June 2	Preschool Last Day of School		TR
June 2	Pre-K Award Ceremony	2:15 PM	TR
June 3	Secret Sister Reveal Lunch	1:00 PM	PA
June 3-4	Youth Group Lock-In	7:00 P-8:00A	PA
June 4	Kindergarten Graduation	2:00 PM	TR
June 8	Field Day	All Day	TR
June 9	Last Day/Half Day School	11:30 AM	TR
June 9	8th Grade Graduation	7:00 PM	TR
June 11 & 18	Bible Class in Atrium	10:00 AM	PA
June 16	FCM – Pedals & Popsicles	6:00 PM	PA
June 19-23	VBS – I Can Build a Boat	9:00-11:30 AM	PA
June 25-28	Youth—MI Mackinaw Trip		Off-Site
June 29	July 4th Worship & Ice Cream	7:00 PM	PA
July 5	FCM Summer Small Group	6:00 PM	PA
July 10	Red Cross Blood Drive	1:00 PM	PA
July 12	FCM Summer Small Group	6:00 PM	PA
July 15	Outdoor Vendor Show	10:00-4:00	PA
July 19	59+ - Chair Yoga	1:00 PM	PA
July 19	FCM Summer Small Group	6:00 PM	PA
July 26	FCM Summer Small Group	6:00 PM	PA
Aug. 2	FCM Summer Small Group	6:00 PM	PA
Aug. 11	FCM—End of Summer Bash	5:30 PM	PA
Aug. 16	59+ Group	1:00 PM	PA

## 59+ Group

We will be taking the month of June off due to VBS. Plan on Chair Yoga on July 19th, 1:00-2:15pm in the Fellowship Center at PA Campus. Bring a water bottle and a smile, because you will be using both of them!



# *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:

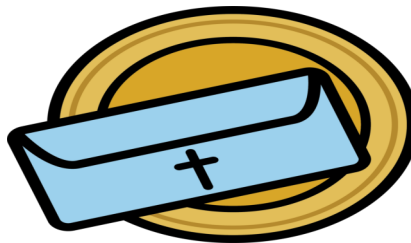
<b>Harry Dutka</b>	<b>(734) 285 9695 Ext. 150</b>	<b>hdutka@ctk.me</b>
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**543 care visits from January 1 - May 15**

## **Church Office Hours**

**The church office hours  
are as follows:  
Monday - Friday  
8:30am to 3pm**





## Remember Your Pledge

### WAYS TO GIVE YOUR TITHE & GIFTS

- **In Person**
- **Online:** Scan the QR code to be directly sent to the online giving [link](#)
- **Online:** Members may visit [www.ctk.me](http://www.ctk.me) and click on “MyCTK” at the top of the homepage to log in, select “Giving” then “Give Now” to set up a one time or recurring payment
- **Text:** Visitors/Members text ‘CTKGIVE’ to 73256 to receive a secured link
- **Mail:** Mail to CTK, 15600 Trenton Rd., Southgate, MI 48195



### ONLINE GIVING & TEXT GIVE OF TITHES/CONTRIBUTIONS

We are grateful for the opportunity to accept contributions online via MyCTK and through text giving. Just as a reminder, if possible, please use your banking account information, rather than a card number, to save on processing fees, which start at 2.6%. This cuts back on monthly expenses and, in turn, more of your gift goes directly to the mission of your church. Thank you for your faithfulness!

## Thursday Night Services Resumes

*Join us for worship  
on Thursday Nights*

Services start at 7:00 PM and run through August 31  
CTK - 16700 Pennsylvania Rd.



*Stay for the Ice Cream Social on  
June 29, & August 31*





# Thank You!

## Robert Voelz

*Dear CTK Family and Friends,*

*Thank you for the kind words, cards, gifts, skit and video given to me at my 50th year of teaching retirement party on Sunday, May 7th. It was very humbling, much appreciated, and helped remind me of my call to spread God's Word to high school and junior high students. The potluck dinner was delicious—we should do it more often!!*

*I look forward to what God has in store for me in my next "career"!*

*In Christ, Bob Voelz*

These things I have spoken to you,

**THAT**

**MY JOY**

**MAY BE IN YOU,**

**AND THAT**

**YOUR JOY**

**MAY BE FULL.**

John 15:11

## CHRIST THE KING FAMILY CONNECTION MINISTRY

# Pedals and Popsicles

**Friday, June 16th - 6:00 P.M.**  
**Pennsylvania Road Campus**

Join us for an evening of outdoor family fun!

We will rope off part of the Pennsylvania campus for a safe place to ride your bikes/scooter/rollerblades or to walk and talk with your family and friends.

Frozen treats will be provided.

All ages are welcome!



## **Family Connection Ministry - Pedals and Popsicle Family Event**

Join us on Friday, June 16th at 6:00 P.M. at the Pennsylvania Rd Campus with your bike/rollerblades/scooter/stroller for a family walk/ride event. We will rope off part of the campus to provide a safe space for the kids (and adults!) to ride and play! We will provide frozen treats for families to enjoy as we spend an evening enjoying God's creation. All ages are welcome.



Follow us on Facebook for up-to-date news and schedule changes:

**CTK Family Connection Ministry**





# Save the DATE

Christ The King - Family Connection Ministry

## Summer Small Group Bible Study

Wednesday Evenings - July 5th - August 2nd

6:00 P.M. - Pennsylvania Campus

Adult Small Group Study

Activity Time for the Kids

Nursery Available

Themed Snacks

## Save the Date!

### Family Connection Ministry Summer Small Group Series

Join us at 6:00 P.M. on Wednesday evenings in the summer (July 5th-August 2nd) at the Pennsylvania Rd Campus for an adult small group Bible study, activities and playtime for the kids, and themed snacks and fellowship. A staffed nursery will also be provided. Families of all ages and sizes are welcome to attend! Join the Family Connection Ministry Facebook page for more information and updates.

**SAVE THE DATE Friday, August 11 FCM**  
**End of Summer Bash 5:30—9:30 PM, PA Rd.**



## **Psalms & Proverbs Bookstore**

This month we celebrate Dads, Grads, and Brides! The bookstore carries cards, gifts, and books for all these special occasions and special people. Both campuses have something for everyone.

## **Luther Library**

Summer is here!!! Vacations and days at the beach are a perfect way to spend a summer day! The library suggests a series of books for your beach days or vacation. Joseph F. Girzone, a former priest, embarked on a second career as a full-time writer. He published his first novel, "Joshua", in



1983, which was the first of a whole series of books (10 in all) "which had the premise of Jesus Christ returning to earth and living as an itinerant carpenter. The story, written in a simple language, is of a carpenter and Christ-like figure who arrives in a small town and transforms peoples' lives with random acts of kindness and messages of peace." The library has 4 of the "Joshua" books of the series in the fiction section, "Joshua," "Joshua and the Children," "Joshua and the City," and "The Shepherd". The library also has 2 more books by Girzone in the Inspiration section. These two books are more reflective of God and Jesus on a personal level. In "Never Alone" Girzone "unfolds the spirituality of love and forgiveness, and directs his readers toward peace." "A Portrait of Jesus" "recaptures the truth of Jesus that is presented in the Gospels and gives a compelling vision of the person Jesus' contemporaries must have known." All his books are easy to read, inspiring and very uplifting! Hope you enjoy these books and have a great summer!

# *A Note from Vicar PJ Brooks*



The seminary class that I just finished was all about distinctions. The distinction between Law and Gospel, the distinction between the two kinds of righteousness, the distinction between the two kingdoms, etc. What I learned over the course of that class is that you can almost never put something wholly into one category. And isn't that just like our daily lives? Things are rarely all black and white. Most things fall into the gray. For example, a statement might be made in a sermon that speaks good news for one person, but for the person right next to them might be devastating and offensive. So what are we supposed to do with that? God's Word is living and active. This means that when we read our Bibles and hear God's Word preached in a sermon that I will read and hear what God needs me to read and hear. God is actively working through His Word, all for the purpose of my salvation. What a mighty God we serve!

SMP Program Update: My 5<sup>th</sup> class is officially complete and now I am getting ready for my summer class that will be on site at the seminary in St. Louis at the end of June. The summer class is a preaching class. As always, I thank you for your constant support and prayers. Each class, so far, has been enriching and immediately applicable to our church here at CTK, which has been great! I can't wait to see what the rest of the classes entail!

In Christ, Vicar Brooks



**DON'T TAKE A  
VACATION  
FROM CHURCH**

## Going Out of Town?

Worship with us at  
9:00 AM Facebook  
Live or later, at your  
convenience,  
on Facebook!



# CTK Youth Group NEWSLETTER

## Youth Group June Calendar

- 3-4 Youth lock-in
- 4 No youth group
- 11 Youth group
- 18 No youth group (Father's day)
- 25 No youth group
- 25-28 Michigan youth gathering  
in Mackinaw



## HS Youth Lock-In

June 3-4, 2023  
Drop off 7:00 PM  
Pick up 8:00 AM

Join us for the night!! Fun,  
games, movies and more.

Bring a snack and/or drink to  
share.

Cost \$5

Permission slips are in the  
basket on the wall outside the  
youth room



## Youth T-shirt & hoodies

Did you miss the deadline  
to order??

Do you have a youth joining  
in the fall and they would  
like a shirt?

**It's not too late!!**

Order forms are in the basket  
by the youth room door.

## **Youth Fundraising Information**

- ⇒ July 15, 2023 – Outdoor Craft & Vendor Sale.
- ⇒ October 20 & 21, 2023 – MOM2MOM
- ⇒ November 10 & 11, 2023 – Fall Vendor & Craft Sale

We continue to Fundraise for future trips (SpringHill, 2024 Summer Fun Trip, 2025 National Youth Gathering). Yes! Your youth can “bank” funds for these trips. Parents that help with set-up and tear-down or even working during the sales/shows do earn \$\$ for their youth!

There will be a Sign Up Genius link posted for those who would like to sign up to work the fundraising

## **Youth needs**

The youth LOVE to snack!!

We are always happy to receive donations of individually wrapped packages of:

Chips/Goldfish Crackers

Snack Cakes/Cookies

Fruit Rollups and Fruit Snacks

Candy, Juice Boxes, Bottled Water

There is a bin/tote outside the Youth room door for anyone wishing to leave items.

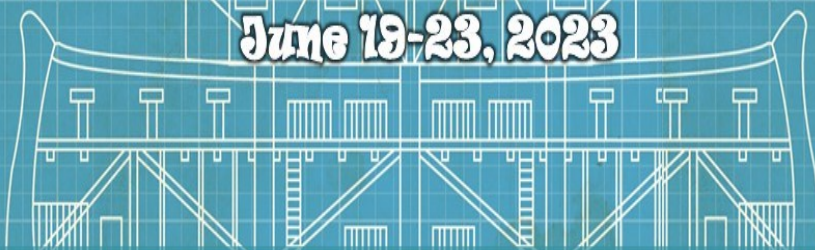


**Sunday AM Bible Study**  
**10 am in the Youth Room**

# Vacation Bible School (VBS)

## "I Can Build a Boat"

June 19-23, 2023



**Join us for Vacation Bible School from June 19th—23rd at the PA Campus Fellowship Center from 9:00-11:30am. This is for kids 3yrs old (must be potty trained) up through 6th grade. Our theme is “I Can Build A Boat.” Jesus is our Ark and He will never leave us stranded. Check out the theme song “I Can Build a Boat” by Colton Dixon. If you are interested in volunteering (current 7th graders and up), you can do so online or sign up on the posters by the Welcome Desk.**

### **Donations & Registrations**

**VBS - Check out the VBS Donation Boat at both campuses. Items needed are listed on life preservers for you to take. All donations need to be in by June 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**VBS online registration closes June 17<sup>th</sup>. You can continue to register in person June 19-23<sup>rd</sup>.**





# Vacation Bible School

## 16700 Pennsylvania Rd.

### Southgate

**June 19-23, 9:00 - 11:30 AM**  
***"I Can Build a Boat"***

**Ages Pre-School 3yr old (completely potty trained) thru 6th grade**

Child's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Male/Female \_\_\_\_\_

Grade just completed: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies/Medical Concerns? \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Best Contact Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Siblings attending VBS: \_\_\_\_\_

**Students will placed in the grade just completed. If you would like siblings of different ages together, let us know on the registration sheet, but each child will need their own registration form.**

I agree to let my child's picture be used in publicity for Christ The King Lutheran Church VBS - Yes/No (circle one please)

**V**acation  
 BIBLE SCHOOL

# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - JUNE 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



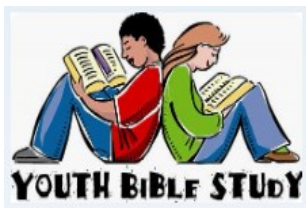
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## JUNE! BIRTHDAYS

Shaylee Boelter  
Jacob Ferdubinski  
Casey Grogg

Genevieve Pomroy  
Michael Reyna  
Julian Voelz

## High School Bible Study - More than just High School



High School Bible Study will  
take a break for Summer  
Vacation. See you in September!

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## COMING IN JUNE

- June 4: Lesson 14: Waiting for God's Messenger Haggai 2, Malachi 3, Bible Bucks
- June 11: Summer Sunday School Begins- God's Promise to Abraham
- June 18: Father's Day Craft, Bible Bingo
- June 25: Movie and Popcorn



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# What's all the Buzz about?

We've been buzzy as bees! What an Amazzzing blessing this has been! As of May 15, we have collected \$4,954.95 to donate to Samaritan's Purse for the Bee Project! We have also learned many bee facts. Watch this space for a grand total next month! "Gracious words are like honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body." - Proverbs 16:24



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# Bible Bucks is Back!



Bible Bucks is back for our last shopping spree of the school year on June 4. Mrs. Zanley and Mrs. Kane are giving Sunday School students their last opportunity to spend their hard-earned Bible Bucks!

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# SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL UNDER THE STARS

Please Join Us For A Star Studded Adventure,  
As Together We Experience 4 Amazing Bible  
Stories,

All Taking Place "Under The Stars"

# 1 God's Promise to Abraham

# 2 Jacob's Dream

# 3 Gideon's Battle with the  
Midianites

# 4 The Disciple's Great Catch  
of Fish



## **Weekend Adult and Kid's Bible Study**

- ♦ **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** meets in the Gym at 10am at Pennsylvania Rd. (June 11 and 18 we will meet in the Atrium.)
- ♦ **Parent and Tot Class** meets in the nursery during Bible class hour, just outside the PA Rd Sanctuary. Mandy Boelter leads this class. You and your littles are welcome to study God's Word at the appropriate level.
- ♦ **Sunday School** meets from 10 to 10:45am. Children go directly to their designated classrooms. Parents, please pick up your kids there, as well. Pre/K and 1st/2nd grade meet in the gym hallway. 3rd/4th and 5th/6th grade meet in rooms off of the Atrium.
- ♦ **Youth Group Bible Study** The youth will take a break for summer vacation. See you in September!



## **MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY GROUPS**

### **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.

### **Men's 6:30 AM Study**

**Early Morning Men's Bible study at Trenton Rd.!** We meet every Wednesday morning in the Trenton Rd Upper Room from 6:30 to 7:15am. Join us for fellowship and time in God's Word. Vicar PJ and Chance Childers facilitate. Coffee is provided.

### **Men's Bible Study**

Men's Bible Study will take a break for the summer. Our last class will be held May 31. See you in September!

**PLEASE NOTE**  
**Bible Study**  
**Location Change**  
**June 11 & 18**



**Sunday morning 10:00**

**AM Adult Bible Class** will take place in the PA Rd. **Atrium**, not the gymnasium. The gymnasium will be set up for Vacation Bible School (June 19-23). **There will be room for all.**



# Donation Station

*Sorry We Are*

**CLOSED**

**THE DONATION/RE-SALE STATION** is closed until further notice. Watch for more info regarding re-opening. Please refrain from dropping off donations until further notice.

# OUR CONGREGATION'S



## MISSION

- Outreach to the Hurting
- Deepening People's Faith

*Christ caring for people through people*

**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY**

**For more information, please contact Pastor Harry Edenfield (734) 479-6337, Donna Tobeler (734) 258-0285 or Deborah Watterson (734) 752-1788.**

## Child Abuse Prevention WORKSHOP

### **CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION WORKSHOP**

The Child Abuse Prevention Workshop will be held Sunday, June 4th, from 10:00 to 10:35am. This class is mandatory for 7th graders and up, including adults, who choose to volunteer within children's ministries (VBS, Sunday School, Youth). This class fulfills our Risk Management Policy. We will meet either in the 8th grade confirmation room or the Atrium, if more space is needed. If you need to attend but cannot during this time slot, please contact [lisa@ctk.me](mailto:lisa@ctk.me) or call the church office.





# CTK Stephen Ministers:<sup>21</sup> In Our Own Words

After retirement, I found time available to help and give back to the community. In Galatians 6:2 it says, "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." So I went looking for a volunteer job that would fit my abilities and conform to this passage. I saw an invitation to an information meeting to learn about the Stephen Ministry and decided to find out what it was about.

Well, during my life, I found myself to be more of a listener of stories rather than a teller of stories. Not that I was always a patient listener – I still need practice in this area, even to this day! Also, I never had a problem keeping a secret, and my close friends would come and use me as a sounding board to vent their frustrations in life, such as work, girls, parents, siblings, etc. In learning about Stephen Ministry, I found listening and confidentiality, the things I'm good at doing, were two main requirements in being a good Stephen Minister. So I took the Training Class.

Now, as a trained Stephen Minister, I have a deep sense of fulfillment and gratitude in being able to help someone in the community outside my circle of family and friends. Not as a trained professional! Not as a therapist, nor a counselor, nor a psychiatrist. I'm just helping a fellow Christian by providing a caring, listening, confidential ear in a way Jesus would approve.

Al Meininger, CTK Stephen Minister

**For more information and to sign up for the next information meeting on September 11, contact our Stephen Ministry Leaders through the CTK church office.**

*A big thank you to "Our Special Friends" at CTK regarding the very timely and generous gift we received. We're so very thankful to our wonderful CTK family.*

*In Christ, Mark & Karen*





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

## **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 is \$85 per golfer and includes cart, lunch at the turn, and a steak dinner. Shotgun start at 8am.

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

Website registration is now available at [www.ctl.me/golf-registration](http://www.ctl.me/golf-registration). Registration forms can also be found at the Welcome Desk at either campus. Deadline is August 14. If you can help with this event, i.e. getting donations prior to or helping the day of the event, or you are able to give a donation for a prize, please contact Deanna Warrington at 313-505-1704 or [dl\\_prescott@hotmail.com](mailto:dl_prescott@hotmail.com) or Jennifer Gepes at 734-775-1972.



**GOLF**  
**DAY**



# Christ The King Lutheran School

## Day School News

***For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. – Jeremiah 29:11-13***

What a beautiful school year our Lord has provided. We began the year with a family open house, candy bar bingo, and our annual fun run. We held our largest trunk or treat to date with 1,700 people attending. We returned to our traditional Children’s Christmas Program in the school gym. We celebrated Lutheran Schools Week, inducted our second Lutheran Junior Honor Association class, held our annual VIP day, and were able to bond on multiple field trips, including our all-school trip to the Toledo Zoo. The school year has been filled with joy.

As we finish our school year, we graduate 15 eighth graders. They will certainly be missed in our day-to-day school activities; however, we are so excited to see how they will use the gifts and talents God gave. Congratulations, graduates! God’s Blessings, Dr. Kapp-Heifner

### School Events:


**June 2 - Preschool last day, Pre-K Award Ceremony at 2:15pm**

**June 4 - Kindergarten Graduation 2pm**

**June 8 - Field Day**

**June 9 - Half Day, Last Day of School, 8th Grade Graduation**

**June 19-23 Vacation Bible School @ PA**



# SALVATION STUDY

## **DONATION STATION BIBLE STUDIES JUNE 1ST & JUNE 22ND**

**The Donation Station 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday Bible Study** will meet on June 1<sup>st</sup>, from 10:30 – 11:30 in the Administration kitchen. This study varies each month. The topic on June 1<sup>st</sup> is **"Forgiveness."**

**The Donation Station 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday Salvation Bible Study** will meet on June 22nd, 10:30 – 11:30 in the Administration Kitchen. This 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday study is always the same. It shares the Gospel in a logical and easy to understand way, and is based on The Kennedy Evangelism Explosion model. People come just to hear the Good News again, or because they have never heard the Good News before and are curious, or because they would like to learn how to better share the Gospel themselves.

**If you would like to attend either or both of these studies, please contact [carol@ctk.me](mailto:carol@ctk.me) or 734-281-3773.**



Have you moved? Have you disconnected your home phone or changed your phone number or email address within the last two years? If so, please contact the church office, either via email ([staff@ctk.me](mailto:staff@ctk.me)) or call to update this information.

# Results of Meijer Simply Give Campaign

God still surprises us with His bounty! The results are in from the Meijer 2023 Winter Simply Give Campaign. \$1.73 million was given to feed hungry families across the Midwest. Since November 2008, Meijer has stimulated gifts from itself and people, such as we, to the tune of \$80 million! This campaign from January 1, 2023 through April 1, 2023 yielded these results in Meijer (food only) gift cards:

Donation card sales	\$2,840
Meijer Double Match donation	\$3,660
Additional program donations	\$790
Total donation	\$7,290 for your CTK Food Pantry

*“Praise God from Whom all blessings flow.”*

Pastor Harry with the 30 Volunteers



## Diaper Drive at Christ The King

CTK has always been very generous in the annual Diaper Drive for the Lincoln Park Crisis Pregnancy Center. Once again, our collection will run from Mother's Day (May 14) through Father's Day (June 18).



The Lincoln Park Crisis Pregnancy Center would be happy to receive any diapers to help out new parents and babies, but these are the sizes they especially need:

- Diapers - Sizes 5 and 6
- Pull-Ups for girls & boys - Sizes 3t-4t and 4t-5t
- Wipes

Please call Pastor Harry @734.479.6337 or Chris Fuher @734.915.0825 if you have questions. Thank you for your generosity!

# Ministry Highlight

## Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers provide one-to-one care giving in the form of listening and providing Christian and confidential conversation. Stephen Ministers receive 5 months of training and then are assigned to a care receiver. Care receivers are people who are hurting due to divorce, illness, grief, fear, etc. The Stephen Minister meets once a week with the care receiver in a safe and comfortable environment. If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, please contact Pastor Harry Edenfield through the church office, 734-285-9695.



## Toolbelt Tuesday

Are you the type of person that likes to fix things or make it look better? If so, we have the group for you. Tool belt Tuesday is a day that odd jobs get done, like changing lightbulbs, painting, cutting grass, etc. It also could be jobs like organizing tools, tightening cabinet doors, or installing ceiling tiles. If this peaks your interest, contact Dale at [dale@ctk.me](mailto:dale@ctk.me) or call the church office.

## Vacation Bible School



Vacation Bible School is a theme week in the summer where we share God's love and word to our church and community children. To run this exciting week, we need volunteers in many areas: group leaders (no teaching needed), singers, snack help, recreation, take-down (with pizza afterwards) and registration. Help share the Good News! Contact

Lisa at [lisa@ctk.me](mailto:lisa@ctk.me) or the church office if you can help!





## **SAVE THE DATE**

Blood Drive

Monday, July 10, 2023

1:00 - 6:45 PM

16700 Pennsylvania Rd.

*Help Save  
a  
Life* 

DONATE BLOOD.

There is a severe blood shortage. Please consider donating blood to save lives! Save the date for our next blood drive on Monday, July 10, held at 16700 Pennsylvania Rd. Appointments will be taken on the sign up posters at both campuses. Also, you can schedule your appointment online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org). Call Nancy Chambo with any questions or to volunteer to help. 734-776-5001

**WE ARE**

**HIRING**

### **EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

We need employees this summer. You must be at least 17 years of age, be able to work the closing shift at least three times a week and have a love for children. Contact Kristi or Mary at 734.285.8525 or [daycare@ctk.me](mailto:daycare@ctk.me) for more information.

**JANITOR NEEDED FOR THE ECC (DAYCARE)** Part-time Monday - Friday for two hours each day in the late afternoon. Also, additional contingent hours, as needed, at either CTK campus. (Hourly rate, \$10.10/hour) Please contact Dale at [dale@ctk.me](mailto:dale@ctk.me) for additional 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](mailto: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  
[gmd.twml@gmail.com](mailto:gmd.twml@gmail.com)



# Outdoor Summer Market

Many local vendors and artisans

**Saturday, July 15th**

**10am -  
4pm**

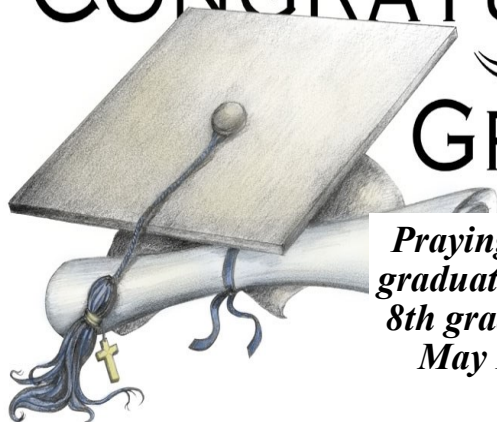
**Christ the King Lutheran Church**

**16700 Pennsylvania  
Southgate, Michigan**

*For more information on being a vendor contact  
Gina Davidson (who is the **ONLY** contact  
for this event)  
[hsyouth@ctk.me](mailto:hsyouth@ctk.me)*

*Hosted by CTK Rooted in Christ HS Youth Group*

# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!



*Praying the Lord blesses all of our graduates - preschool, kindergarten, 8th grade, high school and college! May He direct your new paths!*

Rejoice in the Lord always.

I will say it again: *Rejoice!*

PHILIPPIANS 4:4



GRIEF SHARE

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SPOUSE

## GriefShare

GriefShare will start their next session toward the end of the summer. Look for more details in the July newsletter. Questions? Contact Teresa Samson at 734-282-8012 or [tsamson50@yahoo.com](mailto:tsamson50@yahoo.com) for further information.



# VICAR'S MESSAGE

Summer is finally here! What a blessing our Michigan summers are. Recently in Wednesday morning men's Bible study, we read a few verses out of Acts chapter 2 where Luke is describing the early church. He says that those in the early church, led by the apostles, "devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers..." and then a few verses later they were "praising God and having favor with all the people." This last line stuck out like a sore thumb and it was the one that our group talked about. "Having favor with all the people." There is a difficult balance to maintain in a confessional church body like ours between speaking the truth about what the Bible says and what we believe against showing God's love to our neighbor. In fact, we know that telling someone the truth and loving them are not opposites; sometimes you show love by telling someone the truth, even if it is uncomfortable. And yet, what is the charge that our culture brings against the church? That the church, and God by extension, is not tolerant. The focus is on what the church is against, not what the church is for. Maybe that is because even asking what the church stands for is still not the right question. This summer, as we go about our schedules, our vacations, and our backyard BBQ's, I encourage you to remember not "what do I stand for?" but instead "who stands for me?" Regardless of what my neighbor believes or doesn't, my calling is to love them, because Jesus loved me first. How can I go out of my way to make sure they know that I love them? I pray that God will help us all to be a candle in the dark for our culture and our neighbors. May God bless you this June and always!

In Christ, Vicar PJ Brooks

