

The Canticle

Christ the King Episcopal Church, 6490 Carr Street, Arvada, CO 80004



September

Clergy Letter

Happy September, Christ the King Family!

With hints of Harvest already in the air (okay, so maybe it's more the Halloween displays going up at King Soopers this week!), and even a slight change to some leaves in our neighborhoods, we enter into September aware of the imminent coming of autumn. More so than places where weather is rather unchanging, we become aware of the world around us in important ways during these times of seasonal change. As Christians, we link that awareness and attention to our faith, and give thanks for the sacred cycles that keep us mindful of our connection to the natural world that gives us food, air, water, and life. As we contemplate God's presence surrounding us throughout this month, we also participate in a global Christian event called the Season of Creation, celebrated across several denominations and by Episcopal and Anglican Churches all over the world. Participating as a whole diocese, Christ the King is joined by parishes across Colorado in our own local observance of Season of Creation from September 1st through the Feast of St. Francis (October 4th). Each week, we'll lift up elements of our lectionary readings that draw us into relationship with the natural world around us. We'll explore different themes each week from awe to grief to hope as we strive to faithfully walk with love in our world. And we'll culminate the season with the Feast of St. Francis and the Blessing of the Animals on the 4th of October.

As for many families with children, autumn in my family is a bit of a mixed bag. The Start of school (as with any change of routine) is not met with any small experience of anxiety and uncertainty, and even with two full weeks of school behind us, the routine hasn't become the norm yet. But autumn is also a time of homecoming and the return of familiar patterns, some of which bring great anticipation of favorite days coming up in the weeks and months ahead. We begin to plan our autumn festivals, invite family before they make plans elsewhere for things like Thanksgiving (and Christmas), we watch for the changing of the leaves, try to squeeze an autumn camping trip into tight calendars, we look forward to the evening fire-pit campfires on the weekends, and we start to enjoy more indoor evening activities with the earlier and earlier coming of sunset. It's a time of familiar smells and tastes of campfire smoke, s'mores, and the early return of pumpkin-spiced *everything.* This is the season of settling in, nesting, anticipation of colder temperatures and changes of wardrobe. But more than anything, it's a time of relationship building and intentional connection after the return to school draws our family apart from summer togetherness and we need to be more mindful of what little time we have together.

So too in our CTK Family, this time marks the intentional gatherings of community that continue to make the "program year" something to look forward to together!

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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, September 4
Holy Eucharist
9:30am - Church & YouTube

Sunday, September 11
Holy Eucharist
9:30am - Church & YouTube

Sunday, September 18
Holy Eucharist
9:30am - Church & YouTube

Sunday, September 25
Holy Eucharist
9:30am - Church & YouTube

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Deadline:

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

This month, we'll enjoy the return of our choirs, we'll again begin to gather for Bible Study weekly on Tuesdays at 2 (starting the 6th), we'll gather for outdoor movie night on September 17th at 7pm to watch *Jumanji, Welcome to the Jungle* (PG-13—please remember to invite family, friends, and neighbors!), we'll convene our first meeting of the Worship Committee since my arrival (September 28th at 10:30am) to plan for Bishop Kym's visit and to start looking toward Advent, we'll be holding our small group training meetings the week of the 25th for upcoming visioning conversations to take place in October, and your stewardship team will be gathering weekly from September 11th through October 9th on Sunday afternoons to learn with parishes across the Episcopal Church how to better serve our parish family! Together with Season of Creation and our other monthly and weekly events, it's shaping up to be a great Kickoff to our program year!

Finally, I must say what a great joy it has been getting to sit down with folks at coffee and otherwise over the past couple months. Getting to know you and your stories is such an important part of developing relationships that can grow and deepen over time, as well as to our shared ministry together at Christ the King. You are truly an amazing, talented, compassionate, and diverse group of people, and my family and I feel very lucky to get to share this part of our journey with you all! I look forward to many autumn conversations to come.

Blessings,



Austin

Worship and Music

Online and In-person Services Available

[Sunday Worship, 9:30am](#) Our services are now being held in the church with masks recommended and social distancing when possible and live-streamed on [YouTube](#) and shared on Zoom. Please check your email for invites to register for this service or call the office to reserve your place.

**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**

The Chi Rho Handbell Choir and Worshipping Voices Choir will start practicing in September. 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.

Worship and Music Cont.

A Musical Note - by Andi Smith

I just want to share with you the process we have to go through with regards to the music we use for our worship services. When we were meeting only online, because the music was recorded and we were playing those recordings via the internet, the copyright for each song suddenly became very complex. Now that we are in person, we continue to offer live stream and Zoom for those who cannot attend. It's one of the ways we try to be as inclusive as we can. We currently hold two copyright licenses which covers most, but not all, hymns and songs. Those licenses were upgraded to include live-streaming, which covers the recording of the services, then later posting to YouTube.

My usual routine of reading the lessons for each Sunday and using guidebooks to discern what music fits, continues to be my pattern. Since the pandemic, a huge chunk of time is also spent researching the music to see what is covered by our licenses. Some changes have occurred just in the last few months that have created more challenges.

- ♪ Some music is Public Domain.
- ♪ Some music is covered under one or the other of our licenses, sometimes both.
- ♪ Some music is not covered anywhere and so cannot be used.
- ♪ Some songs have music that is Public Domain but the words can't be used.
- ♪ Some songs have words that are Public Domain but the music is not.
- ♪ Some of our hymnal tunes are covered as we know them.
- ♪ Some songs are covered but we need to use a different set of words.
- ♪ In some cases, we can only use certain verses.
- ♪ Sometimes, we have permission to print the words but the music cannot be livestreamed.
- ♪ Sometimes, permission is granted to use the music, but the words cannot be printed.

As you can see, there is a LOT of research that has to happen. We are also required to report what songs/tunes/words we use, as well as the date that we use them. So, if you're wondering why we haven't sung this song or that one, there's probably a valid reason. Please know that I am continuously researching the music we use (or used to use) for positive updates on their usage. In the meantime, keep singing the song, let your soul be stirred, and let your spirit be lifted.



Food For Thought

Contributed by the Climate Care Group.

Season of Creation or Creationtide September 1—October 4

The Season of Creation is the annual, world-wide, ecumenical celebration that brings all Christians together in prayer and action for our common home, earth. It begins on September 1, the World Day of Prayer, and ends on October 4th, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

Reverend Austin will be using lectionary readings that may inspire us to listen and reflect and respond to our planet's climate and biodiversity crises. There will also be informational paragraphs in our weekly bulletins concerning different aspects of climate change and other environmental issues. We hope this Creationtide will be a learning, contemplative, and community-building experience.

Love all God's creation, the whole and every grain of sand in it. Love every leaf, every ray of God's light. Love the animals, love the plants, love everything. If you love everything, you will perceive the divine mystery in things. Once you perceive it, you will begin to comprehend it better every day. And you will come at last to love the whole world with an all-embracing love. – From The Brothers Karamazov by Fyodor Dostoevsky

Beyond Our Walls



Toward Hope – Living Into the Season of Creation (Hybrid) An Immersive Faith-Growing Experience with Episcopalians from across Colorado and Beyond

This Season of Creation we invite you to join us on a journey of prayer, reflection, learning, and action as we move through stages of celebrating the great gift of creation, grieving what we've lost and are losing, equipping ourselves with knowledge and skills, discerning our gifts, and embracing our agency as good stewards as we imagine and advocate for a future where we exist in a just and loving world that thrives on the interconnectedness of all God's creation. Our gathering will reach across the Episcopal Church in Colorado and beyond.

The time commitment is two hours per week, with many opportunities for going deeper depending on time and interests. Required content: Weekly reflection and weekly gathering (2 hours total); Gatherings take place Sundays, September 11, 18, 25, & October 2, 1:00-2:00 pm. Encouraged: Weekly prayer times (1 hour total); Optional: Additional discoveries and learning (30 min. to 2 hours).

Click here for [More Info](#)

Parish Life

September 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 Thomas	05
Tom Scholle	08
Michelle Bredine	10
Kaela Bredine	14
Myrna Luttrell	18
Elizabeth Ann Allan	19
Patrice Mondragon	28
Rob Jones	30



September 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.

Barritt, Steve & Karen 04

Happy Anniversary!

Readings for September

September 4 - Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
 Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Psalm 1
 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14:25-33

September 11 - Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost
 Exodus 32:7-14 Psalm 51:1-11
 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10

September 18 - Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost
 Amos 8:4-7 Psalm 113
 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 16:1-13

September 25 - Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost
 Amos 6:1a,4-7 Psalm 146
 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31



Free Movie Night Saturday, September 17, 7:00pm

Movie Night in the church parking lot. We will be watching Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle. This movie is rated PG-13. Bring a chair (and perhaps a pizza if you're so inclined!). The CTK vestry will be selling snacks and drinks as well. All are welcome! Invite your friends!

The Christ the King Tea is coming back! Saturday, November 5



This year, rather than a Christmas tea, it will be a "Giving Thanks" tea on Saturday November 5th at 1:00. We have so much to be thankful for and we're hoping you will join us for this traditional English tea in Kempsell hall. More information will be coming and we'll start taking reservations in October.

The Tea will kick off the CTK Craft Sale. Homemade items will be available for purchase starting Saturday, November 5 and on Sundays until November 20th. Proceeds will go to the General Fund. The Crafters of the King would be delighted if you have any crafted items or craft materials, i.e. yarn, fabric, etc., that you could donate to our efforts.

Faith Formation

Bible Study Group Tuesdays at 2:00pm

The Bible Study group, led by Rev. Austin, will resume weekly meetings on Tuesday, September 6, at 2:00 pm in the chapel and on Zoom (if requested). If it's too hot we will meet in Kempsell Hall. At this meeting we will discuss what we want to tackle in the upcoming months. All are welcome to come. Bring a Bible (any translation)!



Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

There are no meetings for September currently planned. Check out the Weekly Update for any changes.

Fixers & Tenders

Saturday, September 10, 9:00 a.m.

Contact Mike Paugh with any questions.

Caring Connections



Open Offering and Outreach for September

Christ the King's Open Offering for September will go to the General Fund.

Note: Look for upcoming info from the Outreach Committee about a church-wide meeting as we look for new ideas.

Crafters of the King

**Tuesday, September 6 & Monday, September 19
10:00am Kempself Hall/Zoom**

The crafters will be chatting and working on a variety of homemade items for the craft sale in November. We would be delighted if you have any crafted items or craft materials, i.e. yarn, fabric, etc., that you could donate to our efforts. We are also always delighted to have new members in our group! Contact Peggy Broderick at 303-954-0243 if you have any questions.

Breakfast at The Rising

Thursday, September 8, 8:00am

Christ the King will be serving breakfast at The Rising in Olde Town Arvada on Thursday, September 8th. All are welcome to help. Please contact Mary Beattie if interested.



Climate Care Group

Thursday, September 8, 6:00pm on Zoom

The Climate Care Team will be meeting on Thursday, September 8th, at 6 PM, on Zoom. Anyone is welcome, please email Cathy Atkinson if you would like to join us!

St. Clare's Table

Tuesday, September 13, 3:30 p.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.

In addition, the Episcopal Church of Colorado is hosting a winter clothing drive for St. Clare's Ministries now through Tuesday, September 27th at St. Clare's Ministries, Denver. Please bring gently used coats, sweatshirts, flannels, long underwear, and sleeping bags (men's and women's, all sizes to St. Clare's between 4:30 and 6:30pm each Tuesday.



Conversations on Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Tuesday, September 13 & 27, 7:00pm on Zoom

"How curious a land is this, how full of untold story, of tragedy and laughter, and the rich legacy of human life; shadowed with a tragic past, and big with future promise!"
-- W.E. B. Du Bois, *The Souls of Black Folk*, 1903

Please join us on September 13th and September 27th on Zoom as we continue our Conversations on Racial Justice & Reconciliation. What does it mean to live out the Gospel call to work for peace, justice, and reconciliation? How do we follow Jesus' teachings when the noise around us becomes too much? Perhaps we can learn to follow the simple words from the book of Micah "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"—Micah 6:8. During September we will continue to look for ways to be the Beloved Community.

Did you know News from Boulder which is of interest to Arvada and the ongoing work of the Arvada City Council: "The Office of Racial Equity gets a director." **Boulder County** named Carrie Inoshita, a self-described third-generation Japanese American to be Director of Office of Racial Equity, with a focus on advancing racial equity work within the county. Boulder County has introduced Policy 1.0, "Fully Inclusive, Anti-Racist and Multicultural Organization and has made transformational racial-equity one of the county's strategic priorities."

Recommended: *American Lion*, a biography of Andrew Jackson by Jon Meacham. A Pulitzer Prize winning author and historian, Meacham has captured the contradictions of our seventh President, a man described as "alternately kind and vicious, brilliant and blind; and a man who fought a lifelong war to keep the republic safe—no matter what it took".

Recommended: Studying Black History and discussing social justice and equity is incomplete without the work of Langston Hughes. an American poet, social activist, novelist, playwright, and columnist from Joplin, Missouri. [Here is a link](#) to Hughes' powerful classic on America itself as a dream worth making a reality. *Let America be American Again* is as topical today as it was when written in 1935.

If you have questions or would like more information on our Conversations group, please email kbarritt@comcast.net.

Vestry Corner

Vestry Update

In August we collected more than \$800 in the Open plate Outreach for Peck elementary . We are pleased to give this to Peck for their teachers’ supplies. While this has been a common practice to collect for great outreach causes, we are still experiencing a significant deficit in our budget. Therefore, we are going to, again, collect the Open Plate Offering for the Operating budget. During September and October any undesignated money in the plate will be collected for our budget shortfall.

Many activities are planned for the next couple of months. The vestry will help with the September 17th movie night. We will have concessions for sale. We are also looking forward to the Celebration of New Ministry for Rev Austin on Wednesday, October 5 at 5:30p.m. Bishop Kym will be here to welcome Austin to the rectorship of Christ the King. There will be a reception following the service. The Diocesan Convention is in October. Rev Austin, Barbara Jennings, Larry Healy and Mike Barker will be attending as delegates. Rev Austin, Barbara Jennings, Karen Barritt, and Molly Foley-Healy will be attending a Stewardship course. We are considering building use by outside groups as well.

Mike Paugh is completing the installation of new computers for the administrator and financial secretary. We are continuing the Zoom access to the live-streaming and Coffee Hour. There will be other workdays for Fixers & Tenders and property committee. Phil Goodman and others are continuing to improve the sound system in the nave and for the live-streaming.

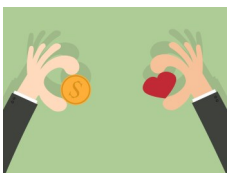
The Vestry would like to continue to Recommend but not Mandate masking in the building. We will remove the capacity limit, but still encourage social distancing.

Barbara Jennings, Senior Warden

Treasurer’s Report

August , 2021 Vestry Meeting For July 2021 Activity

Total Ordinary Revenue (June 2022 Activity)	\$ 8,758.72
Total Expense	\$ 22,174.81
Net Ordinary Income	(\$13,416.09)
Total Year to Date Revenue	\$102,879.12
Total Year to Date Expenses	\$148,397.75
Net Ordinary Income	(\$ 45,515.63)



Your pledge matters!

Please stay current on your pledge and if you’re able to give a little more that would be greatly appreciated.



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 RaiseRight [mobile app](#) it's even easier to purchase and use e-gift cards 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. Have questions about the Scrip Program contact [Barbara Jennings](#).

Place your RaiseRight order by Sunday, September 25th!

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. We receive a rebate of 4% every time you reload your card.

- **RaiseRight** 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.

September Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2  8:00am Morning Prayer	3
4 9:30am Holy Eucharist	5  Labor Day Office Closed	6 10:00am (hybrid) Crafters of the King  2:00pm Bible Study  7:00pm Executive Committee Meeting	7  8:30pm Compline	8 8:00 Breakfast at the Rising  6:00pm Climate Care 7:00pm Worshiping Voices Choir	9  8:00am Morning Prayer	10 9:00am Fixers & Tenders
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