



CHRIST
THE KING
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Herald

August 2026

Growing up, I loved when my parents would welcome people into our home. You might be surprised to learn that I was a pretty outgoing kid in a pretty social family. So, the opportunity to host folks in our house—by previous arrangement or just because they “dropped by for a visit”—was not an uncommon or unwelcome occurrence. I remember often enjoying both the rush of adrenaline and the warm ease with which we quickly spruced up the place and got some snacks and coffee together to share with our guests. Whether they were family or friends, neighbors or colleagues, whenever people came to visit, we always called them by the same name: *company*.

Company is an interesting word. We often use it to point to a publicly declared business or large corporate entity. While this is a common and correct way to describe what *company* means, *Merriam-Webster* places it third on its list of definitions. First and foremost, the fine folks at North America’s most popular dictionary cite *company* as a noun that deals directly with relationship. From ‘enjoying a person’s *company*’ to being known by ‘the *company* we keep’—or for ‘having *company* over to visit’—we use this word to talk about being together.

This month you’ll be hearing a lot about Entertaining Angels, our midyear stewardship campaign. (see page 3) As followers of Jesus, we are called to extend radical hospitality towards our neighbors. Refreshing our commons area will help provide a warm welcome to the *company* we receive here at CTK, be they strangers or friends. And, with half the money we raise going to support the work of *Bridging* (www.bridging.org), we can help our neighbors to welcome *company* into their new homes, too.

One last thing: I’ve given you the first and third definitions of *company*. Here’s what I left out: the second definition refers to a group of people united in purpose—like an acting *company* or a *company* of soldiers or firefighters. This means that before it is used to describe a big building with a logo on its side or an abbreviation rolling off the ticker tape machine, *company* tells us both what it means to *be together* and what happens when we *come together* to accomplish a common goal for the common good.

O what a web of welcome we might weave as we come together as the *company* Christ calls us to be!

-Pastor Per

Volunteers for August

If you would like to greet, read, serve/prep communion, prayers, or assisting:

Greeters 8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30

Communion servers 8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30

Reader 8/9, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30

Assisting 8/9, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30

Prayers 8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30

Communion prep 8/30

Please call the office or email Jane V!

Usher Schedule for August

August 2 - Team K— Roger Olson

August 9 & 16 - Team F—Jack Carlson and Jay Stanley - Co Captains

August 23 & 30 - Team I—David Tillotson and Henry, Co-Captains

**No yoga on Tuesday, August 4th
National Night Out**

Lutheran Night at the Twins

Tuesday, August 11 6:40p.m.

Join other Minnesota Lutherans at Target Field for Lutheran Night at the Twins! At Target Field Tuesday, August 11th 6:40 P.M. Minnesota Twins vs. Baltimore Orioles. Ticket Options: Lower Level Seating Field Box Third base line seats \$34, Overlook Right Field overhang seats \$45, Left Field Bleachers Left Field outfield wall seats \$33 Club Level Seating Legends Landing Club level seating along third base line \$52, Home Run Porch View \$16. For group or individual tickets, contact Ryan Thomson at 612-659-3582 or ryanthomson@twins.com.

Join the
**LUTHERAN NIGHT
MASS CHOIR**
TUESDAY AUGUST 11TH

**TARGET
FIELD
STATION**

ARRIVE AT THE RALLY POINT
BEFORE 5:20 PM

TICKET PURCHASE REQUIRED
TO SING IN THE CHOIR.

THE RALLY POINT WILL BE UNDER
THE LARGE TARGET FIELD STATION
SIGN NEAR THE GREEN BY TARGET
FIELD STATION. THERE ARE BENCHES
UNDER THE LARGE SIGN.
LOOK FOR THE GROUP WITH
LUTHERAN NIGHT SIGNS.

Contact RYAN
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September Newsletter Deadline

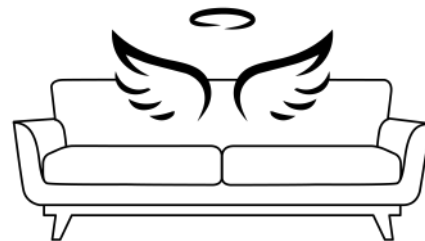
Monday, August 17

Please email newsletter articles to jvevea@ctkb.org or leave a hard copy in the church office.

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2026 Midyear Stewardship Campaign Entertaining Angels

*Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers,
for by doing that some have entertained angels
without knowing it. (Hebrews 13:2)*



As in years past, the money raised during our midyear campaign will be shared between CTK and an outside organization doing important work in the community. This year our goal is to raise \$12,000 with \$6,000 to be used to refresh our commons area and \$6,000 to benefit Bridging, a much loved local non-profit that helps give individuals and families a new start by supplying them with furnishings for their new homes.

Help us to Entertain Angels this summer--both here at CTK and in the homes of our neighbors! For more information about Bridging, click here: <https://bridging.org/about-us/>

Thank you!

Thank you to all of our amazing volunteers who helped with funerals in July. We had three funerals in 8 days. I am very grateful for all the help in preparing and serving the luncheons. Also a big thank you for everyone who made all the bars. Everyone was so thankful for our help and baking!

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Gift of Love - Bridging, Inc.

The mission of Bridging, Inc. is to bridge community resources with existing needs by providing the economically disadvantaged in transition with quality furniture and household items free of charge. Bridging serves people in need based on qualified referrals from Social Service agencies and churches in the seven county Twin Cities area. Learn more about this organization "serving over 5,300 Minnesota families each year" online at: www.bridging.org/.

Thank you!

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the car show! They had a great turn out! Especially thank you to Jim & Jean Stoll for grilling over 300 hotdogs! A great way to interact with the Bloomington community!



Walk and Talks

Our twice weekly Walk and Talks are at nearby parks and nature centers through the summer. Each month we will visit a different park. We meet each week at 6 pm on Sundays and 2 pm on Wednesdays.

August - Old Cedar Ave Bridge Trailhead: Meet at the parking lot 9551 Old Cedar Ave S, Bloomington, MN 55425

In the event of inclement weather, we will meet at the Mall of America East side entrance on the first level by the Sea Life down escalator. Text Lynn Lenort @ 612-770-5986 or email lleenort@CTKB.org, if you have any questions or wish to carpool.

Bryant Community Garden Harvest Party

We invite you to attend our Bryant Community Garden Harvest Party. All ages are welcome and encouraged to attend. **When: Wednesday, August 26 from 5pm-7pm**

Where: The eastside outdoor amphitheater at Christ the King Lutheran Church

What: Celebrate with us while socializing, and enjoying walking tacos, lawn games and live, summer-fun, outdoor patio music provided by the Persuaderz. In the event of rain, it will be held in the social hall at Christ the King.

Thank you!

Dear Quilters:

Thank you very much for the lovely lap quilt. Pastor Per hand delivered it the day of Rein's burial (6/14). I have been using it even in this hot weather. It's just right to take off the chill when the air conditioning comes on. I've long admired the quilts you make and now I have one of my own! Thank you for thinking of me. Gratefully, Bev Ohmann



**August 2nd
10:30am**

**Sign-up
Sheet in the
commons!**

Feed My Starving Children August 8th

Hello! I (Naomi Bernier) am hosting a Feed My Starving Children event on August 8th from 9:30am-11:30am! It will be at their location in Eagan (990 Lone Oak Rd #136, Eagan, MN 55121)



If you are interested and would like to learn more/sign up there is a link below where you can do just that! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4EA9A82DA2FAC16-64778502-feed>

Children, Youth and Family

Looking Back -

July was full of heat. I hope you all stayed cool as you enjoyed time with family and friends.

Looking Ahead -

We are moving towards our programming year here at CTK. Please check out the CYF survey as we want to hear from you as we discover together the best plan(s) for our CYF Program year.

Along with that there are some dates to add to your calendar. I am looking forward to working with all of you and your family members and excited to enjoy another year of FUN!

As always feel free to reach out with any questions Kristina - kelder@ctkb.org Children, Youth and Families Ministry Director

CYF 2026/2027 Programming survey

We need your help to bring the CTK 2026/2027 program year together. Please use the link below: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd5JwLMLosK-4uCluz79kcxcnlggYpiMUAiiTrqVqZWML_LQ/viewform?usp=publish-editor

CROWD BREAKFAST

August 9th 10:30-11:45a

We will order McDonalds Breakfast.
Send me your orders Saturday or at the latest early Sunday morning.
Orders will be in BY Sunday at 8 am!!!

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CYF MEETING

AUGUST 30th 11 am

in the Social Hall

Pizza and snacks provided

- WE will discover what the CYF Program year will look like
- Youth will watch little ones for the first half as all parents/ guardians will meet with CYF staff.
- Second half will be youth and thier parents/guardians will meet with CYF staff.

Come together in faith, friendship, and prayer!

CYF Meeting

August 30th @ 11am - Social Hall

Come and discover what the CYF Program year will look like. This will be a two-part meeting:

- All parents and guardians will meet.
- Youth will look after the younger kids

AT 12 pm - There will be a meeting with youth and their parents/guardians PIZZA and snacks will be provided for all!

YOUTH EVENT

END OF Summer Lock in

invite Friends

August 28th - 29th

6pm - 10 am

FOOD GAMES

Water FUN

Kristina- kelder@ctkb.org
Children, Youth and Families Ministry Director

Christ the King-
8600 Fremont Av. S
Bloomington 55420

YOUTH End of Summer Lock- In August 28th-29th

Sign up Link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F4FAFAF2FA64-64866789-youth>

Dear Christ the King Musicians,

I hope everyone has found some time to rest, reflect and be with family and friends this summer. It has been a pleasure to see many of you throughout the last few months! The program year is just around the corner and I wanted to share some upcoming dates:

*Trinity Choir start date: Wednesday, September 16, 2026 at 7:00pm

*Chapel Ringers start date: Tuesday, September 15, 2026 at 6:30pm

*Acclaim Worship Band next event: Sunday, August 30, 2026

See you all soon! Kristi MacKay, Director of Music Ministry

CTK Foundation

The CTK Foundation is excited and blessed to announce that we have approved four separate scholarships of \$2000 each for the 2026-27 school year.

In 2027, we will need two new board members. Please reach out to any current members to throw your hat in the ring. We need your help! We work hard to share funds to serve and expand the mission of CTK. If you know of an organization that could benefit from our support, please apply today! More info at <https://www.ctkb.org/ministries/ctk-foundation>

Memorials & Gifts to Christ the King

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Gifts from Jack Begerson, Dayna Corbett, John Roisum, Del & Florence Smallfield, Darin & Lynda Tysdal

In Memory of Curt & Sharon Haugesag

Gifts from the Haugesag Daughters. "We are forever grateful for all the support throughout the years ... our parents loved this church very much"

In Memory of Brett Larson (LuAnn Paul's dad)

Gifts from Paul & Nancy Dorsey, Herm & Denise Hagedorn, John & Gail Hill, Dan & Lynn Lenort, Matt & LuAnn Paul, Darin & Lynda Tysdal, Ron & Carol Rydell

In Memory of Reed Roloff

Gifts from Wayne & Darlene Hansen, Gordon & Dee Sprenger

Treasurer's Report for June

For the month of June 2026 the income was \$53,118.14 and the disbursements were \$60,632.29 making us behind for the month by \$7,514.15. Year to date, we have received \$311,724.21 and spent \$288,791.25 making us ahead for the year by \$22,932.96 We are grateful for your financial contributions and for all the ways you tend to our life together. If you have any questions regarding the financials, please feel free to contact CTKB Treasurer, Mike Haddox at mikehaddox1959@gmail.com or Jane Bishop, Financial & Property Administrator. Grace & Peace!

thankful

	June Budget	June Actual	YTD Actual
Income	\$56,112.47	\$53,118.14	\$311,724.21
Disbursements	\$49,125.72	\$60,632.29	\$288,791.25
Margin (Deficit)	\$ 6,986.75	\$ -7,514.15	\$22,932.96



August 2026



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