

This Week at Christ the King Church

Easter Sunday, April 5

8:30 a.m. Eucharist Service nave
9:30 a.m. Easter Brunch & Flowering of the Cross
10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt
10:20 a.m. Choir Rehearsal, nave
11:00 a.m. Eucharist Service, nave

Monday, April 6: Church Office Closed

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

Tuesday, April 7

8:00 a.m. Executive Committee Meeting, online
8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer at home
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, 3rd floor conference room
6:30 p.m. D&D Meeting, offsite
7:00 p.m. Property Management Committee Meeting, 3rd floor conference room

Wednesday, April 8

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home
10:00 a.m. Bible Study, Memorial Drive, Luther Room
6:15 p.m. Brass Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite
7:00 p.m. Brass Quintet Rehearsal, parish hall
7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Knitters, online
7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, music suite

Thursday, April 9

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

Friday, April 10

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

Saturday, April 11

9:00 a.m. Freewheels Houston, offsite
10:00 a.m. Texas TreeVentures Gathering, offsite
1:00 p.m. Online Yoga
6:00 p.m. Contemplative Holy Communion, nave

Second Sunday of Easter, April 12

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion, nave
9:00 a.m. Breakfast Krewe, parish hall
9:30 a.m. Justice Advocacy Events, courtyard
9:45 a.m. Music Gathering, Sunday School, Confirmation Class
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
10:20 a.m. Choir Rehearsal, nave
11:00 a.m. Holy Communion & Baptism, nave
12:15 p.m. Luther League Meeting, 2nd floor youth room

Breakfast Krewe: There will be no Breakfast Krewe on Easter Sunday. 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 Breakfast Krewe.



Sunday Forum at 9:45 a.m.: Join us in the parish hall for meaningful and fun forums and events.

April 5: No Forum, instead we invite you to join us for Easter Brunch, Flowering of the Cross and Easter Egg Hunt

April 12: Question & Answer conversation about Adult Faith Formation with Irmi.

April 19: Educating Rostered Leaders at the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago - LSTC President Shauna Hannan.

Easter Potluck Brunch, Flowering of the Cross and Easter Egg Hunt: Sunday, April 5

Festivities begin at 9:30 a.m., immediately following the early service, with a potluck Easter brunch and the Flowering of the Cross, concluding by 10:45 a.m. before the late service begins. The Luther League will provide breakfast tacos, and congregation members are invited to bring additional dishes to share while enjoying fellowship.

The egg hunt starts at 10:00 am, with areas designated for children by age: (Ages 0–2), (Ages 3–5) and (Ages 6 and older).

On Easter Sunday, families are encouraged to bring three things: flowers for the Flowering of the Cross, baskets for each child for the egg hunt, and a side dish to share for the brunch.

Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed on Monday, April 6, in observance of Easter. The office will resume regular hours on Tuesday, April 7.

Bible Studies at Christ the King Church: Led by Pastor Derr

- **Memorial Drive Campus (Luther Room):** Wednesday Bible Study offered in person, focusing on the Eighth Century BCE Prophet: Amos, Hosea, Isaiah, and Micah. Gathering at 10:00 a.m.; Study at 10:30–11:30 a.m.
- **Rice Village Campus (In person/ Second-Floor Youth Room & Zoom):** Friday Bible Study: PHILIPPIANS Christ's Mind on our Mind. A study of Paul's letter to his favorite congregation. April 10 and 17, 2026. 10:00 a.m. Gathering & Refreshments; 10:15 a.m. Opening Prayers; 10:20-11:30 a.m. Study, 11:30 a.m. Closing Prayers and Our Father.

Freewheels Houston Service Day: Saturday, April 11 at 9 a.m.

Join us for a morning of cleaning and repairing donated bicycles with our friends at Freewheels Houston. All bicycles that are fixed and donated will go to individuals who need reliable transportation. The event will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at 6020 Jessamine St. #204 in Houston, TX 77081. Participants should wear closed-toe shoes and clothing suitable for outdoor work. For more information, contact Bill Chapman at wpchapman01@gmail.com.

Justice Advocacy Event: Sunday, April 12 at 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the courtyard

Speak up for justice. For more information, contact Lisa Brenskelle at gcs.lrc@gmail.com. Also on Sunday at 3 p.m., join the online event Saving Water While Saving Souls: Water Conservation at Houses of Worship. More information on these events can be found at <http://creationcares.org>.

Transitions Meeting: Monday, April 13 at 1:00 p.m.

The group will be gathering for lunch. For more information or to RSVP, contact Linda Siemers.

Active Shooter Training: April 18 at noon

All ushers and church volunteers are invited for our church active shooter training lead by our own member Johnny Longoria on Saturday, April 18 at noon – 4 p.m. We will review the best practices to keep our members safe in an emergency.

Spring Cleaning for the Tag Sale

Are you starting your spring cleaning early and decluttering your house? The annual Tag Sale at Christ the King Church will be Saturday April 25, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Take advantage of this event to clean out closets, garages and attics! We will collect items Monday, April 20. All items donated will help in making our tag sale a success. For details, contact Deacon Ben Remmert.

Tag Sale: Saturday, April 25, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. and Sunday, April 26 at 9:30 am - 1 pm

The annual Tag Sale at Christ the King Church will be Saturday April 25 at 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 26 in the parish hall. Give us anything you want out of your closets, garages and attics! We will collect items starting the Monday before the sale, April 20. Furniture sells well so we would gladly take it if you can get it to the church. Larger items and large volume donations can only be accepted in the parish hall on Thursday April 23 and Friday April 24. All proceeds will go to the Liebster Children's Ministry Fund and the Luther League Fund. **Volunteers are needed to help run the Tag Sale and help donate leftover items on Sunday, April 27 and Monday, April 28.**

Spring Family Retreat: April 17-19

A gathering for your whole family. Time for a little spring cleaning? Not in your home, but in your family life? Join Deacon Ben Remmert and family at the Spring Family Retreat at Lutherhill! This is the perfect reset when daily life gets a little crazy. Take a break from all the demands of school, sports and work to renew your focus on your family. Escape to the Hill for all the camp activities your heart desires. Invest in your family, nurture new friendships and revel in God's creation.

Cost is \$140 per adult, \$120 per child. Children under 2 are free. Family Maximum is \$500. Register online at <https://lutherhill.org/retreats/spring-family-retreat/>.

Driver's License Milestone: April 19 at both services

On Sunday, April 19 we will recognize youth who have received their driver license in the last year. Those preparing to receive their license before the end of the school year are also invited. We will bless the youth at both worship services on this important milestone. Parents, please contact Deacon Ben Remmert to RSVP or for more information.

Join the Adult Education Committee or take part in a new Online House Church

Those interested in supporting adult education and faith formation are invited to serve on the committee. Additionally, Irmi is launching a small online house church that will meet Sunday evenings from 7:30–8:30 PM, twice a month from April 12 through November 22, following the seasons of Easter and Pentecost. Participation is limited to 12 people to encourage meaningful interaction. To learn more or get involved in either opportunity, contact Irmi at willcocksonconsulting@gmail.com

Grant Applications Now Open at Christ the King Evangelical Lutheran Church Foundation

The New Foundation provides financial support to programs and organizations that support the mission of Christ the King Lutheran Church that are not covered by the annual operating budget. Christ the King members and outside organizations can request funds from the New Foundation. Board members of the New Foundation are Susan Uri, Wendy Wiker, Lucky Sahualla, Donna Olson-Salas, Scott Swanson, Linda Siemers, Mandy Derr (ex officio). To apply, visit ctkelc.org, click on "Members," and select "CTK Foundation" from the dropdown menu. Deadline is **April 24, 2026**.

2026 Flower Sign Up

Sign up to provide altar flowers for our weekend services. Available dates: Jun 21; Jul 19; Aug 16; Oct 25; and Nov 8, 15 & 22.

- Altar guild members will no longer deliver flowers. Donors may take their flowers home after the 11:00 a.m. service (around 12:30). No altar flowers during Advent (Nov 28–Dec 24). You may sponsor the Advent Wreath instead.

Donation info: Flowers are \$70/weekend. Sign up online or email Cheryl Gaspard at cherylgaspard@ctkelc.org. Checks: *Christ the King Lutheran Church*, memo: *Altar Flowers*, or pay online.



Snacks Volunteers Needed: We need volunteers to provide snacks after worship for: 5/3, 5/17, 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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