

# CTK Communiqué

## March 2026



### CTK Church -Trenton Rd. Campus

15600 Trenton Rd., Southgate, MI 48195

Church Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30am—3:00 p.m.

Church Office Phone: (734)285-9695

Church FAX: (734)285-4188

### CTK Day School - Trenton Rd.

School Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

School Office Phone: (734)285-9697

### CTK Event Center - Pennsylvania Rd. Campus

16700 Pennsylvania Rd., Southgate, MI 48195

Main Phone: (734)285-9695

### Childcare Center - Pennsylvania Rd. Campus

Child Care Hours: Mon-Fri 6:30 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

Child Care Phone: (734)285-8525



### Trenton Road Campus

Saturday Worship 5:00 PM

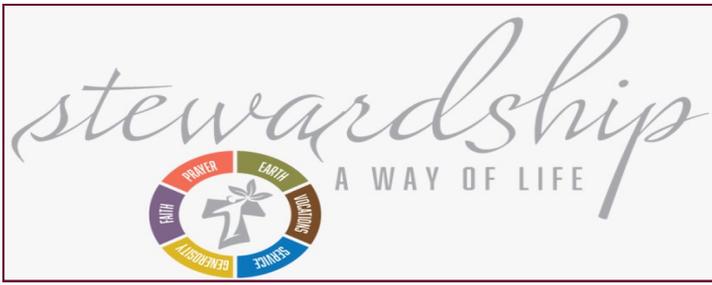
Bible Study 6:00 PM

Sunday Worship: 9:00 AM

11:00 AM

Bible Study/Sunday School

10:00-10:45 AM



Financial Snapshot – Through January 2026

INCOME (General Fund):	<u>January 2026</u>	<u>Year To Date</u>
Church receipts	\$ 156,899.56	\$ 156,899.56
Tuition	\$ 91,328.91	\$ 91,328.91
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 248,228.47</b>	<b>\$ 248,228.47</b>
<b>BUDGETED EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 255,570.00</b>	<b>\$ 255,570.00</b>
<b>INCOME OVER/(UNDER) BUDGET</b>	<b>\$ (7,341.53)</b>	<b>\$ (7,341.53)</b>

TOTAL INCOME	<u>January 2026</u>	<u>Year To Date</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$248,228.47	\$248,228.47
ACTUAL EXPENSES:	\$223,124.35	\$223,124.35
<b>INCOME OVER/(UNDER) EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$ 25,104.12</b>	<b>\$ 25,104.12</b>

God has blessed our stewardship as we began this year, as our income was over actual expenses and just barely under budgeted expenses. We encourage CTK members to prayerfully consider tithe and first fruit giving, as Paul instructed the church in Corinth, *“The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”* 2 Cor. 9:6-7 ~ Pastor Jay



**Church Office Hours**

**Mon. – Friday: 8:30am to 3:00pm**

In Memory of Dorothy Hassenrik  
To Memorial Fund, given by:  
 Maryann MacDonald

In Memory of Ann Grahl  
To Memorial Fund, given by:  
 Mr. & Mrs. Melvin Grahl

In Memory of Janis Otto  
To CTK Music Fund, given by:  
 Mr. & Mrs. Larry Brouwer

In Memory of James Scesny, Sr.  
To Memorial Fund, given by:  
 Karen Scesny

In Memory of Paul Tidrick  
To Food Pantry, given by:  
 Alice Berry  
 Linca Thomas  
 Tiffany Hillen  
 Suzie Suchyta  
 Ms. Paulk  
 The Czarnotas  
 Anne Wilson  
 Caitlin Weihrauch  
 Mr. & Mrs. Todd Salden  
 Mr. & Mrs. James Paulk  
 Jinna Zchunke  
 Colleen Pilgrim

In Memory of Phyllis Weaver  
To Alms Fund, given by:  
 Judy Bielby

<u>Birthday Blessings</u>	
<u>In Honor of</u>	<u>Birthday</u>
Ann Twork	2/23



## Scrap Metal, Cans/Bottles & Capital Fund Drive Fundraising

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>Total (since 2006)</u>
“C” Dollars	\$ 1,278.00	\$ 1,161.00	\$ 129.00	\$ 26,530.00
Scrap Metal	\$ 2,383.50	\$ 2,154.42	\$	\$ 59,173.12
Bottles	\$ 774.60	\$ 178.20	\$	\$ 45,413.04
Paper Recycle	\$ 28.25	\$ 11.56	\$	\$ 810.20

(As of: 2/15/26)

# FROM THE FINANCIAL OFFICE

Envelopes are available by contacting Kelly at [kelly@ctk.me](mailto:kelly@ctk.me) or call the church office.

The following requests can be found online:

- Request for envelopes, if you do not have a number. If you no longer need envelopes due to online giving, please contact Kelly at [kelly@ctk.me](mailto:kelly@ctk.me).



- Request for your contribution statement to be printed, if you are unable to access [www.myctk.me](http://www.myctk.me).



**2025 Contribution statements** are now available online at [myctk.me](http://myctk.me) for members.



**SPIRITUAL CARE MINISTRY**

If you have a family member or friend at CTK who is hospitalized, in a nursing home or confined to their home, please call the church office.

**Contacts:**  
 Harry Dutka (734) 285 9695  
 Ext. 1500 [hdutka@ctk.me](mailto:hdutka@ctk.me)  
 Anna Bourassa (734) 285 9695  
 Ext. 1001 [anna@ctk.me](mailto:anna@ctk.me)

**Spiritual Care visits**  
**Jan 1-15th = 149**

# 2025 Contribution Statements

Your giving statement is now available through one of the following methods:

- ◆ CTK Members can go to the website ([www.ctk.me](http://www.ctk.me)) and follow the instructions to sign in to MyCTK.
- ◆ If we have your current email on file, you should have received a secured link to your statement. Please contact the church office if you need to update your email address or had any trouble receiving your statement via email last year.
- ◆ Please contact Kelly in the church office at [kelly@ctk.me](mailto:kelly@ctk.me) or (734) 285-9695 ext. 1600 with any questions regarding your statement

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I am requesting my 2025 Contribution Statement:

Please:  Mail    or     Hold in Church Office for pick up

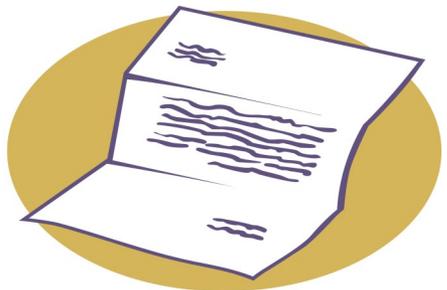
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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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# ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS



# WAYS TO GIVE YOUR TITHE & GIFTS

- **In Person**
- **Online:** Scan the QR code to be directly sent to the online giving [link](#).
- **Online:** Members may visit [www.ctlk.me](http://www.ctlk.me) and click on “MyCTK” at the top of the homepage to log in. Select “Giving” then “Give Now” to set up a one time or recurring payment.
- **Text:** Visitors/Members text ‘CTKGIVE’ to 73256 to receive a secured link. (It should open to Christ The King Lutheran, Southgate.
- **Mail:** Mail to CTK, 15600 Trenton Rd., Southgate, MI 48195



**ONLINE GIVING & TEXT GIVE OF TITHES/ CONTRIBUTIONS** We are grateful for the opportunity to accept contributions online via MyCTK and through text giving. Just as a reminder, if possible, please use your banking account information, rather than a card number, to save on processing fees, which start at 2.6%. This cuts back on monthly expenses and, in turn, more of your gift goes directly to the mission of your church. Thank you for your faithfulness!



## 4 Ways to GIVE



WEBSITE



IN PERSON



CHURCH APP



TEXTING

A reminder to all of our members and visitors that use text giving: please make sure that Christ The King Lutheran Church, Southgate, MI is the link that comes up when you text “CTKGIVE” to 73256. It has been brought to our attention that occasionally another Christ The King church link is listed. Thank you for your tithe.





# UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event	Time	Location
March 1	Lutheran Schools Sunday	9:00 & 11:00 AM	TR
March 3	Lutheran Schools Open House	4:30—7:00 PM	TR
March 4	Lenten Service	3:30 PM	TR\
	Lenten Dinner	4:30 PM	TR
	Lenten Service	6:30 PM	Trinity, Wyan.
March 9	CTK Sewing Circle	10 AM	PA
March 11	Lenten Service	3:30 PM	TR\
	Lenten Dinner	4:30 PM	TR
	Lenten Service	6:30 PM	Trinity, Wyan.
March 13	Music Bingo Night	6:00 PM	PA
March 18	59+ Group	1:00 PM	TR
March 18	Lenten Service	3:30 PM	TR\
	Lenten Dinner	4:30 PM	TR
	Lenten Service	6:30 PM	Trinity, Wyan.
March 21	Euchre Night	7:00 PM	TR
March 23	Gather & Grow Book Club	6:00 PM	TR
March 25	Lenten Service	3:30 PM	TR\
	Lenten Dinner	4:30 PM	TR
	Lenten Service	6:30 PM	Trinity, Wyan.
April 2	Maundy Thursday Service	5:00 PM	Trinity, Wyan.
		7:00 PM	TR
April 3	Good Friday TreOre Service	12:00 PM	PA
	Good Friday Tenebrae	5:00 PM	Trinity, Wyan.
		7:00 PM	TR
	Prayer Vigil	8 PM to 12 AM	TR
	Prayer Vigil	8 AM to Noon	PA
	Family Connect Event	1:00 PM	PA
	The Passion of the Christ Movie	5:00 PM	PA
April 5	Easter Sunrise Service	7:00 AM	TR
	Easter Festival Services	8:30, 9:45 & 11 AM	TR
April 13	CTK Sewing Circle	10:00 AM	PA
April 15	59+ Group	1:00 PM	TR
April 18	Euchre Night	7:00 PM	TR
April 27	Gather & Grow Book Club	6:30 PM	TR
<b><u>Weekly Events:</u></b>			
Tuesdays:	Toolbelt Tuesday	8:00 AM	PA
Wednesday:	School Chapel	8:40 AM	TR
	Women's Bible Study	9:00 AM	PA
Thursdays:	Donation Station Open	12:00-2:00 PM	PA
	Food Pantry	3:00 PM	PA
Fridays:	Men's Bible Study	8:00 AM	PA
Saturdays:	Pickleball (unless otherwise noted)	9:00 AM	PA
	Donation Station Open	10:00 AM-12:00 PM	PA
	Worship	5:00 PM	TR
	Adult Bible Class	6:00 PM	TR
Sundays:	Worship	9:00 & 11:00 AM	TR
	Bible Class & Sunday School	10:00 AM	TR

# Lent



CTK and Trinity Wyandotte are teaming up for our Lenten Season. We will have two services, one at CTK, the other at Trinity Lutheran Church in Wyandotte on 5<sup>th</sup> and Oak. The 3:30 service will be at CTK, Trenton Rd Campus, followed by a meal, served by our High School Youth. The free-will offering supports their trip to the MI District Youth Gathering this summer. The 6:30 service will be at Trinity. The theme is Lent and the Lord's Prayer and the schedule is below. We hope the Lenten services will be a blessing, as we prepare to celebrate Easter.

## Each Wednesday in Lent

**3:30 p.m. worship at Christ The King, Trenton Rd Campus**

**4:30 Lenten Dinner at CTK, Trenton Rd.**

**6:30 p.m. worship at Trinity, Wyandotte, 5th and Oak**

- ◆ Wed., March 4: "Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."
- ◆ Wed., March 11: "Give us today our daily bread."
- ◆ Wed, March 18: "And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors."
- ◆ Wed., March 25: "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one."

**THE EASTER LILY CHART** will be posted near the Welcome Center beginning the weekend of March 15. Cost is \$8, which will go to our memorial fund. (We thank Mr. Bill Ruhlig for the donation of lilies for Easter.) We encourage you to purchase a plant in memory of or in honor of a loved one. A list of honorees will be posted near the lily tree on Easter Sunday and posted on our website. Deadline for ordering is March 29.

Please take an envelope and place payment in the offering. You may also pay online, using the drop down "Easter Lilies." You may pick up your plant(s) after the 11am service.





# HOLY WEEK

**Maundy Thursday, with Holy Communion, April 2**

5:00 p.m. at Trinity, Wyandotte

7:00 p.m. at CTK, Trenton Rd.

**Good Friday TreOre, April 3 at PA Rd. Campus**

12:00, 12:30 & 1:00 p.m.

w/ Holy Communion only at 1:00pm

**Good Friday Tenebrae, April 3**

5:00 p.m. at Trinity, Wyandotte

7:00 p.m. at CTK, Trenton Rd.

**No Saturday 5:00 pm Service on April 4**

**Easter Sunday, April 5 at Trenton Rd.**

Sunrise Service, 7:00 a.m. with Holy Communion

Festival Services, 8:30, 9:45, & 11:00 a.m.

Easter Breakfast 7:30-11:00 a.m. in the gym

(No Adult Bible Class or Sunday School)

## HOLY WEEK *Events*



April  
3 & 4

**GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER VIGIL** There will be a new look for our prayer vigil this year. We will have 4 hours of individual silent prayer at Trenton Rd following the Good Friday Tenebrae Service, and four hours on Saturday morning, April 4, starting at 8 am, at Penn Rd Campus. Look for sign up books, coming next weekend.



April  
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**HOLY SATURDAY FAMILY CONNECTION EVENT** Saturday, April 4, 12 to 1:30 pm at Penn Rd Campus. We will start with a meal at noon, hot dogs, chips, drinks and cookies provided. Then we will have a family prayer and praise event, following the ACTS acronym, Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving and Supplication.

April  
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**THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST MOVIE EVENT** Saturday, April 4, 5 pm at CTK Penn Campus. We'll provide popcorn and water or soda at 5 pm, the movie will begin at 5:30 pm. Join us for this free event, as we remember Christ's sacrifice.



## Day School News—March 2026

As we step into March, we're reminded that God is always at work bringing new life—both in creation and in our hearts. The days grow longer, flowers begin to bloom, and we are invited to reflect on the new mercies God offers us each morning. “Because of the Lord’s great love, we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.” – Lamentations 3:22–23

This season also leads us closer to Easter, as we begin preparing our hearts through prayer, repentance, and renewal. The journey of Lent is a beautiful reminder that God meets us in reflection and leads us into restoration. As Jesus Christ walked in obedience and love, we are called to follow Him with humble hearts and renewed faith.

This month, we invite you to join us as we celebrate National Lutheran Schools Week. Christ The King Lutheran School is one of nearly 2,000 Lutheran schools in the nation. We are fortunate to be able to celebrate God’s love, grace, and mercy daily. We are so excited to celebrate our school with you on Sunday, March 1. We’d love for you to join us on Tuesday, March 3 from 4:30-7:00 p.m. during our annual Education Fair. Each class will have social studies work displayed, and you are invited to peruse and fellowship.

I know the difference our school makes, and I also know none of this would be possible without the love and support of our congregation. Thank you for praying for us, attending our events, supporting our students, and creating scholarships. You make a tremendous difference, and we are so grateful.

~ God’s Blessings, Dr. Kelli Kapp-Heifner





This past January, as part of an exercise in the seminary class that I just took, we had to write an essay that was just pure reflection. I was asked to reflect on who I was as a person 4 years ago, and who I am as a person today.

Who am I as a pastor? Who do I want to be? What are the things that have happened that brought me to where I am today? What things have shaped my thoughts and feelings and experience?

I could never have guessed how valuable that reflecting exercise would be. It served to remind me how God has worked in my life – through success and failures and joys and sorrows. It served to remind me that He is the one that is really at work in the world – we are His instruments. It also reminded me of Joshua 4. The Israelites have spent 40 years wandering in the wilderness and following God. Now it's time to enter into the promised land. God parts the waters of the Jordan River so they can walk across on dry land and, as they cross, God tells Joshua to have 12 boulders taken out of the river bed and brought with them. He has Joshua set them up in a monument on the other side and tells him: "These stones will serve to remind you. When your children see them, they'll ask you what they're for. And when they do, you tell them what I did for you here." Take some time to reflect and remember what God has done for you and how He has brought you to where you are today.

God's Blessings, Pastor Brooks



## GATHER AND GROW BOOK CLUB

The Gather and Grow Book Club is a monthly group for women of all ages (high school and older) who love to read and discuss Christian fiction and non-fiction. Join us on Monday, March 23 at 6:00pm in the West Gallery for a special movie night, where we'll watch "Bonhoeffer: Pastor. Spy. Assassin" from Angel Studios. We will also briefly discuss chapters 21-31 of 'Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy' by Eric Metaxas. Feel free to bring a movie snack to share or a potluck dish! Interested in learning more about our group? Stop by any of our meetings or contact the church office to get on our email list.

# MUSIC BINGO NIGHT!

Friday, March 13th, 6 to 9pm, @ CTK Penn Campus Gymnasium. \$20 per ticket includes snacks and game prizes, 8-person



tables. We will have drink tickets available for 21 and older to purchase on site, cash only, 4 tickets for \$15. We'll also have a 50/50. All funds raised will go toward the class trip and graduation gift for our current 7th grade class, as well as help fund future campus activities.

To purchase tickets, use the QR code or visit <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/music-bingo-25>. You can also purchase tickets in the church office.



## ♪ Resurrect Your Voice: Additional Singers Wanted for Easter with CTK Chancel Choir! ♪

As we approach the glorious season of Easter, we invite you to be part of our Easter celebration. The CTK Chancel Choir has a goal of 30+ singers for our Easter Festival services as we share the joy of our risen Savior.

Weekly rehearsals take place Wednesdays at 5:00 pm in the Trenton Rd. Sanctuary. All voices, from seasoned singers to those new to the choir, are warmly welcomed to join us.

In preparation for the grand celebration, there will also be three combined rehearsals with the Easter orchestra on Saturdays, March 27 & April 4 at 10 am, and Monday, March 30, at 6:30 pm.

For more information and to become part of the Easter choir, please contact Tim Bode at 734-285-9695 x170 or via email at [tim@ctk.me](mailto:tim@ctk.me). Or you can just show up in the sanctuary at 5:00 pm on Wednesday evening.

Unleash your voice in praise, and be a vital part of our Easter celebration!



**Easter Egg Hunt** – Palm Sunday, March 29, in the TR Rd. gym at 12:05 pm. Kids ages 0-12 are welcome to hop on down and hunt for some goodies. We are in need of donations of candy, stuffed animals, small trinkets and anything small that feels like Easter. You can drop them off in the marked bin in the West Gallery after February 18th. Deadline for candy is March 22<sup>nd</sup> and we need lots of it! Any questions, please contact [Lisa@ctk.me](mailto:Lisa@ctk.me).



## *Easter Breakfast*



**Easter Breakfast** (Sunday, April 5th) will once again be catered by Szegedi's Catering and will consist of scrambled eggs, bacon, ham slices, breakfast potatoes, Hungarian Coffee Cake, orange juice and coffee. The cost to the church per person is \$12.95, but we will be accepting a freewill offering. Breakfast will be available from 7:30 to 11:00 am.

## LIVING NATIVITY

**Calling all creators!** We are beginning to think about the **Living Nativity for 2026** and would like to assemble a team of costume creators. We need hand or machine sewers and embroiderers to begin making authentic looking Wiseman, Shepherds, Prophets, Angels, and more. You can work with us independently, as fits your schedule.

We also will take any **fabrics donations** that are suitable for that time period, like linen, wool, textured or tapestry type, rich colored silk solid or paisley type for the wisemen, suede or leather type for Roman Solders, and white satin type for angels.

Contact: **Jill Calkins (734) 915-5547 Deb Dutcher (734) 552-0356 or Grace Willer (734) 770-2948**





## CTK KIDS' SOCCER LEAGUE

Saturdays April 18 –  
June 6, Penn Rd,  
Campus. Youth ages 3  
-8. Cost is \$75 per  
child. Learn soccer  
skills and team game



play. Sign up is open Feb. 1 – March 13.

To register or for more info, visit [www.ctlk.me/sports-camps](http://www.ctlk.me/sports-camps).

To pay registration fees, visit <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/bitty-soccer-league-apr-18-june-6-2026-copy>



## Mark Your Calendars 2026 Euchre Dates

**March 21, April 18, May 16,  
September 19 & October 17**

We play in the Upper Room at Trenton Rd, starting at 7pm SHARP! (Sorry, but we are unable to accommodate latecomers.) Cost is \$3 per person. Each player is asked to bring a beverage and snack to share. Partners are not necessary and guests are welcome. This is a FUN event and prizes are awarded. Questions? Contact Mike Shoup 734.624.4350 or [blueknight007@hotmail.com](mailto:blueknight007@hotmail.com)

**CO-ED VOLLEYBALL** Looking for a fun way to meet others? Join us at CTK TR Rd gym every Tuesday from 7-10pm. We encourage those interested in playing volleyball or just wanting to cheer others on to come out and join us for a night of fun and conversation! Contact Mike Shoup at [blueknight007@hotmail.com](mailto:blueknight007@hotmail.com) or 734.624.4350 with any questions. You need to be at least 16 yrs. of age to play.



## CTK SEWING CIRCLE

We meet the 2nd Monday of every month from 10am to 2pm in the PA Rd Fellowship Center. Join us Monday, March 9th. The Sewing Circle is a group of individuals sharing their gifts and talents to sew, crochet, or knit items, such as cradle blankets, lap size blankets, and twin size blankets. We donate these items to Rivergate Nursing Home, Project Linus, Downriver Veterans, and Knit Michigan. Please contact Bobbi Chrysler at [bchrysler72@gmail.com](mailto:bchrysler72@gmail.com) or 734.558.5143 with any questions.



**59+ Group** Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>  
 1:00 pm in the Cana Room. Join us to  
 make Easter cards for the shut-ins and  
 fill Easter eggs for the Easter Egg  
 Hunt. If there is a missing piece or two  
 of candy, we won't tell. 😊



## **This Month in CTK History**

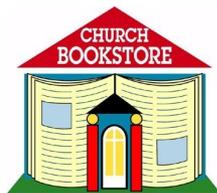
This year CTK celebrates its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!! As we begin to prepare to celebrate, if you, your parents, or friends have any photos, stories, and/or memorabilia to share with the congregation, the history committee would love to include it in the event. Please leave items at the church office marked "History" or contact Claudia Landberg at 734-479-6256 or [landberg@umich.edu](mailto:landberg@umich.edu). Thank you.



History fact for this month: the picture on the cover of "The Journey" CD was taken in the winter at the Penn Rd campus where the new sanctuary was going to be built!

## **Psalms & Proverbs Bookstore**

The bookstore celebrates its Anniversary this month!!! The bookstore held its grand opening the weekend of March 2-3, 1996. This month Lent continues. Stop by the bookstore for a book and/or devotional for your Lenten journey this year. We will also have Easter books available, especially for children (they make a great gift for the Easter basket!). Stop by the bookstore for inspiration and encouragement during this season. Look for the store to be open occasionally on Wednesdays during Lent.



## Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 9am in the Fellowship Center at PA Rd. Please join us!



## Men's Bible Study

We meet on Fridays at 8am at PA Rd in the Fellowship Center. Pastor Brooks lead. Coffee is served, and maybe even some goodies. If you haven't been, we hope you can join us!



## ALTAR FLOWERS

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Flowers available for purchase, in memory or in honor of a loved one, i.e. for anniversaries, birthdays, etc. (Your honoree will be listed in the intercession list.) The sign-up chart is in the West Gallery. You may take your flowers home to enjoy, immediately following the 11am service. **Cost is \$20 per vase.**

Payment may be placed in the offering basket or you may give online or via text. Please designate "altar flowers."

### Freewill offering

Join US  
4:30 - 6:30 PM

HOSTED BY  
CTK & Mt HOPE  
YOUTH GROUPS



Lenten  
Soup Suppers  
are back!



**MARCH 4 - BAKED POTATO BAR**

**MARCH 11 - TOMATO SOUP AND  
GRILLED CHEESE**

**MARCH 18 - MINESTRONE AND  
TURKEY SANDWICH**

**MARCH 25 - SPAGHETTI AND SALAD**



There will be no Spring session of GriefShare due to lack of interest. Please visit [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org) for info on other groups, or contact Teresa Samson at 734.282.8012 for more info. Please leave a message if no one answers.





## PENN RD CAMPUS NEWS

**Curious about what's been happening? Below is a list of activities, updates and improvements that have taken place since last summer.**

Pennsylvania Campus Activity / Special Events / Outreach Projects

Over 100 volunteers participate to clean and organize post Gilead Baptist rental

New Scripture signs throughout the event center

Various rentals to outside groups, (athletics/birthdays)

Boy Scout / Cub Scout usage

Downriver Community Band usage

Over 40 volunteers to help clean up Building #10

Production of float for Southgate Heritage Days Parade

75+ kids (3-8yr olds) for Fall Soccer

Pickleball on Saturday mornings

Rally Day

Ryan Stevenson Concert

Daniel Doss Concert

White Pine Strings Concert

Friday morning prayer group

Wednesday morning Women's Bible study (9 am)

Men's Friday morning Bible study (8 am)

Living Nativity – 125+ volunteers / over 1,000 visitors / 338 cars drove through

Countless hours spent refinishing floors, walls, painting, ceiling tiles

Various sports camps

New parking lot lights

Deep cleaning of café and kitchen

Gleaners partnership every other Friday – we have had as many as 400 cars use services a day

Special Services Worship – Thanksgiving Eve, New Year's Eve

New tables and carts for special events

CTK Sewing Circle

Music recital

CTK Food Pantry

CTK Youth Group

Countless CTK Youth activities (vendor show, scrapbooking, craft show)

30+ volunteers for Holiday decorating

Updated bathrooms

New microphones for events

Donation Station

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Upcoming/Pending Events

CTK Early Childhood Center Summer Camp

CTK Spring Soccer League

Downriver Community Activity Center

Women's Dinner and Devotion Night

After Grace Concert

Oktoberfest

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Wall

Strings Concert

Heritage Days Parade

Living Nativity – continued preparation, costume design

Wyandotte Christmas Parade

Music Bingo

Family Connect Ministries

Easter Prayer Vigil

Passion of The Christ Movie showing

Sports Camps

Golf cart for event usage

New speakers for events

2 additional movie nights coming

Trivia Night



## Work In Progress

Lutheran Choir

501c3 non-profit

Christian comedian event

Additional concerts

Café & Kitchen updates

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Fundraising dinners

Bitty Basketball League

CTK School basketball and volleyball tournaments

*If you would like to know more about any of these happenings, how you can be involved, or have ideas for additional events, please contact  
Chance Childers at  
[chance@ctk.me](mailto:chance@ctk.me)*

# Have a Heart

The 3rd Annual Have a Heart Fundraiser, held on Friday, February 13, HUGE success! **\$4,690** was raised! It will be divided between *CTK's Food Pantry*, and *Children with Hair Loss*. **God is so good!** Thank you to the *Two Man Acoustic Jam* for providing the amazing live music, *Brickhouse Brands'* owner and staff for all of their hard work and the beautiful event space and delicious food! A huge shout out to all the local businesses and individuals that donated in some way, whether it was monetarily, with gifts cards, gift baskets, desserts or their time! A special thank you to Christopher and Allison Gilbert for taking the vision of the new *Heartbreaker Game* and making it a reality! And to Jody Collins for his one-of-a-kind masterpiece, *The Motor City* that he graciously donated! The success of this event was not possible without all of you! Until next year!

God's blessings from the Fundraising Committee -  
Deanna Warrington, Jennifer Gepes, Cindy Burley, Kim Beaudrie, Joe Lambrecht & Carrie Atwood



***This night was made possible thanks to our  
generous donors!***

A & T Car Wash	Kevin & Kim Beaudrie
Agave Bar & Grill	Loveday's Quality Quick Oil & Lube
Airborne Adventure	Luna Bar & Bistro
Angelina's Mexican Grill	Main Event
Anthony's Hair Salon	Malek Al Kabob
Aqua The Salon	Mamacitas Mod Mex
Aqua Tots Swim School	Maple Street Tavern
Auburn Taverna	Maverick's
BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse	Mexican Gardens Restaurant
BJ's Wholesale Club	MissyKins K-9 Grooming
Blue Margarita	Nothing Bundt Cakes
Bob & Nancy Chambo	On the Rocks
Brickhouse Brands	Panera Bread
Bubba's 33	Pia's Restaurant Italiano
Buffalo Wild Wings	PizzaPapalis
Bulk Food Store	Play it Again Sports
Caprara Bakery	Poppy Beauty Design
Carrabba's Italian Grill	Promenade Artisian Foods
Cattleman's Meat & Produce	Qamaria Yemeni Coffee Co.
Chili's Grill & Bar	Qdoba
Christ the King Lutheran School	Ram's Horn Restaurant
Christopher & Allison Gilbert	Red Robin
Cindy Burley	Rich & Jen Gepes
Craig & Carrie Atwood	Roosevelt Lanes
Crumbl Cookies	Senate Coney Island
CTK Food Pantry	Shelly Thacker
Diane Copple	Six Star Family Restaurant
Famous Dave's BBQ	Skore Lanes
FanaticU	Starbucks
First Watch	Texas Roadhouse
Floral Designs of Southgate	The Bulk Store
Francesca's Brick Oven Pizzeria	The Honey Baked Ham Company
Great Lakes Wines & Spirits	The Iron Gate
Heritage Park Petting Farm	The Streatery
Hook & Reel Cajun Seafood & Bar	The Vault on First
HopCat	Thrifty Florist
Jacqueline Brown	Trentwood Farm Market
J&J Barn Saves	TV's Deli & Dinner
Jet's Pizza	Vic's Casual Dining
Jim & Deanna Warrington	Woodside Meadows
Jim & Holly Siegrist	YMCA

ROOTED IN CHRIST YOUTH GROUP PRESENTS

# LIGHT UP *the Night* GLOW DANCE

SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2026 • 6-8:30 PM

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN  
16700 PENNSYLVANIA ROAD, SOUTHGATE

*Kids can bring the adult of their choice!!*

\$30 PER COUPLE • \$10 EACH ADDITIONAL  
FAMILY MEMBER

Ticket Price includes: DJ, Glow Sticks, Snacks,  
Cupcakes, Refreshments

CONTACT GINA GMD.LWML@GMAIL.COM  
FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO PURCHASE TICKET



CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN YOUTH GROUP

SPRING

Craft Show



SATURDAY JUNE 13, 2026  
10 AM - 4 PM

*16700 Pennsylvania Road, Southgate  
in the Fellowship Center*

WOOD CRAFTS - SOAPS - CROCHET -  
CRAFTS - JEWELRY - TUMBERS - LOCAL HONEY

GINA IS THE ONLY CONTACT FOR THIS EVENT

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# MARCH

1	Youth Group 6-8 PM
4	LENT DINNER
8	DRYC - NERF WARS @ St John's 4-6
11	LENT DINNER
15	Youth Group 6-8 PM
18	LENT DINNER
22	Youth Group 6-8 PM
25	LENT DINNER
29	WINTERJAM @ EMU



# FUNDRAISING

- Feb/March - Lent Dinners
- March - Dearborn Ham Sale
- April - M&M Tube Sale
- April 18 - Glow Dance
- May 2 - Spring Scrapbooking
- June 13- Spring Craft Show



Youth Group will be having a Dearborn Ham sale. Please see the Ministry Desk, Gina or a Youth to order.

*Thank you!*

Thank you to everyone for your continued support of the Youth Group!! Because of all your support (prayers and participating in our fundraisers) we are able to do all that we do!!

We are headed to the Michigan Youth Gathering on Mackinac Island - June 28 -July 1 and, without your support, we would not be able to attend these types of events!

THANK YOU!!

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Are you a Thrivent Member? Did you know that as a Thrivent member you have access to “Thrivent Action Team” grants? Did you also know that the Youth Group can use those for supplies needed for fundraisers or events? Please consider helping the Youth Group with your Thrivent Action Team grants.

ChildFund.

# WINTER 20 JAM 26

**\$15**  
DONATION AT THE DOOR

No Tickets Required  
More Info At [JAMTOUR.COM](http://JAMTOUR.COM)

**CHRIS TOMLIN**

**MATTHEW WEST**

**KATY NICHOLE**

**HULVEY**

**DISCIPLE**

**EMERSON DAY**

**NEWSONG**

**SPEAKER: ZANE BLACK**

**JEREMY ROSADO** **HEATH BROTHERS** **CLIFF PRESTON**

**JAMNATION**

JOIN THE NATION FOR FREE & EARLY ADMISSION,  
EXCLUSIVE T-SHIRT, ARTIST Q&A, & MORE!  
RESERVE YOUR SPOT @ [JAMTOUR.COM](http://JAMTOUR.COM)

The Youth will be attending Winter Jam 2026 on Sunday March 29th. Cost is \$15 per person. See Youth Board in the West Gallery for the lineup! All are welcome!! See Gina to sign up!

# WINTER 20 JAM 26



# Aspire

*1 night – 3 hours Just for Women  
An evening full of laughter, learning, stories & music*

Author & Bible Teacher  
BARB ROOSE



Comedy by  
CHRISTY CONDER



Music by  
JAIME JAMGOCHIAN



**SUNDAY  
APRIL 19, 2026**

**MERRIMAN ROAD  
BAPTIST CHURCH**  
2055 MERRIMAN RD.  
GARDEN CITY, MI 48135

**5:00PM SHOW**  
4:30PM PANEL TIME  
4:00PM DOORS OPEN

Come early and join us for  
a 15 minute panel time with  
all 3 ladies based on  
Hebrews 12:1-2 called  
**“Running the Race”**

**ADVANCE TICKETS**

General Admission – \$30

VIP/Reserved – \$40

Group tickets for 10 or more – \$25

VIP/Reserved Groups for 10 or more – \$35

Group sales call 480-812-1100

VIP/Reserved Includes reserved seats  
and a snack bag

Purchase tickets at **480-812-1100** or online at:  
**ASPIREWOMENSEVENTS.com**

Aspire has been doing ministry for  
over 10 years and we hope you can  
join us for a great ladies night out!

Contact Gina @ [gmd.lwml@gmail.com](mailto:gmd.lwml@gmail.com) to purchase  
tickets for either of these events.

## Council of Lutheran Women Luncheon

The 2026 Council of Lutheran Women’s Annual Luncheon will be on Tuesday, March 24. The location is The Mirage, located at 16980 18 Mile Road, Clinton Township, 48038. The start time is 11 a.m. Women of the year will be celebrated at the luncheon. The proceeds from this luncheon help support our Seminarians. Our speaker for this luncheon is Rev. Dr. Christopher I. Thoma. Tickets are \$38 per person and you can contact Gina by March 9 to register and pay.



## 7 WORD STATEMENTS FOR EVERYDAY OF MARCH—2026

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| 1. Pray daily for our nation's humble repentance.      | II Chron. 7:14-16 |
| 2. Jesus's emergency phone number is Jeremiah 33:3     | Jer. 33:3         |
| 3. Jesus is with us, even in darkest times.            | John 8:12         |
| 4. Jesus's most favorite gift is your heart!           | Prov. 23:26       |
| 5. Experience joy by living life God's way.            | Ps. 19:8          |
| 6. Don't give up, your harvest is coming!              | Gal. 6:9          |
| 7. Live spiritual lives, walking with the Spirit.      | Gal. 5:25         |
| 8. Jesus plus you = the best possible partnership.     | John 21:6         |
| 9. Refocus your thoughts by counting your blessings.   | Ezra 3:11-13      |
| 10. Restless insatiable humans always hunger for more. | Heb. 13:5         |
| 11. Quit complaining, it overshadows your gratitude!   | Ps. 103:2         |
| 12. Don't waste substance with riotous living.         | Luke 15:12-17     |
| 13. Take sips of God's Living Water, daily.            | John 4:13-15      |
| 14. Jesus heals our past --- humbly express gratitude. | Luke 17:13-18     |
| 15. Abba: a "Daddy" relationship with Father God.      | Rom. 8:14-16      |
| 16. Begin Lent today with prayer and penitence.        | Num. 14:36-39     |
| 17. We can stand victorious, firm in God's Word!       | Isa. 40:8         |
| 18. So grateful --- chosen and loved by Jesus.         | I Peter 2:9       |
| 19. Thank God for helpfulness provided when needed.    | Matt. 7:16-20     |
| 20. Wherever we are, God's there with us.              | Ps. 139:7-10      |
| 21. Surrender your plans to "God of Calendars."        | Ps. 90:12         |
| 22. Value other's lives, as David valued Saul's.       | I Sam. 26:22-23   |
| 23. Trust that God holds all in His hands.             | Job 12:10         |
| 24. Spend Quiet Time just "listening" to God.          | Prov. 2:6-9       |
| 25. Hope is strengthened when Jesus finds lost items.  | Luke 15:4-7       |
| 26. Our stories are treasures --- share with everyone. | Ps. 77:11         |
| 27. Our God's both almighty and all-loving.            | Ps. 91:1 & 92:2   |
| 28. Our inheritance: all that belongs to God.          | Ps. 50:10-12      |
| 29. Requirements: love Mercy, act Justly, live Humbly. | Micah 6:8         |
| 30. Our reunion in heaven will be glorious!            | I Thess. 4:16-18  |
| 31. Jesus plans an awesome eternity for us!            | Ps. 36:7-9        |



**The Donation Station is open on *Thursdays from 12:00 – 2:00 pm and Saturdays from 10:00 am—12:00 pm.* We are in need of baby clothes, jewelry, and all types of kitchen items. If you would like to help in this unique ministry, please contact [carol@ctk.me](mailto:carol@ctk.me) or 734-281-3773.**

### **Donation Station Volunteer Opportunities**

***Tuesdays from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm***

On Tuesdays, we work in the Resale Station, getting the shop ready for our Thursday Sale Day. We price and shelf items, try to clean out the drop off overhang, dust, clean, reorganize shelves, if needed, etc. We give new volunteers options and hope they enjoy what they are doing well enough to come back again.

***Wednesdays from 10: 00 am – 12:00 pm***

During this time, all we do is hang up clothes. This job can be done standing or sitting. This takes place in the office area of the Administration Building.

### **JEWELRY!**

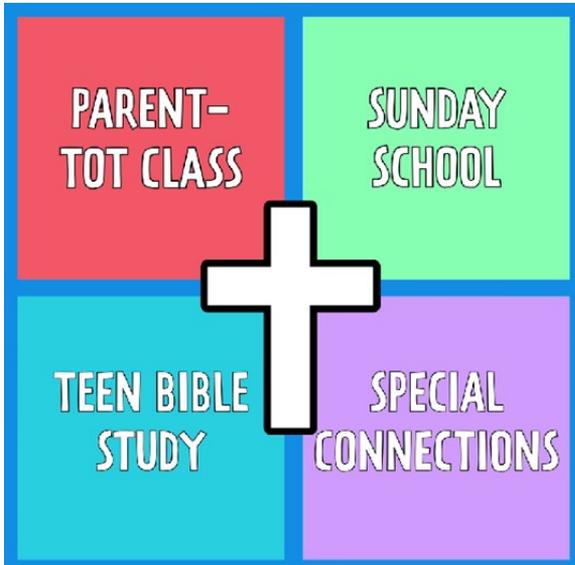
Jewelry is a big seller at the Donation Station. If you have any old jewelry, please donate now! Bring any jewelry donations to Trenton Rd. Do NOT put under Bldg. 9 overhang. Thank you!



# THE 411 NEWSLETTER MARCH 2026

*I have taught you the way of wisdom; I have led you in paths of uprightness. Proverbs 4:11*

The 4-1-1 offers something for everyone! All classes follow the same curriculum to promote great family discussion each week.



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# BAKE SALE



A great big THANK YOU for all the wonderful baked goods that you provided for the Bake Sale in February! You raised \$605.50 for the CTK Food Pantry!



# Lutheran Schools Week

Let **THE**  
*Little Children*  
*Come*  
to me

March 1 kicks off Lutheran Schools week. We will be having a special Sunday School event on this day. Sunday School students will meet in their classrooms for an exciting discussion on "Let the children come to Me."

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# Bible Bucks is Back!

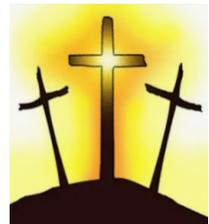


Our Bible Buck Dears, Mrs. Zanley and Mrs. Krzyske, will be back with the Bible Bucks store on **March 15!** Every time your child attends Sunday School, they earn 2 Bible Bucks and they get to spend their Bucks on awesome prizes!

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# COMING UP!

- Lutheran Schools Kick-off
- Lesson 5 - A Crushing Truth
- Lesson 6 - A Living Truth
- Lesson 7 - A Revealing Truth
- Lesson 8 - An Ascending Truth



# Pastor's Message

Over the past couple Sundays I've shared some quotes from the book, "The Great Dechurching" (Jim Davis, Michael Graham, 2023). Allow me to introduce another one. The context is spiritual formation. Just as what we eat affects the body, the information we consume affects the soul. In today's digital world, that information may not be in our best interest. With that in mind, here's the quote: *"Through a 2020 Wall Street Journal article concerning leaked internal Facebook corporate memos, we learned, 'our (Facebooks') algorithms exploit the human brain's attraction of divisiveness.'" Every proprietary algorithm at all of the large tech and social media companies has discovered what the Bible has already*

*told us about the human condition. We are inherently prone to division, strife, and anger. We will sit for long periods of time and consume content that puts our brains into a cortisol state and makes it increasingly difficult to be renewed in our minds and to embody the fruit of the spirit."* (p. 185) What is your information diet? Does it lead to division? Does it leave you angry? What info are you consuming, and is it good for your spirit? Lent has traditionally been a time of fasting. Maybe it's time for a "content fast" or a "social media diet." What if we changed up our info consumption for a (Lenten) season? Go with the Psalms instead of the Gram. Turn off Facebook and pick up The Book. Replace scrolling with the scroll of Isaiah. Let the Holy Spirit feed your spirit." *Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.* Romans 12:2

In Christ, Pastor Jason Cashmer

