



CHRIST THE REDEEMER
LUTHERAN CHURCH

MAY 2022

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*Leading People Into a Living
Relationship With Jesus Christ.*

A Letter From The Pastor

BY PASTOR BURMEISTER

Fellow Redeemed,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

It's May and the flowers are in full bloom and Spring is in full swing. What a blessing it is to watch God's creation bud and bloom, giving praise and honor and glory to God. Did you know, that is what we were created to do as well? Yes, we were created by God to praise Him, serve and obey Him. How can we serve God?

1 Peter 4:7–11 (ESV): The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus

Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

We serve God when we serve each other in Godly love and devotion. This is how we, as Christians, bloom, giving glory and honor and praise to God our Father. We are active participants in the season of spring, we are not just observers of it, as though spring existed for our enjoyment. Instead, we join with the flowers and the trees in praise to God, our creator and redeemer. I don't think it was an accident that God chose spring time to raise His Son from the dead. Out of the empty tomb Jesus rose and maybe stretched his arms out and looked as the morning sun began to rise over the eastern horizon. This is a glorious day, because we rise with Jesus and participate in His resurrection. Because He has risen, we rise each day to live and love in service to those whom God has placed in our lives. May this spring be a time of growth as we bloom in praise and glory to God. Amen.

Strengthening the saved, saving the lost.

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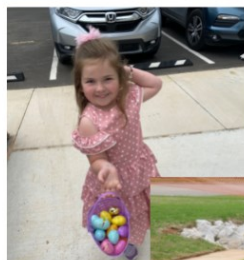
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Easter at CTR

APRIL 17, 2022 CTR CELEBRATED EASTER SUNDAY WITH A FULL HOUSE AT 3 WORSHIP SERVICES, AN EASTER BREAKFAST, JOURNEY TO THE CROSS EXPERIENCE AND AN EGG HUNT!





Our mission is to support veterans and service members in their transition to civilian life through personal and professional development.

Coffee Bunker is here to meet veterans "where they are," and help with the transition to family and community life. We are Tulsa's only peer run drop-in center, and we provide a family friendly, alcohol-free and drug free environment. Our 3500 square foot facility is set up for veterans and their families to get together, use computers, access Wi-Fi, enjoy games and group activities, watch TV or movies and just hang out.

In our continued efforts to reach all veterans, we find it important to meet them right where they are in their lives. We strive to connect them with the resources and advantages the Tulsa community has for them. We believe in bringing Coffee Bunker to our veterans in order to give them an opportunity to know there is a special place for them to call their own, and to find how we and our sister resources can help them.

We provide a safe and relaxing atmosphere that welcomes all military servicemen and women, as well as their family members. Our services are provided free of charge.

Coffee Bunker is the flagship program of Honor Bunker, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non profit organization founded in Tulsa.

In May, CTR will be collecting the following Coffee Bunker Emergency Pantry Needs:

Tuna/chicken in pouches
Mac & cheese
Cereal
Canned vegetables
Peanut butter
Jelly
Cup of noodles
Pasta
Pasta sauce
Rice
Chef Boyardee ravioli/Spaghetti-O's
Dry beans
Cans/cups of fruit or mixed fruit

A collection area will be available at the south entrance.

Find more info at coffeebunker.org

"My name is Staff Sgt. "Mak" McIntosh and was medically retired from the Air force due to injuries received from OEF/OIF in an IED explosion. Among numerous health issues that led to my retirement post-traumatic stress was, and still is, my biggest battle. I met Scott Blackburn during my recovery process while he was doing outreach for homeless veterans, and he told me about his mission and the mission of the Coffee Bunker.

I started coming to the Coffee Bunker shortly after meeting Scott in hopes of finding other individuals going through the same reintegration process that I have been going through. That was a little over a year ago and now I come to the Coffee Bunker two to three times a week not only to continue my healing process but also to help others do the same. Currently I am going through the PTSD program on Thursday night that is offered by Reboot through the Coffee Bunker. The Coffee Bunker has played a pivotal role in my recovery and reintegration process after getting out of the military, which for lack of better words has forced me to come out of my "shell" and become an active member in the veteran community. Now I am offering the same support and guidance that was given to me."



**do you have
spare glasses
at home?**

DONATE THEM TO MOST MINISTRIES!
READERS THAT HAVE STURDY FRAMES &
SOFT-SIDED GLASS CASES ARE ALSO SENT.
PLACE IN THE CART AT THE SOUTH ENTRANCE.



MUSIC MINISTRY

CHOIR & HANDBELLS FOR YOUTH & ADULTS

BY JACOB DRENGLER

In recent months, I have endeavored to expand and broaden the repertoire of hymns that we sing in worship together here at Christ the Redeemer. To that end, I have selected a series of Hymns of the Season, similar to the appointed Hymns of the Day that we sing each Sunday. For the Hymns of the Season, I have chosen a number of hymns based on the seasons of the Church year. We have then sung those hymns in worship for several weeks in a row, often as the Offertory Hymn. It is my hope that, through this practice, these great hymns of the faith have begun to be ingrained in our communal memory. So far, our Hymns of the Season have included:

October (Season after Pentecost): Evening and Morning (LSB 726)

November (Season after Pentecost): God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It (LSB 594)

Advent: Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending (LSB 336)

January (Baptism Of Our Lord-Sundays after the Epiphany): O Blessed Spring (LSB 595)

February (Sundays after the Epiphany-Transfiguration Sunday): Voices Raised to You We Offer (LSB 795)

Lent: In Silent Pain the Eternal Son (LSB 432)

Easter: The Strife is o'er, the Battle Done (LSB 464)

The next Hymn of the Season, "I Bind unto Myself Today" (LSB 604), will be introduced on the day of Pentecost, fifty days after Easter Sunday. On Pentecost, we remember the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Church as recorded in the second chapter of the book of Acts. On the Sunday following the festival of Pentecost, the Church observes Trinity Sunday, a day when we honor and celebrate God who is three in one: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. The strong Trinitarian language of the first and fifth stanzas and the marvelous Incarnational imagery of the second stanza render "I Bind unto Myself Today" eminently suitable for use on both Pentecost and Trinity Sunday.

"I Bind unto Myself Today" is a *lorica*, the Latin word for "breastplate." In medieval Irish poetry, *lorica* referred to an incantation for protection against the powers of evil. The term is derived from a Latin translation of Ephesians 6:14, wherein St. Paul exhorts believers to stand firm with "the breastplate of righteousness in place." "I Bind unto Myself Today" is traditionally attributed to St. Patrick, the fifth-century missionary and bishop well known as the patron saint of Ireland; thus, in modern hymnals, the title of the stirring Irish tune joined to the hymn text is given variously as "St. Patrick" or "St. Patrick's Breastplate." While questions of St. Patrick's authorship are by no means a settled matter, the association of this hymn with the Irish church seems beyond dispute: the earliest manuscript sources for this hymn, the 11th-century *Liber hymnorum* and the 9th-century *Vita tripartite Sancti Patricii*, are both of Irish origin.

The most widely sung English translation comes from the pen of the great 19th-century Anglo-Irish hymnist Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), best known for her Christmas hymn "Once in Royal David's City." While some prose translations give the first line as "I arise today," Alexander's poetic version closely follows the original Latin, rendering the first line "I bind unto myself today." This places the hymn firmly within the *lorica* tradition, invoking the protection of the three persons of the Trinity against the power of sin, death, and the devil.

Curiously, the first stanza is half the length of the subsequent stanzas. The final stanza begins in identical fashion to the first, but then continues on where the first ended, concluding with a glorious doxology.

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| 1 I bind unto myself today
the strong name of the Trinity
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One and One in Three. | 5 I bind unto myself today
the strong name of the Trinity
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One and One in Three.
Of whom all nature has creation,
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word.
Praise to the Lord of my salvation;
Salvation is of Christ the Lord! |
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My personal favorite stanza of this hymn is the second. In just a few lines, we sing an outline of the whole story of how God through Christ Jesus has accomplished our eternal salvation. We find the entirety of the liturgical year, from the remembrance of Christ's first coming during the seasons of Advent and Christmas to our expectant waiting for the triumphant second coming of Christ at the Last Day recalled during the last Sundays of the Church year, encapsulated in this one hymn stanza.

- 2 I bind this day to me forever,
By power of faith, Christ's Incarnation,
His Baptism in the Jordan River,
His cross of death for my salvation,
His bursting from the spiced tomb,
His riding up the heavenly way,
His coming at the day of doom,
I bind unto myself today.

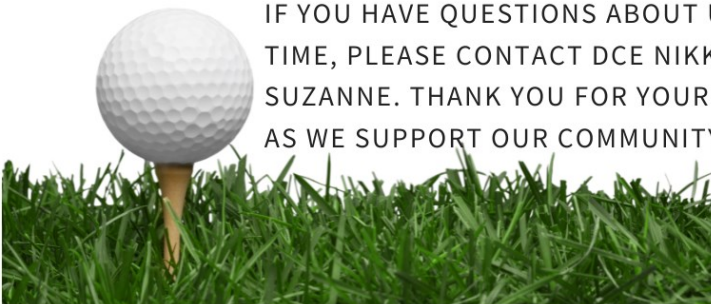
This stanza contains a beautiful summary of the seasons that shape the songs we sing when we are gathered by the Holy Spirit to worship the Triune God each week. In every season of the church year we sing of the wondrous, powerful, creative, enlivening works of God. We sing of the Incarnation, we sing of Christ's Passion, we sing the Resurrection story, we sing of the One who called us out of darkness into God's marvelous light. We sing songs of resounding joy and songs of deepest lament. We sing songs that evoke the most triumphant shout of praise and the mute whisper of a prayer. We proclaim through song the good news of all that God has done. Gathered into community as the Church, we give voice to the praise of the Creator of the universe. Bound together by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, let us sing together!



PGA WEEK ANNOUNCEMENT

THE WEEK OF MAY 16-22 THE PGA WILL BE USING PART OF OUR FACILITY WHILE THE EVENTS ARE HELD AT SOUTHERN HILLS. WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO HAVE ANY EVENTS IN THE BUILDING BETWEEN 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM EACH DAY DUE TO SECURITY.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT USE DURING THAT TIME, PLEASE CONTACT DCE NIKKI OR DCE SUZANNE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING AS WE SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY.



JOIN US AS WE CLOSE OUT CTR-U FOR THE SEASON!



OUR FINAL CTR-U NIGHTS OF THIS SCHOOL YEAR ARE APRIL 20, APRIL 27, AND MAY 4. THEN WE ARE ON BREAK FOR SUMMER! CTR-U WILL RESUME AGAIN ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2022.



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On 3/24/22, John Neas provided the Owls group with a tour of his Corvette & other classic vehicles collection.

O.W.L.S

OWLS on May 26 will meet at and tour beginning at 1 pm the Sherman Miller Museum, 2021 E 71st Street. (You may remember that we had to cancel the tour in February due to extremely bad weather.) For those interested and available we will also have a Fellowship meal before the tour at Rib Crib, 8040 S Yale at 11:15 am .

We will have a docent who will meet us at the Museum. The cost is \$3 per person. There is the option of going on one or both of the offered tours; first the Holocaust tour (about 45 minutes) and following an Art tour. The Art tour is normally about 45 minutes, but the docent can compress the time of that tour if requested. A sign up sheet is available or notify Marty Weber at weberxsa@cox.net.

STUDENT LOAN
REPAYMENT FUND



Pursuing a career in service to the Lord through the church is a fulfilling opportunity, but it is not an inexpensive choice. Those who pursue professional church work many times incur educational debt, just like anyone else may do. Repayment of educational debt is often made more difficult by the more modest salaries of church workers, compared to other professions.

In order to encourage and retain our professional church workers here at Christ the Redeemer, several years ago the congregation established a fund to assist our Pastors, DCEs and other synodically-trained church workers in repaying their student loans. This fund relies on the donations of our members here at CTR. The fund is currently in need of additional funds. Please prayerfully consider a designated donation to this cause. You may place your gift in the weekly offering with a designation of "Student Loan Fund" or you may give your gift directly to one of the Elders, and we will ensure that it is deposited in the correct fund.

Thank you for your past generosity and for ongoing support.

– Jim Holt, Elder Chair



Brad Jackson & Michelle Na'ayem	May 2	17 yrs
Robert & Johana Fitzgerald	May 5	21 yrs
Rhoda & Charlie Transue	May 6	21 yrs
Jerry & Diane Morlock	May 9	52 yrs
Mark & Sherry Volberding	May 11	10 yrs
Bill & Ladon Bullock	May 17	52 yrs
Scott & Betty Gesell	May 18	38 yrs
Barry & Daphnee Brian	May 20	46 yrs
Kevin & Sarah Drain	May 24	10 yrs
Russell & Carole Hansen	May 26	55 yrs
David & Terea Nightingale	May 26	49 yrs
Frank & Connie Thomas	May 29	40 yrs
Eric & Kara Kaplinski	May 31	14 yrs
Scott & Julee Mabrey	May 31	25 yrs



FAMILY & CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

FAMILY ROUSTABOUTS

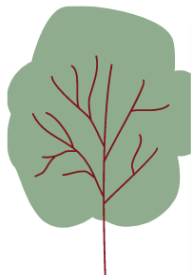


Family Roustabouts planted flowers and washed windows around the fishbowl.

WORK WEEKEND

Want to serve the Lord, enjoy nature and go to Camp Lutherhoma? Sign-up for work weekend...it's free! There are service projects for all ages and all levels of ability. What a way to give of your time and talents as a family or an individual! If you have questions, contact DCE Nikki.

SIGN UP FOR CAMP TODAY!



CAMP LUTHERHOMA SCHEDULE

May		
27-29	Work Weekend (all ages)	
June		
12-17	Force 1	Kinetic 1
19-24	Force 2	Rock & Ride
24-26	Mommy/Daddy & Me	
26- July 1	Force 3	Energy 1
July		
3-8	Force 4	Kinetic 2
10-14	Family Camp	
17-22	Force 5	Energy 2
24-29	Dynamic	
August		
12-14	Recharge- Young Adult New for ages 18+!	

THINGS TO KNOW

- Early Deadline
May 15 and get a \$30 discount
- New Friend Discount
\$30 discount for you and your friend

Kinetic- Ages 7-9,
Force- Ages 9-12
Energy- Ages 13-15,
Dynamic- Ages 14-18

CTR CAMP REBATES AVAILABLE

Every summer CTR reimburses up to 50% of the registration price of campers who are CTR members. Submit your registration and payment to camp, then complete a Rebate form. Submit the Rebate form to CTR by **MAY 1st**.

CONTACT DCE NIKKI
FOR MORE INFORMATION.
NBOYD@CTRTULSA.ORG
918-859-8575

Young Adult Bible study

Every Wednesday night at 7:15, all young adults are invited to participate in a Bible study. If you have questions contact DCE Nikki.

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Church Nursery

For families with young children, there is a nursery available in the center hallway.

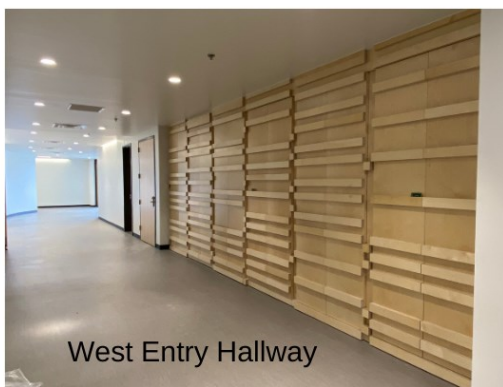
This nursery is available for children up to age 4.

Please do not bring children over the age of 4 to the nursery, as we are not staffed for to handle them. Thank you!

CTR CONSTRUCTION PROJECT



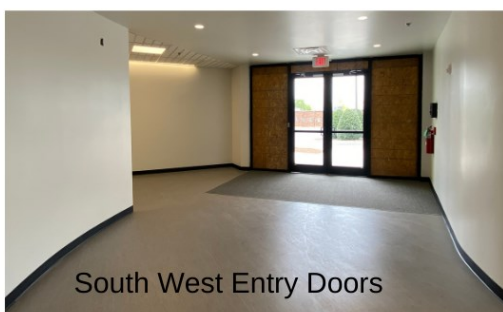
Jr High Classroom



West Entry Hallway



Kitchen



South West Entry Doors

Phase 2 construction is finishing up. Here are a few snapshots of one of the new classrooms, the new West Kitchen and the West entry hallway. Each of these pictures reflect works still in progress.

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Sunday School



Sunday School is fun!

Ms. Kayla's class having fun learning about forgiveness in lots of different ways.

Each week during the Forgiving Challenge, the kids learned about Mess-Up, Fess-Up, Clean-Up, Rise-Up and Step-Up from the the apostle Peter and Red the Fox.

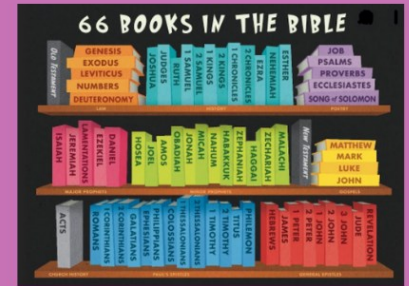


WE NEED TEACHERS AND SUBS!

With more families and children returning to in-person attendance we need Sunday School teachers! Class sizes are growing!! If you are interested in finding out more about being a Sunday School teacher, please contact DCE Suzanne or DCE Nikki.

Thank you!

To all the MANY volunteers who helped make the Journey to the Cross event and the Easter Egg hunt happen...THANK YOU!!! These things could not have happened without your help! What a blessing you all are!!!



KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL

THE FORGIVING CHALLENGE IS OVER BUT THE CHALLENGE IS STILL THERE. PLEASE CONTINUE TO TALK TO YOUR KIDS ABOUT LOVE AND FORGIVENESS IN DAILY CONTEXT. MODELING THESE THINGS BY SAYING, "I'M SORRY" AND "I FORGIVE YOU" AT HOME AND WITH FRIENDS IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT AS KIDS CONTINUE TO LEARN.

AT HOME

WE ARE BEGINNING TO FOCUS ON MEMORIZING THE BOOKS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT IN ORDER. THE KIDS HAVE DONE A GREAT JOB WITH MEMORIZING THE OLD TESTAMENT. TO HELP YOUR KIDS PRACTICE AT HOME USE THE FOLLOWING YOUTUBE VIDEOS:

OLD TESTAMENT- "OLD TESTAMENT SONG" BY SLUGS AND BUGS

NEW TESTAMENT- "BOOKS OF THE BIBLE SONG (NEW TESTAMENT)" BY SEEDS FAMILY WORSHIP

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR BIBLES TO CHURCH!!





EDUCATION MINISTRY



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND ADULTS

CONTACT DCE SUZANNE WATT FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO VOLUNTEER TO TEACH

PREK-5TH GRADE KIDS



These classes are now meeting in the East Addition. Opening is each week at 9:30 AM in "The Fishbowl" room. Here students will enjoy opening music then break into classes divided by age. This Spring our teachers are:

PreK-K: Katie Michaels-Johnson

1st & 2nd: Kayla Kuehnert

Club 345: Carri Cline & Melissa James

Opening Leader: DCE Nikki

Music also by: Conner Cline & Harrison Boyd

Generations-Lenten Gathering

Our first generational Bible study was a success. We met weekly during Lent to make new friends, study God's Word, and pray for each other during the Forgiving Challenge.

Breaking into small groups to learn and grow together is what it's all about!



6TH-8TH GRADE YOUTH



These classes are now meeting in the East Addition. Class begins each week at 9:30 AM in the Jr High Room toward the end of the East Hallway.

This Spring 2022 we continue our Apologetics study which will fulfill an elective confirmation credit. These classes will be led by DCE Suzanne.

On Wednesdays during CTR-U we will be having classes on The 10 Commandments and then the Apostles Creed. These classes will be led by Pastor B. Our last meeting is May 4.



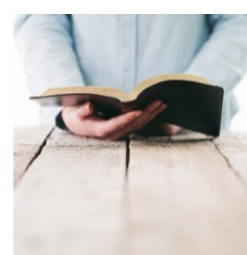
HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH



These classes are now meeting in the East Addition. Class begins each week at 9:30 AM in the High School Room. Classes led by David Ross & Tim Kuehnert.

Starting in May we will begin a series of studies based on the themes of the upcoming Lutheran Youth Gathering in Houston, TX titled "In All Things" which reflects on the New Testament book of Colossians.

ADULT CLASS



Adult Sunday School is led by Pastor B in Fellowship Hall East.

Life By His Word is led by Steve Short and will be in Adult Education Room 1 in the East Addition.

Wired Word is led by a team of teachers and will be in Adult Education Room 2 in the East Addition.

CHRIST THE REDEEMER
LUTHERAN CHURCH

JOIN PASTOR B FOR
Widow/Widowers'
Bible Study
EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 10 AM
IN THE CTR LIBRARY



YOUTH MINISTRY

Jr High 6th-8th Grade High School 9th-12th Grade

CONTACT DCE SUZANNE WATT TO REGISTER OR
FOR MORE INFORMATION ON EVENTS



2022 Youth Gathering Updates:

Your full 3 payments totaling \$395 per person for registration due by 5/1/22.

Join the High School Sunday School class for pre-gathering Bible studies!

Tentative Schedule

Friday, July 8, 2022

6a Depart from Immanuel-BA

Eat lunch along the way

4p Arrive at hotel in Houston

Check in hotel

5p Eat dinner in Houston at The Truckyard

Saturday, July 9, 2022

8a-6p Registration

9:30a Leave for Galveston Pier

11a Lunch at Bubba Gump

12-4:30p Pier rides & Beach

4:30p Board bus back to Houston

Eat dinner on the drive back

7:30p Doors Open at Minute Maid Park

8:30p Mass Event

10p Mass Event Ends

Sunday-Tuesday, July 10-12, 2022

10a Bible Study

10a-6p Sessions

5:30-7:30p (Sunday only) Oklahoma District Event/Dinner

8:30p Mass Event

10p Mass Event Ends

Mass Event Plus

12a Program Spaces Close

Wednesday, July 13, 2022

9a Doors Open at Minute Maid Park

10a Worship Begins

12p Conclusion of LCMS Youth Gathering

12-1:30p Lunch & Board Bus home!

est. 10:30p Arrive at Immanuel-BA

National Youth Gathering Youth Envelope Fundraiser

1. Our final 2022 Youth Gathering fundraiser starts this May!
2. Visit the Envelope Wall display at CTR.
3. Pick your white envelope. The number on the outside reflects the amount you are suggested to donate. (For example Envelope 57 = \$57)
4. Inside you will find a letter, blue envelope and Donor Information Card.
5. Keep the letter inside the white envelope from one of the youth attending NYG and pray for that youth before, during and after the trip.
6. Return your donation in the blue envelope along with the Donor Information Card to CTR. All checks should be made payable to "Christ the Redeemer" with "NYG Fundraiser" in the memo line
7. During the Gathering trip July 8-13 expect a special surprise from your youth! And follow us on CTR social media for updates, photos, videos and more while we are in Houston.

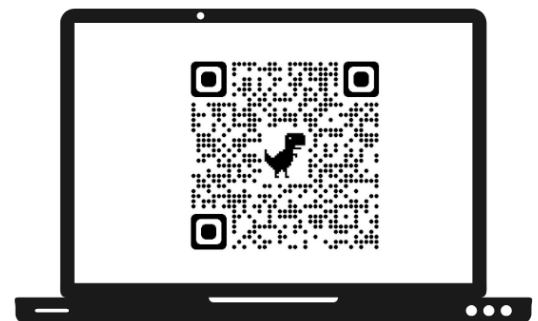


Pay online for CTR Events!



Scan this QR code with your smartphone camera and go straight to the new online site.

Vanco Online now allows you to pay online for youth events, special church events and more!



Registration Forms for all youth events as well as 2022 Medical & Liability Forms are all online through Planning Center.

1 John 3:17-18

But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

Tulsa Saints Foundation

4.19.2022

Michael W Bryan -Director

CTR Newsletter

Blessings to all at the Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church. I wanted to thank all who contributed to the homeless in Tulsa over the winter. The coats, hoodies, sleeping bags, blankets, tents, socks, undergarments, hats, gloves, shoes and other clothing along with other miscellaneous essentials were definitely a contribution to those who are the most vulnerable on the streets. There were many times we had brothers and sisters who came to us, broken, without coats, shoes, or a place to stay and with God's provision through you we were able to provide them with a items to help them survive the days and nights on the Tulsa streets. The Father knows and he provides through all your contributions.

Psalm 109:30-31

With my mouth I will greatly extol the Lord;
in the great throng of worshipers I will praise him.
For he stands at the right hand of the needy,
to save their lives from those who would condemn them.

As we move into spring, we have seen a large increase of homeless. Where once we were able to provide a meal with seconds many times, we are now experiencing for the first time running out of food before we are able to provide seconds to those who wish additional food. It is not a spot we are used to being in. Tulsa Saints have begun increasing our food distribution to 120 meals each Friday night.



This month I'd like to talk about James. James is homeless in Tulsa and has been for over a year. James comes every Friday night and helps us with the trailer, security, and food distribution.

Like most homeless, his situation has many facets that tell his story, but the one thing is he is constant; just like the Father is in his love for us. He has brought James into our lives and we attempt to assist him with supplies to help him through the week. He does work and supports himself in some degree, but with many homeless, he has past issues that keep him from finding a permanent position. Please pray that Abba opens avenues for him.

Matthew 6: 33 But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

We pray for James and the other homeless in Tulsa for salvation, mercy, and provision.

We are in need of spring and summer clothes now (T shirts and blue jeans of various sizes) along with tennis shoes, undergarments, ball caps, book bags, and socks. Any gently used or new would be a blessing for those in need.

God Bless and the Love of Messiah Jesus Christ be with you always.

As always, if you wish to come out and help we meet at Fridays 5:15 on 4th Street between Denver and Cheyenne in front of the Metro Bus Station (near the BOK). We hand out food and supplies until we run out.

STEWARDSHIP & GIVING

For the Month of March	2021	2022
March Giving.....	\$64,585	\$68,038
Monthly Budget	\$60,983	\$67,685
Year to Date Giving	\$239,556	\$227,221
Year to Date Budget	\$198,194	\$248,790
YTD Expenses.....	\$171,754	\$204,629
Building Fund Contribution:		
March Receipts: \$21,880.50		
Balance: \$2,760,161.39		

Three WAYS TO GIVE AT CTR

Questions about E-Giving? Stop by the Church Office and speak to Deva Beebe or email her at dbeebe@ctrtulsa.org to learn more.

Online Giving



You can visit www.ctrtulsa.org/on-line-giving to sign up through Vanco for one time or ongoing offering or donations. This allows you to set up weekly, bi-weekly or monthly offering. Setting up an account is easy, all you need is an email address to get started. You choose your own login information. When you create an account, you can also securely and conveniently store debit/credit card or bank account information, manage donations and review your giving history.

Mobile Giving



For our smartphone users, you can contribute through Vanco Mobile, our mobile giving app. It's a convenient solution whenever you have a smart phone. You can give anytime, anywhere, any day. Go to the App Store or Google Play and search for "Vanco Mobile" to quickly find the app and download it for free. You can easily make donations anytime, or create an account to schedule recurring weekly or monthly offerings. When you create an account, you can also securely and conveniently store debit/credit card or bank account information, manage donations and review your giving history. You choose how you prefer to login- Touch ID/Fingerprint, PIN or password.

Drop Off In-Person



Visit our church office during the week or use the offering basket during worship services.

Updated E-giving App

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CTR has some very exciting news! Vanco has replaced our GivePlus Mobile app with our all-new Vanco Mobile app. Vanco Mobile will be just as easy to use as GivePlus Mobile, and it comes with new features to make it even better. Vanco Mobile will provide you with the simplest way to give or donate – and stay in touch – with CTR.

We encourage you to download the free Vanco Mobile app today! And it's easy for you to use:

If you previously used the GivePlus Mobile app, your log-in credentials stay the same in Vanco Mobile. No need for a new user ID or password. If you have recurring gifts set up, they will continue to be made as scheduled.

If you're new to the E-giving app, simply download it and set up a profile to start giving or making payments today!

For a quick video tutorial, visit: <https://vimeo.com/605658635>

We will now be able to accept donations and payments for Family & Children's Ministry events and Youth Ministry events through the app and online giving webpage. To visit our online giving page simply put the web address <https://www.ctrtulsa.org/on-line-giving/> into the search bar of any browser.

Please consider making donations with your bank account as it saves CTR the additional credit card fees.

Thank you for your continued generosity to CTR!

Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church - Cornerstone, May 2022



The next business meeting will be held May 17, 2022, 12:30 p.m. The roster of officers for the next year will be voted on. Look for us in the Wired Word classroom. Use the south entrance or the east entrance.

LWML is collecting stamps. The collection box is on the table to the right of the east entrance. These stamps help to support missions in the Oklahoma District. Here's the link for instructions. https://www.oklwml.org/311923_2

Don't forget about the LWML and Friday morning Bible study ladies craft show on April 24 and May 1. It will feature vintage plate yard art, and various craft items. Lots of choices for Mother's Day, graduation, or get started on Christmas!

The Oklahoma District Convention was held April 8-9, 2022 at the Hilton Garden Inn and Conference Center in Edmond, OK. Those ladies attending the convention were – Patti Ross, Cherry Volberding, Sharon Schmidt, and Daphnee Brian. We all enjoyed the Bible Study leader Pastor Wackler from Zion in Stillwater. His study was on "I am", "this is how God wants to be known". Tulsa Zone donated a gift basket for the silent auction and sold for \$150. The total collected from all the Zone baskets was \$1420. This money will go toward helping delegates attend the national convention next summer in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. At the church service on Friday night, the offering was \$3,300, and goes to the OK LWML District MITE goal. Total MITEs from "What's your 80?" were \$6624.52. This also goes toward the OK LWML Mission Mite goal of \$120,000. Saturday's closing service offering was \$2356.06. It will be divided equally between Tulsa and Edmond Ministry Production Centers for Lutheran Braille Workers. Seventeen of twenty grants were totally funded. One grant request was partially funded. Here's a link to the grants. https://www.oklwml.org/39604_1.

On Friday, the ladies were involved in several Servant Activities – 30 Bibles were marked for prison ministry; 120 Cards with encouraging notes were made for the VA, residents and staff; 857 mission bracelets were brought and 239 were made that morning; and 51 baby blankets were tied for the Willow Pregnancy Center, Edmond.

Lutheran Women's Missionary League is celebrating 80 years in 2022. The CTR Rebekah Society will be collecting extra MITE money all year – 80 pennies, 80 dimes, 80 nickels, etc. If you would like to contribute to this donation, please place your donation in the large MITE box and designate that it is for "What's Your 80?".

Feed your Mite Box. <http://www.lwml.org/posts/free-resources/mite-challenge-calendar>. The mite challenge calendar is a resource designed to focus daily on LWML Gospel Outreach. It includes a suggested MITE donation, but that is mainly to remind the user that even small amounts can make a big impact when coupled with prayer, mission service, a Bible verse, a song, or recognition and praise for what God is providing in your life.

The first Sunday of the month is Mite Box Sunday. If you can't make it to church, you can mail a check to CTR for LWML with MITEs in the memo line. The MITE box is on the table at the east entrance and at the south entrance. We are all fed through Christ: Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst" (John 6:35).

The 2021-2023 Biennium Mission Goal is \$2,150,000. As of January 31, 2022, \$699,430 had been dispersed. The total amount received is \$1,219,238.31. Several of the Grants have already been funded!

Please continue to bring your used eyeglasses for the MOST ministries box. It is on the bookshelves at the south entrance. You can purchase reader glasses for \$1 at Dollar Tree.

To learn more about mission grants and other ways to support LWML, go to LWML.ORG. To access the Oklahoma district, go to www.lwml.org/oklahoma-district. There is also Bible Studies, devotions, and Lutheran Women's Quarterly. LWML also has a Facebook page that you can follow for Mustard Seed devotions, resources, news and events.

Make sure you also view the LWML page on the CTR web site. It has meeting dates and other information. Link to CTR is <https://www.ctrtulsa.org/lwml/>

Thank you for your support.

Yours in His Service – Daphnee Brian, President



What brings warmth and shelter to families by becoming a bed, room divider, backpack, and at times even a home???

HOW CAN YOU HELP??

We need help in purchasing the fabric to make the quilt tops. Each quilt costs approximately \$25 to make. Donations marked "LWML quilts" can be dropped in the mite box or put in the offering plate.

Prayers for our quilt program are needed plus prayers for the recipients of our quilts. These quilts are sent all over the United States, as well as the world!





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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"But you will receive _____ when the Holy _____ comes on you; and you will be my _____ in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the _____."

ACTS 1:8, NIV