

August 2022

Alive and Growing Through God's Grace

The Advocate

"Welcome to the Advocate!"

A publication of celebrations and happenings in the lives of CTK family and friends. Formerly, the Advocate was a printed newsletter with church information. This Advocate (will be printed for those that would like it) will summarize what's happened, and give a preview to new events coming your way! So keep a lookout for the publication. Birthdays and Anniversaries near the bottom!

A Letter from the Pastor



God's people at Christ the King:

What a difference a year makes. The executive committee and council have been reflecting on where we are today post disclosure meeting last summer after the resignation of an employee.

Here's a recap: The congregation held cottage meetings with trained facilitators empowering members to speak about feelings and bringing items noted to the council. Council used the appreciative inquiry model: noting patterns of strength, resilience, and health; as well as patterns of brokenness and problems in the church system. At the fall council retreat, there was discussion about where do we go from here using Isaiah 43 for Bible study.

Since then, we've been listening, monitoring the environment, and moving forward with faith. Creating a 'safe' environment was made part of the ministry initiatives for 2022. There have been sermons with applicable messages such as: no one person brought us through covid, only Jesus alone saves us; holding one another accountable for actions; and what it means to be community. CTK has focused on its mission, worked on lines of communication and transparency, and practices curiosity. The "chili and conversation" EPIC event hosted a speaker who spoke about safe dating. The Education team is working on a "safe spaces" policy for the youth, children, and vulnerable adults.

What a difference this year has made, beloved community. I have seen God in hearts healing and hoping, members reaching out to one another, choir members blending voices, joyful singing at worship, attending Bible Studies, EPIC events, cleaning up the grounds, sprucing up the interior, reinvigorating the play room. I see God in each of you through you all, witness that CTK is alive and growing in God's grace! Thanks be to God!

Shalom, Pr. Jackie

This week's bulletin

Life Together Summer 2022 Notes from the Bishop

"God's Work, Our Hands"

This phrase has also been adopted by one of our companion synods, the Diocese of Meru in Tanzania, at the direction of their bishop, Elias Kitoi Nasari, who served as a pastor in our synod for 13 years. It will serve as the theme of their upcoming Diocesan Assembly, August 18-21.

As I reflect on this phrase and how I might begin to explore it with our Tanzanian partners, I must admit there are times when it all feels overwhelming. For starters, do we even agree on what God's work is? Every week, we pray for God's kingdom to come and God's will to be done on earth as it is in heaven, but would we even recognize that if it came to pass?

In times like these, my thoughts often return to a poem I heard many years ago, when I was a college student. Written by a Polish poet, Czeslaw Milosz, who won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1980, it is titled "On Angels." He describes the debate over angels' existence, and finally cites a voice that he hears as "valid proof" that angels indeed exist. The poem concludes,

I have heard that voice many a time when asleep and, what is strange, I understood more or less an order or an appeal in an unearthly tongue: day draws near another one do what you can.

The road is long, the work is huge, and none of us can complete it on our own. But we can all do something, and God invites us and empowers us to do what we can to chip away at the walls of oppression, division, and injustice, that we might fashion together a world of mercy, reconciliation, and hope. In Christ, Bishop Paul Erickson

Read the full Poem<u>Here</u>

See the whole article and other news here

CTK friends,

Brian Muente has decided to step down from the Youth and Education Committee Leader and Council Position effective on 07/31/2022.

During Brian's time of leadership he worked tirelessly with Summer and EPIC (Every Person in Christ) to bring a robust program for families to fruition and during the difficult time of the pandemic. They offered Christian growth through weekly object lessons in worship and online, and Sunday activities to engrain the lessons of the week. Special Christmas and Easter activities were also held to enhance these special times of the year as well as a successful vacation Bible School.

In supporting the Faith FormationCoordinator there were fun monthly activities for all ages including dancing through the decades, Junk days and chilli contest. Rally day became a full blown event with hotdog lunch, paper airplane challenge, bubbles and even pie the pastor!

Thank you, Brian, for your leadership as Youth and Education leader. Through your work, you are a great example of being Alive and Growing through God's Grace.

PLEASE NOTE: If you see "Message Clipped: <u>View entire message</u>" in this email, that is not the end! There are more announcements! Click "View entire message" to read more.

EPIC is off for the summer but Worship is not! All children are welcome in 9:00 am Sunday worship service. God's work is waiting for them. We have busy bags on the shelves along with crayons, colored pencils, puzzles, and a children's bulletin. Ask an usher for help or help yourselves. Summer is the time for families to be together, worship included!



There is a **Faith Formation/Sunday School** Brainstorming meetings set with parents on Sunday, **July 31s**t at 10:30 am after worship. Please attend to have input. The meeting is in the Bell Room.



Networking alone is responsible for filling as many as 85% of all jobs. Help us by spreading the word!

You can tell them this... We are searching for a Faith Formation Coordinator to work with Pastor and the Education Team in developing, planning, and implementing activities related to faith formation in Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, and the Confirmation Program. The job description is posted below and on our website.

It's part-time and flexible. Who do you know? If you or someone you know who might be interested in this position, please contact Toni Schnorr at 262-416-8012 or **personnel@ctkdelafield.org**

Our open position

Committees/Meetings

Property and Grounds: Mondays at 6:30PM Re-entry: as needed. Worship and Music: 2nd Monday of the month at 6:30 PM Executive Team: 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM Church Council: 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM Education: 3rd Tues. every month Outreach: 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry 2nd and 4th Mondays at 1 pm (All knitters welcome) ***Not meeting in August.** Men's Bible Study: Fridays at 7:00 AM Boys' Breakfast Bible Study: 1st & 3rd Saturdays at 8:00 AM (at CTK & via Zoom) Al Anon: Monday 6:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous every Friday 7:00pm

July 31st 10:30 am after worship. Faith Formation/Sunday school brainstorming meeting with parents. August 9 Primary voting in the Great Hall Aug. 15 and 29 Women of the Torah Bible Study Everyone welcome /no Experience is necessary September 11 Rally Day Sept 12 & 19 Women of the Torah Bible Study Everyone welcome /no Experience is necessary September 24 Outreach for Hope Fall Bike/Run register NOW

Feel free to attend a committee meeting of your choice to be part of the exciting things happening at CTK!

Please remember events and times are subject to change due to local COVID safety measures. Please see the CTK calendar on the website for updates!



Please send a card of support and healing to Geraldine Jones, Crossroads Care Center, N26W23977 Watertown Road, Waukesha, Wi. 53188. Sylvia, Care Ministry, has been visiting her but she would love to hear from others. Be sure to write her name as Geraldine. If you just put Geri it doesn't seem to get to her.

Living Water Project

The Living Water Project -This project was introduced to our congregation by Kate Beiler a few years ago. She gave a presentation on July 3 to show you how this program helps those in need. With your support, we purchased a well for an underdeveloped country that desperately needed clean water. Since then the



pandemic hit and the project was out of mind, but not the water problem for others. Currently, we have \$1,667.13. Wells start at \$2500. **If 35 people gave \$20 each** we could purchase another well that is terribly needed. Let's hit the goal by the end of August!





Many thanks to all who generously contributed to the Italian Basket to be bid on at the Family Promise Golf Outing on 7/29. We had a phenomenal response to the basket collection and were able to assemble a really fabulous basket to benefit Family Promise. Our congregation always responds to collections and outreach endeavors so generously..... we are truly grateful! God's Work... Our Hands, Outreach Committee

New ----988 Suicide & Crisis Lifelin e ----free and confidential support for anyone experiencing a suicidal, mental health, and/or substance use crisis. People of all ages who need help for themselves or a loved one can access the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline by:

- Calling 988 (multiple languages).
- Sending a text message to 988 (English only).
- Using the chat feature at <u>988lifeline.org</u> (English only).
- The 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline is the new name for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, which has been available since 2005.

Wisconsinites who use the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline will connect with Wisconsin Lifeline, an in-state support center where trained counselors answer calls and texts. Wisconsin Lifeline counselors are trained to reduce stress, provide emotional support, and connect people with local resources. The helpline is available at no cost to Wisconsin residents. Additional care or intervention that may result from contact with the Wisconsin Lifeline may come with a cost. Wisconsin Lifeline is not able to send an in-person response directly. An in-person response requires a transfer to another service and could involve law enforcement.

Calls, texts, and chats with Wisconsin Lifeline are kept confidential between the person and counselor, unless there is imminent danger for the person or others.

Register NOW September 24, 2022 OUTREACH FOR HOPE 2022 Family Ride Run Walk together in HOPE

The Outreach for Hope Family Ride Run Walk is our largest annual fundraiser. Your support for this event funds grants to central city congregations in the Greater Milwaukee Synod, ELCA! These **Ministry Partners** across Southeast Wisconsin not only provide help with daily necessities like food and clothing pantries, youth programs, neighborhood stores, and medical clinics; they are centers of transformation and hope in the heart of their communities.

Four in-person event sites offer a variety of road and trail bike rides, a 2-mile walk, and a NEW 5K run! Waukesha County/Ozaukee County Racine/Kenosha County/ Milwaukee County

Registration Is Opens Now: OFHRRW.org https://outreachforhope.org/ride-run-walk/

A Pacesetter is needed to help coordinate at CTK for 2022. Please contact Pr. Jackie for more information

Register Here



Our 36th Annual Lutherdale Fest Quilt Auction is Saturday, August 13, 2022.

The live auction will begin at 10:00 AM. Come enjoy the beauty, workmanship, and creativity of the 300+ quilts in this year's auction with your friends, neighbors, and families. This outdoor event runs from 9 AM - 3 PM.
The quilt auction, conducted by professional auctioneer, Gary Finley, will showcase quilts of all sizes from quilters across the country!

Browse and bid on silent auction items, shop in the gift gallery, and find great deals on fabric & craft supplies! Enjoy a delicious lunchtime menu of BBQ Sandwich or Turkey Wrap, Potato Salad, Applesauce, Cookie, and Bottled Water or choose items from an a la carte menu of brats, hot dogs, popcorn, snacks, and beverages. All food will be served near the auction area.

Don't miss the opportunity to take part in <u>Pre-Fest</u> activities on Friday, August 12 from 4 - 7 PM .

- View & submit bids on quilts.
- Browse our gift gallery filled with handmade items, quilts, maple syrup, honey, and Lutherdale clothing!
- Browse and place bids on 40+ silent auction items given by local businesses and generous donors.
- Discover great deals on fabric, patterns, fiber fill, and so much more!

A <u>Wisconsin Fish Fry</u> will also be available Friday, August 12

for inside and outside dining or carryout. Meal tickets are \$18 for adults and \$10 for youth 10 years old and under. Order meal tickets in advance, online or buy tickets at the door.

Quilts donated for 2022 are available for viewing on our website. Front, back, and up-close images of each quilt, including details are provided.

*Quilts will continue to be uploaded until July 15, 2022. Lutherdale is grateful for the continued support of quilters. Thanks to many quilters, donors, volunteers, loyal friends and Thrivent, Lutherdale's Fest Quilt Auction raises funds that help young people experience the life-changing outdoor ministry of Lutherdale.



Birthdays

Armiger, Blake August 1 Von Haden, Maryellen August 1 Groh, Jule August 3 Zikeli, Tim August 3 Birdsall, Susan August 4 Dowd, Andrew August 4 Wilson, JoAnn August 4 Ketter, Andrew August 7 Irwin, Wayne August 9 Ketter, Natalie August 10 Mantey, Elizabeth August 11 Hansen, Kathy August 12 Irwin, Michael August 12 Larson, Nikolas August 12 Danielson, Scott August 13 LaFond, Arthur August 13 McNamara, Valerie August 13 Schueneman, Renee August 13 Ganung, Ariel August 14 Robinson, Jane August 15 Palmer, Jack August 16 Brammeier Zayas, Jason August 17 Fuller, Scott August 17 Hansen, Brenna August 17 Galassini, Jared August 18 Hinkens, Jayne August 20 Wilson, Gary August 20 Hollister, Joseph August 21 Kohl, Sue August 21 Yurchich, Petra August 22 Brammeier Zayas, Evan August 23 Raabe, Ron August 23

Schueneman, Todd August 23 Scherf, Jennifer August 25 Udovich, Brynn August 25 Varrelmann, Will August 25 Voss, James August 25 Wilson, Richard August 25 Brammeier, Derek August 27 Oleson, Scott August 28 Pagels, Penny August 31

August Anniversaries

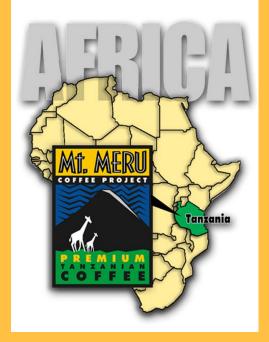
Michael & Meredy Hase August 1 Robert & Jeri Rooney August 1 Brian Udovich & Kirsten Davies August 4 Daniel & Amy Bonesho August 7 Craig & Sheryl Kuhary August 13 Gary & Ellen Dowd August 14 George & Donna Finch August 14 Stanley & Barbara Justman August 14 Richard & Laura Marusinec August 14 Megan Passo August 14 Fredrik & Janell Petersen August 14 Rick & Maryellen Von Haden August 14 Donald & Valerie Gottschalk August 17 Teri Borgwardt August 18 Brian & Tina Christy August 18 Greg & Mary Totel August 18 Roland & Elaine Broberg August 19 Glenda & Gerald Dolphin August 19 Gary & JoAnn Wilson August 21 Wayne & Kathleen Grandy August 23 Elizabeth Williams August 23 Richard & Suzanne Rutledge August 24 Linda & Robert Hamilton August 26 Ronald & Nancy Bewer August 29 Robert & Pamela Kroening August 30

Established in 1999, the Project enables the small coffee farmers living on the slopes of Mount Meru in Tanzania to have funds available to send their children to school, access and pay for health care, and to support local farm villages, markets, and merchants. The Project provides small farmers with a fair price for their premium coffee. A fair price provides an increase in farm income, allowing the farmers to support their families with dignity.

Purchasing and drinking Mt. Meru Premium Tanzanian Coffee is the single most important way in which individuals, congregations, and businesses can support thousands of family coffee farmers in Tanzania. This is the coffee we use for Fellowship hour after worship on Sunday. **Click below to**



purchase your own.



Visit our website

We use **Mt Meru Coffee** in the church kitchen for events and after worship fellowship. The price has gone up so please donate at the fellowship.

Golfing "fore" a Cause







Monday, September 19, 2022 Western Lakes Golf Club, Pewaukee

EVENT SCHEDULE

9:00 AM - Registration & Breakfast 10:30 AM - Shotgun Start 3:30 PM - Food, Drinks, Raffle & Program 5:00 PM - Raffle Drawings

Tees for Keys will be held rain or shine.



Join us for our 2nd

Please register by August 31st.

Help six families obtain homeownership! Our 2022 Tees For Keys goal is to raise \$50,000 to go toward building three new townhomes in Prairieville Village.

Annual Tees for Keys Golf Outing! To Reserve Your Spot, Click Below!

Visit our website

What are the Ministry Initiatives?

· Christ's the King's overarching goals for 2022

• Birthed out of listening to the hopes and dreams of committees and members as well as the changing church environment. Our 2022 goal---like the name of the stewardship campaign-- is "Building a solid foundation."

- Provide direction moving forward in faith and building a strong foundation.
- · Create excitement and hope for the future.

• Together, let us find ways to implement them moving forward boldly into God's future so that Every Person In Christ grows in faith.

2022 Ministry Initiatives

- □ Reach more people with the love of Jesus
- o Invest in our Faith Formation coordinator
- $\circ~$ Provide intergenerational activities, education, and fellowship.
- o Build one another up, supporting every person in Christ
- Experience an EPIC year--- Every Person In Christ will grow spirituality
- □ Build a foundation of joyful music
- o Sing God's praises through joyful music ministry
- o Fund skilled music leadership
- Sustain excellence in music programs.
- $\circ~$ Reach out to the community through concerts and musical offerings
- □ Sustain ministry excellence
- o Build connections with the community through outreach programs
- o Provide vibrant and creative fellowship activities
- o Improve communications to inform community members about upcoming events
- $_{\rm o}$ Educate and train for healthy and safe worship and education environment, reaching
- all age groups.
- $\circ~$ Maintain and improve our facility.

Things to submit to the "Advocate" should be sent to office@ctkdelafield.org by Sept 20th.

Pastor Jackie Cook Office Coordinator - Maggie Thompson Music Director - Marisa Tyksinski Faith Formation Coordinator - OPEN Office hours: Mon. - Thurs 9am-3pm Friday 9 am - noon Worship Sundays at 9 am