# The Canticle



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# **Clergy Letter**

#### Dear Christ the King,

February is here and we are still in the season after the Epiphany also known as "Ordinary time". Typically during this season we recall the light of Christ that came into the world as celebrated on the Epiphany with the arrival of the Magi. The light of Christ that came through that dark, smelly stable one night and has been shining ever since. I hope you can carry this image with you during this time. That through all types of situations good and bad the light of Christ can shine. In times of drought, fire, pandemic, death, birth, life, renewal...Christ is there.

As a parish you are in an exciting time with the interview process for a new Rector in full swing! The Vestry will soon get to meet these candidates and your new Rector will be chosen. God is in the midst of this. And, as I mentioned in Sunday's sermon, I invite you to participate in this process through prayer and a discernment of your own. Knowing that a time of discernment and transition is one that requires ALL of us to honestly look at ourselves and our relationship with God.

The next few weeks we will be preparing to begin the season of Lent (on March 2). Let this be an opportunity to practice looking at our relationship with God and with one another as a way to prepare for what's next. The good news of Jesus Christ is around us always. God never leaves us. Sometimes we get distracted but God is there. During the next few weeks, I encourage you to make a note of what IS working and what is going well in your lives and in the life of our community. Thank God for those things and write

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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.

#### Visit us Online:

www.ctkarvada.org
Check us out on Facebook!
We're also on YouTube!

### **Worship Services**

Sunday, February 6 Ante Communion 9:30a.m. - Zoom

Sunday, February 13 Ante Communion 9:30a.m. - Zoom

Sunday, February 20 Ante Communion 9:30a.m. - Zoom

Sunday, February 27
Ante Communion
9:30a.m. - Zoom

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# **Clergy Letter Cont.**

them down. Little miracles abound when we take time to notice them.

Here is my prayer for you (see next page). I invite you to pray this or another prayer over the next few weeks;

Jesus, you are the light of the world:

May your light open our eyes to see those in need.

Jesus, you are the light of the world:

May the works of our lives demonstrate your love.

Jesus, you are the light of the world:

May your wisdom enlighten our decisions.

Jesus, you are the light of the world, hear the prayers of our hearts:

As you enlighten our lives, May we be light for others. Amen.

Blessings,

Rev. Margaret.

# **Vestry Corner**

### Treasurer's Report

January 18, 2022 Vestry Meeting For December 2021 Activity

Financials to be published in next Weekly Update.

### **Vestry Report**

In our January 2022 vestry meeting we approved a budget that was not balanced, but we will look at it again after the first quarter. Despite this currently we expect to be able to correct this throughout the year.

We also spent time considering the agenda and operations of the Annual Meeting. We decided on using Zoom for the meeting. We have, unfortunately, had to return to our virtual meetings. We wanted to present our slate of candidates for election for the new vestry for 2022. Molly Foley-Healy, Kay Seiler, and Mike Barker were elected for three-year

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# **Vestry Corner Cont.**

terms. And we also wanted to be able to thank our departing vestry members, Amanda Roberts and Bob DeLong, for their service as well as the clerk, Peggy Warren. Rob Jones was then approved as Interim Treasurer.

The Search Committee will be passing on candidates to the Vestry to begin the final round of interviews for our new rector. We will spend much of the February meeting, preparing for these interviews and inviting finalists to visit our church and meet the vestry in person.

Barbara Jennings Senior Warden



Many Thanks to all those who contributed to the annual report, to all those who worked behind the scenes to make the annual meeting happen and to all of you for attending last month.

# **Search Committee**

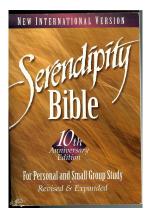
Currently, we are in the process of interviewing our candidates. We have been very impressed by the qualifications of all of the candidates along with those we have interviewed thus far. We anticipate presenting our top 2-3 candidates to the Vestry by the middle of February, but we believe our discernment process will be difficult.

Thank you for keeping us in your prayers throughout this whole process. We could not have done it without your support and the grace of God.

# **Faith Formation**

### Bible Study Group Tuesdays at 2:00pm

The group will be exploring the Creeds for the remainder of February. We will begin the Gospel of Mark in March.



# Men's Breakfast & Bible Study Wednesday, February 2 & 16 at 8:00am

The Men's Bible Study will resume twice a month on the first and third Wednesday at 8;00 am beginning February 2nd. With the Covid variant we

will begin from home via Zoom. We will be using The Serendipity Bible 10th Anniversary Edition NIV. You can purchase it new on Amazon for around \$76.00 or obtain a used version priced anywhere, from. \$5.00 to \$60.00. I obtained a used one for under \$20.00 and it appears to be very good shape. This book is written for study groups and has discussion questions.

Tom Scholle

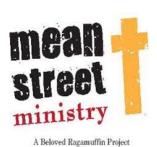


### **February Scrip Cards**

Please place your order and have the money to the church no later than Sunday, February 20th.

# **Caring Connections**

### **February Open Offering**



The Feb. Open Offering at CTK will go to Mean Street
Ministries, a nonprofit
Christian organization which serves the working poor and homeless along East and West Colfax.

They provide on-street services Monday and Tuesday nights from their van, stocked with food, reading glasses, Bibles and other books, diapers, toys, etc., to meet the clients where they are. In-house services 9-3 Mondays through Thursdays include a cafe, food bank, showers, listening ears, and a sign-up location for Severe Weather Shelter.

The need has escalated as a result of job losses and housing issues since the start of COVID. They utilize lots of volunteers; for more information, go to <a href="https://www.meanstreetminiostry.org/">www.meanstreetminiostry.org/</a>.

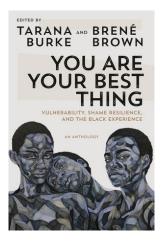
# Warm Clothing, Blankets and Sleeping Bags for The Rising

There is a box in the Narthex for donations. We will continue collecting items through the winter.

The Rising Church is located in Olde Town Arvada and is a ministry that seeks to minister to the poor, hurting, addicted, marginalized, and homeless of our community.

### Crafters of the King Monday, February 7 & 21, 10:00a.m. on Zoom

The Crafters of the King meet each month to share a time of supportive fellowship, while working on their individual projects. Our meetings will be held by Zoom until further notice; please contact the church office if you need the link



## Conversations on Racial Justice & Reconciliation Tuesday, February 8 & 22, 7:00pm on Zoom

In addition to spending time on discussion of current events and items of interest, we are currently reading an anthology, You Are Your Best Thing, edited by Tarana Burke

and Brene Brown. This book features powerful essays written by a dynamic group of Black writers, organizers, academics, and cultural figures. The book is available from Amazon and your local library. Anyone is welcome to join in our discussions. The Zoom link is available in the weekly newsletters. If you have questions about the group, please contact Karen Barritt 720-320-0554.

### St. Clare's Table Tuesday, February 8, 1:00 p.m.

Each month, the Church of Christ the King participates in preparing meals for about 80 people at St. Clare's Table, located at the Episcopal Church of St. Peter and St. Mary in Denver. If you would like to help please contact Mark Molello. (See pg. 5 for a note on St. Clare's.)

### Climate Care Team Thursday, February 3, 6:00p.m. on Zoom

The Climate Care Team met the first week of February and are attempting to think about spring in environmental ways! We have a couple ideas that we hope to share with you soon, and in the mean time, our next meeting will be Thursday, March 3rd, at 6 PM on Zoom.

Please email Cathy Atkinson at <u>jatkin2295@aol.com</u> if you would like to join us!

### New Representative from CTK Needed

A lot is happening at St. Clare's this month. Terms for Board members and officers are for three years and based on the calendar year. Because Board members and officers begin their terms in different years there are always some changes in January. My term on the Board is expiring. Although the bylaws allow me to serve another term, I will have, for various reasons, been on the Board for 12 of the last 14 years and I feel that it's

time to give someone else the chance to serve. Normally the Board meets on the 1st Monday of the month but our recent meetings have been carried out via Zoom. This is an important role for both St. Clare's and CTK's continued presence in this ministry. Please give this opportunity some serious consideration and contact me if you have an interest.

Blessings, Mark Molello

#### **ONLINE GIVING WITH VANCO**

While we are meeting again on ZOOM this might be a great time to try out the online giving options at CTK. Our online giving company is called, VANCO giving; you can use either the Vanco Mobile app for your phone or the GIVE page on the CTK website, <a href="https://ctkarvada.org">https://ctkarvada.org</a>. When you open the mobile app or the GIVE page for the first time, be sure to

setup your account with a username and password. You will use this information each time you login.

On either the App or the GIVE page you will see a few options for your gift:

- The General Fund is for your pledge or weekly regular gift and goes to the operating costs of the church.
- There are also options to give to and Good
  Outreach Open Offering (e.g. Stores
  such as gifts to support the
  Marshall fire victims. This offering typically
  changes monthly).
- The Rector's Discretionary Fund (RDF), In Memory of, Altar Guild and Special Offerings.
   (e.g. When using Altar Guild, you can specify that your gift is for flowers or sanctuary light.)

When using Special Offerings you can specify
the event or group you wish to give to such as
Daughters of the King, Cathedral Ridge or
Kempsell Hall Carpeting, etc. Simply type the
name of the group or designation in the field
given on the page.

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CTK is pleased to offer this mobile and online giving option to everyone and we are grateful to those of you who have already tried it. As always, please note that your gifts of checks, cash and established bank drafts are all still gratefully accepted! Thank you for giving to CTK.



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# Worship & Music



#### **Sunday Services**

Sunday Worship, 9:30am. Due to Covid-19 Omicron variant church services are available online only until further notice. Check the Weekly Update or the CTK website for the link. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

### **Weekday Services**

Compline - Wednesday, 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 - Friday, 8:00am. Join in from home using Zoom, Ros Patterson, Jean Thayer and Jessica Starbird will lead the service; others are welcome to lead as you are comfortable. Contact the office if interested in joining or use the Zoom link in the Weekly Update.

### **Handbell and Vocal Choir Meetings**



# **Parish Life**

### **February Anniversaries**

For those celebrating Anniversaries this month: 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.

Rick & Margaret Potting February 1
Bernie & Cathie Craig February 7
Linda & Bruce Palmer February 8
Steve & Chris Foster February 18

### **February 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.

Christian Tagne February 1
Shirley Brickley February 5
Myrene Earnshaw February 5
Elijah Ohamaka February 17
Dennis Beamis February 18
Mary Jo Ryan February 26

### **February Readings**

February 6 - Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
Isaiah 6:1-13 Psalm 138
1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Luke 5:1-11

February 13 - Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Jeremiah 17:5-10 Psalm 1

1 Corinthians 15:12-20 Luke 6:17-26

February 20 - Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany Genesis 45:3-11,15 Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42 1 Corinthians 15:35-28,42-50 Luke 6:27-38

February 27 - Last Sunday after the Epiphany Exodus 34:29-35 Psalm 99 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 Luke 9:28-36

# **Food for Thought**

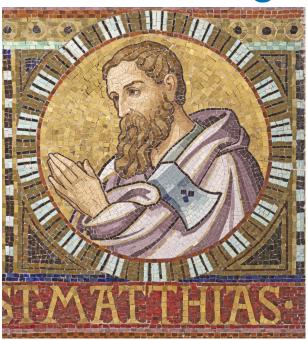


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### Feast Day for Matthias the Apostle Thursday, February 24

After the Ascension of Our Lord, His followers at Jerusalem chose a replacement for Judas. The man chosen was Matthias, "and he was numbered with the Eleven." Apart from the information given in the first chapter of Acts, nothing is known of him. It would be a mistake to conclude from this that he was a failure and a bad choice as an apostle. We know as much as we do about Peter and Paul because Luke (a traveling companion of Paul) wrote extensively about them. About most of the other apostles (those belonging to the original twelve and later ones like Matthias) we know little after Pentecost on an individual basis.

by James Kiefer

O Almighty God, who in the place of Judas chose your faithful servant Matthias to be numbered among the Twelve: Grant that your Church, being delivered from false apostles, may always be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

# **Beyond Our Walls**

# Faith Deepening Opportunities

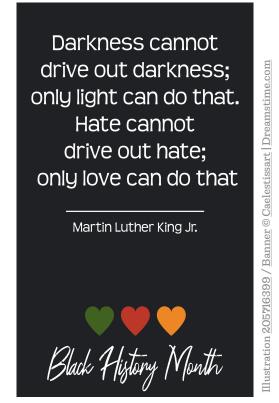
The Office of the Bishop
Formation Team offers
seasonal opportunities to
engage in faith deepening,
immersive experiences with
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#### **Lenten Resources 2022**

Looking for inspiring ideas for adult forums, Lenten reflections, book studies, or practices for the home? Visit our Lenten Resources page >



**Explore Black History Month** 

2022 Black History Theme - Health and Wellness

The origins of Black History Month | Race and

Culture

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