This Week at Christ the King Church
November 1 – November 7, 2026

All Saints Sunday
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, November 1
8:30 a.m. Holy Communion, nave
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
9:45 a.m. Godly Play & Confirmation Classes
10:20 a.m. Choir Rehearsal, nave
11:00 a.m. Holy Communion, nave
12:30 p.m. Faith Formation Meeting, youth room
7:30 p.m. Book of Creation Prayer Group, online

Monday, November 2
8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home
12:00 p.m. Lectio Divina, online

Tuesday, November 3
7:30 a.m. Book of Creation Prayer Group, 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 Gathering, youth room

Wednesday, November 4
8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home
10:00 a.m. Bible Study, Memorial Drive Lutheran Center
6:15 p.m. Brass Choir Rehearsal, parish hall
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, November 5
8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home
10:30 a.m. Piecemakers, 3rd floor conference room

Friday, November 6
8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home
10:00 a.m. Bible Study, youth room second floor

Saturday, November 7
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:

November 1: Naming of CTK Discussion with Pastor Mandy
November 8: Legacy Giving with John Roalson, Gulf Coast Synod Gift Planner
November 15: 2027 Draft Budget Review
November 22: Annual Meeting Part One, 11 a.m.

Competing in Goodness: Collecting food for local food pantries

Christ the King Lutheran Church is 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 18th 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 will be announced as we get closer to the end of the event.

The Book of Creation Small Group with Irmi Willcockson

Join Irmi Willcockson online for a focused reading on a book of creation. Each session will include: Opening Liturgy, Prayer, Silence, Readings on Topic, Invitation to Reading the Book of Creation, and Journaling Prompts. The topics for each week follow Via Creationis and will be as follows:

Sun, Nov 1st 7:30 pm - 8 pm and Tue, Nov 3rd 7:30 am - 8: Humans

Each session will follow the same format and while connected to previous sessions will stand alone. Please bring a physical or digital journal in whatever form it works best for you. For Zoom links, visit our website at www.ctkelc.org.

Bible Studies at Christ the King Church

WEDNESDAY STUDY: Each Wednesday until 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
A ministry of Christ the King Lutheran Church

Leader: Pastor Amandus J. Derr

FRIDAY STUDY: Each Friday until 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

Veteran Suicide Awareness Prayer Services

November 1–11 · 8:30 a.m. · Christ the King Rice Village Campus

Join us each morning for a brief time of prayer, giving thanks for and lifting up military service members and veterans. Their "journey home" is not complete until we, the people they have served, open our ears and hearts in welcome, support, and gratitude.

Daily prayer moments will be held outside at the corner of Rice Blvd. and Greenbriar Drive.

After the Midterms Election Worship Service: Wednesday, November 4 at 6:45 p.m.

Join us for vespers to pray for our community and leaders in the nave.

Sing for Peace Community Group
Saturday at 4:45 p.m.: Nov. 21, Dec. 19
Sundays (2nd Sunday) at 7 p.m.: November 8, December 14
Festival Day of Service - November 21 - 11 a.m. (may change)
We are in the midst of an especially fraught and distressing time for our community and country. In the spirit of the gentle revolution of Leipzig, Germany in 1989, we invite everyone to join this community event to feel God's presence through the power of song. We will be teaching simple yet powerful pieces that will both heal and uplift your soul. No singing or musical experience necessary and all Singing for Peace events are open to everyone, including children. Snacks will be offered at the close of the event. For more information, contact Kellye Burke, Alicia Goodrow, Donna Olson-Salas, or Federico Salas-Isnardi.

New Membership Luncheon : Sunday, November 15 at 12:15 p.m.
Friends who are new (or not so new!) to Christ the King Church are warmly invited to attend a luncheon and orientation with Pastor Mandy Derr. The meeting has three purposes:

1. Establish new friendships with each other and the pastoral staff.
2. Learn about this community of faith – who we are, our traditions, our commitments, our place in global Lutheranism, why we do things the way we do.
3. Express whether one wants to demonstrate public commitment to God's mission to the world through the ministry of Christ the King Lutheran Church.

Please email the church office at ctk@ctkelc.org by Wednesday, November 11, if you are planning to attend. If you are interested in membership and not able to attend the lunch, please email the church at ctk@ctkelc.org by Sunday, Monday 8.

German Conversation Group Gathering: Wednesday, November 4 at 7 p.m.
Would you enjoy using your German with friends? Christ the King Lutheran Church and Houston Leipzig Sister City Association are starting a Germany Conversation Group to meet once a month starting this October. We are currently collecting contact information for interested participants, and we will determine the timing of the meetings. This is an opportunity to use, improve, and enjoy speaking German! Alle sind willkommen! Contact Deacon Ben Remmert at benremmert@ctkelc.org for more details or to sign up.

Transitions Women's Group: Monday, November 9 at 1:00 p.m.
2nd Mondays of the Month
Transitions is a women's group, aged 50 and older, that was started at Christ the King in 2008 and was established to support one another in making the various life-changing transitions of life. We enjoy each other's company and support each other, each month during the school year. At meetings we learn something new, do something fun, make small field trips to various religious faith facilities, have potlucks a couple times a year, and enjoy snacks and a glass of wine or other drinks together at meetings. For details about the next meeting, please contact the church at ctk@ctkelc.org.

Bellringer Training: Saturday, November 14 at 11 a.m.

All bellringers (old and new) are invited to attend our fall worship training on Saturday, November 14 at 11 a.m. in the nave at Rice Village Campus. Come and learn about the different bells and learn the role of the bellringer at church. For more information, please contact Deacon Ben Remmert.

Houston Food Bank Volunteering: Saturday, November 14 from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

We're preparing for the Christ the King group's volunteering outing to the Houston Food Bank located at 535 Portwall St. 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.

Bach Society Houston's Dancing through Bach: Saturday, November 14 at 3:00 p.m.

In collaboration with ConTempo Studios, this playful Bach program features an intimate company of musicians and dancers: a wink of Bridgerton, a minuet up close, and a whisper of Wicked. No experience required; bring friends. Tickets $35 general | $10 student. Get tickets at https://www.bachsocietyhouston.org/2026-2027season

Breakfast Krewe: We are always looking for new volunteers and help in the kitchen, if you are interested in helping, please contact Ron Siemers or scan the QR code and fill out the form.

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

- November 8 at 11:00 a.m.
- November 15 at 11:00 a.m.
- November 22 at 11:00 a.m.
- November 29 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!

Rice Village Campus: 2353 Rice Boulevard, Houston, TX 77005-2696
Memorial Drive Lutheran Center: 12211 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77024
Email: ctk@ctkelc.org Website: ctkelc.org Telephone: 713-523-286

CHRIST THE KING LVTHERAN CHVRCH