



CHRIST THE KING

L U T H E R A N C H U R C H

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

*As God's forgiven family, we grow in faith through Word and
Sacrament to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ*

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Christ the King Lutheran Church in Memphis, Tennessee, has always been and continues to be a family of forgiven saints centered on the Gospel of Jesus as Savior of the world. Our history is one of effective, dynamic ministry, based on the leadership of our pastors but even more on the extraordinarily gifted laity who have served CTK since the very beginning of our Church. We are confident that all members of our church family will find a place where God can best use their gifts and talents to accomplish this vision.

Rev. Mark Goble & Rev. Matthew Lynch



WORSHIP

"Draw near to God and He will draw near to you..." James 4:8

Board of Worship

This board consists of those in leadership positions who work together to present an orderly, theologically sound, Christ-centered worship service which allows members and visitors to hear the good news of the Gospel in a God-pleasing setting. This includes the pastors, organist, music coordinator, choir director, usher captain, Altar Guild chair, acolyte and crucifer coordinator, sound crew leader, and nursery coordinator.

- Contact: Genie Swan, 901-827-9223 gswan@ctkmemphis.com

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild is a group of women who prepare the sanctuary for worship with particular attention given to the proper presentation of the Sacraments. This includes setting up for Holy Communion and cleaning and storing Communion ware after the services. We also prepare for Baptisms, making sure all necessary items are in place. The altar paraments are changed to correlate with the liturgical season. We see that the pastor, acolyte, crucifer, and elder robes are clean and pressed, and that there are flowers for the services. We also have the privilege of decorating the sanctuary in observance of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter. New members are always welcome and teamed up with a veteran member. Training is provided. Our meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of the month, September through May.

- Contact: Karen Whitlock karenwhitlock967@gmail.com

Acolytes & Crucifers

Seventh through twelfth graders are encouraged to serve the Lord and His Church by participating in the processional, lighting the altar candles, and carrying the Cross of Christ. Training is provided.

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Sunday Greeters

Sunday greeters are individual members who create a welcoming atmosphere when they meet visitors and members as they enter the church narthex for worship services. The Chairman recruits church members to serve, and makes the schedule and team assignments. The Greeters serve as scheduled or find replacements when they are unable to greet on their scheduled Sunday.

- Contact: Karen Whitlock, karenwhitlock967@gmail.com 901-849-6160

Ushers

Men and high school youth in our congregation meet, greet, and direct worshipers at regularly scheduled and special services.

- Contact: Mike Watson watsonm60@gmail.com

Nursery

The Nursery Volunteers are adults and teens who lovingly care for and supervise CTK's youngest members and friends in the nursery before, during, and between worship services on Sunday mornings, and for special services such as those during Lent and Advent.

- Contact: Linda Ritter linda@teamritter.net

Sound

Members are trained as sound technicians and serve on regularly scheduled and special services.

- Contact: Walt Kosman wkosman1@gmail.com

Office Assistance

From bulletin stuffing to answering the phone to helping with mailings, the office staff welcomes volunteers to assist.

- Contact: Lisa Riordan or Christy Hill, 901-682-8404 churchoffice@ctkmemphis.com

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

"All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching... and for training in righteousness that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work." 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Children's Sunday School – PK4 - 6th Grade

Christ the King Children's Sunday School meets each week at 9:45am to guide and help children formulate and build their foundation of faith on Jesus Christ. With the leadership and guidance of our dedicated volunteer teachers, we bring the Word of God alive for children. Our curriculum is designed to help establish strong foundational building blocks as they learn what the Bible teaches them about their Savior. We use Bible stories, videos, games and activities, music, and class discussion to help reinforce God's Word and show children His abundant mercy and grace.

- Contact: Sharon Hyde hydesr@yahoo.com Kitty Kosman kkosman@ctkmemphis.com

Youth Confirmation Class– 7th & 8th Grade

Sunday morning class time with the Pastors prepares our 7th & 8th graders to publicly profess their faith and become young adult members of CTK who identify with the life and mission of the Lutheran Christian community. Confirmation for second-year students is held on the third Sunday in May. Adults assist as Confirmation Coaches in a small-group setting on an occasional basis.

- Sunday Mornings 9:45-10:45 AM
- Contact: Genie Swan, 901-827-9223 gswan@ctkmemphis.com

High School Sunday School - 9th – 12th Grade

High School students gather to discuss life issues and how, as Christians, they are called to deal with them.

- Sunday Mornings 9:45 – 10:45am Contact: youth@ctkmemphis.com

Youth Group

Youth Ministry Vision: *Equipping our youth to stand firm in their faith as they face spiritual battles throughout their lives.*

The Youth Ministry of Christ the King includes students in Middle School through High School. Both Middle School and High School programs meet for various Bible Study, service projects, events, and fellowship. We encourage parent and adult participation with our youth programs. Examples of how you can be involved are: chaperone, provide snacks, be available for transportation to and from events, facilitate a small group, host an event, lead a Bible study, or be part of a prayer team. High School students participate in the LCMS Youth Gathering held every three years.

- Contact: youth@ctkmemphis.com

Children and Family Ministry

The Children and Family Ministry is built around providing a variety of events for children and their families in a safe space and focusing a family's faith journey. Events and activities include but are not limited to: Vacation Bible School, Easter Event, Daddy-Daughter Dance, Trunk or Treat, Christmas Event, Mother-Daughter Tea, Family Camping trips, Father-Son baseball, Movie Nights, Mother-Son Bowling, Redbirds, and Memphis901 games.

- Contact: Kitty Kosman kkosman@ctkmemphis.com

Christ the King Lutheran School and Pre-School

Christ the King Lutheran School and Pre-School need volunteers for an hour or two a week, helping to serve lunch, assisting a teacher, helping in the office, etc. No contribution is too small.

- Contact: Ann Laury ann.laury@ctkschool.com

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School is a one-week session during the summer for Bible Study, music, and crafts for children. Volunteers are always needed and welcome!

- Contact: Church office 901-682-8404 churchoffice@ctkmemphis.com

SERVING THROUGH MUSIC for WORSHIP

"But I will sing of your strength; I will sing aloud of your steadfast love in the morning." Psalms 59:16

Adult Choir

The Adult Choir includes members who enjoy being with others to sing and inspire worshipers through music for 2-3 Sundays each month, and special services throughout the year.

Short term opportunities available for special celebrations.

- Rehearsals Wednesdays 6:30pm in the Choir Loft
- Contact: Chris Cardona ccardona@ctkmemphis.com

Instrumentalists and Vocalists

Opportunities are available for experienced solo or small group instrumental and vocal pieces in worship.

- Contact: Genie Swan, 901-827-9223 gswan@ctkmemphis.com

Handbell Choir

The Handbell Choir is made up of members working together to form an independent handbell ensemble that performs during services and special events.

- Contact: churchoffice@ctkmemphis.com 901-682-8404

DISCIPLESHIP

"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." Romans 12:2

We grow through Word and Sacrament to a deeper understanding of the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Board of Christian Growth

Members of the Board of Christian Growth work with the Pastors to help select biblical studies and develop curriculum that is true to the teaching of LCMS doctrine.

- Contact: Kitty Kosman, 901-682-8404 christiangrowth@ctkmemphis.com

Adult Bible Studies

Sunday Morning – 10:00 -10:45am

- Various offerings throughout the year.
- See separate listings in the weekly bulletin.
- Contact: Kitty Kosman, 901-682-8404 christiangrowth@ctkmemphis.com

Adult Instruction/Prospective Member Class

The Adult Instruction/Prospective Member Class is Pastor-led instruction for adults who desire to learn more about what it means to be Lutheran and for those who are interested in joining the body of CTK believers in membership.

- Class is offered in the spring & fall for 6- week sessions
- Contact: Rev. Mark Goble, 901-682-8404 markgoble@comcast.net

Church Library

Volunteers are needed to help with the processing and circulation of books in the Church Library on a rotating basis. We also welcome member review of books in our library for our CTK monthly newsletter.

- Contact: Church Office 901-682-8404 churchoffice@ctkmemphis.com

Men's Ministry

Men's Ministry serves all adult men of CTK and their guests from the community, offering a weekly Bible Study at 7:00am on Tuesdays, as well as opportunities to serve the community, including regularly scheduled dinners at Calvary Rescue Mission.

- Contact: Gary Osing, 901-326-6737 garyosing@gmail.com

Wednesday Bible Study

Pastor-led class that explores, studies, and discusses God's Holy Word.

- Wednesday, 10:00am
- Contact: 901-682-8404 churchoffice@ctkmemphis.com

Home/Small Group Studies

These small groups meet in various homes or places in the community, at various days & times, and study topics of choice. Deepen your faith, share common interests, develop a community, invite non-members to join you! Fellowship and service opportunities are also included. New hosts and leaders are always welcome.

- Contact: Genie Swan 901-827-9223 gswan@ctkmemphis.com

Women's Studies

In-depth Bible studies give women the opportunity to grow in faith and in their relationship with Christ through a better understanding of God's Word. Studies involve out-of-class reading and "homework," and are offered on a semester basis in the fall and spring.

- Contact: Laura Greinke, 901-754-9983 lgreinke623@gmail.com
Kitty Kosman, 901-682-8404 kkosman@ctkmemphis.com

SERVING THE CHURCH, THE COMMUNITY, & THE WORLD

"...through love serve one another." Galatians 5:13

Evangelism Committee

This committee guides the congregation in seeking the lost by inviting the community to join us in knowing our Savior and serving others as members of the Body of Christ.

- Contact: Steven Andrews, outreach@ctkmemphis.com

Multi Media Ministry

Radio: Preparing portions of weekly services for broadcast on the radio.

Live Video Streaming: Producing the weekly broadcast of our Sunday services for those who are home-bound, traveling, or visitors looking for a theologically sound worship service

Website: Maintaining content so that visitors and members are kept informed.

- Contact: Steven Andrews outreach@ctkmemphis.com

Visitation Committee

"Blessed be the one who took notice of you." Ruth 2:19

We acknowledge all first-time visitors in the Memphis area worshipping at Christ the King. Our committee members make phone calls or personal contact with each to answer questions and invite them to return to add their songs of praise to ours and share our joy in the Lord.

- Contact: Georgia Clark, 901-787-6690 georgiaklein@yahoo.com

Connect Class

This class is offered twice a year to new and prospective members, connecting them with their Christ the King family by providing information on worship, service, and fellowship opportunities.

- Contact: Genie Swan, 901-827-9223 gswan@ctkmemphis.com

Nehemiah's

Join these volunteers who serve Christ the King by working on various projects including yardwork, gardening, setting up for special events, minor construction, plumbing, electrical, painting, trimming, maintenance, repair, and simply helping out around the campus. This group also works on projects at members' homes where additional needs exist. Collectively we are jacks of all trades, masters of none, and continually learn from each other. No special skills required. We meet Tuesday mornings for work, food, and devotions, and sometimes get our hands and clothes a little dirty, but with a great group of people who enjoy fun, fellowship, camaraderie, and a feeling of fulfillment to CTK and each other.

- Contact: Jim Devan j_devan@bellsouth.net

Woodworking

Novice to expert, if you are interested in woodworking — learning it, teaching it, creating through it — join the Woodworking Group at the Nehemiahs' workshop on CTK's campus. We meet every Thursday at 7:00pm.

Contact: Jim Devan j_devan@bellsouth.net

Care Team

The CTK Care Team is dedicated to keeping in touch with members and friends who are confined to their home or care facility and can no longer attend church services and activities regularly. Whether by regular phone calls, uplifting cards, personal visits, helping hands, or emails, those who serve reach out with the love of Jesus to ensure our Care Receivers know they are valued by our church family.

· Contact: Janet Rudd, ruddmann@bellsouth.net 901-722-8475

Prayer Ministry

The Prayer Ministry includes members who lift up prayers of need and concern as well as those of thanksgiving and praise. Prayers are sent out by e-mail.

· Contact: Jackie Butler kittyjs1@comcast.net

Sharing Meals Ministry

Over the years many caring people have provided meals to individuals and families of CTK in time of need through the Sharing Meals Ministry. During an illness or a new baby in the family, or the difficult time following the loss of a loved one, being able to provide meals is a tangible way we can show the love of Jesus to our extended church family. A Bereavement Team may also provide a meal after a funeral service.

· Contact: Georgia Clark, 901-787-6690 georgiaklein@yahoo.com

Connection Team

If you are outgoing and love meeting new people and talking about CTK, then the Connection Team is the place to serve! Demonstrate CTK hospitality by taking new visitors under your wing, introducing them to the Pastors, and helping them to find their way. We also staff the Information Desk after each service.

· Contact: Genie Swan, 901-827-9223 gswan@ctkmemphis.com

Stepping Stones Book Club

The Stepping Stones Book Club is designed for women who like to read and who enjoy discussing themes and sharing personal connections to what they have read. We meet once every two months and bring snacks to share while enjoying fellowship.

· Contact: Jean Schmidt schmidtjis@aol.com

Comfort Dog Ministry

The Comfort Dog Ministry consists of a team of handlers and helpers and our Golden Retriever acquired from the Comfort Dog team at Lutheran Church Charities. Job Comfort Dog is an AKC-registered dog that has received months of training in preparation for sharing compassion and comfort with those who are in need and hurting. The dog serves as a bridge for us to share Jesus' mercy and love to those in our community and beyond. We visit nursing homes, schools, homebound friends, libraries, veterans' events...wherever we are invited, including deployments in times of tragic circumstances across the country. Servant opportunities include Handlers and Ministry helpers. Ministry helpers can assist in visits, photography, social media, bulletin boards, booth displays, and planning and hosting Job-related events.

- Contact: Genie Swan, 901-827-9223 gswan@ctkmemphis.com

In addition, we are looking forward to acquiring a second Comfort Dog to serve alongside Job! We welcome volunteers for the position of Caregiver, handlers, and ministry partners.

- Contact: Dianna Garner, 901-237-6111
diannagarner@comcast.net

Faith in Action

Faith in Action is a committee that involves the church in serving those in need. Come use your time, talents, and treasures with other members to share Christ's love with our congregation, community, and the world through volunteering, fundraising, and fellowship. FedExFamilyHouse, the Haitian Mandou School, and Habitat for Humanity are just a few of the entities we serve. The Annual Chili Bowl and our Special Abilities Art Nights are examples of our service to the community and beyond.

- Contact: Caroline Johnson soprano1716@comcast.net

Calvary Rescue Mission

Many year's ago, Christ the King's Men's Ministry adopted Calvary Rescue Mission as its community outreach. On the third Sunday of each month, the men and their wives prepare and serve a hearty dinner for residents and staff. It is a fulfilling time of fellowship, worship, and service to others.

Contact: Gary Osing 901-326-6737
garyosing@gmail.com

Room In The Inn *"I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40*

Room In The Inn (RITI) Memphis is a non-profit organization which coordinates congregations across Memphis to provide shelter, food, a warm bed, and loving compassion to those in need. Christ the King is a host congregation and serves on the 2nd & 3rd Tuesdays of each month (except April and October). All guests are registered and evaluated before they arrive at CTK. (RITI maintains a zero tolerance policy for alcohol and drugs to ensure the safety of both guests and volunteers.) There are many opportunities to volunteer, whether you would like to cook a meal, set up cots and prepare the rooms, interact with our guests, wash linens, or much more. We hope you will join our team!

- Contact: Clarice Hunt 901-237-8216
- Christy Hill 901-682-8404 chill@ctkmemphis.com

LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League)

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League is the official women's auxiliary of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has focused on affirming each woman's relationship with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and in support of global missions. We believe that women value the friendship, support, and encouragement from other women and we strive to offer warm, welcoming opportunities for women to grow in faith and relationships as sisters in Christ. Join us as we get together on the third Thursday each month at 5:30pm.

- Contact: Pam Barnes pbarnes52@gmail.com

Missions: Tanzania

You have heard the stories about the baptism of hundreds in Tanzania and how the Lord is working in the lives of the people. We would like to present you with the opportunity to witness His work, first hand! Our outreach-centered bi-annual mission trip focuses on outreach to the Sukuma tribe located in a group of villages in the South East of Lake Victoria District (SELVD). Sukuma, Tanzania's largest tribe, is comprised of 8 million people. Only 20% of them are either Christian or Muslim; the others believe in superstitions, magic, ancestor worship, and traditional religions. Most are farmers, merchants, builders, and traditional doctors living in the countryside. This is where the SELVD and East of Lake Victoria (ELVD) dioceses of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania (ELCT) work, currently in collaboration with the Mid-South District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, sharing the Gospel with 8 million Sukuma.

- Contact: Mike & Cindy Jurgensen, 901-853-5185 c3jorgen@gmail.com

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

"...if there is any fellowship of the Spirit...make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose." Philippians 2:12

Board of Fellowship

The Board of Fellowship exists to create, expand, and publicize inter-generational events that bring together church and school families. This includes Cop Stops, veterans recognitions, movie nights, pre-service dinners during Advent and Lent, receptions for special occasions and services, Thanksgiving Cider and Scones, CTK Night at the Theatre, Pastor Appreciation, church anniversaries, ordinations, installations, and other celebrations in the life of the congregation. We welcome those interested in planning and publicizing Fellowship activities and assisting with hosting duties.

- Contact: Genie Swan, 901-827-9223 gswan@ctkmemphis.com

Monthly Potlucks

Gather with other CTK members and friends every fourth Sunday of the month to enjoy everyone's favorites from their kitchens (or nearby grocery stores). Volunteers are always welcome to assist with organizing, publicity, and clean up.

- Contact: Carol Kutteh cckutteh@yahoo.com

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