

## This Week at Christ the King Church

### Sunday, October 5

8:30 a.m. Worship, RVC nave  
9:00 a.m. Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center  
Blood Drive, RVC parish hall  
9:00 a.m. Kings Krewe Breakfast, RVC courtyard  
9:00 a.m. UMOJA Worship, Memorial Drive  
Campus  
9:30 a.m. Music Gathering, RVC music suite  
9:30 a.m. Justice Advocacy Event, RVC courtyard  
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, adult basement  
classroom  
9:45 a.m. Confirmation Class, RVC 2nd floor  
youth room  
10:00 a.m. Godly Play, RVC  
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  
youth room  
2:30 p.m. PRAY Programs, RVC basement adult  
classroom and 2nd floor youth room

### Monday, October 6

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

### Tuesday, October 7

7:30 a.m. Executive Committee Meeting, online  
8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer at home  
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, RVC  
6:30 p.m. D&D Meeting, offsite

### Wednesday, October 8

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home  
10:00 a.m. Bible Study, Memorial Drive Campus  
Luther Room  
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, October 9

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

### Friday, October 10

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home  
10:00 a.m. Bible Study, RVC in person, 2nd floor  
youth room and online

### Saturday, October 11

9:00 a.m. Freewheels Houston, offsite  
9:30 a.m. Native Plant Pollinator, RVC courtyard  
11:00 a.m. Donna Vass Memorial, RVC nave  
1:00 p.m. Online Yoga  
6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship, RVC nave

### Sunday, October 12

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  
9:30 a.m. Music Gathering, RVC music suite  
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall  
9:45 a.m. Confirmation Class, RVC 2nd floor  
youth room  
10:00 a.m. Godly Play, RVC  
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 youth room  
2:30 p.m. PRAY Programs, RVC basement adult  
classroom and 2nd floor youth room

Thank you for joining CTK in worship today. To help us connect with you, please scan the QR code to complete our visitor information form.



### **King's Breakfast Krewe**

Enjoy Breakfast every Sunday morning, beginning at 9:00 a.m., between the services. 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.



### **Christ the King Choir is Always Accepting New Members!**

Love singing hymns here on Sundays? You already have what it takes to join the Christ the King Choir! No prior choir experience is needed. If you enjoy singing, you'll fit right in. We have rehearsal Wednesdays from 7:15–8:30 pm in the Music Suite (basement). Cantor Ben Kerswell will help you find your voice part and get comfortable quickly. Come add your voice to the joy of our worship! Contact Ben at [benkerswell@ctkelc.org](mailto:benkerswell@ctkelc.org).

### **October Mission Offering: Central African Republic (CAR)**

October is CAR Month in our Synod! We celebrate our companion relationship with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Central African Republic (ELC-CAR). This church, founded in 1923, now has over 120,000 members, 389 congregations, and 75 pastors faithfully serving communities in one of the world's most fragile contexts. Join us this month in prayer and support for our siblings in Christ in the heart of Africa!

**Sunday Mornings at 9:45 a.m.** We invite you to grab some breakfast from our Breakfast Krewe and join us in the parish hall for meaningful and fun forums and events.

#### **Upcoming Topics:**

**October 5:** CAR and Peru Companion Synod Conversations, adult basement classroom

**October 12:** Renewing and Refreshing our Spiritual GPS with George Brookover, parish hall

**October 19:** Budget Conversation, parish hall

**October 26:** Renewing and Refreshing our Spiritual GPS with George Brookover (parish hall)  
& Godly Play Martin Luther Story (courtyard)

### **CAR and Peru Companion Synod Conversations: October 5 at 9:45 a.m.**

Join us in the adult basement classroom to hear testimonies from our CAR and PERU companion synod team members to learn about our partners in ministry.

### **CTK - Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center Blood Drive: Sunday October 5th at 9:00 a.m.**

Christ the King Rice Village campus will be hosting a blood drive on Sunday, October 5 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. in the parish hall. We would love for you to sign up for this blood drive if you are able to do so. You will receive a Lonestar Lifesaver t-shirt, a coupon for a free pint of beer at Saint Arnold Brewery (21+) and A1c pre-diabetes testing. **Scan the QR code to register.** Thank you for being willing to save a life! And P.S. – Please share this with friends and family! Not able to donate on October 5? No worries, you can donate at any Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center donation site and provide the Sponsor Code: CTKC.



**Justice Advocacy Event: Sunday, October 5, 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Rice Village Campus courtyard**

The Justice Advocacy Ministry at Christ the King Rice invites you to advocate. You'll find a variety of justice issues on which you can "speak up" – including eco-justice - either by signing a pre-printed letter or postcard, using your phone to scan a QR code, or using the laptop provided to do e-advocacy. Raise your voice for justice and use your hands to do God's work of justice!

**Bible Studies at Christ the King Church**

**Wednesday Bible Study – Memorial Drive Campus, Luther room**

Join us at 10:00 a.m. for an in-person Bible study led by Pastor Derr, titled "*Jesus and the New Age*," on the Gospel according to Luke.

**Friday Bible Study – Rice Village Campus, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor youth room and online**

Join us at 10:00 a.m. for a Bible study led by Pastor Derr, titled "*We believe, teach and confess*" on the Augsburg Confession, the primary statement of Lutheran teachings from 1530.

**Freewheels Houston Volunteering: Saturday, October 11**

Join us for a time of cleaning and repairing donated bicycles with our friends at Freewheels Houston. All fixed and donated bicycles go to those who need transportation.

**When:** 9:00am to 12:00pm

**Where:** 6020 Jessamine St. #204, Houston 77081

**Attire:** Closed-toe shoes, outdoor work

**Contact:** Bill Chapman at [wpchapman01@gmail.com](mailto:wpchapman01@gmail.com)

**Native Plant Pollinator Garden Party: Saturday, October 11 at 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.**

Christ the King Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd., Houston, TX 77005 (courtyard). Love butterflies and like to garden? Join us to weed and plant more native plants for pollinators in our native plant pollinator garden. Please bring your own gardening gloves and tools.

**Donna Vass Memorial Service**

A service in remembrance of Donna will be held on Saturday, October 11 at 11:00 a.m. at Christ the King, Rice Village campus (in the nave). A reception will follow in the parish hall.

**Renewing & Refreshing Our Spiritual GPS: Sunday, October 12 & 26 at 9:45 a.m.**

Sunday Forum: Renewing and Refreshing our Spiritual GPS with George Brookover at Rice Village Campus in the parish hall.

**Bach Vespers and Community Oktoberfest: Saturday, October 18 at Rice Village Campus**

Vespers 3:00-4:30 p.m. (nave); Community Oktoberfest 4:30-5:30 p.m. (courtyard & parish hall)  
Opening our season with Cantata *Gott der Herr ist Son und Schild*, BWV 79 performed with period instruments and historically informed musicianship. Community Oktoberfest follows with bratwurst from CTK youth group, beer, and a brass band.

**Budget Conversation with Congregation Council: October 19 at 9:45 a.m.**

Join Congregation Council in the parish hall for a discussion of the budget for 2026 year.

### **Competing in Goodness: Oct.19-Nov. 3**

Christ the King Lutheran Church is joining The Minaret Foundation and participating in Competing in Goodness, a competition between faith centers to see who can raise the most food for our local food banks. The competition officially kicks off on October 19th and ends on November 2nd, so bring your food donations to Christ the King during this period. The program's conclusion is a potluck of competing congregations at the Buffalo Soldier's Museum on Sunday, November 3rd from 2:30-5:00 p.m.

### **Luther League Renaissance Fair Trip: Saturday, October 25 at 7 a.m. – 5 p.m.**

Youth are invited to join Deacon Ben Remmert for a day at the Texas Renaissance Fair on Saturday, October 25. We will gather at church to carpool and head over for a day of fun at the nation's largest Renaissance Fair. Cost is \$25 for tickets and participants bring money for snacks, games, or souvenirs. For more details, please contact Deacon Ben Remmert.

### **Trunk or Treat at Christ the King Rice Village Campus!**

Our annual Trunk or Treat experience will be on Sunday, October 26, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at our Rice Campus. This safe and fun activity is for kids Pre-K through 6th grade and the whole family. Children may be dressed in their Halloween costumes or not and go from trunk to trunk in the back parking lot to go "trick or treating" safely together. CTK members will host this event and provide the treats. Babies in strollers and grandparents are also welcome! We will end our Trunk or Treat festivities with a blessing service at 5:45 p.m. to bless the trick or treaters. Pizza will also be provided at that time. Volunteers and/or questions can be directed to Deacon Ben Remmert at [benremmert@ctkelc.org](mailto:benremmert@ctkelc.org). We hope to see you there!

### **Christ the King Festival Sociables are Baaaackkk!**

Christ the King Festival 2025, "Deeply Rooted, Always Growing" celebrates the 80th anniversary of our congregation. Gather with old friends, new friends, and soon-to-be-friends on **Friday, Nov. 21 beginning at 6:30 P.M.** for our annual celebration of community. In addition to food and fun, the festivities will include the raffle drawing for the Piecemakers' Quilt, Auction, Wine Pull, and the ever-popular Sociable Sign-ups! To learn more and sign up, visit: <https://ctkelc.org/pages/ctk-festival-2025--79>

**Snacks Volunteers Needed:** We need volunteers to provide snacks after worship for: October 19, November 2, 9, 16 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!



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