

The Canticle



Clergy Letter

Happy April, Happy Passiontide, and Happy Easter, CTK Family!

We've spent the past month together in the desert wilderness with Christ, reflecting on our faith, discerning where and how we might find ourselves confronted with God's love in surprising and inviting ways that encourage our healing and refreshment, and finding ourselves called out of the darkness of our own seclusion and alienation into the light of renewed relationship with God and one another.

In the coming week, we'll be journeying with Christ to Jerusalem for Palm Sunday, accompanying him through his last days before his arrest, joining in fellowship around the table as he washes his disciples feet as an example of the loving service he hopes they'll carry on in his name, praying with him in the garden of Gethsemane, watching with him as he is betrayed, arrested, denied, condemned, and crucified.

The Triduum of Holy Week—being the “three days” (triduum) leading up to Easter—is easily one of my favorite weeks of the Church year. Palm Sunday, we kick off Holy week with Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem to shouts of “Hosanna,” then progress into the Passion cycles for those who can't make it to the Triduum services. The liturgy of the Palms reminds us of the high expectations for the coming of Messiah as a conquering king. The people laid palm branches, as well as their own garments, on the road in front of the one they expected to ride into Jerusalem and overthrow Rome. The split-personality of the day demonstrates the response of anger and disappointment when Jesus not only did nothing to overthrow Rome, but rode into town, turned around, and left to go back to Bethany. Tensions mounted as he overturned tables and drove out animals in the temple, taught against the interpretation of Torah by the Pharisees, and ultimately allowed himself to be taken into custody by religious authorities whose power and privilege Jesus' teachings and actions threatened. The crowds that shouted “Hosanna” would just a few days later be whipped up by those religious authorities into the same crowd that would cry out, “crucify him” in Pilate's court. Expectations can be hard to change, particularly those attached to centuries of waiting for a specific manifestation of the promised Messiah to come.

Maundy Thursday is the start of the Triduum. We celebrate the Last Supper and Jesus' final teachings to his disciples. We mix John's gospel's washing of the disciples' feet with the other gospels' expression of the last supper as we transition from the readings and washing of feet into the gathering in fellowship around the table for Eucharist. We close the night with the solemn stripping of the altar and depart in silence without a dismissal, as the triduum continues on Good Friday. The beauty of the Triduum is that we take time to remember, meditate upon, and ritually relive each of the last days of Jesus' life. Knowing this would be his last meal with his dis-

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CTK Vision Statement:

We believe that God is calling Christ the King to create a spiritual home where

- * *We center ourselves in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,*
- * *We build connections among our members and our neighbors, and*
- * *We join with our neighbors in caring for our community and God's world.*

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ciples, Jesus exhorts them to remember it, to practice it together, to keep it as a solemn and faithful tradition of bringing Jesus into their midst each time they gather—even after he is gone. His final teachings to them are a reiteration of all that he has tried to teach them over their three years together in ministry. It is a parting gesture and reminder that love, humility, respect, and mutual care are the foundation of our ongoing ministry as his disciples.

Good Friday, we commemorate the events that transpired after sunset on Thursday until Jesus' body was laid in the tomb on Friday afternoon. Christ's final prayers in the Garden of Gethsemane, his arrest, trial, crucifixion, death, and burial all represent the first day as we await his resurrection on the third day. Good Friday's noon service is the stations of the cross, remembering Christ's walk from condemnation to Golgotha. Before sunset, we'll gather again for our evening remembrance, reading John's version of the Passion, meditating at the foot of the cross, and departing again in silence. Having heard Matthew's version on Palm Sunday, we hear a different version on Good Friday, giving us a different perspective from which to contemplate the events that ended Jesus' life at the hands of the powers of his day. Again on Good Friday we depart in silence—the triduum isn't over until the dismissal at the end of the Easter vigil Saturday night!

From Friday's sunset until sunset on Holy Saturday is a time of waiting. In the cosmic bated-breath between Good Friday and the Easter Vigil, we plunge into the darkness of loss and rise again in the Easter hope that reminds us that even in the darkness of the tomb, God's love never stops, never fails, and ultimately triumphs over all the powers that sought to intimidate, oppress, frighten, and snuff out God's inexhaustible, passionate, and courageous love. It is, as Paul says, that "neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Rm 8:38-39). We hold a brief Holy Saturday service of readings and Psalms in the morning as we prepare for the conclusion of the Triduum Saturday night. With Saturday's sunset, we enter into the "third day," and we finally conclude our remembrance with the celebration of the Easter Vigil. Remembering the creation story, "there was evening and there was morning, the first day... the second day... the third day," evening is the start of each of our days in the ancient tradition of the church. This is why we celebrate the Easter Vigil on Saturday—the first fruits of the resurrection that we celebrate again on Sunday Morning. The Easter Vigil on

Saturday night is a true thin-place as the boundary between the living and the dead is not only at its thinnest, but is shattered in the moment of Christ's resurrection. We rekindle the paschal fire on Saturday that was extinguished on Maundy Thursday after sunset. We read the sacred stories of salvation history, remembering God's work of creation, God's never ceasing care and reaching out to us as a human family, and finally we renew our Baptismal vows and proclaim Christ's resurrection with the shouts of A****ia! Finally, we arrive at the tomb with Mary Magdalene to hear the good news of Christ's resurrection and the evening's short, jubilant homily (by yours truly), we celebrate our first Easter Eucharist, and we leave to joyous hymnody and the dismissal.

The fellowship that we share over the Triduum and between Palm Sunday and Easter morning is one premised on a love that, even in death, can never be overcome. It is a love that inspires, heals, opens us up to one another, and draws us into our communities with a heart of service. It is a love that many, including myself and my family, have felt here at CTK, and which I am excited to be a part of nurturing, nourishing, and celebrating with you all in our first Easter together!

For the next fifty days following Easter, we'll be continuing to contemplate the mystery of the Resurrection, and what it means to be called into living as Resurrection people. We'll encounter the risen Christ in upper rooms, on country roads, in metaphors of shepherds and fruit, in commandments to love as Christ loved, and in prayers for our own call into the world to carry on in Christ's mission and ministry, culminating in the day of Pentecost and the coming of the Holy Spirit. All of this is an invitation to embrace the mystery not only of Christ's resurrection, but of our calling to participate in it as people living out resurrection hope in our often wounded, broken, "Good Friday" world.

As we transition from Lent to Easter this month, may we be blessed in the tensions that define our most dynamic season change from the darkness and despair of death and grief into the overwhelming joy and hope of resurrection, and may we each remember that no matter where we are in that spectrum between grief and hope in our own lives, God is with us, God is loving us, and God is seeking for our wholeness and peace.

Blessings,



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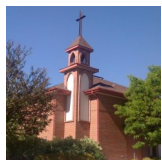
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Deadline:
Please submit articles by the
15th of the prior month.

Worship and Music



Online and In-person Services Available

Sunday Worship, 9:30am Our services are currently being held in the church with masks recommended with social distancing when possible and live streamed on [YouTube](#) along with the opportunity to participate via Zoom.



Weekday Services

Compline – Wednesdays, 8:30pm
The service of Compline “completes” the day; it usually takes about 20 minutes. Merri Crawford will be leading this service each week; others are welcome to share leadership with her as you become familiar with this service. Compline is currently held on Zoom. Contact the office for a Zoom invite or see the Weekly Update for a link.

Morning Prayer – Fridays, 8:00am

Now, you can join in from home through Zoom. Ros Patterson, Jean Thayer and Jessica Starbird will lead the service; others are welcome to lead as you are comfortable.

Handbell and Vocal Choir Meetings

Chi Rho Handbell Choir meets on Monday evenings and Worshipping Voices choir practices on Thursday evenings. Please contact Andi if you’re interested in joining one or both of the choirs and for more information.



A Musical Note by Andi Smith

Can you believe we have reached this most holy week in our church year? Our week begins with Palm Sunday and Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem after being in the wilderness for 40 days.

Then we move towards the last meal he has with his disciples, washing their feet, praying in the garden of Gethsemane, his death and finally, a glorious resurrection. So many emotions in such a short period of time. Your vocal and bell choirs have been working on special music to offer during this Holy Week, we’ve actually been working on this music for quite a few weeks. I want to take this opportunity to thank each and every singer and ringer for all the time, hard work and commitment to CTK’s music ministry. If you were to add up the number of hours that each person puts into singing or ringing, you would have . . . well . . . a lot of hours. I am so grateful that they have chosen to be a part of this ministry, and I am so blessed that I get to work with such amazing people week after week. I know I couldn’t do my job if I didn’t have people willing to make joyful noises with voices and bells!

Palm Sunday,
April 2, 9:30am

Tenebrae Tuesday
April 4, 6:30pm

Maundy Thursday
April 6, 6:30pm

Altar of Repose
(Please see the sign up sheet in the narthex.)

Good Friday
Stations of the Cross
April 7, 12:00pm

Good Friday
Liturgy of the Day
April 7, 6:30pm

Holy Saturday
April 8, 9:00am

Easter Vigil Saturday
April 8, 8:00pm

Easter Sunday
April 9,
Sunrise service (6:30am) and 9:30am

Sunday Worship Services in April

Palm Sunday, April 2
Holy Eucharist
9:30am - Church & YouTube

Easter Sunday, April 9
Holy Eucharist
6:30am & 9:30am - Church & YouTube

Sunday, April 16
Holy Eucharist
9:30am - Church & YouTube

Sunday, April 23
Holy Eucharist
9:30am - Church & YouTube

Sunday, April 30
Holy Eucharist
9:30am - Church & YouTube



A Big Thank You to all the people working so hard to make Holy Week happen. Thank you for your time and talent.

Caring Connections



Open Offering and Outreach for April

As we have been doing for many years, CTK'S April Open Offering will go to the St. Francis Center in Denver. They provide a myriad of services to metro Denver's homeless population, both to meet their basic needs for survival and to assist in a transition out of homelessness. A box in CTK's narthex is also available for donations of towels for St. Francis.

St. Francis has a strong commitment to hospitality, welcoming everyone who comes, and treating each person with dignity and respect. Please see their website for more information: sfcdenver.org.

Breakfast at The Rising Thursday, April 4, 8:00a.m.

Christ the King will be serving breakfast at The Rising in Olde Town Arvada on Thursday, April 4. All are welcome to help. Please contact Mary Beattie if interested.



Crafters of the King

As we move into April 2023, the CTK Crafters will be working on their projects related to our group's original four options:

- Crocheting or knitting prayer shawls or lap robes for those facing personal challenges; these are blessed and can be obtained by parishioners as a gift for a loved one. The item offers a feeling of support and warmth to those suffering through difficult times. Contact the CTK Office for more information.
- Creating warm hats and scarves for the homeless and others who visit the special outreach program at The Rising in Old Town Arvada.
- Researching and creating a variety of projects for sale at the annual CTK Craft Fair. We already have some really exciting new ideas to offer greater variety and appeal.
- Working on our own individual projects.

Here are the activities we have planned for April 2023:

- **Monday, April 10:** Regular CTK Crafters gathering in Kempshall Hall from 10:00 am until 12:00 noon. Join us for wonderful warm fellowship, good times and project sharing, and an opportunity to get to know our, most welcome, new members.

- **Saturday, April 29:** Open House Crafting gathering from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at Kempshall Hall. Feel free to drop in and join the combined group gathering. Stay as long as you are able, and feel free to bring your lunch if you wish.

Please contact Kay Seiler 303 460-9234 or Peggy Broderick 303 954-0243 if you have any questions.

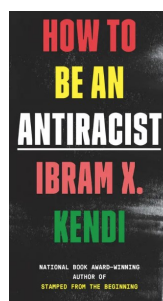


Conversations on Racial Justice and Reconciliation Tuesday, April 11 & April 25 7:00 p.m. on Zoom

"I am not interested in picking up crumbs of compassion thrown from the table of someone who considers himself my master. I want the full menu of rights."

— Archbishop Desmond Tutu

In a continually shifting national and world landscape, we believe these conversations are more important than ever. Please join us as we continue our journey to expand our knowledge of history, enhance our awareness of situations and policies that stand in the way of racial justice in our community and nation today and explore avenues of action that bring needed change. Our desire is to create, foster and live in Beloved Community where love, human dignity, equality, and compassion are offered to and shared by all.

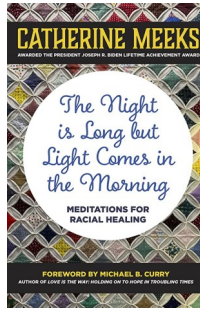


In April we will complete our in-depth study of Ibram X Kendi's work entitled *How to Be an Anti-Racist*. Studying this book together has been a powerful experience. We are grateful to Austin for his loving leadership in this study. If we have learned nothing else, we are all keenly aware of what Kendi means when he says *"There is no neutrality in the racism struggle...One either allows racial inequities to persevere, as a racist, or confronts racial inequities, as an antiracist. There is not in between a safe space of 'not racist.' The claim of 'not racist' neutrality is a mask for racism."*

Recommended: *The Night is Long but Light Comes in the Morning: Meditations for Racial Healing* by Catherine Meeks, Foreword by Michael B. Curry. Catherine Meeks, Ph.D. is Executive Director of the Absalom Jones Center for Racial Healing in Atlanta, Ga. In a recent review Dr. Meeks is noted for her ability to shed light on racism and provide tools and experiences to enable faith communities to work to combat it. In this new book, she shares highlights

Caring Connections Continued

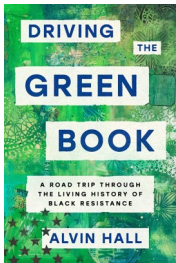
and insights from her journey and offers a much-needed meditative guide for the weary and frustrated. By looking inward and at each other clearly, she argues, good people of all backgrounds can forge a long term and individual path to making a difference. With personal stories and thoughtful direction, she takes the reader on the trajectory from self-awareness to recognition of the past to a new and individual way forward.



program. Please contact [Cathy Atkinson](#) at if you have any questions or ideas concerning these projects.

"What's the most important thing consumers can do to support sustainability? Think about what you buy. What you buy is like voting for the future." Tom Szaky, founder of TerraCycle and Loop

A **book recycling bin** (from dreambooks.com) is outside of the church for anyone to donate used or new books, DVDs, CDs, and video games. Please **do not** donate: moldy materials, magazines, newspapers, or cassettes/VHS. Thank you!
Climate Care Team



Recommended: *Driving the Green Book* by Alvin Hall. Road trips were a staple of many of our childhoods and a love we may carry even today. Yet imagine the road trip during the height of Jim Crow segregation when hotels, restaurants and gas stations were largely off limits to anyone who wasn't white. Enter the Green Book, an annual guidebook for Black road trippers. It was originated and

published by New York City mailman Victor Hugo Green from 1936 to 1967 and listed welcome resting spots in many American cities, including private homes. In this amazing book, broadcaster Alvin Hall sets up each chapter like a podcast episode, landing the reader inside richly-painted scenes and compelling conversations, from the husband-wife team who published the manual each year to the "sundown towns" that still unofficially exist today. Read the words—or listen to the stories come alive on the audio-book—in this engaging ride through history. Also available on your favorite podcast channel.

St. Clare's Table Tuesday, April 11, 3:30p.m.

Each month, the Church of Christ the King prepares and serves dinner for about 80 people at St. Clare's Table, located at the Episcopal Church of St. Peter and St. Mary in Denver. Carpooling from CTK is available, contact the office with questions.



Climate Care Group Thursday, April 13 6:00p.m. on Zoom

As we approach spring and warmer weather, the Climate Care team is really excited about getting started with a few projects for the rest of the year! They include electronic recycling, addition of more plant pollinators to Gary's Garden, bringing back Adopt A Plot, and starting our book recycling

Ladies Bunco

Wednesday, April 19, 11:00 am



LADIES BUNCO is back by popular demand, and once again it is DAY-TIME! Our first Ladies Bunco is Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. in Kempzell Hall. Please bring a snack to share. Kay will provide the soda and paper products. We hope to be meeting monthly from May through October in 2023 on the third Wednesday of the month. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex a couple of weeks in advance of the scheduled Daytime Ladies Bunco date. All ladies are welcome and you may bring your friends. If you have any questions contact Kay Seiler 303-460-9234.

Open House Craft Day Saturday, April 29, 10:00am—3:00pm

This day is open to all crafters in our church and our community. Participants are welcome to come at any time and stay for as long as you like. Please bring your own food and beverages.

Thank You

Dear Friends of Christ the King,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for supporting me both financially and in prayer while I am healing from a broken back. Your support has helped me immensely. At my last check up with the spine specialist, the doctor informed me that I am healing very well, and chances are good that I may only have to wear the back brace for 10 weeks instead of the original 12 week diagnosis. I just wanted to express my gratitude for all your help and support. Thank you.

Joe Smith

Parish Life

April Birthdays

We give you thanks, O God, for the gift of life. And we thank you especially for bestowing this gift upon these, your people. Guard them, protect them, uphold them and strengthen them for your service. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Glenda Luttrell	12
Jane Northrop	14
Cathy Atkinson	15
Barb Shennum	17
Luke Leining	18
David Ohamaka	20
Rick Atkinson	23
Dave Bredine	24
Jennifer Hay	26
Dane Starbird	30



April Anniversaries

Gracious God, we give you thanks for the gift of love, especially the love that is shared between two people in marriage. Pour your grace upon them, O Lord, that they may be strengthened and sustained in the covenant they share. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Frank & Beth Hester	9
Mark & Lori Molello	28

Happy Anniversary!

Fixers & Tenders

Will meet April 22nd Contact Mike Paugh with any questions.

Parish Clean Up Day Saturday, April 22nd

We will be working on the grounds on Saturday, April 22nd, to clean them up for Spring. In addition, we'll be cleaning the Nave and other areas of the church. If you wish to work outside, please bring your tools, such as rakes. Trash bags will be available.



Readings for April

April 2 - Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday The Liturgy of the Palms

Matthew 21:1-11 Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
The Liturgy of the Word
 Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16
 Philippians 2:5-11 Matthew 26:14 - 27:11-54

April - 4 Tenebrae Tuesday

Lamentations 1:1-14 Psalm 55:1,2, 10
 Hebrews 4:15-6:10; 9:11-15a Psalm 51

April 6 - Maundy Thursday

Exodus 12:1-14 Psalm 116:1, 10-17
 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-17, 31b-35

April 7 - Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Psalm 22
 Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 John 18:1-19:42

April 8 - Holy Saturday

Job 14:1-14 Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16
 1 Peter 4:1-8 John 19:38-42

April 8 - Easter Vigil Liturgy of the Word

Genesis 1:1-2:4a [The Story of Creation]
 Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18, 8:6-18, 9:8-13 [The Flood]
 Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21 [Israel's deliverance at the Red Sea]
 Ezekiel 36:24-28 [A new heart and a new spirit]
 Ezekiel 37:1-14 [The valley of dry bones]
 Zephaniah 3:14-20 [The gathering of God's people]

At the Eucharist

Romans 6:3-11
 Psalm 114
 John 20:1-18

April 9 - Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34-435 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
 Colossians 3:1-4 Matthew 28:1-10

April 16 - Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a,22-32 Psalm 16
 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31

April 23 - Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a,36-41 Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17
 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35

April 30 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 23
 1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10:1-10

Office Closed April 10th - 14th.

Vestry Corner

Vestry Update

Vestry Corner April 2023

During the Vestry Retreat on Mar 11, the vestry reviewed the results of the Visioning meeting and chose several areas to concentrate on this year. We will be presenting them throughout the year and in our meetings. We will ask for your help and participation.

During the Retreat we also had our regular business meeting. Finances were reported and represent a shortage through February, but funds from December’s Christmas offerings have allowed us to pay our bills thus far this year. We also saw a presentation on March 15 about a plan to put solar panels on the roof. We will be deciding if and when this will be a possible project. Long term it should help us with the electric and gas bill. We also have two possible organizations to rent our building this summer. We are continuing to look for other sources of income. We will have an audit in May by an outside person.

Our property report included that our Adopt a Plot map will be presented for parishioners to help with the weed control of the property. April 22 will be Cleanup day. Mike Paugh will continue to replace bulbs to help our power usage as well. We’ll have another Family Film night on April 22 at 5:45 pm. The movie will be The Lorax. Kay Seiler will organize a Ladies Bunko on the Third Wed. from 11:00 – 1:00. More information will be available.

Easter and Holy Week Services are posted on a big sign that was previously used for the Wednesday Night Dinners. We are looking forward to all the services and culminating on Easter with a Pot Luck Brunch.

The Vestry will continue to Recommend but not Mandate masking in the building. With a couple of COVID positive tests reported, we will continue to recommend spacing and masks until spring after the yearly flu/virus season

Barbara Jennings, Senior Warden

Treasurer’s Report

Income/Expense Report - February 2023
for March Vestry Meeting

Year to Date as of February 28, 2023

YTD total Income	\$42,090.86
YTD total Expenses	\$46,767.47
YTD net income	-\$4,676.61

YTD = Year to Date



Gift Cards - Not just for giving!

Gift cards bought through the RaiseRight program can be a gift for yourself and the church. Buy cards to your favorite places; Walmart, amazon.com, Arby's, Wendy's ([full list](#)) and use them yourself at any time. With the Scrip [mobile app](#) it's even easier to purchase and use e-gift cards, use enrollment code 23D7D74L55288 to set up an account. Or you can print an [order form](#) and mail it to the church with your check or hand it in Sunday to receive a physical card. RaiseRight orders are placed on the last Monday of the Month. Have questions about the RaiseRight Program contact [Barbara Jennings](#)

**Place your RaiseRight order by
Sunday, April 30th!**

Gift Cards Help Support Our Parish!

It’s true! Every time you use a gift card purchased here at the church—through Shop with Scrip, Safeway or King Soopers, you help support the ministry of Christ the King. And it’s easy to start!

- **Safeway** offers reloadable cards, available through the [church office](#) (303-424-5288); or Sunday morning. We receive a rebate of 4% every time you reload your card.
- **Shop with Scrip** offers gift cards from hundreds of familiar retailers, in amounts that vary from \$10 to \$500. Rebates to the church range from 1.5% to 18%, depending on the retailer.



- For **King Soopers**, you’ll need to designate Christ the King as the organization you would like to support by linking your loyalty card at www.kingsoopers.com/i/community/community-rewards, using code **LM 737**.

The money from these gift cards programs is directed to our operating budget and it is a really easy way to help support our church.

Beyond Our Walls



**Capitol Hill Concerts with critically-acclaimed violinist Edward W. Hardy
Saturday, April 29 at 7:00pm at 1400 Lafayette St., Denver**

For those seeking an intimate concert experience, there's a hidden gem in the Capitol Hill neighborhood. Capitol Hill Concerts was launched in 2018 with a mission to offer high-caliber, musically-diverse, affordable and family-friendly concerts, and support community nonprofits. For more information, please visit www.capitolhillconcerts.com.

Electric Car Show

**Sunday, April 23, 2023, 8:30 am - 12:00 pm MDT
Arvada United Methodist Church
6750 Carr Street**

We are excited to celebrate Earth Day, April 23, 2023 by offering an electric car/bike show for public viewing from 8:30 a.m -noon. Electric car and bike owners are invited to bring their cars and the community is invited to view and consider this important way, among many, of caring for our earth and promoting a healthy environment of our communities.



Faith Formation

Bible Study Group Tuesdays in April @ 2:00pm

The Bible Study group, led by Rev. Austin, meets weekly on Tuesdays at 2:00 pm in the chapel and on Zoom. We are currently reading Leviticus. All are welcome to come. Bring a Bible!

CTK Book Club



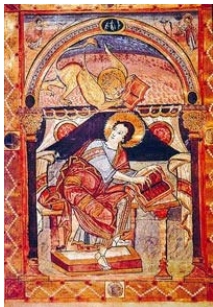
The CTK Book Club will be taking a short break in April. We are deciding which book to read and discuss next. Please contact Cathy Goodman with any suggestions or recommendations.

Adult Forum Sunday April 2 & 16 11:00am, hybrid

Holy Week schedule: we will be meeting in the library and on Zoom for Palm Sunday at 11:00a.m. Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday will be self directed with a meeting on Sunday, April 16 at 11:00a.m. for our conclusion. Thanks to all those who have participated, it has been wonderful taking this journey with you.



Food For Thought



Feast Day of St. Mark Tuesday, April 25

The book of Acts mentions a Mark, or John Mark, a kinsman of Barnabas (Col 4:10). The house of his mother Mary was a meeting place for Christians in Jerusalem (Acts 12:12). When Paul and Barnabas, who had been in Antioch, came to Jerusalem, they brought Mark back to Antioch with them (12:25), and he accompanied them on their first missionary journey (13:5), but left them prematurely and returned to Jerusalem (13:13). When Paul and Barnabas were about to set out on a second missionary journey, Barnabas proposed to take Mark, but Paul thought him unreliable, so that eventually Barnabas made one journey taking Mark, and Paul another journey taking Silas (15:36-40). Mark is not mentioned again in Acts. However, it appears that he became more reliable, for Paul mentions him as a trusted assistant in Colossians 4:10 and again in 2 Timothy 4:11.



















Mark's symbol in art is a Lion, usually winged. In the

book of Revelation, the visionary sees about the throne of God four winged creatures: a lion, an ox, a man, and an eagle. (Compare with the cherubs in Ezek 1 and 10.) It has customarily been supposed that these represent the four Gospels, or the four Evangelists (Gospel-writers). One way of matching them is to say that the man stands for Matthew, whose narrative begins with the human genealogy of Jesus; that the lion stands for Mark, whose narrative begins with John the Baptist crying out in the desert (a lion roars in the desert); that the ox, a sacrificial animal, stands for Luke, whose narrative begins in the Temple, and that the eagle stands for John, whose narrative begins in Heaven, with the eternal Word.

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Almighty God, by the hand of Mark the evangelist you have given to your Church the Gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God: We thank you for this witness, and pray that we may be firmly grounded in its truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

April Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Holy Week						
2 9:30am Palm Sunday - Holy Eucharist 11:00am Adult Forum (hybrid)	3 7:00pm Chi Rho Bell Choir	4  2:00pm Bible Study  6:30pm Tenebrae	5 10:30am (hybrid) Worship Committee  8:30pm Compline	6 8:00am Break-fast at the Rising  6:30pm Maundy Thursday Altar of Repose	7  8:00am Morning Prayer 12:00 Stations of the Cross  6:30pm Good Friday Holy Eucharist	8 9:00am Holy Saturday  8:00pm Easter Vigil
9 Easter Sunday 6:30am Sunrise Holy Eucharist 9:30am - Holy Eucharist Potluck Brunch to follow.	10 10:00am (hybrid) Crafters of the King	11 3:30 pm St. Clare's  7:00pm Conv. On Racial J&R	12  8:30pm Compline	13  6:00pm Climate Care	14  8:00am Morning Prayer	15
16 9:30am Holy Eucharist 11:00am Adult Forum (hybrid)	17 Chi Rho Bell Choir	18  2:00pm Bible Study	19 11:00am Ladies Bunco 6:00pm Vestry  8:30pm Compline	20 7:00pm Worshipping Voices Choir	21  8:00am Morning Prayer	22 Earth Day 9:00am Parish Clean Up 5:45pm Movie Night – The Lorax
23 9:30am Holy Eucharist	24 7:00pm Chi Rho Bell Choir	25  2:00pm Bible Study  7:00pm Conv. On Racial J&R	26  8:30pm Compline	27 7:00pm Worshipping Voices Choir	28  8:00am Morning Prayer	29 10am – 3pm Open house Craft Day
30 9:30am Holy Eucharist						



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