

The King's Herald

December 2016



Christmas Worship & Feasting

Christmas Eve Worship

4:30, 7:00, and 10:00 p.m.

Feast—5:30 p.m.

Christmas Day Worship (Many wear pajamas) 9a.m.

Sunday Worship Schedule

8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
9:20 a.m.	Christian Education (Sunday School)
10:40 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Service in Luther Room
5:00 p.m.	Prayer and Praise Worship in Luther Room

Pastor's View

"Light Shines in Darkness"

Glitter and glue on stars cut from paper bags. Advent calendars. Simple art. But they lit up the room.

The kids made em. Little kids. At church. In the youth room. This past Sunday afternoon. A simple gathering. But a profound presence. You could feel the Holy Spirit in the room.

A word and a smile. To a janitor. At the hospital. A few minutes ago. A simple act. But it lit up a heart. And a hall. People stopped to chat. And hug. And pray. In public. You could feel the Holy Spirit.

Was it coincidence that the first person was named Matilda? Who said God made us bump into each other, as others then joined in the bump. I don't know if I know any other Matildas. But how could it be that the next person just before the exit, her name was Matilda too?

A simple concept. The presence of God. Bringing lives together. Winking at us. Touching hearts. Changing lives.

It's what God does. He "advents." He comes. He arrives. He appears.

In simple ways. All around us. Showing us his presence. Showing us his people. Who long for him to come.

Moving us to acknowledge each other. To speak. To smile. To talk. To pray. To cover paper bag stars with glue and glitter. Together. To fill a room. Or a hall. With his Holy Spirit. Warming our hearts.

Reminding us to look for him. In his word. In the Bible. So he can show us where else to look for him. Like in a cattle stall. In a manger. In a baby. Born to some poor people. Who were traveling. And needed a place to stay. Maybe a bite of food.

No glitz. No glamour. Hidden from every eye. Except Father God. Who knows our every movement. And burden. And tear. And meets us with his presence. Through his Son. Through Jesus. Living in the hearts of those who long for him. And therefore know another longing heart. And will share with them the simplicity. And the power. Of the presence of Mighty God. Come to us. In prayer. In Bible reading. In glue and glitter. And through people making time for people. Sharing the word and truth of his love.

That's how God's vision (which is our vision) will be seen. All people will know God personally through Jesus Christ.

People making time for Advent. For God to come to us. In our prayer. In our fellowship. In our love.

Pastor Chris

Child Development Center

The Holiday Season is so much fun for the children and staff at Christ the King Child Development Center! Tis the Season to be jolly... And Merry. And we are all very very Merry! Our big event for December is our annual Christmas Pageant. On Friday, December 16th our 2's 3's and 4's will tell the wonderful, beautiful, awesome His -story of Jesus' birth through Word and Song. The pageant will be in the Sanctuary at 11am followed by a feast with our families. Everyone is always welcome to participate! If you are part of the congregation and would like to come and stay for the luncheon that follows, please let me know so that we will have plenty of food prepared! There will be no school on Friday, December 23rd; Monday, December 26th; Friday, December 30th or Monday, January 2nd!

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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Christy Ethridge, Director

Christ the King Child Development Center

"Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them." Ephesians 4:29



DECEMBER 2016

the Family Times

Together. With Jesus.

Family Time!

Every Wednesday night at 5:45 we start our Family Time. All children from ages 4 to 5th grade finish dinner and come outside to play on the playground. Then at 6 we have choir with Ms. Rosemary. At 6:15, we go to our Family Room and spend time together. We talk about the lesson for the week, which they learned first on Sunday. We do a fun activity and hang out!

Please bring your Bibles to earn an extra coin for prizes.

Memorize a Bible verse for an extra coin.

Bring a friend and you and your friend each earn 5 coins!



Fall Festival with Trunk or Treat was a blast!

We had over 20 families participate in our Fall event. We had such a fun time with our bounce house, popcorn and hotdogs, costume parade and Trunk or Treat Best Trunk contest! Various committees sponsored carnival games or trunks! We hope you'll join us next year if you missed this one. Parents please reply to the survey on the best timing of this event, or email children@ctkbham.org directly.

Save the Date!

Cookies!

December 11
Eat lunch after 10:40 and bake cookies for Jail Ministry!

Happy Birthday!

December 21
Baby Jesus's birthday party!
Come celebrate in Family Time!

Christmas Eve!

December 24
4:00 Children's and Family Service
Christmas day – wear pajamas!



Get our updates!

Send an email to children@ctkbham.org for our weekly **Discipling Daily** – a guide to continuing the talk about Jesus all week long.

Pick up a backpack on the way in!

Worship committee has teamed together with Children's Ministry to put together age appropriate bags full of worship activities for our 3 year old to 1st graders! Grab one on the way in, use the activities and return it to the hooks on the way out. Ask an usher if you have trouble finding one!

Christmas Cookie Baking Day!

Join us on December 11 following the 10:40 service (around 12:15) in the fellowship hall to bake cookies for those that the Jail Ministry will visit. We will provide lunch for all attendees! Little ones can decorate cards!

Want to serve with us?

We are always eager to have big folks join our ministry team. Whether you can commit to once in a while, once a month, every week, or every time the doors are open, we have a place for you. Some types of things you could be doing are: **Nursery (2 times on Sunday and 1 Wednesday), Sunday School, Substitute, sit on our advisory board, organizing "Family Get togethers" or any place you have in mind!**

We have a special need right now for nursery workers. Sign up on the bulletin board outside the library or talk to Calley in person, on the phone (205-447-9545) or email (children@ctkbham.org)

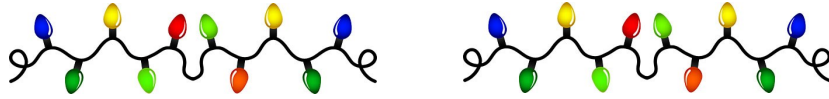


Youth Ministry

DECEMBER YOUTH NEWSLETTER

Merry Christmas! I Hope everyone has recovered from their Thanksgiving food comas. December has several events and markers for our Student Ministry.

Student Christmas Party



Wednesday, December 7 at 6 PM we will meet in the Youth Room for our annual Christmas Party. All food and drinks will be provided. Students need to bring a gift valued at \$10 or less in a gift bag that can be checked before being used in the gift exchange. This is for all students and their friends.

Study Sessions

On Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, December 5-7, from 3-6 PM the Youth room will be open for students to come and study for exams. We will have some snacks, hot chocolate, and light study music playing. Students can spread out and get a few hours of prep time for their finals.

First Deposit for Winter Retreat

The initial deposit of \$80 to secure your students spot for the Winter Retreat is due by Wednesday December 14, 2016. The total cost for the trip is \$160. We will be going back to Guntersville from January 13-16. The cost covers all meals and transportation.

Movie Days

After finals are completed, we will be having movie days the week before Christmas here in the Youth Room. Students can bring snacks, blankets and their pillow. We will arrange the couches so everyone has a good spot to see. Lunch will be provided each day. The movies that were selected are both series. Below is the schedule for the movies. We will not be watching extended versions of any of the movies.

Monday December 19 – The Lord of the Rings Trilogy

Tuesday December 20 – Harry Potter 1, 2, & 3

Wednesday December 21 – Harry Potter 4, 5, & 6

Thursday December 22 – Harry Potter 7 Part 1 & 2

Movies will begin promptly at 9 each morning and will be finished by 5:30 PM



Schedule Changes

There will be no Sunday School on Sunday December 25. We will have one worship service in the sanctuary at 9 AM. As usual, we can wear our pajamas to this service. There will also be no mid-week worship activities on Wednesday December 28.

Youth Room

We are going to make some updates and do some cleaning and reorganizing in the Youth Room. This is a project that does need some help from our parents and volunteers. We will be going through all of our supplies, event items, and food pantry to throw out old items, clean areas and condense to smaller spaces. This is not a skill I possess so any help is appreciated. We also would like to put curtains up in the Youth Room. I have the measurements and am looking for someone with the skills to possibly make these. Again, any help with this project as greatly appreciated. Ideally we would like to have the curtains up before we have our movie days. This will make viewing of the movies a lot better.

Once again, your students are amazing and make serving here at Christ the King a joyful occasion. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments, please let me know.

Blessings!

Scott



Please join us!

December 10th at 6:30 pm

At Loren and Val Stiffler's home

3192 Bradford Place 35242

Please bring a Dirty Santa gift

and an appetizer to share

RSVP to church office at 988-5004

Ruth Circle

Upcoming Events:

Sunday Dec. 4th - Haiti Jewelry Sale

Please flyer on page 7.



Sunday Dec. 11th - Ladies Christmas luncheon

All women of the church are invited to Ruth Circle's Annual luncheon on Sunday, December 11th in the Luther Room following the contemporary service. Bring a dish for the potluck. Drinks and dessert will be provided. We will also be collecting new, unwrapped toys for the Head Start Program in Walker County.



Ruth Circle will be collecting items for First Light, a women's homeless shelter in Birmingham. They provide shelter for women and children as well assist women in setting up housekeeping. See the list below for items that we are collecting, or pick an ornament or two off of the Christmas trees in the narthex or Luther Room. We will be collecting items in boxes provided by the trees throughout the month of December.

Donations for First Light

Special needs through the winter months: cough drops, aspirin, ibuprofen, acetaminophen, chapstick, Kleenex packs, small and large antibacterial hand gel, instant oatmeal packs

Food and Kitchen Supplies: Breakfast bars, cereal, Individual packets of instant oatmeal and grits, canned fruit, large plastic jars of jelly and peanut butter, disposable paper goods (plates, bowls, spoons, forks, knives, cups, napkins), Coffee creamer and sugar, Drink mixes, Decaf coffee (we make 60 cups every morning)

Personal items: Women's underwear (all sizes needed), Women's deodorant, Hair care products of all kinds, hairbrushes and combs, shower caps, over-the-counter pain relievers (please non-drowsy, alcohol-free, pseudoephedrine-free), weekly pill organizers, travel size shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, soap and lotion, toothbrushes, alcohol-free mouthwash, anti-itch cream, sewing kits, makeup of all shades and kinds, razors and shaving cream, socks, chapstick

Sponsor a woman moving into permanent housing:

Kitchen items:

Kitchen towels
Pot holder
Broom, mop, dustpan
4-place setting of silverware and dishes
Small set of knives
Small set of glasses or cups
Basic serving utensils (slotted spoon, spatula, etc.)
Bowls with lids/mixing bowls

Colander
1 pot and 1 skillet
Cookie sheet
Manual can opener
Small toaster
Small coffee pot
Garbage can and garbage bags (food stamps do not cover paper products or cleaning supplies)
All-purpose cleaning product
Dishwashing liquid

Bathroom Items:

Bath rug
Shower curtain and shower curtain rings
Set of 4 washcloths/hand towels/bath towels
Small garbage can with garbage bags
Hand soap and/or dispenser
All-purpose bathroom cleaner
Toilet brush
Plunger

Or donate department Store gift cards they can use when assisting the ladies with their move (Walmart, Target, Home Depot, Lowe's etc.)

If you'd need more information, please contact Debbie Fick

The ApParent Project Christmas Sale

Remember all the cereal boxes collected this year? We will now be able to see the beautiful jewelry and Christmas ornaments & decorations made by the Haitian people through the work being done by The ApParent Project!

Please join us Sunday, December 4, 2016 from 9 until 1 at Christ The King Lutheran Church for our first Christmas sale to benefit the people of Haiti. All money will be sent directly to the people in Haiti. This is a wonderful opportunity to purchase unique & beautiful items and help the very poor in Haiti who are blessed to be able to work and now support their families with their creations!

For more information about The ApParent Project

Visit <http://www.apparentproject.org>

Christ The King Lutheran Church, 644 Riverchase Parkway Drive, Hoover, Alabama (corner of Riverchase Parkway & Hwy 31 South)

Merry Christmas -----RUTH CIRCLE-----Thank You

Mission News

Merry Christmas Friends!

We would like to wish y'all a very Merry Christmas and may 2017 bring you many blessings! We have so many new and exciting things happening that we can't wait to tell y'all! (That just means you'll have to look for our next newsletter update!)

I love Christmas! I love the twinkling lights, seeing all the festivities, the "snow" as it falls (or as it is here, artificially made), and the Christmas tree. Decorated with all of the ornaments of years past, each ornament comes with memories. Sometimes I'll just stop and stare at how pretty it is.

This is also a time of year that reminds us of how thankful we are. We are thankful for you; we have each other; our families; our pups; we have funds that allow us to put food on the table, and lastly, we have a shelter that keeps us warm and dry.

In Mexico, when homes catch on fire, it is not uncommon for any of the surrounding homes to also catch fire. This past summer, there was a row of twelve houses that burned down one night. Amor was asked to help rebuild those houses. This neighborhood was rebuilt in July during a two week period.



Meet Freddy and Isabel. In this picture, they are newlyweds, and expecting the birth of their son. They were very excited for the arrival of their son, and saving everything from their paychecks for expenses when/after his birth.

Freddy made a habit to visit his mother on his off days. On this particular day, he and Isabel went to visit, when he got an urgent phone call from one their neighbors. The neighbor called to tell Freddy that his mother-in-law's house was on fire. By the time Freddy got back to his neighborhood,



he saw they were all on fire—including his own.

Freddy wasn't sure how to tell his wife what happened. His main concern was for his wife, fearing that once he told Isabel what happened to their home, the added stress could harm their son.

Recently, we (Amor) went back to check on the family. Freddy and Isabel had their son in late October. They are also very thankful for their new home. Even though everything was lost, they are still thankful that they were able to bring their son home.

In the season of giving, let us remember that we can all give someone a little hope.

Grace, Peace, and Love,
Greg and Melissa

For Your Information

Assistive listening devices are available during the 8:00am traditional service in the sanctuary. Please ask one of the ushers for assistance.

Please do NOT throw rocks in the church fountain. It is clogging it, causing it not to work.



Poinsettias

Please sign up to sponsor a Christmas Poinsettia.

\$6.50



Blood Drive

Where: Lower Parking Lot
When: Sunday Dec 18, 2016
8am – 1pm

THIS IS A
TOBACCO FREE
CAMPUS



FOR THE HEALTH OF OUR EMPLOYEES,
VENDORS AND VISITORS SMOKING IS
NOT PERMITTED ON THIS CAMPUS
THIS INCLUDES ALL BUILDINGS,
PARKING LOTS AND GROUNDS

Fellowship Opportunities

CtK is having a birthday!!!!

If you are interested in helping with the planning, please contact
Donia Gentry @ 354-4775, Pat Loyacano @ 706-0709 or Pastor Chris.



LADIES MOVIE NIGHT

No Movie for December.

See you in January!

Ladies we meet every fourth Monday for movie and dinner. Let me know if you want your name added to or removed from the list.

Donna Vogel: 822-7346 Lee Segrest: 822-6885

LOVE to READ?? Join our Book Club!!

We meet every third Tuesday at 11:30am for a discussion of the monthly book. The book club is free and you are welcome to bring a lunch if you choose.

December "The Book Thief" by Markus Zusak

January "All The Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr

Please Contact Barbara Scott with any questions at avonbysell@att.net



For those interested, we serve at the Firehouse Shelter on the even months during the year and the third Friday of those months. **December 16**

If interested in serving people you can call me at 205 664-1930 or email me at

Inagystanek@gmail.com. Thanks, Laurel

Other News

Helping Hands



The Helping Hands Ministry is looking for a few volunteers, to help coordinate and serves lunches here at the church. Post-funeral receptions offer guests and family members a chance to spend time together and remember the person who died in a more casual setting. For many people, these events are a more comfortable environment for remembering the person who died and spending time with friends.

If you are interested, please call Joy Dearing @
205-668-9062

The Worship Committee is striving to keep Worship at CtK fresh and vibrant at both services as we address each significant event in the church year calendar. If you have attended a service that you found particularly fresh and vibrant in some other church or town, please share that with us. Contact Audrey Hains, Jerry Ball, or Lynn Hulberg, or just leave a note in the office for us to pick up. The Worship Committee meets the second Sunday of every month at noon in the Middle School room below the Luther Room. Come and join us; we would love to have you share your thoughts!!

Audrey Hains

Worship Committee

Home Discovery Groups

Continuing near you! "Art of Neighboring" initiative,

Home Discovery Groups meeting soon

(All Discovery Groups are open to members and non-members of our church.)

A) Ross, Maria, & Tina Elcott—Pelham area—1st Thursday, December 8th, 6:00 pm, 4703 Wooddale Lane, 35124, for personal directions call 205.637.1494

B) Jim/Kathie Courtney - Pelham area – 2nd Tuesday, December 13th, 7:00 pm, 2576 Martha Cir, 35124, personal directions call (205) 985-9200 or (205) 492-2386

C) Gene & Darlene Murray—(Hoover/150 area) - 2nd Thursday, December 8th, 7:00 p.m., 5956 Lake Cyrus Dr. 35244, personal directions call (205) 426-2683

D) You - your area - All you need to do is set it up with Gene Murray or Pastor Chris!

Disciple Groups (90% Bible Study, 10% Fellowship)

Hearth Groups (60% Bible Study, 40% Fellowship)

Life Groups (40% Bible Study, 60% Fellowship)

Prayer Opportunities

December Memory Verse:

“For unto us a Child is born, to us a Son is given,
and the government will be on His shoulders. And He
will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace” Isaiah 9:6

(Underlined is for 3 years & younger)



3:33 Prayer

Please join our 3:33 prayer ministry by stopping each day at 3:33 to pray, “Lord please bring/continue revival in this nation and your church, and start/continue your revival in me.”

40 Days of Prayer

As God has led us in this chapter of our life in Christ, when in 2003, it was put on our hearts to daily pray together the 3:33 prayers. So too, it’s only through prayer that we can see where God would lead us now. Please join together in daily prayer:

1. *Dear God, help me to see with your eyes, (Matt. 14:14; 15:32) and reach out with your hands, (Mark 13:16; Luke 8:54) and be your body. (1 Cor. 12:27)*

And

2. *Lord God, I pray for Christ the King Lutheran Church, along with the surrounding community you’ve given us to serve. Show us your way, both dismantling what you didn’t start, and also removing the opposition in each of us so that you can accomplish, through us, the ministry that you want to do.*

Prayer Service

The second Sunday of every month during our 5 pm worship time we have a prayer and healing service. This service consists of worship songs, guided personal prayer, an opportunity for prayer requests and the laying on of hands, and communion. We believe that God honors all of our prayers and that it is critical for the life of a church and a Christian to set aside time to pray. Prayer gives us the opportunity to become in step with the presence of God in our lives. If you have never come to this service, please join us on the Second Sunday of every month to worship and pray.

Announcements

December Baptisms

12/1	Mike O'Brien	12/12	David Schloss
12/1	Tammy Beasley	12/12	Kristen Schloss
12/1	Georgia Hale	12/14	Maddie Nethery
12/1	Gena Trammel	12/17	LaDonna Herring
12/2	Julie Avery	12/24	Benjamin Brasher
12/3	Tina Elcott	12/24	Dick O'Brien
12/3	Drew Dunn	12/25	Wray Allen
12/4	Joye Sherrill	12/28	Eleanor Brown
12/6	Sarah Hudzik	12/30	Neal Schmidt
12/6	Michael Cohn	12/31	Larry Granquist
12/8	Millie Rogers	12/31	Carolee Granquist
12/12	Ross Gregson		



December Birthdays

12/02	Paula McMullen	12/15	Megan Durbin
12/02	Doug Smyth	12/15	Mark Hudzik
12/03	Fischer Reinicke	12/16	Tom Fisher
12/04	Maddie Hoaglund	12/16	Walter Stafford
12/04	Sarah Hudzik	12/18	Joseph Kasper
12/04	Cathy Troha	12/20	Ken Headley
12/05	Mike Harfield	12/21	Kathie Courtney
12/05	Brett Stiefel	12/22	Libby West
12/07	Earl Waller	12/24	Eleanor Brown
12/09	Betty Baumgarten	12/24	Adam Camlic
12/09	Maddie Gathings	12/24	Kyle Camlic
12/10	Virginia Cox	12/25	Wray Allen
12/10	Ross Elcott	12/26	Dottie Fries
12/10	Neal Schmidt	12/27	Marion Foster
12/11	Patsy Scott	12/29	Angela Dunn
12/12	Eva Smyth	12/31	Barb Terlep
12/14	Lynn Phifer		
12/14	Judy Roberts		



December Anniversaries

12/6	Walter & Julia Stafford
12/15	Ray & Judy Hunter
12/16	Eric & Amy Hoaglund
12/28	Ross & Maria Elcott



January Birthdays

1/1	Tim Bonvillain	1/13	Gerry Roden
1/1	Shirley Culver	1/14	Dakota Ekstrand
1/1	Sharon Grimes	1/14	Kyle Flint
1/1	Bob Hains	1/14	Gabe Swysgood
1/1	Brittany Horton	1/15	Mary Caitlin Russell
1/1	Catelyn Owens	1/16	Katie Benesch
1/3	Kelley Key	1/16	Andy Cooper
1/41	Josh Headley	1/17	Alfred Kirkland
1/4	Ben Rogers	1/17	George Scullin
1/5	Maureen Lynn	1/18	Knox Barber
1/5	Theresa Rochford	1/18	Melissa Ekstrand
1/5	Jeremie Schloss	1/18	Logan Hunt
1/6	Nathan Farnlacher	1/18	Cyprin Kanneh
1/7	Mary Carol Dassau	1/19	Mike Lewis
1/7	Shelby Stafford	1/20	Stephanie Farnlacher
1/7	Calley DeGreen	1/20	Jeff Rozycki
1/9	Mark McCandless	1/21	Grace Gathings
1/10	Lindsay Elliott	1/23	Debbie Fick
1/10	Sheri Rumphrey	1/24	Chris Williams
1/11	Zac Grossmann	1/27	Mark Swysgood
1/12	Karis Reinicke	1/29	Cathy Benson
1/12	Mike Silverwood	1/30	Sherri Vaughn





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YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES:

10TH GRADE ~ *Zoe Rozycki*

11th GRADE ~ *Jacob Ferrier*

12th GRADE ~ *Katie Manak*

The next Council meeting is scheduled for
December 19, 6:00 p.m. in the Luther Room

Job Opportunities

Christ the King Lutheran Church has an opening for a **Children's Ministry Director** to serve children ages 0 through 5th grade.

The main responsibilities of this position involve serving the church by developing, coordinating, and administering a comprehensive educational and care ministry program serving children birth through 5th grade by providing leadership and supervision of staff and volunteers involved in this ministry.

The dynamic individual we are seeking will have a love of Jesus Christ and a desire to find innovative ways to share His love with our youngest members while providing a safe and nurturing environment. The Children's Ministry Director will need to attend Education Committee meetings as well as coordinate with other staff and ministries.

It is expected that the duties of this position will be performed in less than 20 hours per week with the understanding that activities, such as Vacation Bible School, may require additional hours.

Please contact Dick O'Brien at 988-5004 or adminmgr@ctkbham.org.

Christ the King Lutheran Church has an opening for **Church Office Administrative Assistant**.

The main responsibilities of the position involve serving the church by providing appropriate and accurate membership, accounting and business records and performing general office duties for the church during normal weekday church office hours.

Please contact Dick O'Brien at 988-5004 or adminmgr@ctkbham.org.

Volunteers Needed!!!!

We are in need of volunteers to help with the upkeep of the Prayer Garden. If you are available a couple of hours a week or a couple of hours a month, please contact the church office.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

HELP NEEDED!!!!

A widow and amputee, in Maylene, former 57 year old member of CtK is in need of a loving live-in caregiver:

Free room and board

Please call 205-260-5581 for more information.

Planning for the Future

The Importance of a Plan

You might think you're fine without one or that the inevitable won't happen to you—at least, for now. But everyone needs a plan, whether you're married or single, with many assets or very few. Otherwise, what happens to your children, your hard-earned assets and even your pets could be left to state laws. Find out what you can do to prepare for whatever lies ahead.

Still not convinced? Here's what happens when you don't make a plan.

Your property is distributed based on state law **NOT to the people you choose**

- State law and the courts determine who is in charge of managing and distributing your property

State law and the courts decide who will be responsible for taking care of your young children if you pass away

Being a Parent is hard enough. A last will will give you peace of mind your children are protected.

A last will lets you:

- Designate how you want your assets divided and to whom they should go
- Specify a guardian(s) for your children

Safeguard the financial interests of children

After all the time and effort you have spent on saving up for a home and/or building a business, you'll want to maximize what you can pass on to future generations.

A living trust helps you:

- Avoid the probate process
- Save your beneficiaries court costs and attorneys fees
- Control what happens to your business
- Pass on your intellectual property (trademark, patent, copyright)

Keep your business and personal affairs private

Loving your parents means making sure they're prepared and you are aware of their wishes.

A living will helps you:

- Be in control of decisions regarding your health

Choose who you want to make decisions for you

Ensuring your financial interests are covered in any event just makes good sense.

A power of attorney lets you:

- Decide who will be in charge of your finances—rather than the courts

Make it instantly active or only under certain circumstances

Provided for your attention by Christ the King Lutheran Foundation

	December 4 2nd Sunday of Advent Blue	December 11 3rd Sunday of Advent Blue	December 18 4th Sunday of Advent Blue	December 25 Nativity of our Lord
8:00 Traditional Worship	Service of the Word	Holy Communion	Service of the Word	Holy Communion
Crucifer	Connor Grassi	Joseph Kasper	Zack Vegter	
Acolyte	Mary Elizabeth Plaia,	Elli Graf, Annabel Kasper	Jesse Ferrier, Nicholas Vegter	
Banner				
Lector	Lindsay Elliott	Danielle Grossmann	Carolee Granquist	There will be a separate schedule for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day
Prayer Leader	Art Fries	Ann Dawson	Carla Demsky	
Ushers	Hannah & Troy Farmlacher Dave & Carla Demsky	Zack & Nicholas Vegter Jim & Bernie Munner	Larry Granquist, Paul Brown Ann Dawson, Zac Grossmann	
Greeters	Claudia Ball	Paul & Suzanne Brown	Dick & LaDonna Herring	
Communion		Todd & Wendi Vegter		
Assistants		Audrey Hains, David Walter		
10:40 Contemporary				
Worship	Holy Communion	Service of the Word	Holy Communion	
USHERS	Youth	Youth	Youth	
Greeters	Youth	Youth	Youth	
Lector				
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS				
NURSERY @ 7:45 A.M.				
NURSERY @ 10:30 A.M.	Camille Stanek	Georgia Hale	Camille Stanek	
Wednesday Nursery	12/7 Camille Stanek	12/14 Camille Stanek	12/21 Camille Stanek	12/28 No programs
Safety/Security @ 8:00	Dick O'Brien	Dennis Stanek	Todd Vegter	Dennis Stanek
Safety/Security @10:40				
ALTAR GUILD				



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Please join us for Sunday Worship

8:00 am Traditional Worship

9:20 am Christian Education

10:40 am Contemporary Worship

5:00pm Contemporary Worship

Wednesday Worship:

Mid-day worship: 11:45 a.m.

Wednesday Evenings:

Dinner @ 5:15 p.m.

Small Groups @ 5:45 p.m.

Worship @ 6:30 p.m.

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