

This Week at Christ the King Church
September 6 – September 12, 2026

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 6

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion, nave
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, basement
Classroom
9:45 a.m. PrayGround Open house, nave
11:00 a.m. Holy Communion, nave

Monday, September 7

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

Tuesday, September 8

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer at home
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting,
3rd floor conference room
6:30 p.m. D&D Gathering, youth room

Wednesday, September 9

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home
10:00 a.m. Morning Bible Study, Luther
Room
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, September 10

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home
10:30 a.m. Piecemakers,
3rd floor conference room

Friday, September 11

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

Saturday, September 12

1:00 p.m. Online Yoga
6:00 p.m. Contemplative Holy
Communion, nave

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

Upcoming Topics:

September 6: Coffee & Fellowship (parish hall), PrayGround Open house (nave)

September 13: Rally Day Program and Discussion with Adult Faith Formation
Committee

September 20: Adult Education Conversation with Irmi Willcockson

We need New Volunteers to Help the Church

We have multiple opportunities for you to help and support the ministries of the church. As we begin the new academic year, we want to highlight the following opportunities:

Worship Servers/Bellringers: Every meaningful worship service depends on people who, ring the bells that call people to worship, welcome and direct worshipers, reading of the scriptures, serving communion and perform various functions during the service. We will be having a training on Saturday, September 19 at 10 a.m. (in-person & online) to review all these roles together.

Altar Guild: Our dedicated group of volunteers work quietly to prepare the space where we encounter God. Duties, seen as a form of worship, include setting communion vessels, linens, and elements, arranging for the flowers, and caring for vestments and sacred objects in accordance with liturgical seasons.

Godly Play and Confirmation Leaders: Children grow in their faith because of authentic, accessible, and affirming adults that accompany them in their faith journey. We are needing of new volunteers to accompany our children and youth on Sundays.

If you have ever felt called to participate in any of these ministries, we invite you to contact Trish Chapman, Pastor Amandus Derr or Deacon Ben Remmert for more information.

Church Choir Starts Back Up: September 9 at 7:15 p.m.

The church choir will be starting back up on Wednesday, September 9th. If you have any questions, please contact cantor Ben Kerswell at benkerswell@ctkelc.org.

Bible Studies at Christ the King Church

WEDNESDAY STUDY: Each Wednesday, September 9 – December 2, 2026

Topic: 1st Maccabees: Foundations of 2nd Temple Roman Judea

Where: LUTHER ROOM, Memorial Drive Lutheran Center Office

12211 Memorial Drive, Houston, Texas 77024

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Leader: Pastor Amandus J. Derr

FRIDAY STUDY: Each Friday, September 11 – November 20, 2026

Topic: Biblical Apocalyptic Texts: More than Daniel & Revelation

Where: YOUTH ROOM, 2nd floor, Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2353 Rice Blvd., Houston, TX 77005

Zoom: Scan the QR code

Leader: Pastor Amandus J. Derr



Queerly Beloved Bible Study

An interdenominational group of people of all stripes -- ages, orientations, and faith traditions -- is forming in our area and welcomes all people who are interested in participating. Queerly Beloved plans to meet monthly in area homes and sometimes churches for fellowship, bible study, light refreshments, and dinners. Topics will include biblical interpretations of sexuality and gender and personal stories of coming out and our faith journeys; book and film discussions and special speakers will be included. Dinners are currently being held for people who are interested and regular meetings will start September 11, 2026 at 7 p.m. Please contact Joe Dygert (Christ the King), 979-779-1431, dygertj@yahoo.com, or Colleen Lamos (Palmer Memorial Episcopal Church), 518-956-2381 if you are interested in joining the group in September or for any future events.

Houston Food Bank Service Day: Saturday, September 12 at 8 a.m.

We're preparing for the Christ the King group's volunteering outing to the Houston Food Bank located at 535 Portwall St, Houston, TX 77029. Make sure to wear closed-toe shoes, pants, sleeved shirt (short or long sleeves). 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.

Rally Day Sunday: Sunday, September 13 at 9:30 a.m.

Join us for the start of our new Sunday School year! Children, youth, and parents will meet in the parish hall for a short program recognizing this year's teachers and classes. Children and youth will be dismissed to be with their teachers while parents are encouraged to stay for a short orientation of adult education opportunities with Irmi Willcockson, head of the adult education committee.

- **Toddlers (2-3 year olds):** Herlinda Torres and Lena Zahlan (Room 111)
- **Younger Children (Prek-2nd Grade):** Sara Harlan, Kyle Verret, Nancy Graml, Bette Bowers (Room 107)
- **Older Children (3rd-5th Grade):** Diane Schoppe, Marueen Sahualla, Marie Monroe and Lindsay Remmert (Room 204)
- **Confirmation Class:** Deacon Ben Remmert, Lucky Sahualla, and Bill Burgess (Room 201-Youth Room)

Musical Gatherings and Regular Godly Play classes will be offered every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. beginning on Sunday, September 20. You may contact Deacon Ben Remmert with any questions regarding Sunday School or Confirmation Class.

Meals on Wheels Volunteering: Saturday, September 19 at 9 a.m. - noon

Due to a recent increase in demand, Meals on Wheels need help like yours to deliver meals to seniors in need! Volunteer slots are open weekday afternoons and 3rd Saturdays at our Midtown location — an easy, hands-on way to make an immediate difference. Sign up today by scanning the QR code or contact Katy Sabayrac, Volunteer Services Manager, at ksabayrac@imgh.org:



Historias de Mi Tierra: Friday, September 18 at 7:00 p.m.

Join us at Christ the King Church for an interdisciplinary, Latin American experience as we celebrate the stories and music of ConTempo's Latine artists! From Argentine tango to Mexican boleros, this concert highlights and explores the vast cultures that make up Latin America.

Worship Server Training: Saturday, September 19 at 10 a.m.

All current worship servers and all those who would like to begin serving in worship are invited to attend our fall worship server training on Saturday, September 19 at 10 a.m. Come and learn about the different roles in worship and have hands-on training as worship servers, assisting ministers, crucifers, acolytes, and more.

This year, we are offering an interactive zoom option in which those that cannot join us in person will be able to participate online. We hope that everyone is able to come as we have different procedures from years past. For more questions or to get the zoom link, please get in touch with Deacon Ben Remmert or Trish Chapman.

Voter Registration at Christ the King Church: Sunday, September 27 at 9:30 a.m.

If you are not registered to vote in Harris County, or if you have moved & need to update your registration, you can do so at Christ the King Evangelical Lutheran Church in Houston. To check if you are registered, and at what address, see <https://www.hctax.net/Voter/Search>. Bring your TX driver's license, or state-issued i.d. to register. Or, if you don't have these forms of identification, you can register using the last 4 digits of your social security number. For more information, contact Lisa Brenskelle at gcs.lrc@gmail.com.

Breakfast Krewe: Breakfast Krewe is on summer break and will resume on September 13. We are always looking for new volunteers and help in the kitchen, if you are interested in helping, please contact Ron Siemers.

Snacks Volunteers Needed: We need volunteers to provide snacks after worship for:

- September 6 at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
- September 13 at 8:30 a.m. and 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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