

Thank you for joining CTK in worship today. If you are interested in learning more about becoming a member, please email us at ctk@ctkelc.org.

This Week at Christ the King Church

Sunday, August 31

8:30 a.m. Worship, RVC nave
9:00 a.m. Kings Krewe Breakfast, RVC parish hall
9:00 a.m. UMOJA Worship, Memorial Drive Campus
9:45 a.m. Summer Book Review, parish hall
9:45 a.m. CYF Round Table Conversation, RVC 2nd floor youth room
11:00 a.m. Worship, RVC nave
5:30 p.m. Faith Night at Baseball Game

Labor Day Office Closed: Monday, September 1

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home
12:00 p.m. Lectio Divina, online

Tuesday, September 2

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer at home
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, RVC
6:30 p.m. D&D Meeting, offsite

Wednesday, September 3

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home
6:15 p.m. Brass Choir Rehearsal, RVC Music Suite
7:00 p.m. Brass Quintet Rehearsal, RVC parish hall
7:00 p.m. Prayers Shawl Knitters, online
7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, music suite

Thursday, September 4

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home
10:30 a.m. Piecemakers, RVC 3rd floor conference room
5:45 p.m. Houston Boychoir Rehearsal, RVC music suite & nave

Friday, September 5

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home

Saturday, September 6

1:00 p.m. Online Yoga
6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, RVC nave

Sunday, September 7

8:30 a.m. Worship, RVC nave
9:00 a.m. Kings Krewe Breakfast, RVC parish hall
9:00 a.m. UMOJA Worship, Memorial Drive Campus
9:45 a.m. Music Gathering, RVC music suite
9:45 a.m. Rally Day Celebration, RVC parish hall
10:00 a.m. Godly Play, RVC
10:00 a.m. Confirmation Class, RVC 2nd floor youth room
10:20 a.m. Choir Rehearsal, RVC nave
11:00 a.m. Worship, RVC nave
12:15 p.m. Luther League Meeting, RVC 2nd floor council room

Altar Guild Update:

Newly re-covered kneelers at the altar rail have returned. Thank you, Altar Guild!

Congregation Council Nominee Recommendations

The Nominating Committee is requesting recommendations for voting members who are interested in serving on the Congregation Council for a three-year term beginning January 1, 2026. New this year – The number of nominees will exceed, by at least two, the number of open positions. This year we anticipate election of three people from a slate of at least five candidates. You may recommend yourself and/or other voting members to the Nominating Committee for consideration. Recommendations should be sent to Terri Koehler, Chair of the Nominating Committee, at Theresa.m.koehler@uth.tmc.edu. The deadline for receipt is **Friday, September 5, 2025**.

King's Breakfast Krewe

Enjoy Breakfast every Sunday morning, beginning at 9:00 a.m., between the services. Consider donating a small amount to help cover the cost of supplies. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Oliver Doolin or Ron Siemers. Scan the QR code to volunteer to help out the King's Breakfast Krewe



Sunday Mornings at 9:45 a.m.

Join us each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. for fellowship and connection with your church families. There are numerous opportunities to spend time together between our services, including tours for learning about our Rice Village church campus, coffee and fellowship time, bible studies, and more.

Upcoming Topics:

August 31: Summer Book Review (parish hall)

September 7: Rally Day: Educational Offerings (Adult, Youth, and Children)

September 14: Celebration of Pastor Sergio Rodriguez

September 21: Guatemala Trip Report

September 28: Council Fireside

Summer Book Reviews: Sundays at 9:45 a.m.

On Sunday mornings throughout the summer, Christ the King Church members and friends will be offering book reviews with topics ranging from religious/ethical concerns to matters within society and the world. These reviews will be offered in a hybrid format, for folks to participate both in-person and online.

- **August 31:** Every Valley: The Desperate Lives and Troubled Times That Made Handel's Messiah by Charles King with Linda Alexander

Bible Studies at Christ the King Church

Wednesday Bible Study at Christ the King Memorial Drive campus will resume on Wednesday, September 10 at 10am. Pastor Derr will lead this study entitled "Jesus and the New Age" on the Gospel According to Luke. In person only. Beginning September 17, a brief service of holy communion will follow each study.

Friday Bible Study at Christ the King Rice campus will resume on Friday, September 12 at 10am. Pastor Derr will lead this study title “We believe, teach and confess” on the Augsburg Confession, the primary statement of Lutheran teachings from 1530. In-person and via ZOOM (link to follow).

Faith and Family Night at Space Cowboys: August 31, Gates open at 5:30 PM | First Pitch 6:35 PM.

Join Deacon Ben Remmert and his family for a last summer night at the baseball park watching the Houston Space Cowboys take on the Albuquerque Isotopes at Constellation Field in Sugarland.

Church Choir Starts Back Up: September 3 at 7:15 p.m.

The church choir will be starting back up on Wednesday, September 3rd. The choir will be blessed during worship on Sunday, September 7th. If you have any questions, please contact cantor Ben Kerswell at benkerswell@ctkelc.org.

Milestone Celebration: Bible Presentation for Third Grade and New Confirmation Students on September 7

All new third grade and new confirmation students will be presented with Bibles to celebrate their milestones. We rejoice with the children who have reached the stage when reading has become a tool for learning and our confirmation students begin a new chapter in their faith journey. This milestone celebration will take place during worship at the 11:00 a.m. service. If you have a 3rd grader in your family, please contact Deacon Ben Remmert at benremmert@ctkelc.org by Wednesday, September 3.

Rally Day Sunday: Sunday, September 7 at 9:30 a.m.

Join us for the start of our new Sunday School year with Breakfast Tacos by the Breakfast Krewe! Children, youth, and parents will meet in the parish hall for a short program recognizing this year's teachers, classes, and upcoming program year. Children and youth will be dismissed to be with their teachers. Musical Gatherings and Regular Godly Play classes will be offered every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. beginning on Sunday, September 14.

Confirmation Classes Start back up on September 7

Confirmation Class orientation is on Rally Day Sunday on September 7. Weekly classes for students are Sundays at 9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m. beginning September 14 with hybrid in-person and online. New students are welcome anytime.

Welcome to Luther League Lunch: September 7 at 12:15 p.m.

High School youth and their parents are invited to our first Youth and Family luncheon of the year on Sunday, September 7 at 12:15 p.m. We will gather to discuss the upcoming 2026 summer youth trip as well as our upcoming program year.

All the youth and parents are encouraged to bring a beverage or dessert to share with the group (and Deacon Ben will provide the main dish and sides). Please make sure to contact Ben Remmert if you are bringing an item to share.

Houston Food Bank Volunteering: Saturday, September 13 at 8:00 a.m.

As we enjoy summer, we're also preparing for the Christ the King group's volunteering outing to the Houston Food Bank on Saturday, September 13.

When: 8:00am to 12:00pm

Where: 535 Portwall St., Houston, TX 77029

Attire: Closed-toe shoes, pants, sleeved shirt (short or long sleeves).

Contact: Contact ctkhfb@gmail.com for more information. Carpooling request? If needed, it will leave the church parking lot at 7:30 am. Please specify if you wish to carpool so we can be sure to send someone there before heading to the Houston Food Bank.

Snacks Volunteers Needed: We need volunteers to provide snacks after worship for: September 7, 14, 21, 28 at 11:00 a.m. You can sign up by scanning the QR Code. Plan to provide snacks for 30 people. All monetary donations received at the snack table will benefit ELCA World Hunger. Thank you for signing up!



Parking Options and Directions for Christ the King Church

Parking entrance off Greenbriar Drive only. The parking spots closest to the church building are for persons with limited mobility and families with young children.

The temporary gravel area, across from the church building, nearest to the wooden fence, is for parking of vehicles facing towards Greenbriar Drive. This allows for two-way traffic, in and out of the gravel lot, to exit either to the left through the alleyway onto Chaucer Drive or to the right onto Greenbriar Drive. The exit to University Place through the adjacent parking lot is now closed.

Additional parking is available in the Rice University stadium parking lot off Rice Boulevard, Entrance 16 or off Greenbriar Drive, Entrance 13A. If the gate is not raised, please press the intercom and tell the person who answers that you are going to worship at Christ the King Church.

Please do not park on Chaucer Drive or on the Veterinarian Clinic lot at Greenbriar and Rice. Your car will be towed.

Access into the church building on Saturdays and Sundays may be made through the Narthex doors; via the side ramp into the Parish Hall/Education Wing foyer; or through the cloister off Rice Boulevard. Access into the church building on weekdays is via the side ramp into the Parish Hall/Education Wing foyer.