# CTK Communique



# September 2025

#### 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: Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m. School Office Phone: (734)285-9697

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

Main Phone: (734)285-9695

Childcare Center - Pennsylvania Rd. Campus

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

Child Care Phone: (734)285-8525



Trenton Road Campus

Saturday Worship
Bible Study
Sunday Worship:
5:00 PM
6:00 PM
9:00 AM

11:00 AM

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

### Financial Snapshot – Through July 2025

| <b>July 2025</b>     | Year To Date   |
|----------------------|--|
| \$ 130,578.18        | \$ 893,534.06  |
| <u>\$ 129,195.41</u> | \$ 570,903.16  |
| \$ 259,773.59        | \$ 1,464,536.22  |
| \$ 244,370.00        | \$ 1,515,094.00  |
| BUDGET               |  |
| \$ 15,403.59         | \$ (50,557.78)   |
|                      | \$ 130,578.18<br>\$ 129,195.41<br>\$ 259,773.59<br>\$ 244,370.00<br>) BUDGET |

|                     | <u>July 2025</u> | Year To Date    |
|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| TOTAL INCOME        | \$259,773.59     | \$ 1,464,536.22 |
| ACTUAL EXPENSES:    | \$172,415.06     | \$ 1,426,010.88 |
| INCOME OVER/(LINDER | ) FXPENSE        |                 |

\$ 87,358.53 38,525.34

Our offerings are over actual expenses, which is a great blessing for the end of July. The Lord has blessed CTK with faithful stewards walking in tithe and first-fruit giving. We pray that God will continue to lead us to be a blessing to our community as a witness to the salvation found in our Risen Savior, Jesus. As Paul encouraged the church in Corinth, "4 I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, 5 that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— <sup>6</sup> even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— 7 so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Cor. 1:4-7)





### <u>In Memory of Helen</u> <u>Demou</u>

<u>To a Christmas Basket family,</u> <u>gíven by</u> CTK Church & School Staff

### <u>In Memory of Ríchard</u> <u>Gatza</u>

<u>Undesignated memorials,</u>
<u>given by:</u>
Joyce Thursam
To Food Pantry, given by:

M/M Joe Bollo

### In Memory of Art <u>Hickling</u>

<u>To Food Pantry, given by:</u>
M/M Richard Pitt
M/M Joe Bollo



### **Birthday Blessings**

Robin Hill July 27 Jeff Giese July 31



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

|                |      | <u>2023</u> |      | <u>2024</u> | <u>2025</u>    | Total | (since 2006) |
|----------------|------|-------------|------|-------------|----------------|-------|--------------|
| "C" Dollars    | \$   | 1,380.00    | \$   | 1,278.00    | \$<br>696.00   | \$    | 25,936.00    |
| Scrap Metal    | \$   | 2,925.99    | \$ 2 | 2,383.50    | \$<br>1,147.24 | \$    | 58,165.94    |
| Bottles        | \$   | 2,888.54    | \$   | 774.60      | \$<br>161.60   | \$    | 45,396.44    |
| Paper Recycl   | e \$ | 52.26       | \$   | 28.25       | \$<br>11.56    | \$    | 810.20       |
| (As of: 8/17/2 | 25)  |             |      |             |                |       |              |

| Date         | EVENTS<br>Event                          | Time Loc          | ation_ |
|--------------|--|-------------------|--------|
| September 5  | Ryan Stevenson Concert                   | 6:00 PM           | PA     |
| September 7  | Membership Class<br>(Through October 26) | 10:00 AM          | TR     |
| September 13 | Euchre Night                             | 7:00 PM           | TR     |
| September 14 | Rally Day                                | 9 to Noon         | TR     |
| September 17 | 59+ Group                                | 1:00 PM           | TR     |
| September 19 | Day School Fun Run                       | 9:00 AM           | PA     |
| September 22 | Gather & Grow Book Club                  | 6:30 PM           | TR     |
| October 5—26 | Early Communion Class                    | 10:00 AM          | TR     |
| October 6    | Red Cross Blood Drive                    | 1—9:45 PM         | PA     |
| October 11   | Euchre                                   | 7:00 PM           | TR     |
| October 12   | Trunk or Treat                           | 3—4:30 PM         | PA     |
| October 15   | 59+ Group                                | 1:00 PM           | TR     |
| October 27   | Gather & Grow Book Club                  | 6:30 PM           | TR     |
| Weekly Ever  | nts:                                     |                   |        |
| Tuesdays:    | Toolbelt Tuesday                         | 8:00 AM           | PA     |
| Thursdays:   | Donation Station Open                    | 12:00-2:00        | PA     |
|              | Food Pantry                              | 3:00 PM           | PA     |
| Saturdays:   | Donation Station Open                    | 10:00 AM-12:00 PM | PA     |
| -            | Worship                                  | 5:00 PM           | TR     |
|              | Adult Bible Class                        | 6:00 PM           | TR     |
| Sundays:     | Worship                                  | 9:00 & 11:00 AM   | TR     |
| •            | Bible Class & Sunday School              | 10:00 AM          | TR     |



### 1,068 visits from Jan. 1 – August 15th

### 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="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. (It should open to Christ The King Lutheran, Southgate.
- 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!



GRIFF

A reminder to all of our members and visitors that use text giving: please make sure that Christ The King Lutheran Church, Southgate, MI is the link that comes up when you text "CTKGIVE" to 73256. It has been brought to our attention that occasionally another Christ The King church link is listed. Thank you for your tithe.

### <u>GriefShare</u>

Our Fall session will meet on Mondays from August 25th through December 1<sup>st</sup> (no meeting on Labor Day) in the Upper Room from 6 to 8pm.

This program is for people grieving the loss of a spouse, family member or friend. We want to offer you encouragement, comfort and caring during this difficult time. \$15 registration fee covers the cost of the booklet. Contact Teresa Samson at <a href="mailto:tsamson50@yahoo.com">tsamson50@yahoo.com</a> or 734.282.8012 with questions. (Please leave a message if there is no message. I will reply swiftly.)



The importance of being in God's Word daily cannot be overstated. The Word of God is many things for us – it is our source of hope and comfort amid life's many challenges and hardships. It

is the story of God who is our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier. It is our only norm and rule of faith. And most importantly, it is how we receive Jesus, and nothing could ever be more important than that! God's Word, including the Bible, is all about Jesus. Every page, every story – it's all about Jesus. Even though this is the important thing about reading the Bible, it is also easy to forget sometimes. I have been using the Psalms as part of my daily prayer and Bible reading. I'm two weeks in and to be honest, for a while I wasn't feeling all that great about it. I had been really excited to dive deeper into the Psalms and make it a regular part of my devotion life, but I just wasn't "feeling" it yet. Until I came to Psalm 15, which is all about "the man who dwells on God's holy hill." It talks about not slandering, doing no evil, honoring and fearing the Lord. And as I'm praying this Psalm, I am picturing myself as the man who dwells with God. And praying that I can be like the man that I'm reading about. And then I read in verse 4 that this man who dwells on God's holy hill "seeks after his own pain and does not change." It hit me like a ton of bricks. This Psalm is not about me. This Psalm is about Jesus. Just like every Psalm is about Jesus. And that's a good thing! Because Jesus actually changes your life. Jesus is the Gospel. Jesus is Grace. Jesus is Life. It's all about Jesus!

Seminary Update: I am about to start my Fall classes. This semester I have a class all about the Church and another language class – Greek this time. I am lamenting the end of summer, but I am excited to get into a Fall routine and to dive into these classes and find out what they're all about! As always, I thank you so much for your prayers and support! God's Blessings, Pastor Brooks

#### **Volunteer positions desperately needed:**

<u>Video</u> (PowerPoint operator) This person sits in the balcony and follows along from a script to move the PowerPoint screens. <u>Sound</u>: This person also sits in the balcony and makes sure the pre-set sound is running good. You can choose to do this during your worship time and you have the best seat in the house.

**Phone Ministry:** This person makes phone calls to our members once a month to ask for any prayer concerns and reads a scripted prayer to them or leaves a message on their answering machine.

All of these positions can be shadowed until comfortable to do on your own.



USE THE QR CODE OR VISIT THE LINK TO PURCHASE TICKETS.

<u>Ryan Stevenson</u> Concert: <a href="https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/ryan-stevenson-concert">https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/ryan-stevenson-concert</a>. Seats are going fast.

<u>Daniel Doss</u> Concert: https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/daniel-doss-concert

Ticket cost is \$30 or free for 10 and under with the purchase of an adult ticket.

(When purchasing tickets, you DO NOT have to pay the optional Zeffy fee. Click on the additional fee box, choose other, and enter \$0.00.) If you need any assistance purchasing tickets, please call or stop by the church office during business hours, or visit the Welcome Desk in



### Psalms & Proverbs Bookstore

"To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven." This verse from Ecclesiastes reminds us that life is full of different seasons, each with its own purpose. It encour-



ages believers to trust in God's perfect timing, knowing that each season has a divine purpose. Whether in a season of joy or trial, we can have confidence that God is working all things for our good.

As we transition into the fall season and a new school year, stop by the bookstore to help find a book, bible or devotional for the season of your life. The store has a good variety of books for children, teens and adults. We also have a nice stock of pens & pencils to fill your backpacks. In the clearance section we have a great student workbook for fifth through eighth grade students. Finally, with the start of confirmation classes, there is a confirma-

### MRS. LYNN KONKEL'S RETIREMENT PARTY

Please join us for a celebration of Mrs. Konkel's career on Sunday, September 21 at 12:15pm at Trenton Rd. We are holding a potluck and card shower in the school gym. If

your last name begins with A-L, please bring a side dish to feed 8. If your last name begins with M-Z, please bring a main dish to feed 8. Chicken and dessert will be provided. Questions? Please call 734.285.9697. (For the card shower, checks should be made out to Lynn Konkel. If you would like to give Lynn a card but cannot be present on September 21st, you can mail or drop off your card to



the church or school office, Attn: Lynn Konkel)



### ALTAR FLOWERS

ALTAR FLOWERS are available for purchase, in memory or in honor of a loved one, i.e. for anniversaries, birthdays, etc. (Your honoree will be listed in the intercession list.) The sign-up chart is in the West ALTAR FLOWERS Gallery. You may take your flowers home to enjoy, immediately following the 11am service. Cost is \$25

per vase. Payment may be placed in the offering basket or you may give online or via text. Please designate "altar flowers."

### **Early Communion Class**

Early Communion Classes will be held October 5, 12, 19, and 26. First Communion Sunday will be at the 9am service on November 2. The classes will be held at 10am at Trenton Rd. during the Bible Study and Sunday School hour. Parents can pick up a registration form (available in mid September) at the Welcome Center in the West Gallery at Trenton Rd. The form is also availa-



ble on the website under the Ministry tab by going to the Early Communion link. Please turn in forms to the church office. If you do not have a copy already, parents can purchase the updated "Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation" for \$22.00 on the first day of class (please bring the correct amount of money or a check made out to CTK). This book will be used for their upcoming Confirmation classes in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade.







**NEW MEMBER CLASS** This eight-week class will meet every Sunday, beginning September 7, at 10am in the Upper Room. This 8 week class focuses on the foundations of our faith in Christ. It is a presentation of the Christian faith, consistent with reason and grounded in reality. The final week will be a Discipleship Class. We ask that you register by calling or emailing the church office. 734.285.9695



Save the Date! Red Cross Blood Drive Monday, October 6; 1:00-6:45 pm 16700 Pennsylvania Rd.

PA Rd Campus gym

Save a life; blood supply is critically low.

Please consider donating. Appointments will be taken on signup poster at Trenton Rd. or Red Cross website. Walk-ins are welcome. Call Nancy Chambo at 734-776-5001 with questions.



### **Church Office Hours**

Mon. – Friday - 8:30am to 3:00pm CHURCH Closed Monday, September 1 (Labor Day)

59+ Group...Please join us for a "bring your own lunch" date at Bishop Park (meet by the log cabin) on September 17th at 1:00pm. Just a fun day out. If weather is too hot or rainy, we will meet at TR Rd. Call the office with questions.



### 30th CTK Annual Golf Scramble

Thank you to all of the golfers who participated, along with members and local business that donated in some way to help make this event a big success! We had a ton of prizes to raffle off! And for my faithful volunteers who always show up to help me, I truly thank you -

I wouldn't be able to do this without ALL of you! A HUGE thank you to Jen Gepes. Cindy Burley & Joe Lambrecht for helping keep me organized and getting all the awesome donations you saw!

100% of the proceeds benefit CTK's Food Pantry and Downriver Foster Closet. We raised over \$2,500! We know, for ministries like these, a little goes a long way!

Any suggestions, comments, concerns that you may have, please let me know. I am always looking for ways to make this event better! Save the date! We are hoping to hold the 31st CTK Annual Golf Scramble on Saturday, August 22, 2026! Hope to see you next year!

In Christ, Deanna Warrington

### Music Ensembles for New Season: Join the Fun!

#### INTERGENERATIONAL CHOIR

Music for Rally Day (Sunday, September

14) will feature an ad hoc intergenerational choir and a children's choir, accompanied by brass and praise band. The intergenerational choir will rehearse with the Chancel Choir on Wednesdays in the Sanctuary. All teenagers and adults are invited to participate. The children's choir will rehearse during school.

#### CHANCEL CHOIR

New singers (soprano, alto, tenor, bass, & unknown) are welcome, even if you don't read music. Tim Bode directs the Chancel Choir and is looking forward to the upcoming season! We meet on Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary.

#### KING'S RINGERS

We meet every Thursday at 3:45 in the Upper Room for rehearsals. The first worship performances will be the weekend of September 21.

#### **BRASS ENSEMBLE**

Brass players are always welcome to join the CTK Brass Ensemble. Our first full Brass Ensemble rehearsal will be Monday, 9/8.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Contact Tim Bode, Minister of Music (tim@ctk.me, 734-285-9695 x170).

### **2025 Euchre Dates** Sept. 13 & Oct. 11

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 blueknight007@hotmail.com

**WALKING CLUB** meets at 6:30pm every Tuesday. Park by the Admin bldg./Donation Station parking lot. We will start with a quick prayer and then you are off! Use your discretion. If it's raining or too hot, we will meet the following week.

PICKLEBALL SOCIAL begins again on Sept. 6th. We will be meeting every Saturday in the PA Rd gym at 9am, \$3 drop-in. Contact <a href="mailto:chance@ctk.me">chance@ctk.me</a> for more info.

### CONFIRMATION PARENT AND STUDENT MEETING

This 2-year program is open to students entering 7th grade this fall. During the course of the 2-year program, students will study the Luther's Small Catechism on Sunday mornings during the 10am Bible Class hour. Our Orientation meeting is scheduled for Sunday, September 7th at 10am in the West



Gallery. First and second year students and at least one parent must attend. At this meeting, the program will be explained, 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 on Sunday, September 14th. If you have any questions, please contact the Confirmation Coordinator, Donna Hepner, at <a href="mailto:confirmation@ctk.me">confirmation@ctk.me</a>.

### **Early Communion Class**

Early Communion Classes will be held October 6, 13, 20, and 27. First Communion Sunday will be at the 9am service on November 3. The classes will be held at 10am at Trenton Rd. during the Bible Study and Sunday School hour. Parents can pick up a registration form (available in mid Sep-

tember) at the Welcome Center in the West Gallery at Trenton Rd. The form is also available on the website under the Ministry tab by going to the Early Communion link. Please turn in forms to the church office. If you do not have a copy already, parents can purchase the updated "Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation" for \$22.00 on the first day of class (please bring the correct amount of money or a check made out to CTK). This book will be used for their upcoming Confirmation classes in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **CTK SEWING CIRCLE**

Hello sewers, knitters and crocheters! We hope you had a great summer. We will resume crafting for the King on Monday, Sept. 8, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We will meet in PA Rd Church Atrium. The meetings are monthly on the 2nd Monday of the month. Please contact Bobbi Chrysler at bchrylser72@gmail.com or 734.558.5143 with any questions.



### **CTK Childcare Center**

PT JOB OPENING

# KITCHEN ASSISTANT

Looking for a Part-Time kitchen assistant to prepare morning snacks, warm lunches and prep the afternoon snacks. <u>Hours:</u> 8:45 AM until afternoon snacks are ready.

EMAIL JESSICA: DAYCARE@CTK.ME







### Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 9am in the Fellowship Center at PA Rd. We will be studying Psalm 119. Please join us!

## Men's Bible Study is moving to a new day!

We move to Fridays at 8am at PA Rd in the Fellowship Center. Pastor Brooks will lead. There will be coffee, and maybe even some goodies. If you haven't been, we hope you can join us!

### Simply Give 2025 Spring Results for CTK Food Pantry

Our store - Meijer, Southgate on Fort St.

Donation Card Sales \$ 790
Double Match Card Sales \$ 1,950
Meijer Double Match Donation \$ 3,900
Meijer Ladies' (LPGA) Donation \$ 5,430
Additional Contributions \$ 90



Total food-only gift cards \$12,160

The above comes in God's grace with contributions made by Meijer customers, vendor partners, Meijer corporate donations, and the 11th year of the Ladies' Professional Golf Association Classic Tournament. Christ The King participants donated very generously in the card sales and the Double Match Day. Thank you!

This \$12,160 will be used to purchase milk, cheese, eggs, margarine, and bread at the Meijer store.

Praise the Lord and thank you from, Pastor Harry and The 30 (volunteers)

#### **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. We are currently reading 'Joining Jesus On His Mission: How to be an everyday missionary' by Greg Finke. We will discuss Chapters 16 the end of the book on September 22,

6:30pm in the Cana Room. Stop by any of our meetings to see if this club is for you! Please call the church office for more information or to get on our Book Club email list.

### **Day School News**

September 2025

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. Ephesians 2:4-5

Our eighth-grade class has selected Ephesians 2:4-5 as our theme verse for our school year. Our theme verse becomes a point of focus. It's a point of discussion. It's part of our memory work. It's shared in chapel, posted on our walls, and printed on the back of our t-shirts. I want to invite you to reflect on these verses with us.

We live in a world that often measures worth by performance—by what we do, what we achieve, or how we compare to others. But Paul reminds us of something radically different: we are loved not because of what we've done, but because of who God is.

"God, who is rich in mercy..." — our Heavenly Father's mercy isn't in short supply. It's overflowing, abundant, and always available.

"...made us alive with Christ..." — even when we were lost, broken, and spiritually dead, God didn't leave us in that state.

Through Christ, He brought us to life.

"It is by grace you have been saved." — Not earned, not deserved, but **grace**. Pure, undeserved favor from the heart of a loving God.

We are made ALIVE IN CHRIST.

God's Blessings, Dr. Kelli Kapp-Heifner







### September 2025

| 7  | Youth Group 6-8 PM |
|----|--------------------|
| 14 | Youth Group 6-8 PM |
| 21 | Youth Group 6-8 PM |
| 28 | NO YOUTH           |

New Camp!!! Same Activities PLUS more!!! The Youth (6th - 12th Grade) will be attending a NEW CAMP January 23-25, 2026. A \$30 deposit is due for ALL Youth attending camp ASAP. See Gina for the form.



### **Fundraising**

Nov 8 - Craft Show TBD - Scrapbook/Craft Day TBD - Spring Mom2Mom Sale

### thrivent<sup>®</sup>

Are you a Thrivent Member? Did you know that as a Thrivent member you have access to "Thrivent Action Team" grants? Did you also know that the Youth Group can use those for supplies needed for fundraisers or events? Please consider helping the Youth Group with your Thrivent Action Team grants.





### This Month in CTK History – September 2025

September is notorious for being a busy month, especially with the start of school and all the events and activities that go along with it. Looking back through CTK history, it is no different for our congregation. September was a very busy month for our church and its members!

- Our congregation elected "Christ The King" as the name of our faith community, on September 9, 1951! On September 19, 1954, the CTK congregation was received into voting membership of the Synod.
- The congregation witnessed Mr. Ruben Kamprath installed as the first Principal of the planned Christian Day School on September 4, 1957. School opened that same month, with 74 students in Grades 1-6.
- The cornerstone for our current sanctuary was laid on September 20, 1963.
- In September 1968, the Christian Day School expanded its offerings to include a Kindergarten class.
- Rev. Arthur Zehnder was installed as Assistant Pastor in September, 1970.
- A pre-school class for four-year-old children began in September 1980.
- On September 23, 1981, the new "Parish Center-gymnasium" was dedicated to former school principal and educator, Mr.
  Ruben Kamprath. Also, in September 1981, home Bible study share groups began.
- September 1999 saw the addition of a third Sunday worship service, along with electronic screens and multi-media equipment implemented in the church nave.
- Finally, on September 29, 2002, Mr. Tim Bode was installed as Music Director. (Keep on making joyful music Mr. Bode!!)



<u>The Donation Station</u> is open on *Thursdays from 12:00 – 2:00 and Saturdays 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 carol@ctk.me or 734-281-3773.

### <u>Donation Station Volunteer Opportunities</u> <u>Tuesdays from 10:00 – 12:00:</u>

On Tuesdays, we work in the Resale Station, getting the shop ready for our Thursday Sale Day. We price and shelf items, try to clean out the drop off overhang, dust, clean, reorganize shelves, if needed, etc. We give new volunteers options and hope they enjoy what they are doing well enough to come back again.

### Wednesdays from 10: 00 - 12:00:

During this time, all we do is hang up clothes. This job can be done standing or sitting. This takes place in the office area of the Administration Building.

### **Department Heads Needed!**

The D.S. is in need of two Department Heads- one for shoes and one for China/Dishes. The main responsibility is to keep these areas stocked with donated items, making sure the assigned shelves are neat and filled on sale days. Department Heads may work on their departments whenever it is convenient for them. Please contact <a href="Carol@ctk.me">Carol@ctk.me</a> for more information.



### RALLY DAY, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

We encourage all CTK members to re-commit themselves to in-person worship, Bible study, and using your spiritual gifts in ministry to others.

### What's going on?

- Special Music at the 9:00 & 11:00 AM services
- Sunday School Rally Day at 10:00 AM (Meet your teachers & more—Playground, TR)
- Church Picnic at 12:30 PM in the PA gym/ outside
- Chicken, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, drinks & dessert provided
- Bring a hot or cold potluck side dish
- Bouncy house for the kids

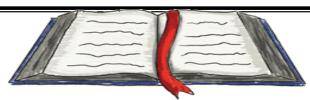




### 7 WORD STATEMENTS FOR EVERYDAY OF SEPTEMBER - 2025

|     | OR EVERIDAL OF SELLENID.                                | LK - 2023         |
|-----|---|-------------------|
| 1.  | Be grateful for the wisdom to work.                     | Ex. 35:35         |
| 2.  | Confidently come to God in sincere prayer.              | Heb. 4:16         |
| 3.  | Praying's the first thing you should do.                | Phil 4:6-7        |
| 4.  | The Holy Spirit's our spiritual "power tool."           | Gal. 5:22-24      |
| 5.  | Jesus feels our joy/pain with us.                       | Mark 2:8-12       |
| 6.  | Sing your favorite hymn, praising God today.            | Eph. 5:19-20      |
| 7.  | To please God, cultivate a generous heart.              | I Tim. 2:1-4      |
| 8.  | God protects when we totally trust Him.                 | Ps. 9:1-2         |
| 9.  | Love others through your prayers for them.              | I Sam. 12:23      |
| 10. | In our worrying world, hold - hope – tightly.           | Heb. 11:1         |
| 11. | Overwhelmed by life's never-ending demands? Rea         | d: Ps. 16:11      |
| 12. | Our greatest victory is walking with Christ.            | Eph. 5:1-2        |
| 13. | Remember, God's work still makes things new.            | Isa. 43:18-19     |
| 14. | Thank God for what He's already done.                   | I Chron.16:12     |
| 15. | Feel like giving up? Pray to persevere.                 | Eph. 6:18         |
| 16. | Be a walking, talking billboard for Jesus.              | Phil. 4:9         |
| 17. | What prevents you from fulfilling God's purposes?       | I Peter 1:17-20   |
| 18. | Stand strong – forever storing up God's word.           | Eph. 6:10-13      |
| 19. | Strengthening faith takes time, patience and perseverar | nce. Gal. 5:22-23 |
| 20. | It's amazing how all readings tie together.             | Heb. 4:12         |
|     | Repentance is required to receive God's blessings.      | Job. 42:6-7       |
|     | Pray daily for loved one's spiritual understanding.     | Col. 1:9          |
|     | When God speaks, we're forever changed.                 | Acts 9:1-20       |
| 24. | Recharge souls by soaking up Jesus rays.                | Ex. 34:29         |
| 25. | Does your life reflect God in everything.               | Eph. 4:29-32      |
|     | Its always worth making time for Jesus.                 | Luke 10:42        |
| 27. | In life's struggles lean harder on Jesus.               | Phil. 4:6-7       |
|     | God hears our cries and promises help.                  | Ps. 145:13-19     |
|     | Storms remind us how powerful Jesus is.                 | Mark 4:37-39      |
| 30. | There's no power stronger than God-Power!               | Jer. 32:17        |

~ By Ralph & Donna Moore



### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2025

"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

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

### RALLY DAY IS SEPTEMBER 14!

It's here! After a long, hot, sizzling summer, Rally Day is here! We will celebrate a new Sunday School year kick-off on September 14. Classes will officially begin on September 7 (which will be Rally Day for the Special Connections class). We are blessed to have wonderful teachers again this year! Parents and students can meet the teachers in the classrooms as follows:

### SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

| Teacher  | Classroom  |
|--|--|
| Mandy Boelter Church Nursery (near south entrance) |  |
| Allie and Christopher<br>Gilbert                   | Kindergarten Room<br>(Mrs. Brooks' Room)   |
| Randi Hermann                                      | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Room<br>(Mrs. Pomroy's room)   |
| Lisa Ferdubinski                                   | 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Room<br>(Mrs. Voelz's Room)  |
| Zach Bates   | 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Room<br>(Miss. Adams' Room)  |
| Gina Davidson                                      | Resource Room<br>(off the Gym)   |
| Wes Pomroy and<br>Naomi Krueger                    | Cana Room<br>(off the West Gallery)  |
|  | Mandy Boelter Allie and Christopher Gilbert Randi Hermann Lisa Ferdubinski Zach Bates Gina Davidson Wes Pomroy and |

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Teacher assistant: Everlin Orgeck, Cindy Burley, Martha Winnard

### SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL SIZZLE

What an amazing Summer Sunday School we had! A huge THANK YOU to you - our wonderful Sunday School Parents who took their children to Sunday School every Sunday! Another shout out of THANKS to Randi Hermann and Anne Lumley for creating and rolling out fiery lessons on Moses and the burning bush, Elijah and the chariot of fire and Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego in the fiery furnace. Then wrapped it up with the Holy Spirit coming with tongues of fire with the command to spread God's Word to the world. Another huge THANK YOU to Christopher Gilbert for setting the tone with his incredible artwork on display as kids climbed the stairs to Sunday School every week. God has truly blessed CTK with some amazing talent.







4 Classes - 1 Message - 1 Mission

- Parent/Tot
- Sunday School
- Teen Bible Study
- Special Connection

There is something for everyone! All classes follow the same cur-

riculum. Each week, family members (no matter the age) can climb in the car after class and discuss what they learned for some great family discussion!



# Pastor's Message

September is a unique month. Even though it's the ninth month of the year, it's often a month of new beginnings. The new school year starts. This usually means a host of new things: school supplies, new clothes, backpacks and lunch boxes. New students nervously walk through the halls for the first time. New teachers have that internal debate whether to come in tough and ease up or try a different strategy. Football seasons begin bringing new hopes that the Maize and Blue will return to glory (or find new ways to steal signals). Will the new acquisitions and draft picks for the Lions live up to their potential? New seedlings take root during the prime growing season of Labor Day through mid-October. (That's the best time to aerate, overseed, and patch those bare spots from the rough summer heat.)

Churches also have their September rhythm. New programs begin. New member classes start. The new Sunday School season kicks off. New ministries are happening. New events are on the calendar, giving us new opportunities to invite our friends to worship, concerts and other fellowship gatherings. September can be time for families to start new patterns, like getting the kids in Sunday School and going to Bible Class, or taking on a new area of serving in the body of Christ. We look forward to seeing what new things September brings!

In Christ, Pastor Jason Cashmer 💦 🔃 🔣 📑