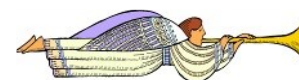


# THE TRUMPET



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## Pastor's Corner

*“Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.”*

– Romans 15:7

Siblings in Christ,

I am so glad to have been officially installed as your new pastor on April 23! Christ the King has warmly welcomed my family, both my immediate family and my parents as they visited after Easter. CTK is already starting to feel like home as we are settling into the routine of worship, fellowship time, and Sunday school for my sons. I am so grateful for your warm welcome. I am already starting to put names and faces together and hope to get a chance to meet with many CTK members this spring. Please sign up for a “Conversation with the Pastor” this May so I get a chance to learn about you, what you love about CTK, and your hopes for the future. Ministry truly happens when we work together.

I hope to get to meet many of you and learn about your lives, both here at CTK and beyond. First I can share a little about me and my family. I grew up and attended college in Wisconsin before moving to Maryland to start my first career as a public librarian in Baltimore. I met my husband Trip at Bible study and became one of several marriages to come out of our young adults group. During that time I discerned a call to ministry and liked Luther Seminary best of all the options. We moved to St. Paul in 2010 and have lived there since. When I moved here, I wondered about the whole divide between St. Paul and Minneapolis, but after spending twelve years in St. Paul, I have determined that I prefer St. Paul and the east side of the metro! In my spare time, I like to read

and try out different baking recipes. I am getting back into running after the winter off and will be running a 5K at the fairgrounds over Memorial Day weekend.

Trip grew up in Wilmington, Delaware and has a background in communications and graphic design. He currently works as a communications manager for the National Council for Family Relations, a member organization focused on the discipline of family sciences. He recently finished a four-year term on the Shobi’s Table board. He is committed to supporting their pay-as-you-can mobile café model and loves sharing with people about the community that has been built on the three serving days. During his free time, Trip likes to bike with our kids, read graphic novels, and listen to music.

We have two boys in our family. Jack is in fourth grade and loves to swim, read, and bake. Levi is in second grade and also loves to swim, read graphic novels, and collect sticks on walks. Both boys love collecting Pokémon cards. They’ve also been trying out different sports this year, just finishing up a season of futsal (indoor soccer) and will be trying out tennis over the summer.

Our family has one more member: our dog Sprocket. He is a schnoodle, a combination of miniature poodle and miniature schnauzer and will celebrate his twelfth birthday in August. He’s a sweetheart who has loved

how the pandemic has made our family develop a consistent walking routine that includes him.

I am looking forward to learning about you and your families over time. I am again so grateful for your warm welcome, both for me and my family. You are truly offering a welcome as Christ would do!

Peace,  
Pastor Rebecca



# JOIN US

*Please join us in person, watch us live via livestream or watch a recording later at [ctkwbl.online.church](http://ctkwbl.online.church). You can access the Bulletin by clicking at the top of the livestream page.*



## SUNDAYS

## WEDNESDAY

### MAY 7

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Acts 7:55-60  
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16  
John 14:1-14*

In words and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ - our way, our truth, our life.

**9 am Worship**  
Organ/Communion

### MAY 14

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Acts 17:22-31  
Psalm 66:8-20  
John 14:15-21*

We are reminded that the risen Christ dwells in us as the Spirit of truth.

**9 am Worship**  
KHB

### MAY 21

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

*Acts 1:1-11  
Psalm 47  
Luke 24:44-53*

The risen Christ ascends into heaven and we are assured that the Spirit will empower us.

**9 am Worship**  
Organ/Communion

### MAY 28

DAY OF PENTECOST

*Acts 2:1-21  
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b  
John 20:19-23*

We celebrate the Holy Spirit as God's presence within and among us.

**9 am Worship**  
KHB

### MAY 17

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

9:30 am

*Please join us for a casual Bible Study from*

*"The Gather"*

*No need to prepare ahead of time. We will have materials ready for you to use during class!*

## WORSHIP

### *Easter is a season!*

We are in the midst of the Easter season. It's not just one day, but 50 days of celebrating the resurrection. We get ten more days than Lent to celebrate Jesus' resurrection and the time he spent on earth with the disciples before the Ascension (which we will mark on May 21) and then the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost (May 28). I encourage you to wear red to worship on May 28 to mark the coming of the Holy Spirit to the disciples and celebrating the way that same Holy Spirit continues to encourage us today.

### *New Member Sunday*

Join Pastor Rebecca after worship on **Sunday, May 7** for a conversation about joining Christ the King. We'll discuss what it means to be a member of an ELCA church and learn more about one another. Join us in the conference room.

We will receive our new members in worship on **Sunday, May 14** and warmly welcome them into the Christ the King church family.



# may worship volunteers

	AV	Altar Guild	LAM	Reader	Ushers	Communion	Acolyte
5.7	Joe / Mike	Connie / Peggy	Cyndi	Tom	Howard / Ann	Billie / Bea	Alex
5.14	Mike / Craig	Ann / Kathy / Sharon	Lee	Joe	Terry / Peggy		
5.21	Janelle / Joe	Cathy / Stephanie	Bea	Cyndi	Mike / Michele	Karen / Polly	Mallory
5.28	Craig / Jason	Lori / Lori	Mike	Howard	Scott & Beth		

**Hospitality:** Cyndi & Brian Frankel. Sharon Burback, Sandy Serier & Sterling Hintz

*If you are faced with a conflict, please attempt to trade with one another and let the office know. Thank you!*



# COMING SOON

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY



### Annual Rummage Sale Coming Soon

*Set up:*

**May 29, 30, 31**

8:30am-7:00pm each day

*Sale:*

**Thursday, June 1**

8:00am-8:00pm

**Friday, June 2**

8:00am-12:00pm

*Cleanup:*

**Friday, June 2**

12:00pm-3:00pm

Bring your clean, reusable donations to Room #134. (the Red Room). Please NO baby furniture, car seats or similar items and NO electronics. Check Goodwill's list of acceptable items. Leftovers will go to Goodwill, Habitat Restore or Bridging.

Feel free to drop off your items  
when the office is open,

**9am-3pm Monday -Thursday.**

Just a reminder...  
Only workers may pre-sale shop.

## YOUTH

### *Confirmation*



#### LAST COLLABORATIVE CONFIRMATION CLASS

Our last collaborative confirmation class will be on Saturday, May 6th from 9-noon at St. Stephen.

#### CONFIRMATION / AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM DATE

Confirmation for our current 8th graders has been moved to the fall and will take place on Reformation Sunday, October 29th.

#### END OF THE YEAR PARTY

We will plan an end of the year party for our CTK group in May or June. Look for additional information coming soon!

### *Sunday School*

#### ONLY 3 SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES REMAIN

We will be having Sunday School on May 7 and May 14. We will end the year with a Last Day Celebration on May 21. Join us!

## MUSIC MINISTRY

Joyful Noise Bells have concluded for the season and the last King's Choir rehearsal is on May 17. All Choir rehearsals now start at 7:00pm.

King's House Band will play the 3rd and 5th Sundays in June, July and August.



## MISSIONS

Holy Hammers'



### *Habitat for Humanity*

There is a poster outside the office with relevant information; Christ the King will be focusing on working on May 3-4-5, but you can sign up to work ANY day during our build period between April 10th and June 9th.

Sign-up at:

<http://holyhammers.tchabitat.volunteerhub.com/>

(And there's a Women-only build day on June 5th, if you prefer to work without any man-splaining!)

Also, there is a poster across from the office for contributions of food etc. for one day on Friday, May 5th. (We will be supporting local merchants for the other two days that CTK serves food.) Please consider a food donation and/or your willingness to deliver the food to the site on Friday, May 5th. If you have any questions, please contact Craig Carlson.

### *Masisiwe Sunday*

**May 7, 2023**

May 7th will be our yearly focus on our partner congregation in Masisiwe and the start of our yearly fundraiser continuing through May. Included in the service will be a brief update of our partnership and the impact your donations make. Our goal this year is \$1600. Funds raised will go toward building their fifth church and supporting their avocado cash crops. Please prayerfully consider giving. Any amounts are welcome by check or cash given during the service or sent to the office. Please make a note of "Masisiwe Projects" on your donation.



### **Easter Greetings from our sister parish in Masisiwe!**

As we prepare the Easter worship services, we decided to write and share the blessings with you. Our Choirs are busy preparing Easter songs. Its our hope that you are doing the same. As we pray for our members here we also pray for you so that Jesus' resurrection can bring more hope to all of us.

Beside this Easter greetings we would like to update you about our projects. We thank you for your support which helped us to finish the construction of the parsonage, the Evangelist houses at Lupilo and Mbawi preaching points. Thank you also for buying us a Parish Motorcycle which is very helpful in our ministry. Thank you for the scholarship funds which is helping our children to accomplish their dreams.

It is rain season here so people are super busy with their farms. Most of them they grow, potatoes, pees, beans and wheat. They also plant pine trees and fruit's trees especially Avocados.

For the time being our priorities as a parish are:

1. Construction of Tumaini church building which now we are collecting stones for the foundation.
2. Planting Avocado trees. Through preaching points we have already planted 180 avocado trees. As a parish we have purchased three acres of land which will be used to plant Avocado trees as well..

We need your prayers for the following:

1. Pray for the parish to get a good pastor who will stay longer.
2. Pray for many youths and children to love the church and be involved to the church activities for the future of our parish.
3. Pray for our plans and projects for be fruitful for the glory of God.

We wish you a Blessed Easter.

Yours

Pailot Luhwago -Parish Secretary.

A. Kanyika- Partnership chair person

Wilson Nyamoga-Finance chair person

# UPDATES

## ADMIN & FINANCE

### March Financial Report

#### Envelope and online offerings monthly comparison:

2/01/2023 through 3/31/2023 = \$25,293

2/01/2022 through 3/31/2022 = \$24,227

#### Envelope and online offerings Year-To-Date comparison:

1/01/2023 through 3/31/2023 = \$56,179

1/01/2022 through 3/31/2022 = \$55,848

#### Expenses Year-To-Date:

1/01/2023 through 3/31/2023 = \$61,899

1/01/2022 through 3/31/2022 = \$66,646

#### Cash account balances as of March 31:

North Star Bank:

Checking = \$22,546

Savings = \$34,169

Memorial Savings = \$35,105

Online Giving = \$630.

Mission Investment Fund demand account = \$46,013



The amount of temporarily restricted funds, including memorials, is \$91,244 and are not available to be used for day-to-day operational expenses.

The mortgage balance as of Dec. 31 = \$140,723

## FELLOWSHIP

### *Feed My Starving Children* Saturday, June 3, 9-10:45am

Please join us in making it possible to send life-saving meals to children around the world. We have reserved 25 spots to pack these meals and you can sign up on the poster in the Narthex.

### *Conversations* with Pastor Rebecca

As Pastor Rebecca begins her ministry at CTK, she'd love to have conversations with CTK members.

Sign up for a 30 minute conversation with Pastor Rebecca so she can get to know you, learn more about CTK, and your hopes for the future.

A variety of times and dates are available, and additional times have been added. Look for the sign-up sheet on the kiosk in the narthex or call the church office and we can get you signed up. Contact Pastor Rebecca if you need an alternative day/time to meet. She is looking forward to getting to know everyone at CTK.

### *Visitor's Guest Book*

If you see visitors at worship on Sundays, please direct them to sign our guestbook. We would like to know who they are and gather their contact info so we can reach out and get to know them.

# MAY 2023

Sun

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Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

	1	2	3	4	5	6
<p>Office Hours 9:00 am - 3:00pm</p>	<p>WMA 6:30P</p>		<p>Holy Hammers'  King's Choir 7pm</p>	<p>Holy Hammers'  Property 7P</p>	<p>Holy Hammers' </p>	<p>Bread Ministry 7am KHB 9am Confirmation 9am-noon</p>
<p>7 <i>Masisiwe Sunday</i> Worship 9am Sunday School 10:15am</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 Admin 7P</p>	<p>10 King's Choir 7pm</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 Bread Ministry 7am KHB 9am</p>
<p>14  Worship 9am Sunday School 10:15am</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16 Church Council 7P</p>	<p>17 Bible Study 9:30am King's Choir 7pm</p>	<p>18  Trumpet Deadline</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Bread Ministry 7am KHB 9am</p>
<p>21 Worship 9am Sunday School Celebration 10:15am</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23  Family Shelter Meal 5-6:45pm</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 Bread Ministry 7am KHB 9am</p>
<p>28 Worship 9am</p>	<p>29 Rummage Sale Set-up 8:30am-7:00pm</p>	<p>30 Rummage Sale Set-up 8:30am-7:00pm</p>	<p>31 Rummage Sale Set-up 8:30am-7:00pm</p>			

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