



CHRIST THE KING EPISCOPAL CHURCH

WE ARE CALLED "TO BE A LIGHT, LIVING AS A WITNESS TO CHRIST'S LOVE, SERVING AND NURTURING ALL"

July/August 2013

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CTK Headlines

Catch the Wave with VBS

The children surfed through the week of VBS with water-themed Bible stories. There was plenty of fun, crafts and learning, complete with a Luau on Friday.

Look for more pictures of all our summer events on Facebook!



Sunday School Ends with a Splash!!

On last day of Sunday School for the season, the kids performed a special presentation of the Prodigal Son for the 10:30 am service. It was followed by our annual "kick-off the summer" pool party!



From the Desk of David

Summer is Here!



Father David Nelson

For this newsletter I want to give several short updates:

- We just finished an awesome VBS! The kids had a blast. They raised 33,400 pennies for Episcopal Relief and Development's Clean Water Initiative! A special thanks goes to Julie Langer and Elizabeth Dimaala who led the way. We had so many great adult volunteers, far too many to list. Thank you all!
- Nathan Yee will be baptized on July 7th at the 10:30 service. Nathan is the grandson of Susan and Andy Yee, and the great-grandson of Kenny & Stella Loo. Nathan's parents, David and Victoria, live in Italy where David serves in the Navy.
- **First Communion/Communion Enrichment (Taught by Fr. David)**
This class is for both children who are preparing to receive Communion for the 1st time OR for children who already receive Communion and want to learn more about this Sacrament.
Classes are 9:15am-10:00am on August 11, 18, and 25.
- Rally Day will be September 15th.
- Christ the King's 2nd Annual Golf Tournament will be at Walden on October 7th. 90% of net proceeds go to charity! More information to come.

Finally, I want to offer a couple of prayer requests and celebrations:

Please pray for Avis Nance and family. Avis is 89 years and her daughter, Yvonne Little, died.

Please pray for the Hale family. Tom Hale recently died at 63 years of age. Tom was an RN, and was a chalice bearer at CTK until his recent illness. Tom and his wife Debra were often at the 10:30 service.

Barbara Goodson's son, Nathan Flores, has safely returned home from Afghanistan. Wonderful news!

Amy and Andrew Beesley are expecting a baby! The due date is January 19th. Congrats! We can't wait!

Yours in Christ,
Father David Nelson†

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~~STATE OF THE PLATE~~



~~STEWARDSHIP~~

2 Corinthians 9:6 - The point is this: the one who **sows sparingly** will also reap **sparingly**, and the one who **sows** bountifully will also reap bountifully.

Not long ago my younger son, Matthew, came to me in a dilemma with his wife over a squabble they'd had. He knew his wife had called me ranting and although I'd calmed her down, wanted to speak with him as well. The complaint Matthew had was that he felt that he was never right. This was a perfect opportunity to explain that in my opinion, love had not much to do with who is right and who is wrong, but with whomever is the most loving. I asked him, "Were you the most loving in this situation?" His reply was, "No." I said it is my belief that the one who

"wins" in life is the one who gives the most and that we have opportunities all around us to do that. My motto in life is, "If it is within your power to do good, you should." A bit like the golden rule, but goes a bit further in action.

My point in this example has a lot to do with our stewardship because as this scripture points out so clearly, those who give the most will reap the most. I believe this applies to every area of our lives, whether it's one's time, talent or tithe offering. Let's take this verse as a challenge to us all to look at ways God can stretch us spiritually to see what ways we can sow more bountifully with our time, talent and tithe offerings.

Barbara Goodson
Vestry Member, Hospitality

~~CALENDAR OF EVENTS~~

- 7/2 The **Breakfast Brothers** are meeting at IHOP in Atascocita at 8:00 am. Bring a friend!
- 7/4 HAPPY 4th of JULY! The office will be closed
- 7/7 First Sunday Lunch immediately following the 10:30 am service. Everyone is welcome!
- 7/11 The **Daughters of the King** are meeting at the church at 7:00 pm.
- 7/16 The **Vestry** is meeting at the church at 7:00 pm.

SAVE THE DATE! Christ the King's 2nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament
Monday, October 7th, 9:00 am shotgun start, 4-man Scramble
Sign your team up early!
Volunteers are needed! Sign-up now

~ July 2013 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 8:00 am @ IHOP Breakfast Brothers	3	4 HOLIDAY – Office closed	5	6
7 8:00 am Service 10:30 am Service 12 noon 1 st Sunday Lunch	8	9	10	11 7:00 pm Daughters of the King	12	13
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~~MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE~~

Psalm 100 King James Version (KJV), verse one states that we should, "Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands." I can't think of a better way to fulfill this command than joining Christ the King's choir. Not only do we enjoy making a joyful noise, but we in the choir also, "Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing" as stated in verse two.

We would like to extend an offer to join our joyful voices. One way you might like to step into this adventure would be to sign up to experience the Choir Retreat planned this fall to springboard your way into the choir fellowship.

Drew Balog will be inviting Edward Flores, an extensively trained vocalist with a BA in Music from HBU to lead us in learning about how to better praise God with the gift of the voice given each of us. Edward has sung professionally for over 30 years, soloist with the Houston Gilbert and Sullivan Opera Society, soloist and recording artist with Bonita Gardens Iglesia Bautista of Houston, choral director at various churches in Houston, written music for solo presentations in

Mexico, Cuba, Colombia and Costa Rica, taught voice and choral conducting at College of Biblical Studies in Houston, studied voice with Dr. William Guthrie at Houston Baptist University and with Joyce Farwell at Rice University Shepherd School of Music, sung with the Houston Grand Opera and taught vocal and instrumental music in Houston public schools for over 10 years. He plans to share not only his expertise in vocal instruction, but also his passion for worship.

Whether an alto, tenor, soprano, baritone, or unsure of your vocal gifts yet, come join us for what will surely be a blessed adventure. Not only will you learn more about your own voice, but also there will be plenty of fellowship and food to go around. So, sign up for the retreat and be prepared to learn how to make a joyful noise even better!

Stay tuned for more retreat information!

Barbara Goodson
Vestry Member, Hospitality



~~VBS Catch the Wave with Jesus~~



~~MEET OUR STAFF~~

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CHRIST THE KING 2013 VESTRY MEMBERS

Your vestry is a group of lay members elected by you, the church members, to serve with the rector as the leadership and governing body of the church. Through an annual retreat, and monthly and other special meetings, the rector and vestry are responsible to set and oversee the vision of ministry for the church, and to conduct the business of the church as required by canon or civil law. All committees, commissions, or other church groups and their ministries come under the oversight of the vestry.

Each Sunday you can find a 'Vestry Person of the Day' present during the services for announcements, and available before and after each service for any questions any parishioner or newcomer might have about the church or any of the ministries.

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One of the responsibilities of the vestry, along with the rector, is managing the church's finances. We feel it's important that our parishioners have a sense of our church's financial position.

Here is a snapshot of our May 2013 Financial Statement:

OPERATING FUND	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET %
Total Pledges & Contributions	\$27,637.29	\$18,750.00	147%
Total Expenses	(\$27,956.24)	(\$19,520.14)	143%
Excess Pledges/Expenses	(\$318.95)	(\$770.14)	41%

**July**

7/2 Charles Maende
 7/4 Mary Swartz
 7/8 Joe McDermott
 7/10 John Holmes
 7/13 Jacob Shaye
 7/18 Andrew Daniele
 7/19 Carol Martin

July

7/19 Kelli Sanders
 7/23 Emily Sanders
 7/25 Tracy Painter
 7/25 Darrell Wiggins
 7/29 Alan Aston
 7/30 Andy Yee

August

8/4 Danny Dieter
 8/4 Edie McDaniel
 8/5 Beth Anne Nelson
 8/6 Robert Lunson
 8/6 Lewis Painter
 8/13 Caleb Shaye
 8/14 Victor Hart
 8/14 Janice Hardy
 8/18 Susan Yee
 8/18 David Martin
 8/23 Bruce Newport
 8/26 Peyton Rodgers
 8/26 Robert Stegall
 8/28 Johnny Painter
 8/31 Dan Langler
 8/31 Hilary Sellar

Birthday Prayer

Watch over thy child, O Lord, as *his* days increase; bless and guide *him* wherever he may be. Strengthen *him* when *he* stands; comfort *him* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *him* up if *he* fall; and in *his* heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

July

7/9 Brett & Elizabeth Lalor
 7/22 John & Katharine Holmes
 7/25 David & Beth Anne Nelson

August

8/6 Bob & Sue Acaster
 8/7 George & Barbara Spence
 8/8 Robert & Carolyn Ferguson
 8/13 Dan & Julie Langler
 8/23 Andrew & Kristen Fansler
 8/28 Drew & Micki Balog
 8/30 Charlesworth & Arisha Edwards

***Anniversary Prayer***

God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you; the Lord mercifully with his favor look upon you, and fill you with all spiritual benediction and grace; that you may faithfully live together in this life, and in the age to come have life everlasting. **Amen.**

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About Christ the King

Christ the King is a pastoral size parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Texas. We are a compassionate, generous, outreach-oriented congregation. We serve the communities of Atascocita, Humble, Kingwood, Crosby, Huffman and Summerwood. Come visit us for Sunday Service and learn about all the wonderful things our church has to offer!

Our Mission

To be a light, living as a witness to Christ's love, serving and nurturing all

Jesus is Lord – Following the teachings of Christ as revealed in the Scriptures

Outreach – Committing to Christ-centered service

You are Welcome – Respecting the dignity of all God's children

Faith and Fellowship – Growing together in joyful celebration of our faith in Christ

United in Prayer and Worship – Praising God through our liturgy

Love as Christ Loves Us – Nurturing our Community

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY MORNING

8:00 am	Holy Eucharist
9:15 am	Sunday School
10:30 am	Holy Eucharist with music

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