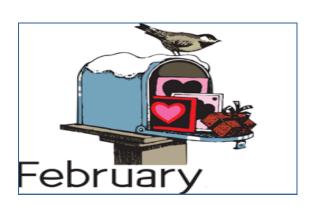
# February 2024





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

Church Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30am—3:00 p.m. Church Office Phone: (734)285-9695 Church FAX: (734)285-4188

CTK Day School - Trenton Rd.

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

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Trenton Road Campus

Saturday Worship 5:00 PM **Bible Study** 6:00 PM

**Sunday Worship:** 9:00 AM

11:00 AM

Bible Study/Sunday School 10:00-10:45 AM



INCOME (General Fund):	December 2023	Year To Date
Church receipts	\$ 187,909.73	\$1,416,928.02
Tuition	\$ 86,552.85	\$ 966,324.65
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 274,462.58	\$2,383,252.67
BUDGETED EXPENSES:	\$ 187,721.00	\$2,440,360.00
INCOME OVER/(UNDER)	BUDGET	
, ,	\$ 86,741.58	\$ (57,107.33)

	December 2023	Year To Date
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 274,462.58	\$ 2,383,252.67
ACTUAL EXPENSES:	\$ 215,500.44	\$ 2,371,537.57
INCOME OVER/(UNDE	R) EXPENSE	
	\$ 58,962.14	\$ 11,715.10

Thanks and praise be to our God, who once again provides! Through your faithful giving of tithes and first-fruits, we finished 2023 with a surplus of just over \$11,000, and our giving was up 5.1% from 2022. Looking forward to this year, we pray that God will continue to inspire our stewardship so that CTK can be a beacon of the Gospel in our community. "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house." In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. Matt. 5:14-16



#### 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 <a href="https://www.ctk.me">www.ctk.me</a> 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!



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

		<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	Total_	(since 2006)
"C" Dollars	\$	1,089.00	\$ 1,380.00	\$ 36.00	\$	23,998.00
Scrap Metal	\$	2,470.83	\$ 2,925.99		\$	54,635.20
Bottles	\$	3,334.40	\$ 2,888.54		\$	44,460.24
Paper Recycle	e \$	40.52	\$ 52.26		\$	770.39
(As of: $1/17/2$	24)					



# **Church Office Hours**

The church office hours are as follows:

Monday - Friday 8:30am to 3pm





# 2023 Contribution Statements

If we have your current email on file, you should have automatically received a secured link to your contribution statement the week of January 14th. Please contact the church office if you need to update your email address. Statements are also now available to members on MyCTK. (www.ctk.me, click on MyCTK at the top of the website) If you do not know your password, please go through the steps to change it. If you have problems logging in, please contact Lisa Demou in the Church Office.



## 2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES

If you did not pick up your 2024 envelopes, you may pick them up in the church office. If you would like to request envelopes, you may complete the form on the table near the Ministry Center, email <a href="kelly@ctk.me">kelly@ctk.me</a> or call the church office. God bless your giving!



### 2023 Contribution Statements

Your giving statement will be available no later than January 17, 2024 through one of the following methods:

- ◆ 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 sanctuary on the Welcome Center. You can also request at www.ctk.me under Forms.
- ◆ If we have your current email on file, you should have automatically received a secured link to your contribution statement the week of January 14th. Please contact the church office if you need to update your email address or had any trouble receiving your statement via email last year.

<ul> <li>Please contact Kelly in the church office with any questions regarding your statement <u>kelly@ctk.me</u> or (734) 285-9695 ext. 160</li> </ul>
I am requesting my 2023 Contribution Statement:
Please: Mail or Hold in Church Office for pick up
Name:
Address:
Phone:
Email:





One of the coolest parts of my on-campus seminary classes is attending daily chapel for the week that I am there each winter and summer. During one of these chapel services when I was on campus in January, the sermon really stood out for me. It was all about baptism. The preacher quoted Martin Luther as being famous for insisting that we don't say: "I was baptized." Instead he would always say: "I am baptized." Baptism is not something that just happened once in your life. The promises that God made to you on the day you were baptized He continues to make to you each and every day in this life. He promises to love you and to have you as His child. He promises that the blood that Jesus spilled is for you. And He promises that, because Jesus is alive, you will have everlasting life with Him and in His name. And because you are baptized, you can hold on to these promises every moment of your life until the day that your faith becomes sight.

SMP Program Update: My January week in St. Louis for class was the best class yet! My classmates and I rented a house together instead of getting separate hotels, which allowed us to have awesome fellowship together. Each day, we would come home from class and cook and eat together. We all got to sit around and watch the College National Championship together, and we even were able to have worship each night together! We will definitely be renting a house together from now on for our time in St. Louis! As always, thank you for your continued prayers and support!

In Christ, Vicar Brooks



#### In Memory of Al Meininger

#### To the Food Pantry Given by:

M/M Keith Japowicz M/M Golembiewski

Nancy Garafalo

M/M Tom Buchkoe

Monica Rodman

John Meininger

Raymond Meininger

Joe Brownrigg

Stacie Castle

M/M Joe Waliga on behalf of CMA

**Iron Saints** 

Jan Hrabousky

M/M Jim Heffeman

M/M Iacobelli

M/M Jeffrey Malinowski

M/M Chuck Meininger

M/M Ron Babel Jan Leonard

M/M Wayne Dawson

Rose Meininger

M/M Ralph Kurtz

Dick Allen

M/M Robert Murphy

Diane Zarosly

Julie Heasley

Joyce Shoup Kathy Mihm

Joyce Thursam

#### In Memory of Frank Mundy

To the Memorial Fund: Given By: Rhonda Mundy

#### In Memory of Karen Gibbs

To the Food Pantry, Given by:

Judy Benker Mark Witte

Colleen Reister

M/M Harry Dutka

Joyce Shoup

#### In Memory of Bud Shoup

To the Food Pantry, Given by:

Judy Benker

# **Memorial Page**

#### In Memory of Judy Kwasniewski

M/M Richard Pitt Gifts to School, Given by:

Harriet Cole

Joyce Shoup

#### In Memory of Gwen Brennenstuh

To the Food Pantry, Given by: Judy Mongelluzzo

#### In Memory of Tom Cole

To the Memorial Fund: Given By: Harriet Cole

#### <u>In Memory of</u> Robert Reaume

To the Food Pantry Given By: Joyce Shoup

#### In Memory of Gil Jenkins

To the General Fund, Given by: Mary Lou Jenkins

#### In Memory of Edward Hassenrik

To the Memorial Fund: Given By: Dorothy Hassenrik Marlene Vogel

#### In Memory of Glenn Vogel

To the Memorial Fund: Given By: Dorothy Hassenrik

Marlene Vogel

#### In Memory of Eileen Wolff

To the Food Pantry, Given by:

Joyce Shoup

# 7 Reasons to consider becoming a Stephen Minister



There are many reasons people become Stephen Ministers. Here are a few to think about, as you prayerfully consider whether Stephen Ministry is the right place for you to serve at CTK.

As a Stephen Minister, you will...

- 1. Make a real difference in the lives of people who are hurting.
- 2. Help our congregation ensure that no one suffers alone.
- 3. Learn what to say and do—and what not to say and do—to effectively care for people who are suffering.
- 4. Be involved in meaningful ministry that uses your spiritual gifts.
- 5. Deepen your faith as you see God at work through your ministry.
- 6. Be part of a group of caring Christians who support each other as they care for those who are hurting.
- 7. Join a worldwide tradition of caring ministry.



# ChristNet Ministry Backpack Assembly

will take place on Saturday, February 10 from 11am to 1pm in the PA Rd Campus gym. If you are able to help with assembly, please sign up using this link: CTK ChristNet: ChristNet Backpack Packing (signupgenius.com)

## **□** Join the CTK Chancel Choir: Elevate Your Worship Experience! 3

Let your singing proclaim your faith by joining the CTK Chancel Choir! Rehearse with us Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30, as we blend our voices to create a rich tapestry of worship music. No music-reading skills required - just bring your love for singing, ready to be welcomed into our enduring musical community.

The CTK Chancel Choir welcomes all levels of vocal expertise. We share our joy of music by singing about once a month at two weekend services, adorning the life-changing Gospel of Jesus Christ with melody and harmony. Be a part of this dynamic group that cultivates fellowship and unity beyond rehearsals.

May the resonance of our collective voices uplift our worshipers. Join us at this Wednesday's rehearsal and be a vital part of our musical ministry!

Musically Yours, **Tim Bode, Minister of Music** 734-285-9695 x170 tim@ctk.me

# ChristNet Ministry Backpack Item Thank You



All the items needed for the backpacks have been accounted for on the sign-up link! Thank you so much for your generosity! Look for the SERVICES marked baskets near the Welcome Center to drop your donations. Backpacks will be

packed on February 10th. Contact Jen Gepes with questions at jellen71@comcast.net or 734.775.1972.

# 22-Hour Prayer Vigil



Our annual Prayer Vigil begins on Good Friday, March 29th at 8:00 p.m., ending Saturday, March 30th at 5:00 p.m. The Prayer Vigil will take place at Trenton Rd. Sign-up books will be available in all weekend Bible classes and at the Ministry Center, beginning the weekend of March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Please add these dates to your calendar and consider joining us, as we lift

up praise and petitions to the Lord. We will need prayer leaders for each hour and security for the hours of 8:00 p.m. through 8:00 a.m. Look for more details in the March newsletter. If you would like to sign up to be a prayer leader or do security, please contact Kristi Maynard at <a href="mailto:daycare@ctk.me">daycare@ctk.me</a> or 734.285.8525.



# 59+ GROUP Who wants to

do some chair exercise? Meet us in the Cana Room on WEDNESDAY, February 21st from 1:00-2:15pm.

Expect a lot of giggles. Everyone is welcome, 59+ or not!

## THANK YOU

We want to wish a BIG THANK YOU to Kevin and Jean Walker for volunteering to return bottles and cans for so many years! It is a big job and you are appreciated.



#### **BOTTLE/CAN DONATIONS**

We need volunteers to return bottle/cans back to the store. If you are able to help, please contact the church office. If you are dropping off cans and bottles, they can be dropped off in the bin near door #1 of the Admin Bldg. Proceeds go toward roof repairs at the PA Rd Campus. Thank you for your generosity. The 2023 YTD was \$2,888.54.

# FCM Service Project Saturday Saturday, February 24th at 10:00am -12:00pm

Join us at the Trenton Rd campus for a Valentine themed devotion, cookies, coffee/hot cocoa bar, and a variety of family friendly service project stations to serve our community and beyond!

Trenton Rd. Campus

# Easter is coming up fast...

Hop on down for the Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday, March 24th at 12:10 in the Trenton Rd. gym. We are looking for donations of individually wrapped candy pieces and small trinkets to put out for the Easter Egg Hunt. All donations must be dropped off between now and March17th in the marked bin in the West Gallery.

Also...

Mark your calendar for Easter breakfast on Easter Sunday, March 31st. Watch the March newsletter and announcements for more information.







Services will be held at Trenton Rd. at 3:30 & 7:00 pm

Ash Wednesday, February 14 Wednesday, February 21 Wednesday, February 28 Wednesday, March 6 Wednesday, March 13 Wednesday, March 20

Maundy Thursday - March 28, 7:00 p.m. at Trenton Rd

Good Friday TreOre, March 29 at Trenton Rd. 12:00, 12:30 & 1:00 p.m. w/ Holy Communion only at 1:00

Good Friday Tenebrae, March 29 - 7:00 p.m. at Trenton Rd

22 Hr. Prayer Vigil, March 29th (starting at 8:00 p.m.) through March 30th, 5:00 p.m. at Trenton Rd.

No Saturday March 30 5:00 PM Service

Easter Sunday, March 31 at Trenton Rd. Sunrise Service, 7:00 a.m. (w/Holy Communion)
Festival Services, 8:30, 9:45, & 11:00 a.m.





Freewill offering

Join US 4:30 - 6:30 PM HOStCd BY

CTK YOUTH GROUP



### menu

FEBRUARY 14 - CHICKEN NOODLE and CHICKEN SALAD WRAP

FCBRUARY 21 - TACO SOUP AND CORN-BRCAD

FCBRUARY 28 - VCGCTABLE SOUP AND SALAD

March 6 - Tomato Soup and Grilled Cheese

> March 13 – Minestrone and Turkey Sandwich

March 20 - Spaghetti and Salad



#### This Month in CTK History - February, 2024

The weather outside might be cold and snowy, but CTK has always been busy during the month of February!

- The women of the congregation met in 1952 to form and organize a women's group, which became the Mary -Martha Guild.
- The first youth group was organized in 1953.
- In 1955, "Family Altar Night" began, with singing, food, and fellowship.
- The youth ministry members "put on plays" for the Lenten services in 1978.
- The first Daddy-Daughter dance took place in 1991. I'm sure all had a great time and this year's dance will be just as much fun and memorable.
- February of 1995 was a very busy month. Non-alcoholic wine was made available for Communion for the first time. Worship services were held in the Gym, due to construction on the new building, and Stephen Ministry was started, with the ministers being assigned their first group of care recipients.

If you have any historical facts/stories you would like to share, please contact or email the church office.

Thank You





# New Bilingual Hymnal

YOU ARE INVITED to join St Stephen and Pan de Vida Lutheran Churches in Southwest Detroit for a hymn festival featuring a new bilingual hymnal Santo, Santo, Santo. This event will take place on Sunday, February 4 at 5pm at 1235 Lawndale in Southwest Detroit. An offering will be collected to help offset costs of purchasing these hymnals. If you are unable to attend, but would still like to donate, please contact Jacob Ferns at jferns.organ@gmail.com for more details.



#### Psalms & Proverbs Bookstore-February, 2024

February is the shortest month of the year, but it is a busy month for the Psalms & Proverbs books & gifts. This year, on February 14, we celebrate both Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. To celebrate those you love on Valentine's Day, the bookstore has cards, books, jewelry, and gifts. To help you during your 40-day spiritual journey through Lent, the bookstore has devotionals and books. Also, the bookstore has a couple of new items of special interest!

- First, there is a New Living Translation Bible. The Bible is "Filament" ready, meaning it has an app that can be connected to your phone or tablet. By connecting to the app, you have access to additional maps, devotionals, articles, videos, and much more! The Bible is larger print, adds and enhances the information of the Bible and is perfect for a 21st century computer/phone person!
- The second item is a handmade stainless-steel Cross.
   The artisan, Mark Kaminski, is a past school parent of CTK and will engrave it for free when you purchase one.
- Finally, look for the bookstore to be open on occasion during the Wednesday Lenten Services.

Stop by the bookstore this month to check out all that it has to offer.



# <u>Looking for a</u> Fun Ministry?

We are looking for a bible class host/hostess to set up coffee/tea for two weekends each month on Sunday morning. Contact the church office for more infor-

mation. Everything is supplied for you.



# Youth Group Calendar February 2024

3	Sweetheart Dance
4	Nerf War @ St John Taylor 2-4 PM
11	Superbowl Sunday No Youth
14	Ash Wednesday - Lent Dinner
18	Youth Group
21	Lent Dinner
25	Youth Group
28	Lent Dinner

#### World Vision's



## 30 Hour Famine

Youth will participate in the 3 Hour Famine in April.

Watch for ways you can support the youth with this cause.

# 2025 National Youth Gathering Parent Meeting

If your Youth is in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and/or will be 14 years old by June 2025 and is interested in going to the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans, join us February 18, at 5:30 PM in the Atrium (before regular Youth Group).

### **Fundraising Information**

Sweetheart Dance – February 3, 2024 Lent Dinners (Wednesday) Feb 14-March 20, 2024

We have National Youth Gathering in 2025 (any youth in 7<sup>th</sup> grade now or that will be 14 in June 2025). We have a lot of money to raise. I am always looking for fundraising ideas. Please let me know any ideas you have and I can get a list together to get things approved. ~ Gina

#### **Youth T-shirt & Hoodies**

Have you seen the Youth Group t-shirt?? Would you like one for yourself?

The t-shirts are black and a soft cotton blend and the hoodies are black and cotton.

Cost is \$22 for t-shirt and \$35 for hoodies. Contact Gina to order yours by February 4.



# **Donation Station**

<u>Donation Station</u> is open on Thursday's from 12:00 – 2:00 and Saturday's from 10:00 -12:00. We are in need of baby clothes, jewelry, and all types of kitchen items. If you would like to help in this unique ministry, please contact <u>carol@ctk.me</u> or 734-281-3773.



# **Donation Station Urgent Need**

We need men to help transport donated items from Building #9 to the Resale Building. You may use a CTK truck to do this or use your own truck. We need the items transported every Monday, Tuesday, and Wed. mornings. If you think you may be able to help in this area, please contact, carol@ctk.me, 734-771-9480, or 734-281-3773 to talk about where, when, how!

# **SAVE THE DATE**

Blood Drive Monday, April 29, 2024 1:00 - 6:45 PM 16700 Pennsylvania Rd.



Save a life; blood supply is critically low! Please consider donating! Walk-ins are welcome. Appointments will be taken on a sign-up poster at Trenton Rd or you can visit the Red Cross website to sign-up at www.redcrossblood.org. Call Nancy Chambo at 734.776.5001 with any questions or to help.

#### 7 WORD STATEMENTS FOR EVERYDAY OF FEBRUARY – 2024

Pray unceasingly, put America's Presidents in God's hands.

I Thess. 5:16-18 Jesus breathes new life – reviving our dreams. Gen. 18:14 Put on your new self this year. Eph. 4: 22-24 Eagerly seek the treasures in your Bible. Jer. 15:16 Every creature on earth has a purpose. Eccl. 3:1 Father, work in me what pleases You. Heb. 13:21 Good habits add power to our lives. Acts 10:38 Watch for opportunities to make things better. Luke 12:37 Remember to laugh when facing life's difficulties. Job 5:21-22 God's our source of blessings – God alone. Deut. 32:12 Work with all excellence, serving the Lord. Col. 3:23-24 Obey Jesus' command to "not be afraid." Matt. 10:31 Especially today, express your love to someone. I John 4:7 At Jesus' request – don't hesitate - do it! Luke 5:5 Have the courage to obey God's call. Matt. 1:24-25 When life's overwhelming – Jesus brings us peace. Phil. 4:7 When uncertain, seek Biblical direction from God. Jer. 6:16 Pray and believe God still performs miracles. Acts 4:24 Jesus still requires complete trust in Him. Prov. 3:5-6 Hope says, "Nothing's impossible with our God." Phil. 4:13 By faith, God's incredibly great power is activated. I Cor. 2:4-5 America's circumstances bring us to our knees. Neh. 1:3-4 No problem's too big for God's rescue. Matt. 9:26-33 See your need to receive God's restoration. Ps. 80:7 Live your life quietly, peaceably and Godly I Tim. 2:2 Speaking words of gratitude increases our happiness. Ps. 100:4 Don't "run yourself ragged," God provides renewal. Ps. 46:10 Father, thank you for hearing my prayers. II Kings 20:2-5 Trust God, and happily expect good things. Rom. 15:13



By Ralph & Donna Moore

# ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers are available for purchase in memory or in honor of a loved one, i.e. for anniversaries, birthdays, etc.

ALTAR FLOWERS The sign-up chart is in the West Gallery. You can take the flowers home to enjoy, immediately following the 11am service. Cost is \$25 per vase. Payment may be placed in the offering basket or you can make a payment on MyCTK or via text. Please designate "altar flowers."

## SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - FEBRUARY 2024

"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



Sunday School is wrapping up Unit 7 and beginning Unit 8 of the Enduring Faith Curriculum. This unit will continue in the New Testament, specifically the books of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John We will learn how God gives us for



John. We will learn how God gives us faith through His Word. We will journey through the Gospel to learn God's plan to save us. We will learn of His mercy and His resurrection. And we will also see that God LOVES His little children!

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# Thank You!

A big 'Thank You' to Kim Beaudrie and Caleb D for visiting our Sunday School classes! We learned how a therapy dog can bring joy and comfort to those hospitalized, in nursing homes or someone needing comfort in school. If you know of anyone in this kind of need, please contact the church office and they will contact Kim and Caleb D.

# Something for Everyone

Just a reminder - the Sunday School hour has something for everyone! From Parent/Tot class to High School Bible Study, there is time to dive into God's word at



every age! High School students (and Confirmation Students when Confirmation class is not in session) can join Gina Davidson in the Cana Room to share a little physical and spiritual sweet! All Sunday School classes study the same lesson material, so families can compare notes and have further discussion on the car ride home and around the dinner table. It's a great way to bring Jesus into your family discussion!

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# Coming in February

February 4: Lesson 2 - Lost and Found Wonders;

Jesus seeks the lost: Luke 15

February 11: Lesson 3 - Jesus heals a man born blind; John: 9 & craft with Anne Lumley!

February 18: Lesson 4 - Jesus raises Lazarus;

John 11:1-44

February 25: Lesson 5 - The Thankful One; Jesus heals 10 Lepers; Luke 17:11-19

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### CTK Woman of the Year - Cindy Giese

CLW Luncheon Honoring Women of the Year – March 19, 2024 at 11:00 AM at The Mirage, 16980 18 Mile Road in Clinton Township. Ticket cost is \$38. Anyone interested in attending, please contact to Gina by Feb. 28th at gmd.lwml@gmail.com to register and pay so that CTK attendees can all sit together.





Guardian Lutheran in Dearborn is having a Women's Retreat on April 19 & 20, 2024. Cost is \$25 before March 1<sup>st</sup>, \$30 after March 1<sup>st</sup>. There are yellow registration forms in the purple LWML box by the Cana Room.



## Mark Your Calendars 2024 Euchre Dates

February 10, March 9, April 20, May 18, September 14 & October 12

We play in the Upper Room at Trenton Rd, 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 <a href="mailto:blueknight007@hotmail.com">blueknight007@hotmail.com</a>

#### GATHER AND GROW BOOK CLUB

This monthly-meet-up book club is a place for women of all ages (high school and older) to read Christian fiction and nonfiction, gather and discuss as a group, and grow in our faith together. Our next meetup will be **Monday, February 26 at 7pm in the West Gallery** to discuss the book "Begin Again" by Max Lucado. We will be going over Chapters 7-12 (pages 51-98), along with the questions for those chapters, which can be found in the back of the book. It's not too late to join! Please call the church office to register or to get on our Book Club email list. You can purchase your own book online, in a bookstore, or check it out at your local library.





### **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 Adult Bible Study meets in the Trenton Rd. Gym at 10am.

Bible Study Coffee & Snack located in the kitchen window

- Children's Sunday School Rooms:
- Youth Cana Room
- Various Classrooms (look for signs or stop in the SS office)
- Confirmation Upper Room
- Parent/Tot/Nursery 3 yr. Preschool Room

### 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 Bible Study

Men's Bible Study meets Wednesday's at 8:00 AM in the Atrium with Pastor Terry.





Christ The King Lutheran School's

# **FAMILY CARNIVAL**

★ Bounce Houses ★ Carnival Games ★ Prize Booth ★ Food Truck ★ Fellowship

Feb. 16 2024 5:30pm-7:30pm

\$15 per Family

15600 Trenton Road, Southgate, MI 48195 734-285-9697



#### CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN SCHOOL 2024/2025 REGISTRATION DATES



- 1/29/24: Current CTK Church Member School Families
- 2/5/24: Current Non-CTK Church Member School Families
- 2/19/24:Current CTK Church Families and CTK Daycare Families
- 2/26/24: Open Enrollment

Questions? Email admissions@ctk.me for help



# **Day School News**

"Train up a child in the way that he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

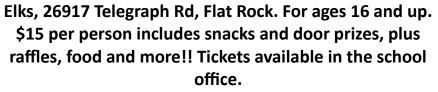
It's a busy time of year for our day school! We have so many activities remaining for our current school year, but we are also focused on next school year. On January 29, we will kick-off enrollment for the 24/25 school year with Parent Information Night. Our existing church member school families can enroll beginning January 29, 2024. Our existing non-CTK church member families can enroll on February 5, 2024. We invite our church families and daycare families to enroll beginning February 19, 2024. We will open enrollment to the public on February 26, 2024, but we are conducting tours now. Those interested in learning more can email our Enrollment Manager, Chrissy Lambrecht, at admissions@ctk.me or call the school office to schedule a tour. Please share this information with anyone you feel may be interested.

Last year, we held a family fun night in February. It was so successful, we're hosting it again! Join us on Friday, February 16 for our Family Fun Carnival. Tickets are \$15 per family and can be purchased in the school office.

Thank you for your continued support of our school ministry! Blessings, Dr. Kelli Kapp-Heifner

# 8TH GRADE CLASS TRIP FUNDRAISER Music Bingo Fun!

Friday, February 23rd at 7pm, @ Flat Rock









father-daughter, mother-son or child with a special adult



MUSIC \* SNACKS & DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

February 3rd, 2024 TICKET DBICES:

\$25.00 PER COUPLE \$10.00 EACH ADDITIONAL CHILD 6:00pm

8:00pm



CTK PENN CAMPUS GYM

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# 2023 CTK Food Pantry Client Report

Not too many years ago, our indoor Food Pantry would serve an average of 15 families/week. After we switched to drive-thru protocol during COVID, the numbers have increased rapidly and continually. Everyone's food costs have increased dramatically.

- \* During the first 6 months of 2023, we served an average of 52 households (145 people) per week.
- \* During the second 6 months of 2023, we served an average of 61 households (163 people) per week.
- \* Overall, we served an average of 56.28 households, representing 153.35 people per week.
- \* Your Pantry has been generously supported by CTK's Church and School members who provide food, non-food items, money, venison, and by food drives by Scouts and public school classrooms, etc. The continued support by the CTK Golf Outing/Have a Heart Fundraiser is very much appreciated! We also have the faithful "30" who volunteer for all the steps that bring food to those in need.

#### Some notes:

- 1. Because of financial considerations, we are now open every other week, rather than every week.
- 2. Simply Give at Meijer ended on 12/31/23. I will report the monetary results when we receive them.

On every food distribution Thursday, we pray that we will be the hands of Jesus as He makes provision. All of you are part of that providing by the Holy Spirit, too.

Pastor Harry for "The 30"



# Pastor's Message

Ash Wednesday, February 14, marks the beginning of the Lenten season. This six-week time frame is very important in the spiritual lives of Christians. The foundation of our faith is the Good Friday-Easter Sunday cycle, the death and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth. These events are simply too



big to observe without preparing one's heart and mind. Lent is that time for preparation. Here are a few suggestions. First, take advantage of the Lenten worship. 3:30, 7pm on Wed. Feb. 14-March 20. Each week, we will consider a specific place of Jesus' journey to Calvary, beginning with the Upper Room, through Gethsemane and the house of Caiaphas to the very bowl where Pilate tried to wash his hand of Jesus' fate. Next, giving up something for Lent or taking on something for Lenten are age-old traditions in the Christian church because, well frankly, they work! These are very practical and simple ways of observing that these six weeks are different. Finally, read some of the Psalms of David. You can find them by looking at the heading of the Psalms, which states the author. 73 Psalms are attributed to David, they shouldn't be hard to find. I've put together 3 sets of 6 Psalms (a total of 18, imagine that). Email me at jayc@ctk.me and I'll send it to you. Jesus is the Son of David, and his Spirit-inspired prayers preview Jesus' passion a full millennium before it happened. May God bless your Lenten season.

In Christ, Pastor Jason Cashmer

