



# CHRIST THE REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

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8:15 & 10:45 AM

Sunday School/Bible Classes  
9:30 AM

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## *A Letter From The Pastor*

BY PASTOR BURMEISTER

Fellow Redeemed,

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

I wanted to take a quick inventory of all of the ministries that Christ the Redeemer is involved with at this current time. Just off the top of my head, I know the following ministries are flourishing:

1. Sunday Worship - The worship life here at CTR is vibrant and centered around the Word and Sacrament, the Means of Grace. The sermons are Gospel-centered and the Law is taught and proclaimed so that the Gospel might predominate. I make every effort to make sure that the sermons connect with where the congregation is, within the context of the world and our community. The Music Ministry is a huge part of Sunday Worship, along with the greeters, altar guild, children's messages that incorporate the DCEs, lay readers, elders, and those who provide various forms of hospitality. There are many churches within the LCMS that would stop here with regards to ministry opportunities.

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*Strengthening the saved, saving the lost.*

**Rev. Scott Burmeister**  
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Christian Education

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# May ANNIVERSARIES

May 2	Brad Jackson & Michelle Na'ayem	18 yrs
May 5	Robert & Johana Fitzgerald	22 yrs
May 6	Rhoda & Charlie Transue	22 yrs
May 9	Jerry & Diane Morlock	53 yrs
May 11	Mark & Sherry Volberding	11 yrs
May 17	Bill & Ladon Bullock	53 yrs
May 18	Scott & Betty Gesell	39 yrs
May 20	Barry & Daphnee Brian	47 yrs
May 24	Kevin & Sarah Drain	11 yrs
May 25	Carson & Sarah Brian	4 yrs
May 26	David & Teresa Nightingale	50 yrs
May 26	Russell & Carole Hansen	56 yrs
May 29	Frank & Connie Thomas	41 yrs
May 31	Scott & Julee Mabrey	26 yrs
May 31	Eric & Kara Kaplinski	15 yrs

# Easter Lilies

- Suzanne Beauchamp
- Jim & Rosemary Holt
- Bob & Gerri Jennings
- Brenda Flasch
- Sandra Hanson
- Beverly & Sid McVey
- Floyd & Angela Lemons
- Melissa James

# O.W.L.S.

The May meeting of OWLS is planned for Thursday, May 25th at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall West. The speaker for this meeting is Michelle Place, Executive Director of the Tulsa Historical Society & Museum. Her presentation is on "The Indian Territory and the Five Tribes". With the movie "Killers of the Flower Moon" being released soon, this presentation should be very timely and of interest to all. Refreshments and dessert will be served.



Michelle began working for the Tulsa Historical Society in 2001 and was named Executive Director in 2012. She is a two-time Heartland EMMY Winning writer and producer of BOOMTOWN, a retrospective of Tulsa, Oklahoma and L'DOR V'DOR: Tulsa's Jewish Community. She is a four-time delegate to an international conference on Just Governance in Caux, Switzerland. In 2018, Michelle was named as one of thirty-five Global Women Drivers for Peace. She is a graduate of the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville.

# quilts

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!

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# Palm Sunday



At the March OWLS meeting, associates from Charles Schwab and their affiliated Asset Management Company gave an informative presentation on their view of the stock market - past, present & future. Pictured are Steve Sorrano, Patrick Vaught & Jeremy Travis from Schwab & Associates, along with Marty Weber from CTR.





## STEWARDSHIP & GIVING

For the Month of March	2022	2023
March Giving.....	\$68,039	\$67,934
Monthly Income Budget.....	\$64,870	\$76,981
Year to Date Actual Giving.....	\$227,221	\$248,198
Year to Date Expense Budget.....	\$248,790	\$304,295
Actual YTD Expenses.....	\$204,629	\$234,202

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2. Christian Education - Sundays and Wednesdays are alive with God's Word. The Word of God is being taught and learned, and is being applied by the faithful members of CTR. Sunday School openings are high energy and the kids love the dancing and singing. Many have told me that it's almost like a mini VBS every Sunday. Both of our DCEs provide the highest level of instruction for all ages, as well as utilizing the latest innovations for learning. If you have not attended one of CTR's many instruction opportunities lately, please make plans to attend. Many congregations in the LCMS would have to stop here. We have many lay-led studies as well. Ladies meet every Friday around God's Word, the OWLS have guest speakers come in monthly to give real world information. We even have a ROMEO group that goes out to lunch periodically. ROMEO stands for Retired Old Men Eating Out. I know that they share God's Word with each other, not to mention the wonderful fellowship that they enjoy. Wednesday nights at CTR are buzzing with activity as we share a meal, provide confirmation instruction, as well as instruction for children, men's group, women's group, and the young adults (age 20-30) meet around God's Word.

3. Music Ministry - We have an amazing Music Ministry here at CTR. Jacob utilizes hymnody and music that is fresh and new. He regularly chooses preludes, postludes, choral pieces, voluntaries, etc. that were written by some of the most amazing hymn writers of our time. I am overjoyed when I see selections by contemporary composers like Behnke, Cherwien, Hobby, Burkhardt, Callahan and Ferguson, just to name a few. What an absolute blessing it is to have these pieces and their composers represented in our worship life. At CTR we have a very active choir, bell choir, and children's choir. Our children are learning the liturgical arts on Sunday mornings. The music at CTR is of the highest caliber and quality.

4. Youth - CTR has a vibrant, active and faith focused Youth Program. The young people who are active in it are very connected and have made what will become lifelong friendships. Each of our Youth love Jesus and love God's Word. They are connected to our church in ways that other congregations within the LCMS would envy. They have an amazing hunger for God's Word and they desire to grow in faith, service and love, just as our vision statement says. We can all be very proud of each and every one of these young people. In a world that is trying to pull them in hundreds of different directions, they choose to come to CTR. That is a blessing.

5. Family and Children's - Our family and children's ministry is constantly providing Christ-centered activities for our youngest members and their parents. From worship bags to overnight stays at Camp Lutherhoma, to day trips and pizza parties, movie nights, and the granddaddy of them all: the Fall Festival. The list of activities that are provided through Family and Children's Ministry is too long to be able to mention them all. Most congregations in the LCMS have a youth program, and that's it. What a blessing it is for us to have a vibrant Family and Children's ministry.

6. Property - The Property Ministry here at CTR take amazing care of our facility and grounds. The Roustabouts meet every Friday and take care of making sure that everything is ready for Sunday morning. Did you know that we have a Lady Roustabouts group as well? We do! They are busy during the week with various projects that come up. The Property Ministry takes great pains to make sure that we maintain the facility to the highest degree while keeping the costs affordable.

7. Tulsa Saints / Lutheran Braille Ministry / Lutheran Church Charities Comfort Dog / CTR Quilters / LWML / Eden Village / MEND / Gideons / International Missionaries / Seminary Student / District Youth Executive / Lutherhoma / Tulsa Prison Ministry (Pastor B is a volunteer at the Tulsa County Jail) / Burgundy Place Worship Service / New Saturday Morning Praise Service / rEcess / Ronald McDonald House Pop Tabs / Eyeglass Ministry / Bunker House (Veterans Ministry Coffee Shop).

If I have missed any of the important ministries at CTR, I am very sorry. The point I am trying to make with this Newsletter Article is that we have TONS of ministries going on. God is the vehicle, and He is responsible for all of these ministries that are happening here at CTR. Please pray to God about all that He is currently doing here at CTR, and ask Him how you might get involved.



### 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](mailto:dbeebe@ctrtulsa.org) to learn more.

### Online Giving

You can visit [www.ctrtulsa.org/on-line-giving](http://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 or In-Person

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

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 go to the web address

<https://www.ctrtulsa.org/on-line-giving/>

**When giving online, please consider making donations with your bank account instead of a debit/credit card as it saves CTR the additional credit card fees.**

Our offering envelope system has changed. Envelopes were distributed only to those members who requested them. This is a much more cost-effective way to get envelopes to those who need/want them. All pledged members were mailed a post card letting them know their contributor number. At any point in the year, you may request giving envelopes - just contact the Church office!



# MUSIC MINISTRY

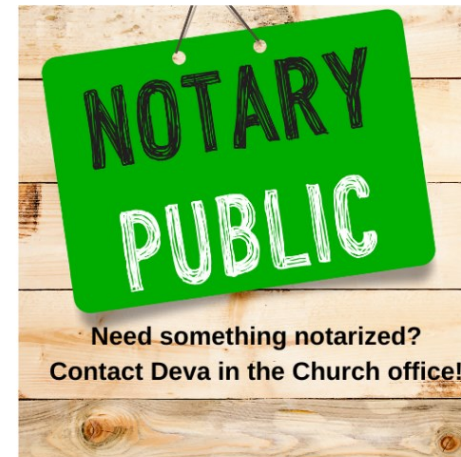
CHOIR & HANDBELLS FOR YOUTH & ADULTS

BY JACOB DRENGLER

This month, we return to our discussion of the Hymns of the Season. It is my hope that, through the singing of select hymns repeatedly over the course of several weeks, these great songs of the faith have been more deeply ingrained in the worship life of this congregation. Hopefully, the information I have shared in these articles regarding the origins of the texts and melodies that we sing together has deepened your appreciation for the rich treasury of theology, poetry, and music that is the Church's hymnody. In addition, perhaps the inclusion of these hymns in worship, some of which are more familiar than others, has led you to discover new favorite hymns!

The Hymn of the Season beginning on the Day of Pentecost, May 28, will be "O Day Full of Grace" (LSB 503). The earliest extant version of this hymn is found in a fifteenth-century manuscript from the Vadstena Abbey in Sweden. "O Day Full of Grace" was translated into Danish by Hans Thomissøn, one of the leading Danish Lutheran hymnists and theologians of the sixteenth century, for inclusion in The Danish Hymnal of 1569. In addition to translating the text from Swedish into Danish, Thomissøn altered the language of the hymn to better reflect Lutheran teaching. It is this Lutherized Danish version of the hymn, rather than the fifteenth-century Swedish text, that Gerald Thorson (1921-2001) translated into English. Thorson's translation was first published in Lutheran Book of Worship (1978) and is the translation that appears in Lutheran Service Book.

While "O Day Full of Grace" is most often associated with the feast of Pentecost, the hymn actually outlines the shape of the whole of the church year in only five stanzas. The first stanza recalls the Benedictus (Luke 1:68-79), a hymn often associated with the season of Advent, which reminds us that Christ came to bring light to those dwelling in the shadows of a sin-darkened world. The second and third stanzas point to the seasons of Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, and Easter as we sing of the Incarnation, death, and resurrection of our Lord. We sing of how God, in infinite grace and mercy, came to us in flesh and blood in the person of Jesus, living, suffering, dying, and rising, that we might one day rise with Him, raising our "voices in endless singing." The fourth stanza points to the events of the Day of Pentecost and the new life given to the Church by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. In the fifth stanza, the hymn-writer looks toward that last day when God will restore all of creation to Himself, anticipating the day when God's people will "gather in song...hearts aglow" before the throne of the Lamb in His kingdom. And so we sing together in this place for a time, awaiting with hope that day when we will join our voices in a song that will not end.



## 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



The altar flower sign up is now available inside the Fellowship West wall cabinet nearest the Sanctuary.

When you've taken your bouquet home, please return the white container until further notice.

Contact Deb Drain with any questions.

## STRATEGIC PLANNING

The CTR Strategic Planning ministry's first goal is to meet with the board to get their input. As the guiding document for CTR, the strategic plan needs to originate from the board in order to be effective long-term.



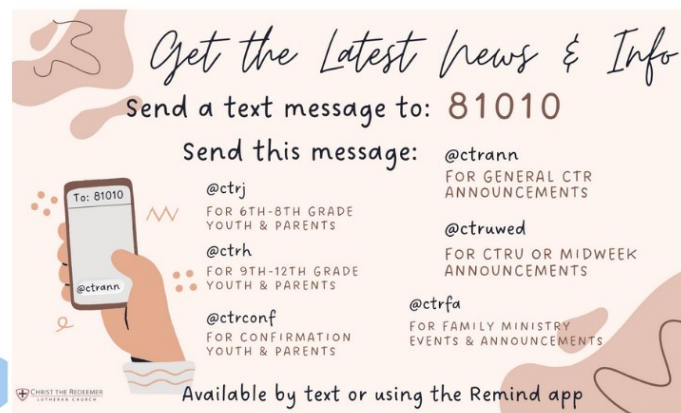
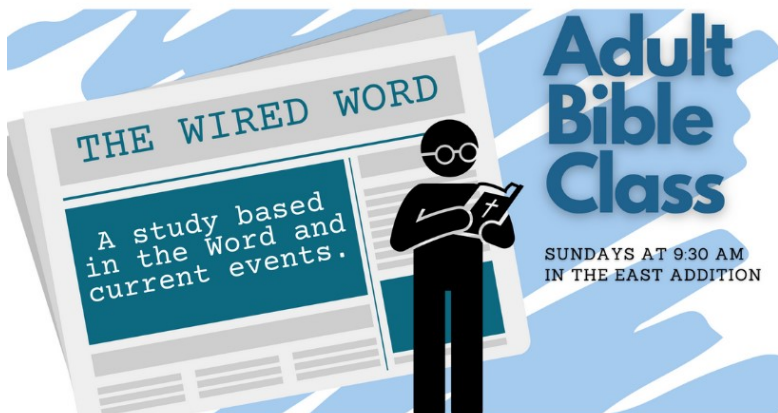
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Registration for  
 • Youth  
 • Family  
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 • Cross-Gen  
 Ministries is now online!

- Input your information once and it is saved for future events.
- Complete Youth Medical and Liability forms digitally only once a year!



**Ladies bunco is returning but at a different time and date! Our first play date will be 1pm, Thursday, May 4, in Fellowship West. Diane Morlock is our hostess. She will provide beverages and table snacks. You only need to bring \$5.00. Please email Diane at dmm0202@hotmail.com to reserve your seat.**



**Elders Recommendation on Flags Placement  
 At the request of the Board of Directors**

The Elders discussed the placement of the American flag and the Christian flag. Previously, both flags were displayed in the Sanctuary. During the recent Sanctuary remodeling, the flags were removed from the Sanctuary and placed in the west Fellowship Hall.

The Elders were asked to recommend a location for future display. After reviewing several published articles and other sources of information, the Elders voted to recommend the flags continue to be displayed in the Fellowship Hall and not returned to the Sanctuary. It should be noted that there is no Synodical requirement or specific advice for flag placement, and the LCMS has always held that the display of the American and Christian flags is an adiaphoron. It is left to the discretion of the individual congregations.

Our recommendation was influenced by an article from the Lutheran Witness published in 2017. That article referenced a section from the 1996 Altar Guild Manual which stated that "Many Lutheran churches display flags in the chancel or nave, but this practice must be discouraged. The national flag is a symbol of the state whose value and purposes are different from, and sometimes incompatible with, those of the church. The 'Christian flag' is a piece of redundant and distracting symbolism since the focus in the church is on the altar and cross in the chancel."

Respectfully submitted,  
 Jim Holt Chairman-Ministry of Elders

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As of April 11, 2023, the Endowment Fund has a balance of **\$899,696.93**.

The Endowment Fund Committee would like to thank the donors who have donated to the fund throughout the years. As a committee, we do our best to use these funds as we feel you and past donors would have desired.

The Endowment Fund Committee would like to thank the following people for donations so far this year: Barbara Sabourin, Virginia Greek, Bob and Marilyn Rains, Del and Jan Dreyer, and Frank and Connie Thomas.

The purpose of the Endowment fund is to receive and invest funds for future use by the congregation. This fund provides a means for us, as Christian stewards to express in a tangible way, our deepest gratitude for God's many gifts and blessings. A gift to the Endowment Fund is a reflection of our faith and Christian love over and above our normal and regular gifts to the Church. The trustees continue to encourage all our members to consider charitable gifts to the Endowment fund as a part of their long term financial and estate planning. In addition, gifts to honor the memory of a friend or loved one or to celebrate a special occasion such as an anniversary, birthday or Confirmation is always appreciated.

God's Blessings,

Frank Thomas  
Angela Tipton  
Bob Rains  
Kyle Stein

## Seminary News



Greetings from St. Louis Seminary!

Anticipation. That is the watchword at Seminary these days. Call Day is on Wednesday and many students are on pins and needles wondering where they will be sent for their first Call. Some of my friends have had multiple interviews all over the country and really have no clue where they are going. Anticipation causes a lot of discomfort. Boxes are being packed, yards are littered with "give away" clothing items. Some furniture is handed down from generation to generation here. We call that furniture "Sem Gems". Ads are all over the Facebook pages attempting to find the next generation for these Sem Gems. We have to be ready to leave but we don't know where or when. We just know that we are leaving soon.

The Bible records the stories of several occasions when someone was told they were leaving where they were currently living and they simply had to trust God for the destination. In Genesis 12, Abram is called to leave the house of his father to become a new nation in a land that God would show him. Moses and the children of Israel crossed the Red Sea and then God led them where he wanted them to go: the Promised Land.

Anticipation is rare these days when everyone seems to be focused on immediate gratification of every want and need. "I want what I want, and I want it NOW!" Things that take time bore me. The repetition needed to build skills with a musical instrument takes too much time. If I can't play an instrument like a pro the first time I pick it up, I get bored and never master it. It takes too much time to go to a library and check multiple sources to understand something. I will let Google tell me about the subject. Then I can pretend to be an expert.

We have an eternal destination in Christ (Rev. 21-22). Sometimes when we look around we see how bad the world is becoming and how helpless we feel to fix everything. We wonder with the Psalmist "How long, O Lord will you look on?". We are impatient for our salvation and reward. When Moses asked God to reveal himself (Exodus 33), God also reveals his name and his character. "The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love." He is patient, not wanting anyone to perish. When he is ready, in his timing, he will rescue. He is being patient for those who have yet to come into his kingdom. We must learn to patiently wait as he is patient with us.

Thank you for all your financial and prayer support! By the time this newsletter gets to you the waiting will be over and you should have news of where we are heading off to for our vicarage. Please continue to support us. We will still be considered students next year as I will be a Vicar under a supervisor. If I pass my vicarage then I get to be ordained and become a Pastor, Lord willing.

Thanks, and God Bless!

Deon and Debra Hull  
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Anyone is invited to come out and sign up to volunteer!

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Suzanne Beauchamp at [smbeauchamp02@gmail.com](mailto:smbeauchamp02@gmail.com)



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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# YOUTH MINISTRY

Jr High 6th-8th Grade High School 9th-12th Grade  
 CONTACT DCE SUZANNE WATT TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION ON EVENTS.  
 ALL REGISTRATION IS NOW ONLINE THROUGH CHURCH PLANNING CENTER & ONLINE PAYMENT IS AVAILABLE.



**Summer Youth Service Lock-In**

6TH-12TH GRADE YOUTH  
 JUNE 11-13, 2023 @ CTR  
 SIGN UP ONLINE TO PARTICIPATE

Sign up now to join us for a 2.5 day/ 2 night service experience right here at CTR! Open to CTR youth completing 6th-12th grades in May.

We will start at 5 PM on Sunday with dinner and fellowship. Stay overnight into Monday and do service projects during the day, be at church in the evening/overnight, have projects and activities on Tuesday and end at 6 PM that evening.

Service projects off site and the few we will do on site will all be eligible for service hours.

**Monday service project-**  
 The Market at Catholic Charities

**Tuesday service project-**  
 Place?

**What to bring!**  
 All you need is a sleeping bag/cot/  
 air mattress, blanket etc.  
 Clothes and toiletries including closed  
 toe shoes.  
 Yes, we do have a shower here you  
 can use too!

# YOUTH MINISTRY



Save the date

June 4- Confirmation Sunday

June 5-9- VBS Volunteers Needed!!!!

June 11-13- Summer Service Lock-in for Jr High and High School

July 9-14- Summer Branson Trip

September 6- CTR-U starts for the fall Jr High Confirmation class and High School Youth group

October 6-8- JOY Jr High District Gathering @ Camp Lutherhoma (6th-8th grade)

**Sign Up**

Scan these QR codes with your smartphone camera and go straight to the new online registration and payment sites.

**Church Planning Center** allows you to sign up for church events and stores contact information for the next event.

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



## acolyte TRAINING

All 6th-8th grade students are invited to an acolyte and crucifer training during Sunday School on Sunday, May 21 at 9:30 AM.

We will go over the basics of candle lighting for various services and train for being the crucifer on special Sundays. Students will also learn about finding the right robe and how to choose and tie the right cincture. (rope belt fancy word)

## Confirmation Sunday is June 4!



THOSE BEING CONFIRMED AT THE 10:45 AM SERVICE ARE LANCE BELLMARD, AUBREY BOWLIN, JONAH CASPERSEN, CORA DAVIS AND GENEVIEVE LOE. A SHORT RECEPTION BEGINS AT 9:30. THERE WILL BE BASKETS AVAILABLE FOR GIFTS AND CARDS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.



## LWML MAY MEETING

May 16 12:30 pm  
McNellies on 71st and Yale

### MAY FEATURED LWML MISSION GRANTS

Your Mite Box Offerings help fund mission grants for missions of the LCMS worldwide. The Lutheran Church of Uganda (LCU) is a steadily growing church body in eastern Africa, which has requested LCMS assistance to locally train deaconesses so they may assist the small number of Lutheran pastors throughout Uganda to teach the faith, provide spiritual care, and show mercy to the communities. Being able to provide local training will be a huge benefit to qualified women who would not be able to travel to Kenya for a two-year program, and to the church. This grant allows a land purchase attached to the established Lutheran Theological College Uganda, fencing, and a small dormitory for the women.

The Lutheran Women in Mission of Oklahoma gave a grant to Camp Luherhoma for a pool cover for the swimming pool. Many of our CTR youth have attended summer camp and know the value of a clean, inviting pool during the summer heat!

You can add your offering on Mite Box Sundays, the first Sunday of every month. Look for the large Mite Box in the Narthex and add your change for almighty change!





thank you



Dear Pastor Burmeister and Christ the Redeemer Lutheran, Thank you for for your warm welcome last week and for sharing in the joy of our Lord's mission in Tanzania!

Here is a link for our newsletter sign-up: https://tinyletter.com/Steffenson

The peace of the Lord be with you,

Rev. Jason Steffenson LCMS Theological Educator in Tanzania Office of International Mission-Africa Region



S.H.A.P.E Surveys

JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL MINISTRY FAIR AT 9:30 AM, MAY 7, IN FELLOWSHIP EAST AND WEST! LEARN MORE ABOUT THE MANY MINISTRIES AND GROUP AT CHRIST THE REDEEMER THAT YOU CAN SERVE USING YOUR GIFTS AND TALENTS! AND THEN IN THE EVENING...

PICK UP SURVEYS IN THE NARTHEX & LEAVE COMPLETED INVENTORY PAGES IN THE BOX ON THE TABLE BY APRIL 30

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

January 15-25, 2024 Led by Pastor Burmeister

Package Includes:

- Roundtrip Airfare from Dallas/Ft. Worth to Ben Gurion Tel Aviv Airport
All nights accommodations in double occupancy luxury hotels
Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily
Ten days sightseeing in modern air-conditioned private bus
English speaking government licensed Christian tour guide
And more!

SEE THE FULL 2 PAGE INFORMATION PACKET FOR MORE AND THE REGISTRATION FORM. PACKETS LOCATED AT THE INFORMATION DESK AND NW ENTRANCE.



SEE NAZARETH, CANA & MOUNT TABOR.

VISIT THE MOUNT OF BEATITUDES, CHURCH OF THE MULTIPLICATION OF FISH & LOAVES AND CAPERNAUM.

TRAVEL BY BOAT ACROSS THE SEA OF GALILEE AND VISIT MAGDALA. DRIVE TO THE GOLAN HEIGHTS AND VISIT CAESAREA PHILIPPI.



A FULL DAY TOUR OF THE DEAD SEA AREA INCLUDING THE RIVER JORDAN, MASADA, EIN GEDI, QUMRAN AND A FLOAT IN THE DEAD SEA.

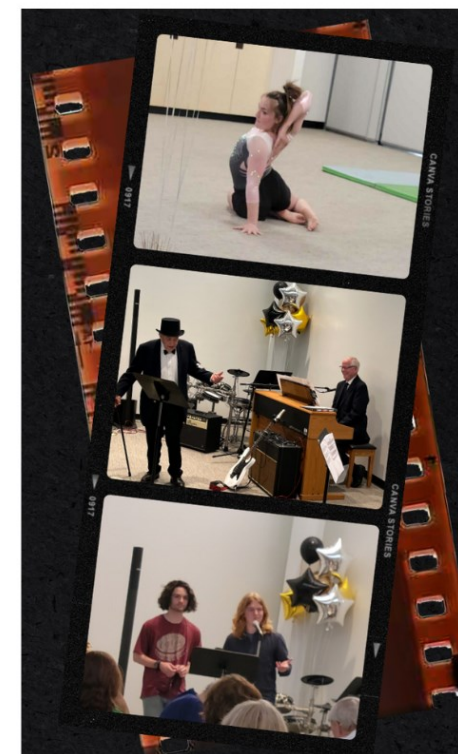


WORSHIP IN BETHLEHEM. VISIT THE SHEPHERD'S FIELD, CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY AND MOUNT HERODIAN.



VISIT THE MOUNT OF OLIVES, WALK THE PALM SUNDAY PATH AND SEE THE CHURCH OF GETHSEMANE OVERLOOKING THE KIDRON VALLEY.

SEE OLD CITY JERUSALEM INCLUDING THE WAILING WALL, TEMPLE MOUNT, DOME OF THE ROCK & POOL OF BETHESDA. FINALLY, WALK THE VIA DOLOROSA ENDING AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHER.



CHRIST THE REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Please join us for the 2nd Annual

Talent and Variety Show

May 7th @ 6:30 PM

Also, sign-up as an individual, family or group act TODAY!

Musical acts, magic acts, comedy acts... any family friendly acts are welcome!!

Sign-up at the information desk or by contacting DCE Nikki: NBoydCTRtulsa.org

# Women's Retreat

The 2023 CTR Women's Retreat was at Camp Lutheroma at the end of March. Our theme this year was Café Chocolat, which used the theme of chocolate to explore themes of grace found in the New Testament miracles of Jesus. The women enjoyed a relaxing time of fellowship and Bible study together as well as some outdoor time at camp. If you didn't get to join us, we hope you can next time!



## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

# Jr High & Confirmation

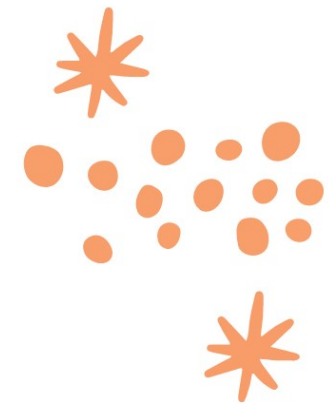
Wednesdays at 5:30 PM

CTRU meets for the last time this school year on May 3!  
We will resume classes again after Labor Day on Wednesday, September 6.

Sundays at 9:40 AM

The current course on Martin Luther will continue through May 21. Then we will have a general Bible study begin for the summer months until classes begin for the fall in August.

April 2	Chapter 10: Eck and Excommunication In class T/F on pgs. 53-54	Read pgs. 50-55 Q. 2-5 on pgs. 54-55
April 9	Easter (No Class)	
April 16	Chapter 11: The Diet of Worms	Read pgs. 56-60 Q. 1-6 on pgs. 59-60
April 23	Chapter 12: In Hiding at Wartburg	Read pgs. 61-66 Q. 3 & 4 on pgs. 65-66
April 30	Chapter 13: Beginnings of the Lutheran Church	Read pgs. 67-72 Q. 1-3, 5-6 on pgs. 70-72
May 7	Chapter 14: The Luther Home & Chapter 15: More Battles In class T/F pg. 75	Read pgs. 73-76 & 77-81 Q. 2-5 on pgs. 75-76
May 14	Chapter 16: The Augsburg Confession & Chapter 17: Luther, Servant to the End	Read pgs. 84-89 & 90-96 Q. 3-4 on pgs. 88-89 & 2-5 on pg. 95
May 21	Final Project Due	
May 28	Memorial Day: Special Class	
June 4	Confirmation Sunday	



**Sign up to serve as an Acolyte or Crucifer**

USE THE SIGN UP GENIUS PLATFORM TO SELECT DATES AND TIMES OF SERVICES

# High School

Wednesdays at 5:30 PM

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Sundays at 9:40 AM

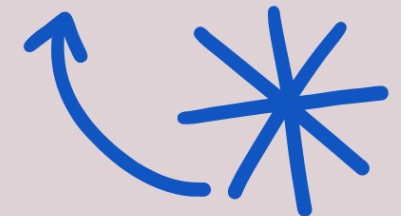
The high school class, led by Timothy Michaels-Johnson, continues an overview of the Bible using the Group curriculum, Live Bible Edition.

We will continue meeting through the summer months.

## Join us for Sunday School Opening!

Each Sunday morning, we begin our Sunday School with singing (and a little dancing). All jr high and high school students are invited to participate and help led songs and actions!

Join us in Fellowship Hall West at 9:20 until 9:40 AM.



# NEED SPACE THIS SUMMER?

New friends • Amazing experiments • Creative games  
Super-fun snacks • Surprising adventures • Incredible music

Save these dates for VBS: June 5-9, 2023

Each day's fun happens from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

For more information, call or visit [www.ctrtulsa.org/vbs](http://www.ctrtulsa.org/vbs)

Register or Volunteer online here:



## FAMILY & CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

[www.ctrtulsa.org](http://www.ctrtulsa.org)  
[nboyd@ctrtulsa.org](mailto:nboyd@ctrtulsa.org)

### THIRD SUNDAY *Family Funday*



Starting next Fall.

Beginning next Fall watch for details about the Third Sunday Family Funday. Each month will feature a family event that everyone is welcome to attend.

Are you a single person, old or young? You might be the surrogate grandparent/grandchild, mentor or friend that someone else is looking for. Come join us as we spend a little time in God's Word together, play games, go on outings, have fun and fellowship.

If you are interested in helping plan any of these Family Fundays, please contact DCE Nikki.

## rEcess



MAY 5TH  
Is our final rEcess of the school year.



rEcess is our ministry for families with children who have special needs. If you would like more information, or would like to volunteer, please contact Sarah.Wendelbo@gmail.com or NBOYD@CTRtulsa.org

CONTACT DCE NIKKI FOR MORE INFORMATION.  
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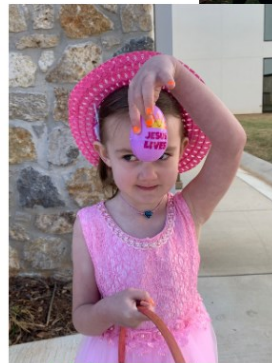


Watch for details about fun summer activities!

Also, sign-up for camp and turn in your camp rebate forms!!



# Easter



## Sunday School



### THE BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

This month in grade Sunday School, in Prek-5th grade, we will begin learning stories from the New Testament. Our memory verse for this month is:

*"For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."*

John 3:16

Practice saying this verse as a family. Remind your family of the comfort that this verse brings. Read one of the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, or John) as a family this month.

### YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Young adults are invited to join in Bible study on: Sunday mornings @ 9:40 am, where we are reading through the Gospel of John, and on Wednesday evenings @ 7:15 (dinner 6:15). We have just started a new study on C.S. Lewis' "Mere Christianity". Come join us for some great discussions.



### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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345 Sunday School class toured the tiny home.

