# The Canticle

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



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#### Dear Christ the King,

We are beginning the second Fall season of the pandemic era and the good news is there is a lot going on at CTK! During the past few weeks and months your Vestry and subcommittees have been working hard to keep things going and even to make improvements to the parish in preparation for that time when we will be back inperson fully. Though we are not there yet, especially with the outbreak of the Delta variant, we are hopeful of making our spaces ready for that time whenever it comes.

In this Canticle you will find updates from your Wardens, including the Property Committee and Stewardship Committee. We are still plugging along. Thanks for all your support through prayers, financial gifts, attendance and the many ways in which you have contributed to keep Christ the King a special place. Blessings to you this September.

Rev. Margaret

### **Vestry Corner**

#### **Vestry Update**

At the August meeting of the Vestry, an update to the Search Committee was presented by Michelle Bredine. The finishing touches of the Profile are being added to make it presentable for posting. Canon Vanessa (Diocesan Transition Officer) will review it and we expect it to be ready by September. We thank everyone who provided input for this purpose.

Reports from the Treasurer and the Finance Committee reveal stable financial situation. We are reviewing the potential property improvements and realizing the actual constructions. Please see the Property Team Report from Mike Paugh in this newsletter for more details. In September we will look at more estimates and potential improvements we will still support.

Barbara Jennings and Robert DeLong will serve as Lay Delegates for Christ the King and will be attending the Diocesan Convention via Zoom, October 6-7, 2021. The Rev. Margaret Peel-Shakespeare will present a program at the Convention.

Barbara Jennings, Senior Warden

#### September 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, September 5 Holy Eucharist 9:30am - Church & YouTube

Sunday, September 12 Holy Eucharist

9:30am - Church & YouTube

Sunday, September 19 Holy Eucharist

9:30am - Church & YouTube

Sunday, September 26 Holy Eucharist 9:30am - Church & YouTube

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#### **Deadline:**

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

### **Vestry Corner Continued**

#### Property Team Report by Mike Paugh, Jr. Warden

The Property Team has been busy over the past two months. Larry Healy worked to get bids to repair water damage in the office and storage area. That work was completed during the last week of August and the areas that were repaired look good and are ready to use again.

The air conditioning systems in the nave have had some repairs made and new controls (thermostats and CO2 monitors) have been installed and are working. The new CO2 sensors will open the vents for outside air if our levels get too high, keeping us safer from things like virus spread.

Upcoming projects include using some of the capacity from the narthex roof top heat and air conditioning unit to support the office area and making improvements to the air flow in the parish hall. Also on tap, finally replacing the carpet in the parish hall, a project that was started pre-pandemic. Currently, we are working on getting updated bids on carpet costs and installation.

#### Treasurer's Report—August 17, 2021 Vestry Meeting For July 2021 Activity

Total Ordinary Revenue (July, 2021	\$ 29,560	Mortgage Payoff
Total Expense (July, 2021)	19,810	
Net Ordinary Income (July, 2021)	\$ 9,992	
Total Year-to-Date Revenue (thru J	uly 2021) \$ 141,154	Mortgage Payoff
Total Year-to-Date Expense (thru.	fuly 2021 130,337	Snow removal above budget
Net Ordinary Income: (thru J	uly 2021) \$ 10,682	Telephone costs above budget
The Year-to-Date Budgeted Net Inc	ome \$ 663	

## Update from the Search Committee



The Search Committee has completed the first draft of the Parish Profile. We're currently in the process of adding pictures and graphics to make it more attractive before sending it to the Bishop's office and the Vestry for final review. Once they give it the green light, it will be posted on the Diocesan website, as well as, the CTK website. The profile and job opening will be posted for at least six weeks to allow candidates to apply.

While we wait for candidates to apply, we will be working with Canon Vanessa from the Bishop's office to develop interview questions and practice our interview skills.

Michelle Bredine

### The Stewardship Team



## A love note on pledging from the Stewardship Team

With Autmun fast approaching, we will soon begin the Annual Stewardship Campaign for Christ the King.
Since the Stewardship Committee will

be asking for members of our faith community to make pledges of financial commitment for the coming year to support Christ the King, we thought it would be helpful to share with you now what your pledges support. Stewardship is the careful and responsible way we care for something for which we are entrusted. Our PLEDGE of financial commitment to Christ The King Episcopal Church is one way to show we care. Our pledge provides a steady source of in-

come for our faith community and helps the Vestry set a budget for the coming year. The budget addresses expenses of the church, including building and grounds upkeep and maintenance, utilities, salaries, other payroll expenses, programs, and Diocesan support. Our pledge assures we can carry out the mission of Christ the King to build connections among our members and neighbors and care for our community and God's world. Our pledge is an estimate of giving and can be changed at any time during the church year. Our pledge can be given weekly, monthly, or annually. If you have questions about giving to Christ the King, please contact the Stewardship Team; *Mary Beattie, Molly Foley-Healy, Norma Jean Wilson, Karen Barritt, & The Reverend Margaret Peel-Shakespeare* 

### Food For Thought



#### Friday, September 17th Feast of Hildegard of Bingen, Mystic and Scholar

"Listen: there was once a king sitting on his throne. Around him stood great and wonderfully beautiful columns ornamented with ivory, bearing the banners of the king with great honor. Then it pleased the king to raise a small feather from the ground, and he commanded it to fly. The feather flew, not because of

anything in itself but because the air bore it along. Thus am I, a feather on the breath of God."

Hildegard of Bingen has been called by her admirers "one of the most important figures in the history of the Middle Ages," and "the greatest woman of her time." Her time was the 1100's (she was born in 1098), the century of Eleanor of Aquitaine, of Peter Abelard and Bernard of Clairvaux, of the rise of the great universities and the building of Chartres cathedral.

She wrote 72 songs including a play set to music, about seventy poems, nine books and more than a hundred letters to emperors and popes, bishops, nuns, and nobility. (Many persons of all classes wrote to her, asking for advice, and one biographer calls her "the Dear Abby of the twelfth century.")

Her writings bring science, art, and religion together. She

is deeply involved in all three, and looks to each for insights that will enrich her understanding of the others.

Her use of parable and metaphor, of symbols, visual imagery, and non-verbal means to communicate makes her work reach out to many who are totally deaf to more standard approaches. In particular, non-Western peoples are often accustomed to expressing their views of the world in visionary language, and find that Hildegard's use of similar language to express a Christian view of reality produces instant rapport, if not necessarily instant agreement.

Hildegard wrote and spoke extensively about social justice, about freeing the downtrodden, about the duty of seeing to it that every human being, made in the image of God, has the opportunity to develop and use the talents that God has given him, and to realize his God-given potential. This strikes a chord today.

Hildegard wrote explicitly about the natural world as God's creation, charged through and through with His beauty and His energy; entrusted to our care, to be used by us for our benefit, but not to be mangled or destroyed.

Click here for the full article by James Kiefer

**Prayer:** God of all times and seasons: Give us grace that we, after the example of your servant Hildegard, may both know and make known the joy and jubilation of being part of your creation, and show forth your glory in the world; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Caring Connections**



#### **Open Offering for September**

We believe in Haitian leadership and Haitian vision, investing in locally led programs and community-based work. Locally Haiti's integrated initiatives are designed to support economic development and the overall health and wellbeing of families in the Nippes re-

gion of rural Haiti. Locally Haiti supports efforts in education, agriculture and conservation, community health, and girls' empowerment.

Locally Haiti was founded in 1989 under the name the Colorado Haiti Project by three Episcopal priests — Haitian Priest and Community Organizer, Father Octave LaFontant, and Fathers Dayle Casey and Ed Morgan of Colorado. The Episcopal Church remains a foundational and fundamental partner in our work, both in the U.S. and in Haiti.

Even before the recent earthquake struck five miles from Petit Trou, our partners in Haiti were facing immense challenges. The days since have been beyond difficult. Through our response, we continue to support the vision of our local partners, and thanks to your support, we are making a direct, local, and tangible difference.

Locally Haiti's Executive Director, Wynn Walent, was recently in Haiti supporting community leaders as they work to provide relief to those affected by the recent earthquake.. Join us on **Sunday, September 12 at 5pm MT / 7pm ET**, to hear about the current situation in Petit Trou and our response, now and in coming months. It will be an open discussion and an opportunity to ask questions, learn and engage. <u>Register Now!</u>



#### Climate Care Group Tuesday, September 2, 6:00pm

If anyone would like to join us, please feel free to attend, we plan on doing a couple of things - evaluating the projects we have completed so far, and discussing any future ideas we might have. The purpose of Climate Care is to enable our church to become more environmentally aware, and to complete environmentally sound projects in and around our church, and to have fun doing these things!

Please email Cathy Atkinson if you feel like joining the Climate Care team. ~ Cathy Atkinson

#### St. Clare's Table Tuesday, September 14, 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.



Conversations on Racial Justice & Reconciliation Tuesday, September 14 & 28, 7:00pm on Zoom

"Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world." ~ Harriet Tubman

Please join us on September 14th and September 28th at 7:00 p.m. on ZOOM as we continue our Conversations on Racial Justice Reconciliation. Everyone is welcome to join us as we seek to learn and live out the Gospel call to work for peace, justice, and reconciliation. During September we will be reading and discussing The Soul of America: The Battle for Our Better Angels by Pulitzer prize-winning author and historian Jon Meacham. We will also hear from Dan and Rachel Mondragon about their experience with Cleo Parker Robinson, legendary Denver arts leader, who recently presented an evening of discussion, dance and dialogue at the Arvada Center.

#### ITEM OF INTEREST

The July 29, 2021 edition of the Denver Post included an article entitled State lawmakers work to strip old "whites only" covenants. The article elaborated on one man's search for truth on the history of the home he had owned in Hartford, Connecticut since 1950. "Tucked in a list of rules on the home's original deed from the developer was a provi-

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#### **Caring Connections Continued**

sion that said: "No persons of any race other than the white race shall use or occupy any building or any lot," with the exception of "domestic servants of a different race." Even though such covenants are unenforceable today, many remain on paper. For more information or to read this article, you can search digital editions of the Denver Post or contact kbarritt@comcast.net.

To learn more about this lively and loving discussion group, please contact Karen Barritt or Dan Mondragon. To participate in the ZOOM discussion, find the link in the Weekly Update or contact the church office.

#### Crafters of the King Monday, September 20, 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.



Thank you Mike Paugh and Larry Healy for all the time end effort you've put in on the HVAC system and the mold remediation.

Thank you Cathy Atkinson and Michelle Bredine for providing music Sunday, September 5.

Thank you to all those who have helped with the funeral services and receptions we've been having.

Thank you to all those who are working hard to get the church offices up to current technology.

Thank you to all of you as you continue to register for Sunday services as we journey through the COVID pandemic together.

### Parish Life

#### 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

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#### 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
Melissa Powell	07
Tom Scholle	08
Michelle Bredine	10
Kaela Bredine	14
Elizabeth Ann Allan	19
Patrice Mondragon	28
Rob Jones	30



#### **Readings for September**

September 5—Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 Psalm 125 James 2:1-17 Mark 7:24-37

September 12-Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proverbs 1:20-33 Psalm 19 James 3:1-12 Mark 8:27-38

September 19th-Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Proverbs 31:10-31 Psalm 1 James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a Mark 9:30-37

September 26th-Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 Psalm 124 James 5:13-20 Mark 9:38-50

# Fixers & Tenders Saturday, September 11, 8:30 a.m.

Contact Mike Paugh with any questions.

### Worship and Music





#### Sunday—Holy Eucharistic Services

<u>Sunday Worship</u>, 9:30am Our services are now being held in the church with restricted attendance while being live streamed on <u>YouTube</u>. 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

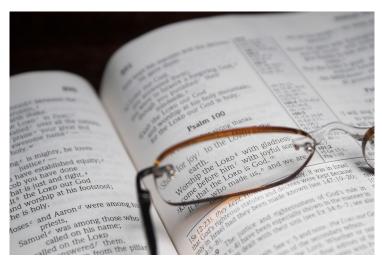
Join in from home using Zoom. Ros Patterson, Jean Thayer and Jessica Starbird will lead the service; others are welcome to lead as you are comfortable. Contact the office if interested in joining or use the Zoom link in the Weekly Update.



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

Members of the Chi Rho Handbell Choir have been meeting at the Church, please contact Andi for meeting times. Part of the Worshiping Voices Choir or would like to join please contact Andi for more information.

### **Faith Formation**



#### Bible Study Group Tuesdays at 2:00pm beginning September 14

The Bible Study group will resume meeting on Zoom, Tuesday, September 14th. The Bible Study Group invites all interested to join! Look for the Zoom link in the Weekly Update or contact the office for a Zoom invite.



#### **CTK Book Club**

The Book Club is on hiatus until future notice.

#### Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

The Men's Breakfast and Bible study is anticipating returning soon. Hopefully in Kempsell hall or outside with food and a topic that should be of interest to any and all men. 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.

Watch this space for further updates and plan on joining your fellow friends and parishioners for you spiritual growth journey with food for thought! - Tom

### **Beyond Our Walls**

# **National Preparedness Month**Prepare to Protect



#### September is National Preparedness Month

Arvada is a great place to live, work and play. We are lucky to live close to natural resources like Ralston Creek, Van Bibber Creek and the open space areas along the Foothills of the Rocky Mountains and throughout our City. Living in Arvada means understanding the hazards we face, including severe winter storms, extreme heat and cold, flooding and wildfire.

Each September, we recognize National Preparedness Month to promote family and community disaster planning.

#### Make A Plan

Talk to your friends and family about how you will communicate before, during, and after a disaster. Make sure to update your plan based on the Centers for Disease Control rec-

ommendations due to the Corona-virus. <u>Create your family emergency communication plan.</u>

#### **Build A Kit**

Gather supplies that will last for several days after a disaster for everyone living in your home. Don't forget to consider the unique needs each person or pet may have in case you have to evacuate quickly. Update your kits and supplies based on recommendations by the Centers for Disease Control. <u>Emergency Supply List</u>

#### Low-Cost, No-Cost Preparedness

Natural disasters don't wait for a convenient time. Preparing for them shouldn't wait either. Start today by signing up for <u>alerts</u>, safe-guarding important documents, and taking other low cost and no cost preparedness actions to lessen the impact of disasters and emergencies for you and your family.

#### **Teach Youth About Preparedness**

Talk to your kids about preparing for emergencies and what to do in case you are separated. Reassure them by providing information about how they can get involved.

Info from:

<u>The Arvada Report, August/September pg. 5</u> <u>https://www.ready.gov/september</u>



## 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 <u>church office</u> (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%, depend-

ing 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 <a href="https://www.kingsoopers.com/i/community/community-rewards">www.kingsoopers.com/i/community/community-rewards</a>, 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.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	6:00pm Climate Care Team	8:00am Morning Prayer	4 1:00pm Funeral Terry Thomson
5 9:30am Holy Eucharist 11:00am Parking Lot Chat	6  Office Closed  10:00am  Crafters of the  King  7:00pm  Search  Committee	7:00pm Executive Committee Meeting	6:45pm Finance Mtg.  8:30pm Compline	9	8:00am Morning Prayer	11 8:30am Fixers & Tenders
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