CTK Communiqué





August 2023

CTK Church - Trenton Rd. Campus 15600 Trenton Rd., Southgate, MI 48195 Church Office Hours: Mon-Thur 8:30-3:00 p.m. Fri till noon 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: 6:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Mon-Fri Day Care Phone: (734)285-8525 CTK Pre-School: (734)285-0903 www.ctk.me



<u>Trenton Road Campus</u> Saturday Worship 5:00 PM <u>Pennsylvania Road Campus</u> Thursday Worship: 7:00 PM (May 25-August 31, 2023)

Sunday Worship: 9:00 AM 11:00 AM Bible Study/Sunday School 10:10-10:45 AM



Financial Snapshot – Throu	gh June 2023			
INCOME (General Fund):	June 2023	Year To Date		
Church receipts	\$ 111,908.31	\$ 684,654.10		
Tuition	\$ 17,268.11	\$ 384,399.84		
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 129,176.42	\$1,069,053.94		
BUDGETED EXPENSES:		\$1,220,180.00		
INCOME OVER/(UNDER) BUDGET				
	\$ (105,473.58)	\$ (151,126.06)		

	June 2023	Year To Date
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 129,176.42	\$ 1,069,053.94
ACTUAL EXPENSES:	\$ 187,664.70	\$ 1,172,549.34
INCOME OVER/(UNDE	ER) EXPENSE	
	\$ (58,488.28)	\$ (103,495.40)

Thank you, CTK members, for your faithful giving. Like many in our community, our church is being affected by inflation and rising costs. But God continues to provide, as our family in Christ follows His will to be good stewards through these summer months. Keep all Christian churches in your prayers, for we have been called by God, "(4) There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—(5) one Lord, one faith, one baptism, (6) one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all." Eph. 4:4-6





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Birthday & Anniversary <u>Blessings</u>				
<u>In Honor of</u>	Birthday			
Fallon Thigpen	6/30			
Gleason Heine	7/6			
Harriet Cole	7/18			
Dorothy Reaume	7/30			



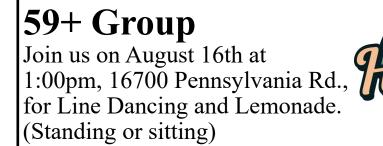
Scrap Metal, Cans/Bottles & Capital Fund Drive Fundraising

		2022	<u>2023</u> Total	(sind	ce 2006 start)
"C" Dollars	\$	1,089.00	\$ 728.00	\$	23,310.00
Scrap Metal	\$	2,470.83	\$ 1,546.74	\$	53,255.95
Bottles	\$	3,334.40	\$ 1,504.80	\$	43,076.50
Paper Recycle	e \$	40.52	\$ 38.46	\$	756.59

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Upcom	ing Events:		
Date	Event	Time	Location
Aug. 2	FCM Summer Small Group	6:00 PM	PA
Aug. 11	FCM - End of Summer Bas	h 5:30 PM	PA
Aug. 12	Loss of a Spouse (Griefshar	e) 12-2 PM	TR
Aug. 16	59+ Group	1:00 PM	PA
Aug. 21	Griefshare Session Starts	6:00-8:00	TR
Aug. 23	1st Day of School	Half Day	TR
Aug. 26	29th Annual Golf Outing	All Day	Off-Site
Aug. 28	1st Day of Preschool	All Day	TR
Aug. 31	Last Thursday Worship	7:00 PM	PA
Sept. 1-4	No School - Labor Day	All Wkend	TR
Sept. 4	Church Office Closed	All Day	TR/PA
Sept. 5	Why We Believe Class Star	t 7:00 PM	TR
Sept. 10	Sunday School Rally Day	10:00 AM	PA
Sept. 10	Church Picnic	12:15 PM	PA
Sept. 16	Euchre Party	7:00 PM	PA
Sept. 20	59+ Group	1:00 PM	PA
Sept. 22	School Fun Run	AM	PA





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 Lisa Demou Jessica Bourassa (734) 285 9695 Ext. 150 (734) 285 9695 Ext. 210 (734) 285 9695 Ext. 210

hdutka@ctk.me lisa@ctk.me jessica@ctk.me

809 Spiritual Care visits from January $1 - July 20^{th}$

<u>Church Office Hours</u>



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

Office Closed: Monday, Sept. 4



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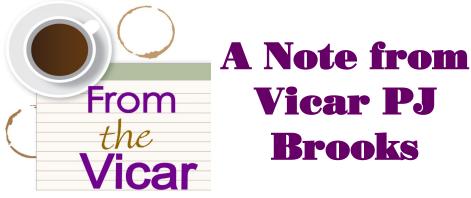
- In Person
- <u>Online:</u> Scan the QR code to be directly sent to the online giving <u>link</u>



- <u>Online:</u> Members may visit <u>www.ctk.me</u> 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
- <u>Text:</u> 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!





The other evening my family and I were saying our prayers together, before the kids went to sleep. Lately, every night, when it is my 5 year old Levi's turn to pray, he will pray about ducks. He loves birds and chicks and ducks, and so he will almost always pray something like this: "Dear God, please be with all the baby ducks and the baby chicks in the world, and help them to stay baby chicks forever." When I hear him say this prayer, I can't help but think that it is nothing but a genuine expression of something that he cares about, told to his Father in heaven. In my own prayers, I would be much more tempted to think that God doesn't care about the trivial things that I am thinking about or worrying about. But He does care, because He is our dear Father and we are His dear children. (from Luther's Small Catechism) He loves us and He wants to hear from us. So talk to God about the big things and the small things, and know that He is your true Father and you are His true child.

SMP Program Update: My summer trip to St. Louis is behind me now! The class was great, along with the time in St. Louis with my family and the Bushuiakovish family. I have a little work to do in order to finish the class, which was my first class on preaching. Once I finish that, I will have a break on homework until September, when my fall class starts. Thank you, as always, for keeping me in your prayers!

In Christ, Vicar Brooks

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Follow us on Facebook for up-to-date news and schedule changes: CTK Family Connection Ministry



<u>Going Out of Town?</u> Worship with us at 9:00 AM, Facebook Live, or later, at your convenience, on Facebook!



<u>Save the Date - Church Picnic/Rally</u> Day

Sunday, September 10 at 12:15 PM 16700 PA Rd. Gym

<u>Special Musical Guests:</u> The Transit Brothers



TOLEDO MUDHENS GAME

The Downriver circuit is again going to the Toledo Mudhens game. Join us on Sunday, August 13th at 4:05pm against the Colorado Springs Sky Sox. Tickets are \$12 each, and we are again behind home plate. Visit <u>https://</u> www.trinitywyandotte.org/mudhens-game to

sign up and to buy your tickets. Hurry and get your tickets by July 31st. Tickets will be distributed well before the game. See you all at the ballpark!



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 <u>daycare@ctk.me</u> for more information.



<u> Mark Your Calendar - Fall Bible Classes</u>

<u>Why We Believe Class</u>:

In the West Gallery at 7pm September 5,12,19,26, October 3,10,

Discipleship Class:

October 17, 24 in the West Gallery at 7pm

Early Communion Class:

October 1,8,15,22 at PA Rd at 10am with Early Communion Sunday, October 29th, 9am

CHILDREN'S CHURCH BAGS

Having children in church is such a blessing! This past year, CTK has provided each family who attends worship with a bag of quiet activities for their kids to borrow during the service. We are in need of a few more supplies. We are looking for donations of spiral notebooks, packs of 100 pipe cleaners, and children's Bible storybooks (these can be new or gently used!). We will place a box at each Welcome Desk to collect donations. Thank you for supporting this important ministry!

THERAPY DOG MEMBER

Have you met Caleb D or his owner, Kimberly Beaudrie? Caleb is fully trained and certified through Therapy Dogs International. Look for them at worship services and Bible study. Come up and say hello. Please contact Kimberly Beaudrie at 734.775.1079 or kimberly10171217@att.net for more information.





August Youth Group

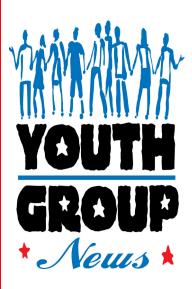


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SpringHill 2024 Calling all 6th-12th <u>Grade Youth</u>

SpringHill Winter Camp January 19-21, 2024 Cost: \$300 per youth (Deposit Due September 24)

Please contact Gina if your youth would like to attend! gmd.lwml@gmail.com or 734.626.2329



Youth Fundraising Information

- ⇒ October 20 & 21, 2023 MOM2MOM
- ⇒ November 10 & 11, 2023 Fall Vendor & Craft Sale

We will 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!

Sunday AM Bible Study We are taking a break for the summer. See you in September.



Fall kickoff BBQ

Any CTK Youth (8th –12th grade) interested in joining the Rooted in Christ Youth Group are invited to the fall kickoff/BBQ on September 10th @ 6 PM, Penn Rd Campus/ Youth Room.

Parents are encouraged to join us. There will be Youth info, new forms and a tentative calendar available at the BBQ. Burgers and hotdogs will be provided. Families are asked to bring a dish to share.

RSVP to Gina ASAP





CTK FOOD PANTRY ACTIVITY

During the month of June, Christ The King worshipers and others from our communities provided, with God's blessings, food for over 50 families each week. We continue with our drive-thru procedure, which



works well for this number of families. We distribute the food from 3:00-3:45 on Thursdays, but people begin lining up before 2:00.

This article is entitled "Food Pantry + (Plus)" because the people receive more than food from CTK. Because Gleaner's Food provides us with a number of perishables, we use a series of "stations" to hand out God's provisions, along with devotions written by our CTK students. Our friendly volunteers greet enthusiastically, are willing helpers, and provide a "God bless your day" encouragement. Our congregation and your volunteers have hands that are God's hands.

To Father, Son and Holy Spirit be all glory. Pastor Harry and The 30 (Volunteers)



MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITY THROUGH MOST MINISTRIES

September 8-16th in Guatemala. This is a construction team. Construction experience will be helpful, but is not a requirement. Financial assistance is available from the congregation. Mark McCormick is going and will talk more about it to anyone interested. You can contact him at 313.400.0532. You can register directly with MOST through this <u>https://mostministries.itraveliq.com/trips/</u>

<u>Weekend Adult and Kid's Bible Study</u>

- 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.
- Sunday School Join us "UNDER THE STARS" for Summer Sunday School! 10:00-10:45a.m. All grades will meet together each week. We will rotate classrooms on occasion, so please check in upon arrival in the Sunday School office for location. So much fun ahead!
- **Parent and Tot Class and Youth Group Bible study** are taking a break for the summer. 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. See you in September!

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - AUGUST 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





Brantley Bischoff Brody Brown Isabella Burley Louis Edmunds Addison Grogg

Ethan Krueger Natasha Lowry Rylee Milam Legend Peetz Lincoln Schimmel

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL UNDER THE STARS



We are well underway to our Star Studded Summer Adventure, all taking place "Under The Stars." In June, we learned of Abraham and God's promise of "descendants as many as stars in the sky." In July, we learned

of Jacob's Dream. Next up is: # 3 Gideon's Battle with the Midianites # 4 The Disciple's Great Catch of Fish All under the stars! Come and join us!

Mark Your Calendar For Rally Day!

Rally Day is right around the corner! The Sunday School year will kick-off on September 10. Sunday School Students will meet their teachers and celebrate the beginning of a great year! Watch this space for more details!

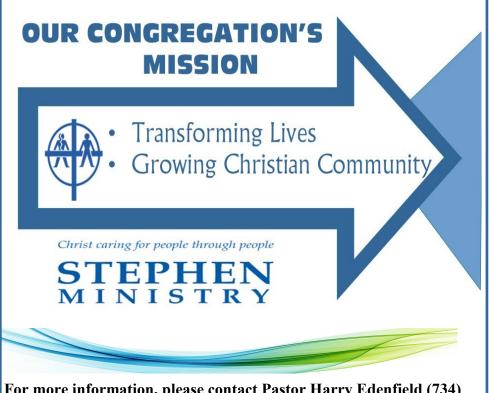




August 6: God's Battle with the Midianites; Bible Bingo and Special guest
August 13: God's Battle with the Midianitesmovie and popcorn
August 20: The Disciple's Great Catch -Bible Story Telling
August 27: The Disciples Great Catch -Outside camping under the stars







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



BRICK PAVERS

Next time you are at the PA Rd. campus, take a minute to look and reflect on the names of those placed in the brick paver patio. This patio is a beautiful way to honor/remember a loved one, family member or close friend. Informational brochures and order forms are available at the Ministry Center at Trenton Rd and the Narthex and Atrium at PA Rd. Contact Denise Cashmer at <u>denise@ctk.me</u> or Lisa Demou at <u>lisa@ctk.me</u> with questions.



You Are Invited

Stephen Ministry Information Meeting

September 11, 2023 7:00 PM

Trenton Road Campus in the lounge seating area outside the sanctuary

Come and learn more about this important ministry and what it means to be a Stephen Minister



To RSVP and ask questions, contact: Donna Tobeler: (734) 280-1183 Pastor Harry Edenfield: (734) 479-6337

Want to learn more about Stephen Ministries? Visit www.stephenministries.org and click the Learn About Stephen Ministry tab

THE LUTHERAN HOUR can be heard on Sundays on (1600) @ 9:00 am; (560) @ Noon; (1130) @ 6:30 am; on RealAudio at <u>www.lhm.org</u> "Woman to Woman" can be heard on Sundays on (1600) @ 8:30 am and on RealAudio at <u>www.womantowomanradio.com</u>



Mark Your Calendars <u>2023 Euchre Dates</u> 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 <u>blueknight007@hotmail.com</u>

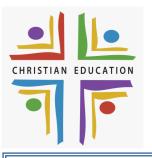
Save the Date! Donations & golfers needed!!!

The **29th 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 <u>www.ctk.me/golf-registration</u>. 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 or Jennifer Gepes at 734-775-1972.





Christ The King Lutheran School

Day School News

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9

This school year's theme is "Wherever You Go." We are so excited to see what the Lord has designed for our ministry. As a staff, we look forward to welcoming our students and families back to school. We have several events planned in August. We welcome our new CTK day school families with an orientation. Parent Information Night will share important information for our school families on school operations, and we look forward to the family open house a few days before school begins. Of course, the most exciting day of August is the 23, our first day of school for kindergarten through eighth grade students. Our preschool will join the fun on August 28! We have missed our students dearly, and we look forward to an exciting year ahead!

God's Blessings, Dr. Kapp-Heifner



OPEN ENROLLMENT

Enrollment is now taking place for Christ The King Lutheran School. If you or someone you know are interested in our preschool or K-8 programs, please contact Chrissy Lambrecht at 734.486.2978 or email <u>admissions@ctk.me</u> for enrollment and tour information. We look forward to showing you the CTK difference!

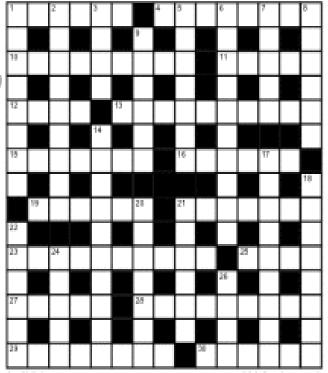
BIBLE CROSSWORD I

Across

- 1 An ancient weight (6)
- 4 Seemed (8)
- 10 New Testament book (9)
- 11 Unit of length (5)
- 12 '...it is a _____ thing the king requireth' (Dan 2:11) (4)
- 13 Contemplation (10)
- 15 Abigail supplied David with one hundred clusters of these (7)
- 16 A son of King David (6)
- 19 Concurred (6)
- 21 Light sources (7)
- 23 Propitiations (10)
- 25 A false god (4)
- 27 Gather [5]
- 28 Abimelech was hit by this (9)
- 29 Instructors (8)
- 30 Hastily (6)

Down

- Skilled animal workers (8)
- 2 Inspiring (9)
- 3 Compass point (4)
- 5 Intense emotion [7]



by Philologus

- The words of Jeremiah said not to listen to these (10)
- 7 Jewish leader (5)
- 8 'He is proud, knowing nothing, but _____ about questions and strifes of words...' (1 Tim 6:4) (6)
- 9 Bread makers (6)
- 14 In this year of King Nebuchadrezzar's reign, Nebuzaradan arrived in Jerusalem (10)

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- 17 Ancient city of Og, King of Bashan (9)
- 18 Stringed instrument (8)
- 20 Joseph, perhaps? (7)
- 21 Tiny amount (6)
- 22 Jesus did this with authority (6)
- 24 Last letter of the Greek alphabet (5)
- 26 Province of the Roman Empire (4)



7 WORD STATEMENTS FOR EVERYDAY OF AUGUST – 2023

1.	Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, n	neekness.
		I Tim. 6:11
1.	Strive for temperance - receive an incorruptible crown	. I Cor. 9:25
2.	Give God your thanks and praise today!	Ps. 69:30
3.	Be grateful today for our country's freedoms.	Gal. 5:1
4.	God reveals His power through our weaknesses.	II Cor. 12:8-9
5.	Because of Jesus, you too have victory.	Matt. 28:5-6
6.	Life's a challenge – choose rightly – inherit Paradise.	Rev. 2: 7
	Your "Dream City" is built by God.	Heb. 11:16
8.	Trust the Lord, knowing He will provide.	Joel 2:19
9.	On life's slippery paths, focus on Jesus.	Ps. 112:7
10.	Welcome others into your life and home.	I Peter 4:9
11.	Never fear change – embrace life's new things.	Isa.43:19
12.	Listen to the Spirit quench it not.	I Thess.5:18-19
	You're victorious in all things, through Jesus.	I John 4:1
14.	Jesus said, to receive we must ask.	John 16:23
15.	Call on Jesus while running from temptation.	II Tim. 2:22
16.	Earth's beauty only hints of Heavenly Glory.	Rev.21:10-11
	Jesus died rather than live without you.	John 3:16
18.	Words have power to influence each day.	Prov. 15:23
19	. Realize your need for God's "hiding place."	Ps. 32:7
20	. Father, let me experience security and peace.	Ps. 4:8
21	. God helps us deal with hard things.	Ps. 23:1-3
22	. God goes before us, clearing our pathways.	Ps. 23:1-3
23	. Believing in Jesus, we needn't fear anything.	Ps. 27:1
24	. Always be in alignment with God's will.	Ps. 19:14
25	. Look to the Lord who made you.	Ps. 121
26	. Still your heart – listen intensely to God.	Ps. 46:10
27	. Don't worry about things you can't understand.	II Tim. 2:7
28	. Worry divides your mind - saps your energy.	Heb. 4:16
29		Heb. 10:30
30		Ps. 1:2
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By Ralph & Donna Moore



CONFIRMATION CLASSES

A new school year is fast approaching, and that means study for Confirmation will be starting up again. This 2-year program is open to those students who will be entering 7th grade this fall. During the course of the 2-year program, students will be studying the Luther's Small Catechism on Sunday mornings during a class at 10:00 Bible Class hour. Our Orientation meeting, for 1st year students who are interested, is scheduled for Sunday, September 10th at 10:00 for both parent and student. At this meeting, the program will be explained and cost of materials and requirements of attendance at worship services and classes will be discussed. Your family will have the opportunity to sign up for our Confirmation Program at this time, but commitment to the program does not need to be decided at that time. Classes will begin the next Sunday on September 17th at 10:00. If you have any questions, please contact the Confirmation Coordinator, Donna Hepner at Confirmation@ctk.me.



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 directly, either via email (staff@ctk.me) or call to update this information.

Good News Bible Study July 27th Meet in Admin Resale Kitchen- 10:30 - 11:30 AM In this Bible Study, you will learn how to share the Good News of salvation. If you are not sure that you are going to heaven, this Bible Study helps you understand how and why you can be sure!

Heaven Bible Study (Part 2) August 3rd - meet in the **Church Atrium on Pennsylvania Road Campus** from 10:30 - 11:30 AM

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- Have you ever wondered what heaven might be like?
- Will we know our loved ones who have passed?
- Will we have bodies? What might they be like?
- What might we DO there?

Please CONTACT CAROL@CTK.ME or 734-281-3773 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND on July 27th or on Aug 3rd so we can be sure to have enough chairs and enough hand-outs

Orange VBS Shirts

Please return any VBS shirts you may have at home! In order to $\bigcirc \bigcirc$ have volunteer t-shirts for next year, please return your VBS shirt at either Welcome **Desk locations ASAP. Thanks**





<u>THANK YOU</u> Blood Drive - Monday, July 10, 2023

Thanks to everyone who was able to donate on July10. American Red Cross & CTK extends heartfelt appreciation. Thanks to everyone who helped with tables & chairs. Your support was awesome, Nancy Chambo



Thanks to all for the prayers and well wishes on my behalf. The power of prayer is truly awesome and I feel closer to our God because of this experience. Thank you and God bless each and everyone of you. Mike Strohschein



Thank you for all the prayers and well wishes for my recovery. They were very much appreciated. Ed

FOR THOSE GRIEVING THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE

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<u>GriefShare</u>

GriefShare will be starting back up in the month of August. Join us for any or all of these events. If you have any questions regarding

282-8012 or tsamson50@yahoo.com.



SPOUSE Loss of a Spouse: Saturday, August 12th at Trenton Rd, Noon – 2pm, in the Upper Room.

GriefShare, please contact Teresa Samson at 734-



GriefShare – Monday nights from 6:00 to 8:00pm, located at Trenton Rd in the Upper Room. Registration and the first week is August 21st – November 13th. There is a \$10 fee to cover the cost of the book that can be paid at registration or the following week. Not sure if this is for you? Join us the first week or so for free to find out.

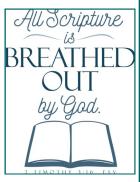


Surviving The Holidays—Saturday, November 18th, Noon – 2pm, Trenton Rd in the Upper Room. This class will help give you the tools to get through moments for basically any Holiday.

Be strong and take heart. all you who hope in the Lord. PSALM 31:24

Pastor's Message

I invite you to attend the "Why We Believe" class, beginning Tuesday, Sept. 5th at 7pm in the West Gallery (Trenton Rd. Campus). While the class does serve as our membership class for those joining Christ The King as members, it is intended for everyone. Our culture has changed significantly and is changing still. When I began college in the fall of '85, I was a theology major, planning to attend the seminary after I graduated.



Theology class consisted of an intense study of the Bible, because the Bible was the source of absolute truth, not only in college, but for the majority of the culture. It was more of the same at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. "God is this..., Jesus did these things...,baptism means...etc. because the Bible says so." There's no easy way to say this: that doesn't work anymore. I'm sorry. I wish it did, it was a whole lot easier. But in today's world, saying to a non-believer, "You have to believe this because the Bible says so" will more than likely end the conversation, not start it. This is our challenge today because the Bible is God's absolute truth, it is His inspired Word without error. The question is why do we believe it. Each family attending receives a free copy of Tom Zelt's book, "The Linchpin - Seven Reasons Jesus Rose From the Dead." The cornerstone of our faith is the historical event of the resurrection. From there, we build a house on the solid rock of what God has done in our world and continues to do. To register for the class (childcare will be provided) or if you have any questions, call the church office at 734-285-9695. I hope to see you Sept 5!

In Christ, Rev. Jason Cashmer