

Christ the King Episcopal Church



The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

January 14, 2024

10:30 am

Welcome to Christ the King Episcopal Church!

If you live in the area and do not have a church home, we invite you to journey with us as followers of Christ in this wonderful community! If you are a seasonal guest, we are delighted that you found your way to the “church in the wildwood,” and we invite you to consider Christ the King as your church home away from home.

Hearing Assist devices are available in the narthex. Please see an usher for assistance.

A note about our worship service: We understand that newcomers to the Episcopal Church might be a little lost during the worship service. Don't worry – you are in good company! Many of us did not grow up in the Episcopal Church, but were drawn to the way that our worship feels simultaneously ancient and contemporary. So if you are unfamiliar with the ritual customs of the Episcopal Church, simply relax with the liturgy and let the rest of the congregation carry you in worship. It is most important that you experience the sights, sounds, and silence of our worship service.

The worship bulletin contains the scripture lessons for the day, and points you to page numbers in the red *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP), which is found in your pew rack. At the 10:30 service, hymns are found in the blue *Hymnal 1982*, which is also in the pew rack. There are pamphlets in the pamphlet rack in the church narthex (lobby) that give helpful information about the Episcopal Church. Feel free to pick some up and read through them.

Reading Between the Lines

Divine revelation calls for recognition and response. The prophet Eli's eyesight is fading, and with it, his ability to discern, but eventually he perceives that Samuel is hearing the voice of God, and instructs young Samuel to respond attentively and respectfully, “Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.” In John 1, several differing responses to who Jesus the Word made flesh, are portrayed as limited. Two disciples of John the Baptist encounter Jesus and as a result of a dialogue with him, they turn and follow him (John 1:36-7). Nathaniel's lower expectations are overcome by the invitation from Philip, and in his own encounter with Jesus he identifies Jesus first as Rabbi, Son of God, and King of Israel. But “greater things” are still to be discerned about Jesus and his relationship with God in addition to what can be seen as open heavens and angelic ascent and descent between divine and human realms.

The Entrance Rite

The flowers on the altar today are dedicated in loving memory of Carl Bell.

The Prelude: Dr. David Ott, Organ

This is a time for silence, stillness, and centering as we prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship.

The Welcome & Announcements

The Invitatory *(standing)*

Celebrant The Lord has shown forth his glory

People **Come, let us adore him.**

The Ringing of the Bell

The Hymn in Procession *(standing)*

Hymn 126

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant ✠¹Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity & Summary of the Law

-You are invited to close your eyes as the priest prays the collect. Your only response comes at the very end with the "Amen."

¹ This symbol indicates that this is a moment in the liturgy when it is customary to make the sign of the cross.

The Hymn of Praise: The Gloria *(S-280 found in the front of the blue hymnal)*

*Glory to God in the highest,
And peace to his people on earth
Lord God, heavenly King,
Almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect of the Day²:

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany of our Lord *(standing)* **BCP 215**

-You are invited to close your eyes as the priest prays the collect. Your only response comes at the very end with the "Amen."

² A collect is a short prayer that includes an invocation, a petition, and a pleading of Christ's name or an acknowledgment of God's glory. It is called a "collect" because it collects our thoughts for a particular time or season of the Church year.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson³: 1 Samuel 3:1-20

Illumination: God calls Samuel to ministry and Samuel listens, despite the overarching habits of the contemporary culture to ignore the Word of God.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." [Then

³ The lessons appointed for each Sunday and for special feast days throughout the year occur on a three-year rotation known as the Revised Common Lectionary. Currently, we are in "Year B."

the LORD said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him."

As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.]

Lector The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 139:1-5,12-17 (*read responsively by whole verse*)

1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.

**2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.**

3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

**4 You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.**

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

**12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
you knit me together in my mother's womb.**

13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

**14 My body was not hidden from you, *
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.**

15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book; *
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them.

**16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *
how great is the sum of them!**

17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the
sand; *
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

The Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Illumination: Freedom in Christ is tempered by wisdom, humility, and devotion to God. Our freedom has cost God dearly; in gratitude; let us use our bodies for God's glory.

“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,” and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it

is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Lector The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia Acclamation

The Gospel Lesson⁴: John 1:43-51

Illumination: Jesus calls his disciples Philip and Nathanael to ministry, preparing them for amazing sights and challenging experiences.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In the Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus

⁴ The reading of the Gospel symbolizes the presence of Christ during the Liturgy of the Word. When the Gospel is announced, many people make the sign of the cross (✠) three times: on their foreheads, on their lips, and on their hearts.

answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily (*seated*)

The Rev’d Richard G. Proctor, OA

The Nicene Creed (*standing*)

BCP 358

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our Salvation. He came down from heaven⁵: by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

⁵ Many people make a solemn bow at the waist during the *Incarnatus* (at the words describing Jesus’ birth).

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the ~~x~~ resurrection of the dead⁶, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People⁷ *(kneeling or standing)*

Celebrant: Gracious and loving God, you see into the deepest needs of our hearts and invite us to follow you and to listen to your voice: Receive our prayers as we call upon you in your Temple: Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

Intercessor:

Holy One, you have called us your children and given us the Holy Spirit: Grant that your Church may share with our friends the Good News of Jesus of Nazareth and invite them to "come and see" so that others may share our fellowship in his Name.

We call upon you in your Temple:

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

Eternal One, you search our hearts and know us: Lay your hand upon our nation and upon all in authority throughout the world, that they may be instruments of your compassion and peace, and known as a people in whom there is no deceit. We pray for Joe, our President; Ron, our Governor; and the members of the Walton County Commission.

We call upon you in your Temple:

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

Wonderful Creator, you have woven our bodies in the depths of the earth: Look upon the needs of a suffering world and bless all humanity, that your healthful Spirit and presence may do marvelous works for the relief of the world.

We call upon you in your Temple:

⁶ Many people make the sign of the cross (~~x~~) at the words, "We look for the resurrection of the dead," a reminder that resurrected life is promised to all who have been baptized in Christ.

⁷ The Prayers of the People are written by The Rev'd Lowell Grisham, OA

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

Loving One, you visit us in friendship and invite us to be generous and hospitable neighbors: Fill us with your grace, that we may be a community of kindness and compassion.

We call upon you in your Temple:

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

Good and Holy God, you fashion our lives day by day in your Spirit. Increase in us your vision that we may see great things for our community.

Sanctify the outreach ministries of our parish by the power of your Holy Spirit- especially our partners in ministry at Zihuatanejo Christian Ministries in Mexico and The Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center.

Hear our prayers for those for whom we intercede, especially those on our parish prayer list.

We thank you for your gifts of freedom and blessing, and especially for the Flower Guild of St. Therese.

By your power you raise our bodies into union with you, remember those who have died, especially Carl Bell.

May all people see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.

We call upon you in your Temple:

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

Celebrant: You have freed us from all domination and made us one body in your Spirit, O God: Give us childlike faith to listen to what you are speaking and to follow you in faith, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin and Absolution *(kneeling)*

BCP 360

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *(Silence is kept.)*

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways. to the glory of your Name. Amen

The Priest alone stands and say

✠⁸Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace *(all stand)*

Celebrant	The peace of the Lord be always with you
<i>People</i>	And also with you.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

You can make a monetary offering via text message. Text givectk to 73256.

The Offertory Hymn *(sung by all)*

Hymn 574

⁸ This symbol indicates that this is a moment in the liturgy when it is customary to make the sign of the cross.

The Presentation of the Gifts

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here be-
low. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise Him a - bove, ye heaven - ly
host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia. al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord:
People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

The Great Thanksgiving⁹: Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty. Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to

⁹ All of the Eucharistic prayers in the Prayer Book are Trinitarian, which means that they all speak of the God we worship as Christians: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Each prayer begins with a section of praise to God the Father and Creator of all. This is followed by a section that remembers and makes present the saving work of Jesus, the Son of God. Finally, we invoke the presence of the Holy Spirit to make this Holy Communion real and effective in our own lives.

shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus *(sung by all)*

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you. O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you send him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People **We remember his death**
 We proclaim his resurrection,
 We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they
may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him,
being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in
subjection under your Christ and bring us to that heavenly country where, with
all of your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and
daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head
of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and
glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing

The Lord's Prayer *(sung)*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy
will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And
forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen**

The Fraction Anthem *(sung by all)*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation to Communion

All are invited and encouraged to come forward to the altar rail during communion. All baptized Christians, regardless of tradition/denomination, are welcome to receive communion. To receive the Body of Christ/Bread, place one hand over the other, palms facing upwards, and the minister will place the Bread in your hand. To receive the Blood of Christ/Wine, place your hand on the base of the chalice to assist the chalice bearer in bringing the chalice to your lips (or you may dip the Bread in the Wine if you prefer). Those who are not baptized or who are baptized but do wish not to partake in the Eucharistic Elements, cross your arms over your chest, and you will receive a blessing from the priest. If you are interested in the sacrament of baptism, please see Fr. Richard after worship...he'd love to have a conversation with you!

The Hymn at Communion *(sung by all)*

Hymn 321

The Prayer for Mission *(said by all in unison)*

BCP 365

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with your spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing¹⁰

BCP 366

The Processional Hymn

Hymn 119

The Dismissal¹¹

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
People **Thanks be to God.** *(Alleluias are only added during the great 50 days of Easter)*

¹⁰ Many people make the sign of the cross (✠) during the Blessing.

¹¹ The service concludes where we began, in the midst of a world where there is great suffering and need. But, we are centered, as Christ was, in a life to be lived and shared. The Eucharist is the work of the people of God together. It is not a service confined to Sunday mornings. Rather, it is a way of life.

The Postlude: Dr. David Ott, Organ

Special thanks go out to the ministers of our worship services today:

The Altar Server Guild of St. Tarcisius:

- Lay Eucharistic Minister: Peter Evans and Coco Holman
- Crucifers: Grace Kerrigan
- Torch Bearers: John Kerrigan and Maggie Kerrigan
- Gospel Bearer:

The Lector Guild of St. Bede

- Lector: Karen Potts
- Prayers of the People Intercessor: Nan Jacobs

The Hospitality Guild of St. Benedict

- Usher:
- Greeter:
- Coffee Host: Holly Kerr

The Altar Guild of Ss. Martha and Mary

- Altar: Jenny Adams

The Flower Guild of St. Therese

- Flowers: Nan Jacobs

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Vestry (Vestry meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 5:30pm until 7:00pm. All are welcome to attend.)

Dale Dalbey	Rector's (Sr.) Warden
Don King	People's (Jr) Warden
Brian Kellenberger	At-Large
Meredith Spector	Parish Life
John French	Adult Formation
Sallie Peebles	Pastoral Care
Jim Moomaw	Worship
Mark Mahaffey	Outreach & Mission
Ruth Johnson	Secretary/Tree House Liaison

Tom Potts - Treasurer

¹² "OA" stands for the Order of the Ascension, a dispersed Episcopal, Benedictine religious community that helps ground and center its members in their daily life and their roles as parish leaders and developers. Members take a promise "to seek the presence of Jesus Christ in the people, things and circumstances of life through stability, obedience and conversion of life." Fr. Richard entered the novitiate process with OA in 2019, and took his life vows in May 2023.

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, January 15

Church Office Closed –

Martin Luther King Day

8:00AM – A.A. Meeting (*Youth Room*)

Tuesday, January 16

8:00AM – A.A. Meeting (*Youth Room*)

8:30AM – Morning Prayer (*Sanctuary*)

4:00PM – Evening Prayer (*Sanctuary*)

7:00PM – Women’s Primary Purpose AA Meeting (*Conference Room*)

7:00PM - AA Meeting (*Youth Room*)

Wednesday, January 17

8:00AM – A.A. Meeting (*Youth Room*)

8:30AM - Morning Prayer (*Sanctuary*)

12:00PM – Noonday Prayer (*Sanctuary*)

12:15PM – Advent Book Study & Lunch (*Parish Hall*)

4:00PM – Evening Prayer (*Sanctuary*)

5:30PM - Youth Group (*Youth Room*)

Thursday, January 18

8:00AM – A.A. Meeting (*Youth Room*)

8:30AM – Morning Prayer (*Sanctuary*)

10:00AM – Centering Prayer (*Hughes Library*)

4:00PM – Evening Prayer (*Sanctuary*)

6:00PM – Women’s Bible Study(*Parlor*)

7:00PM - Al-Anon Meeting

7:00PM – Women’s Primary Purpose AA Meeting (*Conference Room*)

Friday, January 19

8:00AM – A.A. Meeting (*Youth Room*)

8:00AM – Men’s Breakfast & Bible Study

7:00PM – Alcoholic’s Anonymous

TODAY

Year B: The Year of Mark 9:15 in the Parish Hall Join Fr. Richard as he invites us to take a closer look at the Gospel of Mark, the Gospel of "Year B" – the current year in the Revised Common Lectionary Cycle. What makes Mark—the earliest and first Gospel written—different from Matthew, Luke and John? What themes should we look for this coming year?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Medicine Bottle Reminder – URGENT NEED - Please bring empty medicine bottles, vitamin bottles & rinsed out spice bottles to CtK. Tommy Fairweather makes sure that all bottles have the prescription information on the bottles taken off. Just bring them to the church! Thanks!

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Beau Grosvenor(16); Beth Barrineau(17)
and Avery Meyer(20)

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Parishioners: Jo Bell; Catherine Dickson; Sallie Peebles; Tommy Fairweather; Emily Vick; Rick Sroufe; Lynn Crevar; Carl & Jo Bell; Jacquie Childs; Marlise Reis; Ann Schultz; Dawn Whitty; Buffy Miller & Lark Harbeson; Dooley Culbertson

Friends & Family: Ashley Roberts; Bonnie Wilson; Anne Sparks; John L. Jernigan III; The Kovach Family; Carol Bomar; Gloria Guthals; Robert Barnett; Judy Fairweather; Rita Shilling; Burrell Elliott; Tammy Follis; Teeny Carson; Cooper Akin; Henry Pegram; Cristina Fernandez; Brandon Yates; Rosella Sacco; Tricia Spencer; Alex Porterfield; Evie Butler & Judy Owen

Parishioners Serving in the Military and their families: Austin Tucker; Wilson Hunter; Cinnamon Kellenberger; Anthony Portz; Eric Alexander (Don and Jacquie Childs' son) & John McKenzie (Sonya McKenzie's son)

CHILDREN & YOUTH

CtK Kids Club will resume on Wednesday, Jan 17! We meet every Wednesday from 3:30-5pm to sing, play games, Bible study, craft and snack! For ages K-4th grade. It's never too late to join! RSVPCTK.COM contact Katie for more info 850-687-0730 Suggested donation \$5

Children's News:

We have a lot to offer on Sunday mornings here at Ctk!

Sunday School for ALL ages from 9:15-10:15am

Nursery for ages 0-4 year olds is open 9:15AM.

8-noon Children's Chapel for K-4th graders is during our 10:30am service.

Children will begin the service with their family and go to Chapel with Ms. Katie after the Children's Message. We will return to the service during the Peace.

Youth News:

Youth Group meets every Wednesday

Drop off begins at 5:30 p.m. with pick up at 8 p.m. Any questions, text Ms. Lauren at 334-701-7777 or email

ctkyouth@christthekingfl.org

Youth Group- Dinner, Fellowship & Bible Study (\$5 suggested donation)

ADULT FORMATION **JANUARY**

Adult Christian Formation Class - Sunday Mornings in Sandefur Hall 9:15 – 10:15AM

All are encouraged to attend *

Sunday, Jan. 21, 2024 — Sabbatical Forum - Fr. Richard will be taking a sabbatical for the months of April, May, and June. Come learn more about the history/tradition of clergy sabbaticals, what Fr. Richard plans to do, and how CTK will structure our leadership (pastorally and administratively) while he is away.

Parents Bible Study - This is a Class for Parents w/ Young Children: We meet in the parlor on Mondays from 8:30-10:00

“Habits form us more than we form them. The modern world is a machine of a thousand invisible habits, forming us into anxious, busy, and depressed people. We yearn for the freedom and peace of the gospel, but remain addicted to our technology, shackled by our screens, and exhausted by our routines. The Common Rule offers four daily and four weekly habits, designed to help us create new routines and transform frazzled days into lives of love for God and neighbor.”

RSVP to Rachel Meyer

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**Noonday Prayer, Lunch, and Discussion:
Wednesdays, 12:00-1:30. Lunch provided.**

Join Fr. Richard every Wednesday for Noonday Prayer in the Church followed by lunch and discussion in Sandefur Hall. We will be discussing The Rev'd Tish Harrison Warren's book "Advent: The Season of Hope."

This book is the first of a series in the recently-released *Fullness of Time* series, which focuses on the seasons of the Church year. From the book cover:

"We tend to think of Advent as the season of anticipation before Christmas – and while it is that, it's also much more. Throughout its history, the church has observed Advent as a preparation not only for the first coming of Christ in his incarnation but also for his second coming at the last day. It's also about a third coming of Christ to meet us in our present moment, to make us holy by his Word and sacrament."

Men's Council

**Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday
CTK Library 5:15PM – 6:45PM**

*** All Men are Welcome ***

This council of men gathers on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month (except as noted) to discuss topics of mutual interest, how our faith impacts our lives, personal issues confronting us, and share the passing of our lives together. A sacred and safe space is created in the form of council for each man to speak and listen from the heart as they tell their story. This kind of work helps create deep friendships, connections, and bonds that are often missing in today's world of impersonal interactions. If you enjoy exploring and discussing spiritual,

mythopoetic, ethical, and social themes from a biblical perspective then consider joining in. Please contact John French at (850) 420-9803 or jcfrench3@icloud.com with any questions.

Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina/Book Study on Thursdays 10:00am-12:00pm.

Thursdays offer several ways to increase our community spirituality. We begin in the library at 10:00 am for 20 minutes of Centering Prayer. We then pray a passage of *lectio divina* at 10:30. (This is a quiet method of letting scripture speak to you.) At 11:00 we read and discuss *Intimacy with God*, by Thomas Keating. If you would like more information about Centering Prayer please contact Linda Boland lindaboland@simpatico.ca

A Journey Through Genesis

Winter/Spring Thursday Evening

Women's Bible Study Wish you knew the Bible better? Want to be inspired by the tenacious faith of people who wrestled with God (literally!)?

Join Rev. Emily Proctor (and The Good Book Club) on a journey with the book of Genesis on Thursday evenings in the Parlor at 6 p.m., beginning Jan 11.

For more information or to reserve a copy of the study guide (A Journey through Genesis, \$15) email Emily at Emily.Rose.Proctor@gmail.com or text 850-783-0237. More resources also available at

<https://www.goodbookclub.org/>.

**Men's Breakfast & Bible Study: Every
Friday**

8:00-8:30 - Breakfast and fellowship

8:30-9:30 - Bible Study and prayer. We are currently studying The Gospel of

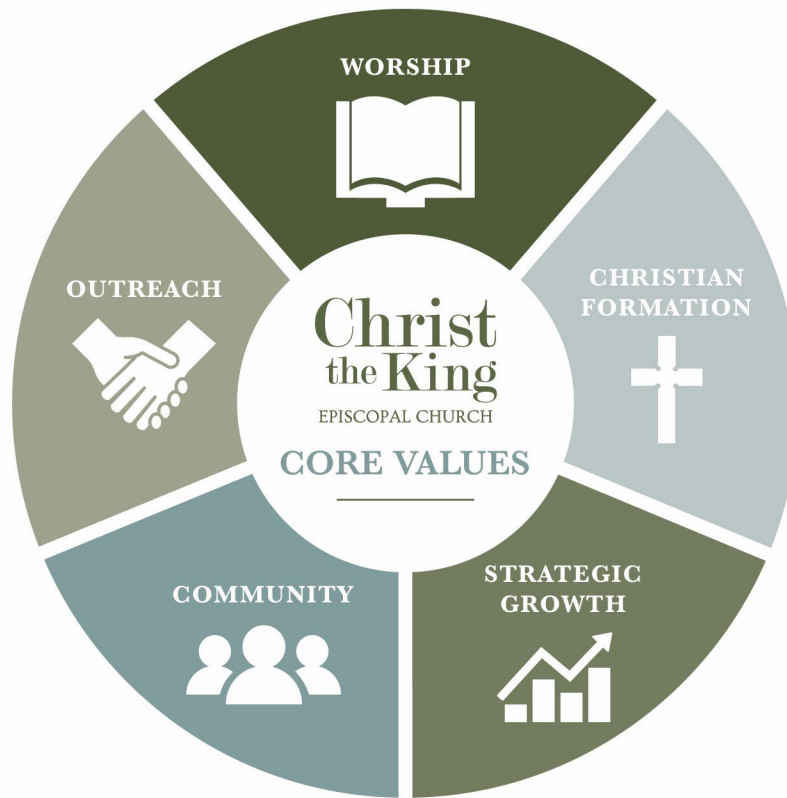
Matthew. The Bible Study is led by Darold

Smith, who is using William Barclay's

Commentary "The Gospel of Matthew."

Contact Darold Smith aristacraft@yahoo.com

for more information



1) Worship:

Our worship is grounded in the traditional Anglican triad of scripture, tradition, and reason. Our lovely space, liturgy, and music help focus our hearts and minds on a God who is at the same time in this world and beyond.

2) Outreach:

At the end of our worship services, we are dismissed with the words, “Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.” We seek to do so by being in solidarity with those in need in our local, diocesan, and global communities by providing both hands-on and financial support.

3) Community:

While our worship is directed towards loving God, and our outreach is directed towards loving our neighbors, we also value the relationships we have within our own parish family. A sense of belonging, feeling connected, and loving and caring for one another is a large part of who we are and what makes Christ the King feel special.

4) Christian Formation:

We value the lifelong formation and development of our spiritual, intellectual, and social selves. Whether it is at the Tree House Episcopal Montessori School, Sunday forums, or weekday small groups, we believe that God calls us to be lifelong learners.

5) Strategic Growth:

Our growth strategy is focused on nurturing disciples not adding members. While we take seriously Jesus’ command to “go and make disciples,” we recognize any growth must take into account our stewardship of our physical plant as well as our ability to remain meaningfully connected with one another.

CAMPUS MAP



1. SANCTUARY
2. CHURCH OFFICES
3. SANDEFUR HALL
4. HUGHES LIBRARY
5. PARLOR
6. EDUCATION BUILDING: CONFERENCE ROOM
7. EDUCATION BUILDING: YOUTH ROOM
8. NURSERY
9. PLAYGROUND
10. THE TREE HOUSE EPISCOPAL MONTESSORI SCHOOL

