

Q2 2024 Scribe Newsletter

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May 2024 – Church Explained

60th Anniversary Updates & The Lutheran Hymnals

Christ the King Lutheran Church will be celebrating 60 years of ministry and mission on June 27, 2024. A celebration worship service to recognize this milestone will be held on Sunday, June 23, 2024 at 9:30am. Brunch will be provided afterward.

This worship service will be rather unique because it will contain bits and pieces of all of the hymnals that have guided the worship and liturgy of this congregation since its inception. But how well do you know them?

The *Service Book & Hymnal* (called SBH or the “red book”) was published in 1958, and it was a milestone project that paved the way for the eventual merger of several Lutheran church bodies, all of whom used this hymnal. The Lutheran denominations that used this book included the American Evangelical Lutheran Church, the American Lutheran Church, the Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, the Lutheran Free Church, the United Evangelical Lutheran Church, and the United Lutheran Church in America.

The *Lutheran Book of Worship* (called LBW or the “green book”) was published in 1978, and was authorized for use by several predecessor church bodies of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. Importantly, this hymnal began as a joint project together with the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, too, but they officially withdrew their participation just prior to publication. (They eventually published their own hymnal called *Lutheran Worship*, which shares a lot in common with the LBW.)

With One Voice (WOV or the “blue book”) was published in 1995 as a joint project between the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. Although it does contain a few full liturgy patterns, it was intended to be used as a supplementary resource alongside the LBW.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW or the “cranberry book”) was published in 2006 and was another joint publication between the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada. This hymnal includes a whopping ten communion liturgies, many more liturgies for occasional use, and several new hymns.

Join us on Sunday, June 23, 2024, to get a taste of all of these worship resources that have guided this congregation through the years! And if you haven’t seen our video series, “Church Explained”, be sure to check out the episode where I discuss the Lutheran Hymnal and all the great content inside!

Peace,
Pastor Tim

May 2024 - Faith Formation

Save the Multiple Dates!

SUNDAY, MAY 19 – High School Senior Appreciation: CtK’s 2 High School graduates, Lana Bodewes and Maggie Gardner, will be lifted up during worship at 9:30am. After, at about 10:30am, The Youth will gather in the Community Hall to spend time together and eat some goodies. Please, adults, come in to say “hi” or a word of encouragement to these lovely young women. (Youth Parents, pick-up will be no later than 12 noon, please).

SATURDAY, JUNE 15 – New Wine Church Tour returns to Durango! Remember in 2022, when they brought us a production of BRIGHT STAR? And the Youth fed them pizza before the FREE performance, and then you, the congregation, brought desserts to share after the show? And remember the show was FREE and it was really, really good? And that anyone in the community can attend on June 15th at 7pm (so tell your friends & neighbors)? Well, it’s all happening again – but this time the show is GODSPELL. The big tour bus will show up sometime on Saturday, June 15 – I’ll let you know when they tell me. CtK Youth will meet them here and we’ll have dinner together. Then you – the congregation and community members – will come to the show at 7pm and after we’ll all share the desserts that you – the congregation – brought and get to know these fine youth performers from Minnesota.

SUNDAY, JULY 7 – All snacks and supplies must be at CtK by this date, because DAY CAMP 2024 is Monday, July 8 – Thursday, July 11! Can you help support Day Camp with a donation of snacks & supplies? Find the Wal-Mart and Oriental Trading wish lists by [clicking here](#). Want to donate money? Use your credit card to [donate to the Day Camp Fund here](#). You can also put a check in the offering plate (Day Camp 2024 in the memo line), or you can give Deacon Mandy cash, which she will label and put in the safe for deposit. Thank you so much!

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**SUNDAY, JULY 7 – MANDATORY meeting for Day Camp Jr. Counselors at 5pm. So –
SIGN UP TO BE A JR COUNSELOR! All the info you need can be found by [clicking here.](#)**

May 2024 - By the Numbers

***Please note:** CtK contribution statements are emailed quarterly from fin.sec@ctkdurango.org. Email churchadmin@ctkdurango.org with questions, corrections or if you need a paper statement mailed.*

March 2024 Financials

Our Gifts Blessing Others	March.	YTD 2024
Synod	\$ 1,773	\$ 5,086
World Hunger	\$ 440	\$ 1,520
Noisy Offering	\$ 3,610	\$ 7,511
Social Ministry	\$ 4,522	\$ 7,541
Total Benevolence	\$ 10,345	\$ 21,658

Financial Update

Gifts Received	\$ 25,686	\$ 81,743
Facility Donations	\$ 475	\$ 1,575
Rental Income	\$ 833	\$ 2,500
Expenses	\$ 31,439	\$ 95,426
Net Operating Income	\$ (4,445)	\$ (9,608)
Endowment Fund Balance		\$ 195,901
Building Fund Balance		\$ 44,520
Love Fund Balance		\$ 23,708

April 3rd – 28st Attendance

Date	Wed. 6:00 PM	Sunday, 9:30 AM
April 3	4 P	
April 7		62 P + 23 D
April 10	12 P	
April 14		90 P + 18 D
April 17	14 P	
April 21		66 P + 29 D
April 24	3 P	
April 28		66 P + 35 D
GRAND TOTAL	33 P	284 P + 105 D

Note: **P** = the number of **PEOPLE** attending in-person worship at CtK.
D = the number of **DEVICES** signed into Zoom or Livestream, NOT the number of **INDIVIDUALS** (since more than one person can watch service on a single device).

May 2024 - Social Ministry News

CtK Love Fund

Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers out there! Happy Father's Day to all the fathers, as well, and a lovely Independence Day to boot, since the Scribe now covers a three month period. This is the quarterly update on the deeds (hopefully not misdeeds) of the Social Ministry Committee.

First and foremost, we want to thank everyone for their generous gifts to the Lenten Drive for ELCA World Hunger. What a fantastic outpouring of God's love we experienced. The Noisy Offering and the Piggy Banks helped us raise a grand total of \$8,190.

There are a number of projects coming up that you should be aware of (many thanks to the three of you who have read this far and will be).

First, we will do our annual Offering of Letters for Bread for the World this month. The Farm Bill is up for a vote again this year, and as you know, it has a wide ranging impact on all of our lives. Its 12 sections (actually called Titles for any nitpickers) cover SNAP benefits (food stamps), price supports for farmers, international food aid and export, horticulture, farmers' markets, and a wide variety of other things (Google "What is the Farm Bill" for more details). The letters we write to Congress every year for Bread for the World help this and other important legislation get passed.

Second, our annual Habitat for Humanity build day is coming up on June 8. We hope to be doing framing this year. We will need volunteers to saw boards (not fingers), drive nails, and raise the framing. We also need a few people to organize and bring lunch out for us. Listen in church for more information about the build and how to sign up.

Third, our Mission Partner, The Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission is celebrating its 70th anniversary this year. They are in the middle of a fundraising effort to celebrate. You can go to <https://nelm.org> for more information on the mission and nelm.org/donate/ to donate. If you are Thrivent members, look at the Thrivent Choice information on that page. FYI, we recently learned that the mission, despite its name, has no guaranteed support from the synod or the national church, so fundraising is important to support its vital tasks on the reservation.

Finally, our own 60th anniversary celebration is coming up on the 24th of June! To celebrate our long history of social ministry, we have selected Manna Soup Kitchen to be the target for a giving bonanza. Christ the King has been a supporter of the soup kitchen since its inception in 1985. Their mission has evolved since then and they provide a multitude of services to members of our community in addition to their traditional role as a soup kitchen. We will post a list of needed foodstuffs and attempt to pack Pastor Tim's car with supplies (just kidding, we'll have boxes).

As always, we exist to comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable.
The Social Ministry Committee

Anita Ashby, John Condie, Rap Fairly, Deacon Mandy, Robert Maple Pastor Tim, Renata Widder

Noisy Offering Partner for May: Habitat for Humanity

CtK's Habitat Build Day is closer than you think! We will be working (framing, once again) on Saturday, June 8...back at Fox Farms in Bayfield. This will be the final duplex as we're building on the last lot Habitat owns in that development. In the last communication with Habitat, Jessica (Habitat's director) said they were negotiating on property just outside Durango. But there are issues with this land and they haven't been resolved.

The times for CtK's work day are 8:30 am – 3:30 pm. Lunch will be provided for the volunteers. AND we need volunteers to pound some nails and help with the food prep and set up. A sign-up sheet will be put out on May 18. If you have any questions, please call Rap Fairley at 410-474-3571. Additional details to follow mid May.

May 2024 - Bible Studies

Circle of Contemplative Prayer

The Circle of Contemplative Prayer meets the 1st, 3rd, and (if applicable) 5th Monday at 5:30pm. Silent meditation and prayer sessions are followed by a book discussion. Currently, the discussion topics delve into the ways the contemplative path calls us to connect our inner search for transformational growth with the external realities of how we live and act, what we eat and wear, etc.

NOTE: Meetings are currently being held via Zoom. For the Zoom link and other pertinent information, please text Sharyn Butler at 970-759-6355. Thank you.

Great Ol' Broads of God (GoBoGs)

GoBoGs invites you to join them in study and fellowship each Monday from 4:00-5:30 pm. Our current study is following the series, "The Chosen", with weekly discussion following an episode, scripture readings, and study guide. For more information contact [Kayla Hefner](#).

***NOTE:** We are currently conferencing via Zoom at 592-847-8387; the password for this meeting is Testify. The Zoom meeting ID is 966-5642-4190. Please join them for study sessions that are deeply rewarding. For more information, contact Kayla Hefner at 970-759-1636.

Women's Bible Study (Tuesdays) led by Deacon Mandy

This newly formed group meets on Tuesdays from 12:00-1:15 PM. We are currently discussing "Women & God" by Kathleen Nielsen. We hope you can come and join us each week!

Please RSVP to Deacon Mandy if you plan on joining us for the Tuesday sessions. Email: [Email Deacon Mandy HERE](#)

To purchase the current book – [CLICK HERE](#)

Midweek (Thursday) Bible Study led by Pastor Tim & Deacon Mandy

Bible Study class meets on Thursdays from 12:00-1:15 PM.

We gladly invite and welcome all to join the class. I look forward to seeing each of you!!!

Khuvara ("Circle of Friends")

We are a group of ladies that meet every Thursday at 1:30. We are currently meeting on Zoom but hope to meet in person soon. We begin by going around and sharing anything that is concerning us about ourselves, our family or friends, or someone in the congregation. We then have a prayer for people in need in our

families, our congregation and friends. We always have a book that we are discussing. This week we will begin a new book called, "The Most Misunderstood Women of the Bible", by Mary E. DeMuth. If you would like to join us or have any questions, please contact me at 651-303-8450 or Judy_olson@yahoo.com.

Spiritual Study Group (SSG)

Our group meets on Wednesdays at 3:00pm in the Chapel. For more information, or the Zoom link, contact Aurora Rose. (970-382-1848)

May 2024 - Fellowship Groups

CtK Piecemaker Quilters

The Piecemakers group is in need of a few more people who are interested in helping us keep our ministry thriving at CtK. We sew quilts to donate to NELM, and CtK members & their families (Graduates, baptisms, retirements, comfort) as well as other people who need to know that someone cares about them.

We have members who would be happy to teach you the basics of quilting (Hint: that means sewing a pretty straight line!) and the difference between pressing and ironing (HINT: quilters press fabric).

We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month starting at 10:00 to sew together, laugh together and usually enjoy lunch together. We have a couple extra sewing machines and fabric available to sew if you want to give quilting a try. Any of us will be happy to teach you what we know about making a quilt.

Please consider joining us for our next meeting on May 21st @ 10:00 in the CtK Community Hall. And if you have any questions, please feel free to talk to any of us (Judy Danielson, Judy Olson Carol Orłowski or Cora Landgren) when you see us at church. Any of us can answer your questions or give you more information.

CtK Book Club

Our book club is currently meeting via Zoom on the second Thursday of the month at 3:00 P.M. If you have any questions, contact Judy Olson at (651-303-8450) or judy_olson@yahoo.com

May 2024 - In Other News. . .

Worship Information

Sunday, 9:30 AM – IN PERSON & LIVE STREAM

We hope you'll join us in the CtK Sanctuary and online. All are welcome!

Wednesday “Behold!” 6:00PM – IN PERSON – CtK Community Hall

We are having dinner before Behold! Come and join us for food and fellowship @ 5:26pm prior to the Wednesday evening service.

Thank you for your help in making in-person worship a safe experience for all. If you have any questions, please contact [Pastor Tim](#) or [Deacon Mandy](#).

News You Can Use

We are calling on everyone to prayerfully consider how you might use your time and talents to help propel CtK forward in this new hybrid in-person/techno-based way of doing church. We have the technology. Now, we need *YOU!*

If you feel you might be interested in any of these volunteer positions and/or if you have any questions, please give Deacon Mandy a call (**970-247-5310**) or touch base with her during the week. Training will be provided for all volunteers. Thanks for your consideration.

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The **CtK Praise Ensemble, “Lost, Found, & Redeemed”** is rocking the rafters in the Sanctuary. Our rehearsals are Monday evenings from 5:15pm – 6:15pm.

The **Chancel Choir** is filling the Sanctuary with their melodious voices. The choir meets for rehearsals on Monday evenings from 6:15pm – 7:15pm. Please contact Jared Wright, Choir Director if you would like to sing. Jared can be reached at 970-759-1834 or email chancelchoir@ctkdurango.org – All are welcome!

The **CtK Handbell Ensemble** is ringing out the good news and praises! This group practices on Sunday mornings @ 8:30am. Please contact Jared Wright, Choir Director or Anita Ashby if you would like to ring. Jared can be reached at the church office or email chancelchoir@ctkdurango.org – All are welcome!

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The noisy offering partner for May is: **Habitat for Humanity**

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Special Announcements!

– Pastor Art Meyer celebrated his 50th anniversary of his ordination. Congratulations Pastor Art. His full celebration date is June 30, 2024.

– At this year's Rocky Mountain Synod Assembly, a new bishop was elected. We welcome the Rev. Meghan Johnston Aelabouni to her six-year term as Bishop of the ELCA Rocky Mountain Synod.

Save the Dates – May

Saturday, May 4 – Blood Drive at CtK! To schedule an appointment, call Beth @ 970-903-8354 or call Vitalant @ 1-877-258-4825

Sunday, May 5 – Join us for our Annual Meeting! We will be in-person and online. [CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE MEETING](#)

Sunday, May 5 – Birthday Sunday! Be sure to join us as we celebrate our CtK members who have birthdays in May! Join us for fellowship and cake! Amen!

Sunday, May 5 – Potluck Dinner & Fellowship following the Annual Meeting. Be sure to bring your favorite dish to share! Amen!

Sunday, May 19 – Graduate Celebration! Come and join us as we celebrate our high school graduates!

Sunday, June 23 is our 60th Anniversary – Don't miss out on our celebration, worship service, food, games, fellowship and more! Amen!

For all events and activities, please check the CtK website for the most current updates.
