



# 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 2014

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## Headlines: CTK Youth Mission Trip

Jacob Shaye, Caleb Shaye, Ryan Taylor, Emily Sanders, Matt Lalor, and Rice Aston represented Christ the King on the mission trip to Canyon Lake where they lived out our Church's mission statement to be a light, living as a witness to Christ's love, serving and nurturing all.

The pictures tell of their joy of giving, sharing, and learning to work with others as they constructed and painted parts of a home to be built for a less fortunate family.

Special thanks to the late Wayne Clancy, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, the DOK, and George and Barbara Spence for their donations that helped make this mission trip possible.



*The gang's all here including the six from Christ the King. Can you pick them out? The smiling faces portray the joy they had in shared fun, food, fellowship, and plenty of hard work that will certainly be appreciated for years to come by the family whose home they helped build.*

## *From the Desk of David*



Father David Nelson

It's summer time so most of us expect things to slow down quite a bit at church. Not this summer! Here at Christ the King we have lots going on.

On July 6<sup>th</sup> we are going to have a Town Hall meeting to update you about the progress of our Master Plan. If you can't make it, we will pass on the notes from the meeting. The main purpose of this meeting is to summarize where we have been, where we are, and what to expect in the near future. Please come to listen, learn, and bring your questions.

Another major happening at Christ the King is our search for a new Youth Minister. I've been in discussion with Matt Blank, the Missioner for Youth & Young Adults for the Diocese. He has been a great resource. To help with this process, Deb Tisch, Matt Lalor, and Jacob Shaye have stepped up to assist me in the interview process. They will also be a resource to our future youth minister, especially during the first year. I can't overemphasize the importance of this position. We pray that we can have a person in this position to start with fall activities.

I'm making the job description readily available, should anyone know of a qualified candidate. The youth minister is expected to guide the youth group to a deeper knowledge and love of Jesus, provide a place where youth can make friends, have fun, and grow as disciples. Please keep this process in your prayers.

This August 4-8 is Vacation Bible School (VBS). The theme is "Don't be a Zero, be a Hero with God's Word." The focus will be upon heroes of the Bible. Each day festivities begin at 5:30pm with dinner. Program time will be 6pm to 8pm.

Finally, I want to say what a joy the mission trip to Canyon Lake was. We had 6 kids from Christ the King do meaningful work for a family in great need. What a blessing it was to see them work together to build part of a house.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. David†

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*Psalm  
127:1 -  
Unless the  
Lord builds  
the house,  
those who  
build it  
labor in  
vain.*

~~CALENDAR OF JULY & AUGUST EVENTS~~

- 7/1 The *Breakfast Brothers* are meeting at IHOP in Atascocita at 8:00 am. Bring a friend!
- 7/6 Join us at 9:30 am for a special Town Hall meeting to get an update on the Master Plan for CTK
- 7/6 Join us for our First Sunday lunch after the 10:30 am service..
- 7/10 The *Daughters of the King* will meet at 7:00 pm
- 7/12 The *Brotherhood of St. Andrew* will meet at 8:30 am
- 7/22 The *Vestry* meets at 7:00 pm

~ July 2014 ~						
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		1 Breakfast Brothers 8:00 am IHOP	2	3	4 Fourth of July – no Parents' Night Out	5
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- 8/1 Parents' Night Out 5:30 pm until 8:30 pm
- 8/3 Join us for our First Sunday lunch after the 10:30 am service.
- 8/4-8/8 Vacation Bible School from 5:30 pm until 8:00 pm each evening.
- 8/5 The *Breakfast Brothers* will meet at IHOP in Atascocita at 8:00 am. Bring a friend!
- 8/9 The *Brotherhood of St Andrew* will meet at 8:30 am
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# ~ Christ the King Youth Mission Trip ~

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*Emily said, "The mission trip makes me want to get outside and help someone. I learned that helping people is important and putting their needs before mine. Schlitterbahn was the best part of the trip."*



Camp Motto: I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

**Dairy Queen to the rescue EVERYDAY!**



*Ryan: "I learned that building is hard--and painting!"*



Hammers, nails, and paint were the orders of the day!

*Caleb: "The trip made me feel good about helping others. I also learned to paint and hammer better. The best part of the trip was the Communion service on Wednesday night and going to Dairy Queen every day!"*



Workers stop for a photo break and Grace takes it all in!



*Jacob: "The trip made me appreciate the things I have and realize how quickly it can be taken away. I learned how to work hard with a smile on my face (except in pictures). The best part of the trip was completing the panels for the family and shooting the rapids with my new friends."*





### Hospitality Matters

*Church coffee hour is NOT an  
afterthought of our worship—  
it is a reality test.*

*An excerpt from The Art of the Coffee Hour, featured in the Opening the Door issue of Circuit Rider written by The Rev. Dr. Donna Schape, Senior Minister of Judson Memorial Church in NYC.*

At the coffee hour we either extend the hospitality we proclaim or we withhold it. We either feel the grace we have acknowledged or we do not. We either extend the Eucharist of the holy meal to the little meal or we do not. Many people judge a congregation by its coffee hour hospitality—especially newcomers. They can tell by the feel in the room whether they are welcome or not. Typically a new member of any congregation will tell you that someone welcomed them during coffee. On the other hand, someone who doesn't come back after a first

brave visit (all first visits anywhere are brave) and you will discover that no one spoke to them during coffee hour.

**Deepening the Coffee Talk** - Many don't consider coffee hour an important ministry. We think it is all small talk, or cocktail party gab. It is only that way if we keep it that way. The conversation and its depth are up to each of us.

Statistics show that the average newcomer or returnee comes back to worship six months after a major life change: cancer, death, divorce, or some sort of disappointment. Our job is not to find out what that crisis was on the first encounter, but to ready ourselves and the other person for that revelation. And, it is not just newcomers who need welcome at coffee hour. Old timers do also.

Coffee hour is our weekly opportunity to demonstrate the love of God incarnate to one another, and to all who walk through our doors.

### **CHRIST THE KING CELEBRATES OUR GRADUATES and AMY BEESLEY'S MINISTRY!**



Christ the King celebrated Senior Sunday by honored our three graduates: Charlie Martin, Kelli Sanders and Vivian Maende. Amy Beesley was recognized for her dedication to youth ministry at Christ the King.

~~MEET OUR STAFF~~

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**CHRIST THE KING 2014 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.

***Financial Statement as of May 31, 2014:***

<u>OPERATING FUND</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUILDING FUND</u>	<u>RESERVE FUND</u>
Beginning Balance:	\$52,369.38	\$32,556.37	\$19,762.28
Ending Balance:	<b><u>\$55,783.15</u></b>	<b><u>\$26,108.59</u></b>	<b><u>\$25,946.03</u></b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$107,837.77</b>		





7/2	Charles Maende	7/23	Emily Sanders
7/4	Mary Swartz	7/25	Tracy Painter
7/8	Joe McDermott	7/25	Darrell Wiggins
7/10	John Holmes	7/29	Alan Aston
7/13	Jacob Shaye	7/30	Andy Yee
7/18	Andrew Daniele	8/4	Danny Dieter
7/19	Carol Martin	8/4	Edie McDaniel
7/19	Kelli Sanders	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* falls; and in *his* heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

7/9	Brett & Elizabeth Lalor	8/8	Robert & Carolyn Ferguson
7/22	John & Katharine Holmes	8/13	Dan & Julie Langler
7/25	David & Beth Anne Nelson	8/23	Andrew & Kristen Fansler
8/6	Bob & Sue Acaster	8/28	Drew & Micki Balog
8/7	George & Barbara Spence	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.**



**Parents' Night Out is fun for everyone!**

*Emma hitches a ride, while Grace assists the "box car" and Logan directs "traffic"?*

Christ the King has hosted its 2<sup>nd</sup> Parents' Night Out and we've found that it is not only fun for the kids, but it gives the parents a much needed break to socialize with other adults. Currently the program is open to children ages 4 and under, however, we will consider expanding the program to parents of older aged children as interest continues to grow. There will not be a Parents' Night Out in July due to the holiday, but don't miss the next one scheduled Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup>!



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## About Christ the King

Christ the King is a pastoral sized 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 & Choir
10:30 am	Holy Eucharist with music

For newsletter comments or  
submissions, email:  
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**VBS is coming to CTK – Don't miss out on the fun  
and adventure learning about God's Heroes Aug 4 -  
Aug 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 til 8:00pm**



**Don't be a Zero, be a  
Hero with God's  
Word!**

Join VBS as an adult or high school volunteer by signing up on the Church bulletin board. Registration is available through the Church's website for children ages 5 through 11. Don't miss out on the fun this summer beginning on August 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm with dinner and concluding at 8:00 pm each evening. For more information please contact: Julie Langler at [Langlerj@gmail.com](mailto:Langlerj@gmail.com) or Elizabeth Dimaala at 832-445-4785 or Rachael Shedeed at [sasrks@hotmail.com](mailto:sasrks@hotmail.com)