



*“I have hidden your **WORD** in my heart...” (Psalm 119:11).*

A NOTE FROM PASTOR CRAIG AND KRISTINE

Dear CtK Church family,

Thank you for the warm welcome and wonderful potluck on my first Sunday with you! Nothing says love like a potluck! Thanks to our staff (Michael, Melissa, and Anita, including our transition pastors, Doug and Marc, for preparing the way and for enduring my 10 million questions), the worship team and choir for inspiring worship, our picture team (Andrea, Makenzie, Ella, and Ezekiel -- and their families) for capturing our "Saint's Day" pictures! Kristine and I were touched by your warmth and enthusiastic welcome! God bless you and the work God calls us to do together!

Pastor Craig and Kristine Beeker

IMPORTANT NEWS

- **Worship Times Update:** In past few Newsletters, it was stated that the council was anticipating returning to two services beginning November 7. After reviewing the poll results about interest in two services at 8 am and 10 am and monitoring the number of Covid cases in Snohomish County, the council has determined that continuing **a single Sunday service at 10 am will be retained for the time being**. The council will provide updates as conditions change.
- **Sunday Morning Worship Livestream Link:** Our Sunday morning service can be found on our YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyulruoSUD2ZbYqxZV0A9og>
- **Thanksgiving Food Basket Donations:** We are providing Thanksgiving Food Baskets for at least 10 families who have children participating in the Snohomish ECEAP program. You can help by dropping off a few of the items below in the box in the Narthex between now and November 25. Cash donations/grocery gift cards would also be appreciated to ask fresh items to the baskets. See attached flyer for more information.
 - o Canned veggies, canned cranberries/cranberry sauce, black beans, rice, olives, pickles, stuffing, juice, sparkling cider, canned fruit/fruit cocktail, hot cereal/oatmeal, potatoes, sweet potatoes, aluminum foil, and plastic wrap

UPCOMING DATES

- **November 9 – CTKG (Christians Together Knowing God)** met Tuesday, November 9, at 6:30 pm via Zoom to watch episode 2 of "The Chosen". If you missed the first two gatherings you can catch up by viewing Episode 1 and 2 as it is available to watch for free on [youtube](#) or on [The Chosen's web-site](#). Check it out <https://watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen/watch?vid=S1:E1>
- **November 21 – Christ the King Sunday** - Ends the church year
- **November 28 – Advent Season begins** - This year's theme is "Close to Home"
- **December 5 – Advent 2** - Morning worship; Afternoon Pastor's Installation Service (Time TBA)
- **December 12 – Advent 3** – Morning worship; Christmas Carol Sing Along (Time TBA)
- **December 19 – Advent 4** – Morning worship; Longest Night/Service of Hope (Time TBA)
- **December 24 – Christmas Eve** – Services at 5:00 pm and 10:00 pm

WORSHIP INFORMATION

No reservations are needed. Please join us as you are comfortable. As the COVID pandemic is constantly evolving please know that the church is constantly gathering information from the Snohomish County Health District. For the next several weeks we will be REQUIRING MASKS for everyone in our service, including vaccinated individuals.

Please remember if you are experiencing any cold symptoms (even if minor), it is better to stay home and avoid large gatherings until symptoms have completely resolved. We want you to come when you are healthy!

A sign in sheet is placed on the table by the entrance to the church to allow us to contact you in the case of any reports of people with recent positive Covid reports having attended a service. Please sign in and list all members of your party with a contact phone number, prior to the start of each service.

Our Sunday morning service can be found on our YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyulruoSUD2ZbYqxZV0A9og>

The prayers and texts for this week's service are attached.

Godly Play: Godly Play is held at 10 am during worship. All children from preschool through 6th grade are welcome. Please reach out to Melissa Marzolf if you can help!

OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT, PRAY, AND SERVE

Volunteers Needed on Sunday Mornings: We still need more volunteers for ushers, especially as we transition back to two services. If you would like to be part of the pool of ushers, please contact Jeff Donley via email at dreadnt@hotmail.com or find him before or after service. Also, if you would like to provide flowers for the altar, please check out the sign-up sheet as you enter the Narthex.

Stephen Ministry Notification: It's time to reconvene the Stephens Ministry team. Contact Anita Huntley at 206-931-7976 (text or voice).

Quilters: Join the quilters at the church on Friday, November 19, at 2 pm. No experience necessary! We will be tying quilts this month. The quilts are shipped all over the world via Lutheran World Relief (LWR). ([LWR Quilts](#)).



Prayer Meeting: ". . . The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." James 5:16b

On Tuesdays 11am-Noon, come and raise your prayers to the Lord, your prayers are needed and will always be needed. If you can't come and need prayer please let me know at 206.931.7976 Text or Voice.

Masks are mandatory and we will maintain a good distance between us.

Anita Huntley BSN MPH RN
Faith Community Nurse

CTK Church Council for 2022: The following people were elected to the 2022 CTK church council effective January 2022:

Bruce Olsen	Finance Council Person
Nancy Sanders	Congregation Council Secretary
Loren Ihle	Worship Council Person
Lilly Barnsby	At large Council Person
Tony Young	At Large Council Person

They will join Doug Sahlberg (council president,) Linda Mauer (outreach council person), Philip Lefavour (facilities council person), and Mike Guerra (at large council person) on the 2022 CTK council.

We are seeking interested members from our congregation for a few open positions. Please contact any council member if you have interest or think of someone who might be a good fit for one of the following positions:

Congregation Council President-elect:

- Work in support and partnership with the President and Pastor in leadership of the Church Council and Congregation.
- The President-elect serves in a support role for one-year before assuming the role of the President in the year that follows.

Christian Education Council person:

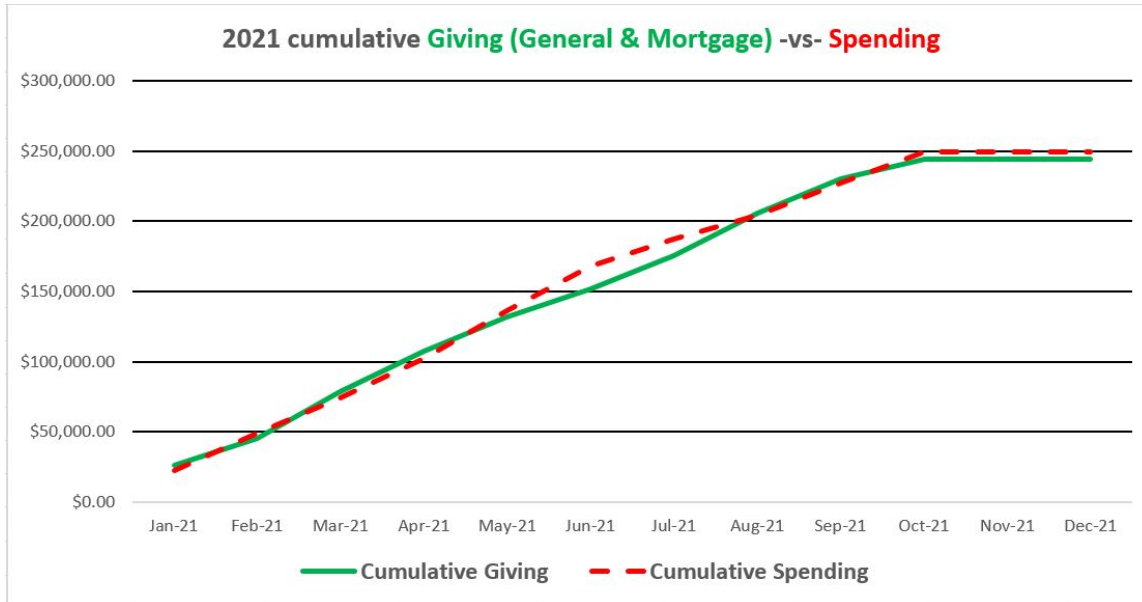
- Coordinate with staff to help manage, support, and grow educational opportunities at Christ the King.
- Lead Faith Formation Team meetings overseeing educational ministries of the congregation.
- Act as a liaison between the Church Council and the Preschool Board

Parish Relations Council person

- Coordinate congregational social events such as Lenten Soup Suppers, potlucks and receptions.
- Develop and implement ways to communicate with all members of the congregation regarding social events of the church.
- Partner with staff to establish and maintain a continuing program of publicity for the congregation including church bulletin boards and announcements.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Through Oct 19, 2021, Giving to the General Fund and Mortgage Reduction fund was \$244,366. Expenses were \$249,250. The bank balance was \$237,817.



Thank you for your generous financial gifts.

VANCO App Update: Vanco, our eGiving provider, has launched an updated mobile app called Vanco Mobile to replace GivePlus Mobile.

You can download the Vanco Mobile app for free from the App Store or Google Play. From there, you can make a one-time donation or set up recurring giving right through the app. Just select your fund and amount, enter a payment method and complete the donation.

Please download Vanco Mobile by January 31, 2022. Vanco will be retiring GivePlus Mobile after this date.

If you have questions or need assistance with the new Vanco mobile app, please send email to CTK (christtheking@ctksnohomish.org) or call the church at 360.568.5704.

OTHER NEWS/EVENTS

Phyllis Nowadnick: Phyllis passed away on Thursday November 4th. Please pray for Phyllis and her family at this time. May God be with them.

Administrative Assistant Job Posting: The church is seeking an experienced Administrative Assistant to support the work of the church. It is a part-time hourly position. Please email the church office if you are interested or if you know of someone that might be interested (christtheking@ctksnohomish.org).

Pastor Craig Beeker is available by appointment. Please leave a message on the church phone (360.568.5704) or email him at craig@ctksnohomish.org. After he sets up office in the church, his office hours will be provided.

Office Staffing Transition: The Office Administrator position is currently vacant and the church staff continues to work mostly remotely. So during this time the office is generally "closed" until staffing is resumed. If you have a need or information, please email the church office at christtheking@ctksnohomish.org and someone will respond as soon as possible.

Health Update: Covid-19 cases in Snohomish County have been declining over the past 4 weeks and are now about 25% lower than they were in the beginning of September 2021. Thank you for your vigilance in wearing masks and physical distancing to best witness our Christian faith of caring for and protecting the most vulnerable. While it is not yet clear that this is the "beginning of the end" of the pandemic, it is hoped that this heightened awareness of the value of caring for others persists much longer than this more recent need for face coverings and restrictions on giving hugs. ([Click this link for Covid information from the Snohomish County Health District.](#)) At the time of this writing, CtK will continue with offering hybrid in-person and on-line worship.

AROUND THE SOUND

Camp Lutherwood Ministry Support: [Lutherwood Camp and Retreat Center](#) is having their Annual Auction on November 13th 4:00pm - 5:30pm Online. Please support their ministry by attending or donating. Items they've received in the past include:

- Airbnb rentals
- Quilts
- Theme baskets
- Giftcards
- Sports tickets

They appreciate your consideration and support. For information to attend or donate, please visit www.camplutherwood.org. If you wish to make a donation, please call their office at 360.734.7652, email office@camplutherwood.org to arrange pick up or drop off.

Hope: A PLU Christmas Concert: The PLU Choir of the West, University Chorale, and University Symphony Orchestra will be presenting their annual Christmas concert, *Hope this December*. Works by Howard Darke, Brian Galante, Richard Nance, and others mix with traditional carols and seasonal favorites as we celebrate hope and renewal in this joyful season in this beloved Northwest tradition. Tickets go on sale November 1, visit www.plu.edu/christmas for more information.

"In Search of Shalom: Exploring the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict": This class has been offered by Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Everett. It is available for watching anytime on their YouTube channel or via links on the church website. The class dates were Oct 10, 17, and 24. This class is highly recommended by Revs. Penelope Guntermann and Michael Clifford, who hiked the length of the West Bank in 2019, as a way

to easily get more background and perspective on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict.

This in-person, livestreamed or recorded class is an opportunity to better understand the challenges and the heartache of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. Moderated by **Rev. Dr. Rick Rouse**, the class is privileged to welcome several guest speakers: **Rod Schofield**, ELCA Representative to Israel and Palestine, **Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb**, Palestinian Lutheran pastor and President of Dar al-kalina University and **Tamar Haddad**, a Palestinian Christian woman with a powerful story to tell.



November Birthdays:

11/3 Penne Donley
11/3 Julie Paulson
11/4 Robyn Cypher
11/9 Sanda Anderson
11/9 Jeff Hemen
11/11 Melissa Marzolf
11/11 Christian Odenborg
11/15 Robert Sahlberg
11/16 Penelope Guntermann
11/21 Lauren McCurry
11/22 Miranda Smith
11/25 Karen Myren
11/27 Maureen Zopf
11/29 Elisha Baxter
11/30 Fletcher Stephens

Please email news, prayer requests or upcoming events or dates to christtheking@ctksno-homish.org.