

Dear Christ the King,

This month of November marks my one year anniversary serving with you all at Christ the King, as your Interim Rector. I am grateful for our time together. We have been through a lot; worshipping online, reopening partially for services and then focusing on some needed maintenance to our building and systems. A lot is going on at our parish despite the pandemic.

As you know we have made progress with the Rector Search. Our parish profile has been published by the Diocese and will remain open for candidates to apply through early December. Your search committee will be working with Diocese to process these applications and they anticipate interviewing in January 2022.

We have begun our Fall Stewardship campaign and we are most grateful for the pledges you have turned in and look forward to those yet to come. If you have questions about pledging feel free to contact a member of our Stewardship committee or Vestry (see page 2 of this report).

For the month of November we are starting an outreach project to help those in need in our community. I hope you will give generously to our efforts to support the Afghan Refugees who are arriving in Denver by donating. You can learn more about this on page 4 of this newsletter under "Caring Connections."

For the coming season of Advent and Christmas, I am excited to share with you our plans for Christmas Eve. We will hold two services on Christmas Eve (services times TBD). The first service will be a Christmas pageant in the early evening! We are excited about an opportunity to have fun and celebrate the birth of Christ inperson this year albeit masked, etc. I have already spoken with some of you who expressed interest in this idea. If you are interested in participating in our Christmas pageant please contact me during the month of November, rector@ctkarvada.org. We will be providing more information on the Christmas season in the coming weeks.

I invite you to read about all that is going on at Christ the King this season.

Blessings,

Rev. Margaret

November 2021

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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.

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

Worship Services

Sunday, November 7 Holy Eucharist 9:30am - Church & YouTube

Sunday, November 14 Holy Eucharist 9:30am - Church & YouTube

Sunday, November 21 Holy Eucharist 9:30am - Church & YouTube

Sunday, November 28 Holy Eucharist 9:30am - Church & YouTube

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

Vestry Corner

Vestry Update

At the October meeting of the Vestry, the Search Committee presented the completed Profile. The Vestry reviewed the document and with a couple of minor corrections and approved the document for the Diocese to process. Please see the Search Committee update on page 7 for the link to the profile. The Vestry thanked Michelle Bredine and the entire Search Committee for their work.

Reports from the Treasurer and Finance Committee again reveal a stable financial situation for the parish. The Stewardship campaign continues as you all have continued to turn in pledge cards and even pledge online using the Vanco app. Thank you! The Vestry is in the process of preparing the budget for 2022. If you are a committee/group chair please contact your Senior Warden with any budget requests you may have for the next year.

The Carpet Committee is working with the Property Committee on the Kempsell Hall flooring project. They are waiting on some more carpet samples to arrive at this point. Once samples are available to see you will be invited to share your feedback on the options. We will announce this in the Weekly newsletter and in church once we know more. The Property Committee is also continuing with maintenance and further improvements to our building.

Our Diocesan Convention was held the first weekend in October. Your delegates, Barbara Jennings and Robert DeLong attended along with Rev. Margaret Peel-Shakespeare. Some of the themes expressed during the weekend included churches focusing on being visible in our community and responding to our community needs. As well as maintaining hybrid worship and in the life of the parish being aware that online and in-person suits our communities right now especially during the pandemic. You can learn more about the convention on the Diocesan website by going here: <u>https://episcopalcolorado.org/diocesan-resources/governance/annual-convention/</u>.

Barbara Jenníngs, Seníor Warden

Treasurer's Report October 19, 2021 Vestry Meeting For September 2021 Activity

Total Ordinary Revenue (Sept, 2021)	\$ 72,452	Mortgage Payoff
Total Expense (Sept, 2021)	\$ 18,576	
Net Ordinary Income (Sept, 2021)	\$ 53,846	

Total Year-to-Date Revenue(thru Sept 2021)\$ 240,189Mortgage PayoffTotal Year-to-Date Expense(thru Sept 2021)\$ 167,174Snow removal above budgetNet Ordinary Income:(thru Sept 2021)\$ 72,819Telephone costs above budget

The Year-to-Date Budgeted Net Income

\$ (2,373)

The Stewardship Team

From the Stewardship Team



Thanks to all of you who have already returned your 2022 pledge card. We are so grateful for your ongoing support of our parish and our mission. As of October 31, 2021, we have received 23 pledge cards which represent gifts of just over \$79,000. Thank you! Your financial support will allow us to continue as a faith community for each other, for our community, and for the wider world around us. If you haven't already returned your card there is still time! We look forward to receiving your pledge card by Christ the King Sunday, November 21, 2021. As always, if you have any questions regarding Stewardship or pledging please feel free to contact a member of our team, <u>Mary Beattie</u>, <u>Molly Foley-Healy</u>, <u>Norma Jean Wilson, Karen Barritt</u>, & <u>The Reverend Margaret Peel-Shakespeare</u>

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied Grace.~1 Peter 4:10

Parish Life



Parish Clean Up Day! November 6, 9am - Noon

Autumn leaves, so very pretty on the tree. It's too bad they don't stay there!

Join us Saturday, November 6, from 9am to Noon as we rake leaves and put flowerbeds to rest for the season. Bring your favorite rake, gloves, and gardening tools.

Fixers & Tenders will meet Sat-

urday, November 13, 9:00am to continue raking leaves. Please contact Mike Paugh with any questions.

Readings for November

November 7-All Saint's Sunday

Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9	Psalm 24		
Revelation 21:1-6a	John 11:32-44		
November 14—The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost			
1 Samuel 1:4-20	1 Samuel 2:1-10		
Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25	Mark 13:1-8		
November 21—The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King Sunday			
2 Samuel 23:1-7	Psalm 132:1-19		
Revelation 1:4b-8	John 18:33-37		
November 28—The First Sunday of Advent			
Jeremiah 33:14-16	Psalm 25:1-9		
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13	Luke 21:25-36		

November 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.

Burry, David & Jeri	11
Paugh, Mike & Susan	18
Barker, Mike & Pat	24

November 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.

Dan Mondragon	02
Jessica Starbird	05
Stephanie Elliott	07
Mike Barker	08
Mike Winant	11
Jerry Drake	14
Nancy Baker	16
Bill Smith	19
Robin Elliott	20
Cathie Craig	22
Judy Amidon	25



The Canticle

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Caring Connections



Open Offering for November

Support for Afghan Refugees Arriving in Denver

The Outreach Team is excited to join with other churches in the Denver area to help welcome the many Afghan refugees that are beginning to arrive in Denver. Our diocese is supporting this through the refugee program already well established in this area, Lutheran Family Services, Rocky Mountains (<u>lfsrm.org</u>). Their website lists many ways to support this effort. We have chosen "Apartment Bin" collections for our CTK November outreach activity.

Here is a list of items that are needed for each family's apartment. Each bin needs to include the complete list, so we are placing a master list* on the table in the narthex, for people to sign your names by particular item(s) you want to purchase. Bring them to church during the month of November. We will have a large wastebasket to put the purchased items in; as the wastebasket gets filled, put the overflow in the overflow container beside it. If all the items have been signed up for on one list, we will put out a repeat list to see if we can fill a second bin.

Any moneys that are placed in the Open Offering during the first 3 Sundays in November will be used to purchase any items needed to complete a bin, if not every item is donated. If any money is left over, we will donate it to Lutheran Family Services specifically for refugee use, such as bus tickets.

We hope you enjoy this "Thanksgiving Project" for November, to benefit the arriving refugees who have so little.

*Apartment Bin List

Large waste basket (Outreach will provide this) Alarm clock Small waste basket Paper towels Tall trash bags 60W Light bulbs Mop All-purpose kitchen & bathroom cleaner Dust pan and broom Cleanser (such as Ajax or Comet) Mixing bowl set Toilet paper (4 roll pack) Set of rubber/silicone spatulas Toilet brush w/ holder Set of wooden spoons Shower curtain Set of kitchen utensils/serving spoons Shower hooks Can opener Bar soap (2 pack) Set of knives Men's deodorant Dish soap Women's deodorant Laundry detergent Toothbrushes (6 pack) Paper and pens or pencils Toothpaste 3oz or more



Upcoming

For those of you who might be wondering about the Jefferson County Jail project that we usually do in November (Turkey Shoot), we will be focusing on that in December. Chaplain Quinn Wilhelm has indicated that he would very much appreciate Bibles this year. He has given us the specific one he wants, and where to purchase it most economically, so we will be doing that with Open Offering moneys collected in December.

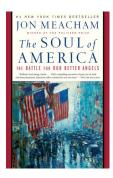
Caring Connections continued on next page.

Caring Connections Continued

Crafters of the King Monday, November 1 & 15, 10:00am 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 <u>church office</u> if you need the link.



Conversations on Racial Justice & Reconciliation Tuesday, November 9 & 23, 7:00pm on Zoom

"As more people came to have a stake in the nation's success, and as that success became ever more linked to a widening opportunity, fewer of them were vulnerable to the Klan creed. Commerce was culture; relative security in wages and employment undercut the potency of the politics of fear." Jon Meachum on the reduced impact of the KKK in the US during the 1920s.

Please join us. Everyone is welcome as we seek to learn and live out the Gospel call to work for peace, justice, and reconciliation. During November we will continue reading and discussing *The Soul of America: The Battle for Our Better Angels* by Pulitzer prize-winning author and historian Jon Meacham. We will be focusing on Chapters 6 and 7 – The MCarthy era and LBJ's push to pass Civil Rights legislation. The book is available at the library and Amazon in physical and e-book format.

If you have questions about the group or would like more information, please contact Dan Mondragon or Karen Barritt.

St. Clare's Table Tuesday, November 9, 1:30 p.m.

Each month, the Church of Christ the King prepares sack lunches in Kempsell hall 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.



Climate Care Team

The Climate Care Team will be participating in the Parish Clean Up Day and will not have a meeting until December. Contact Cathy Atkinson if you have any questions or would like to join the Climate Care Team.



The CTK Climate Care Team suggests two ways to have a Thanksgiving that can reduce your carbon footprint:

- 1. Watching football on TV can have a relatively low carbon footprint around 0.088 kg CO2 per viewer-hour.
- 2. Shop locally, buy locally. Buying local is one of the best ways you can help reduce the carbon footprint of your food consumption, especially during the largest meal of the year.

Taken from "How to reduce the Carbon Footprint of your Thanksgiving Dinner", terrapass, November 21, 2019

Do you have a suggestion for reducing your holiday carbon footprint? Share with our <u>CTK Facebook</u> community.



Worship and Music



Sunday—Holy Eucharistic Services

Sunday Worship, 9:30am Our services are now being held in the church with restricted attendance while being live streamed on YouTube. Please check your email for invites to register for this service or call the office for reservations.

At this time we ask that you continue to register for service, having an accurate number of attendees helps the Altar Guild, the Parish Administrator and helps the Ushers with attendance which we use for contact tracing. Thank you for all your support as we continue our way forward.

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 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

Members of the Chi Rho Handbell Choir and Worshiping Voices choir will begin meeting this month. Please contact Andi for more information.

Perspective by Andi Smith

Who would have thought that this pandemic would last as long as it has? It's been 20 months now. It seems like in March of 2020, everything stopped dead in its tracks. There was no slowing down or skidding. Everything. Just. Stopped. My thought process at that time was ... Actually, I didn't have any thought process. Like many, I was in a state of disbelief. When I came out of that shock and began to think once again, one specific analogy kept returning to me: Wildfire. A wildfire destroys everything in its path until it seems that there is nothing left but devastation. Despite that, we should remember what occurs after the wildfire; new growth and vegetation sprouts through the ashes. Our doors were shut and we couldn't worship in-person. We learned how to worship using a new platform called Zoom. At first, it was Morning Prayer. Gradually, we learned how to record our own music and add it to our worship format. Then sermons were recorded from our sanctuary that had, for many

months, stood empty. It was nice to see the sanctuary while worshipping. It started to feel more like church. We experimented with live-streaming our services but still used recorded music. In June of 2021, we cautiously opened the doors to our chapel with limited seating for in-person services. We have returned to our main sanctuary with live music and the ability to live stream the services. Now, we don't do online meetings, we go "Zooming", which is actually pretty convenient at times. The Music Ministry Team here at Christ the King is also going through its own growth period. Both vocal and bell choirs are slowly and cautiously gathering once again. We are small in number and that's okay because new growth starts small. It needs time to grow and as it does, it gets stronger. It also takes a lot of patience to nurture that growth. In the case of a wildfire, yes, the forest returns but it is changed. While we may feel somewhat uncomfortable with change, it is not something to be afraid of. Change is what allows us to embrace a new landscape and accept a new and different path.

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Food For Thought



Tuesday, November 30th Feast of Saint Andrew the Apostle

Most references to Andrew in the New Testament simply include him on a list of the Twelve Apostles, or group him with his brother, Simon Peter. But he appears acting as an individual three times in the Gospel of John. When a number of Greeks (perhaps simply Greek-speaking Jews) wish to speak with Jesus, they approach Philip, who tells Andrew, and the two of them tell Jesus (Jn 12:20-22). (It may be relevant here that both "Philip" and "Andrew" are Greek names.) Before Jesus feeds the Five Thousand, it is Andrew who says, "Here is a

lad with five barley loaves and two fish." (Jn 6:8f) And the first two disciples whom John reports as attaching themselves to Jesus (Jn 1:35-42) are Andrew and another disciple (whom John does not name, but who is commonly supposed to be John himself -- John never mentions himself by name, a widespread literary convention). Having met Jesus, Andrew then finds his brother Simon and brings him to Jesus. Thus, on each occasion when he is mentioned as an individual, it is because he is instrumental in bringing others to meet the Saviour. In the Episcopal Church, the Fellowship of Saint Andrew is devoted to encouraging personal evangelism, and the bringing of one's friends and colleagues to a knowledge of the Gospel of Christ.

Just as Andrew was the first of the Apostles, so his feast is taken in the West to be the beginning of the Church Year. The First Sunday of Advent is defined to be the Sunday on or nearest his feast (although it could equivalently be defined as the fourth Sunday before Christmas Day).

Almighty God, who gave such grace to your apostle Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ, and brought his brother with him: Give unto us, who are called by your Word, grace to follow him without delay, and to bring those near to us into his gracious presence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

<u>Click here for the full article</u> by James Kiefer

Search Committee Report



An update on the Search Process for a Rector

Our Parish Profile has been published by the Diocese and is now "live" for potential candidates to view online and apply for the position. The application process will remain open for approximately six weeks and at that time the Diocese will work with our Search Committee to begin the interview process! We expect to begin interviewing in early January. Thanks for all your support and patience in this process.

https://episcopalcolorado.org/diocesan-resources/transitionministry/congregational-and-clergy-transitions/

Faith Formation



Bible Study Group Tuesdays at 2:00pm

The Bible Study group is meeting on Zoom to discuss the Book of Acts. The Bible Study Group invites all in-

terested to join! Look for the Zoom link in the Weekly Update or contact the office for a Zoom invite.

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

The Men's Breakfast and Bible study is anticipating returning soon. We are tentatively planning on meeting on the first and third Wednesday of the month from 6:30 to 8:00 am but that could change based on participant input and Covid restrictions. Contact <u>Tom Scholle</u> with any questions.

Beyond Our Walls



Building our Faith: An Episcopal 101 Class Zoom on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm, **Continues from October - November 17**

Join us for an introductory course to the faith and practices of the Episcopal Church facilitated by Front Range region clergy. We will explore the story of our faith using the items and spaces of our churches. Our church buildings and grounds invite an experience of God that helps shape our understanding of what it means to be a Christian. While this Covid season has opened up new ways to connect and worship, our lived faith is connected to the ways we experience God as the kind of physical creatures we are as humans. At each of our sessions, we will examine a specific space of one of our regional parishes and learn, reflect, and discuss the ways faith is mediated through the items, rooms, and artifacts of our churches. These sessions will include topics ranging from the sacraments to church polity, scripture to creation, and many more. Use this link to join each session:

www.tinyurl.com/FRRBuildingFaith

Schedule

- Nov 3 Parish Hall (Fellowship & Formation)
- Nov 10 Columbarium and Cemetery (Death & Resurrection)
- Nov 17 Grounds and Gardens (Incarnational Spirituality)

Here is an alternate url for the same site if you have trouble with the initial link

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82254010044? pwd=MitCbENJTjVzWGZFcWIvZjNMKzVJUT09

Meeting ID: 822 5401 0044 Passcode: 766611

Order your Christmas Gift Cards no later than Sunday, November 21!





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 (\$20), available through the church office (303-424-5288); or Sunday morning contact Jeri Burry. 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. Gift cards bought through the Scrip program can be a gift for yourself and the church. The Scrip mobile app it's even easier to purchase and use egift cards everyday. You can print a scrip order form and mail it to the church with your check or hand it in Sunday to receive a physical card. Scrip orders are placed on the first and third Monday of the Month. Have questions about the Scrip Program contact Barb Jennings
- 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.

Please order Christmas gift cards by November 21.

November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Crafters of the King 7:00pm Search Committee	2 Sible Study 7:00pm Executive Com- mittee Meeting	3 Building our Faith: An Episco- pal 101 Class 8:30pm Compline	4	5 8:00am Morning Prayer	6 9:00am – Noon Parish Clean- up Day
7 9:30am Holy Eucharist 11:00am Parking Lot Chat	8 7:00pm Search Committee	9 10:00am Funeral Linda Atwater 1:30 pm St. Clare's Prep 2:00pm Bible Study 7:00pm Conv. On Racial J&R	10 6:45pm Finance Mtg 7:00pm Building our Faith: An Episco- pal 101 Class 8:30pm Compline	11 VETERANS DAY Office Closed	12 8:00am Morning Prayer	13 9:00am Fixers & Tenders
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