



The CTK
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Christ the King Lutheran Church

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Wilbraham, Massachusetts

"PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS TO ALL"

FROM THE PASTOR

Flying By

I know you're hearing it everywhere – I know you're asking the same thing yourself – I know it's trite, but honestly: where did the summer go? It seems like just yesterday we were wrapping up Sunday School, and vacation plans were still being formulated. By the time you read this, you will likely be traveling home from vacation, school shopping will commence, and the weather will begin to cool. I know it's like this every year, but the summer really did fly by.

Things have been quiet here at CTK, as they often are during the summer months. But we entered June with a bang – over 100 people attended our Sunday worship service that featured the Wilbraham Men's Glee Club. The Club delighted all in attendance with their musical offering that gave thanks for their time rehearsing at CTK this year. June also featured "Bring a Friend Sunday", Synod Assembly in Springfield, and the "Red Hot Summer" Grand Finale concert from the Joy of Music Concert Series. At CTK in June, things were happening!

Later in June and into July, Carolyn and I took a wonderful trip out to Minnesota. Along the way we saw friends and a concert by my favorite band. In Minnesota, we took in a Twins game and joyfully participated in the wedding of Carolyn's sister, Betsy. We also spent some time vacationing with my family in Maine and New Hampshire. This time away both rejuvenated us and made us excited to return to our work, excited for the year ahead.

I was privileged to spend a week in July serving as family camp chaplain at Calumet. The highlight was preaching and presiding at worship in the Outdoor Chapel. Over 550 people were in attendance, and the weather couldn't have been more beautiful. Back at Christ the King, highlights from the summer months have included rehearsals for a men's quartet led by Tom Johnson, the continuation of our Loaves and Fishes ministry, and even a special summer edition of Faith on Tap. Despite the slower pace, wonderful things are happening at CTK.



And speaking of wonderful things happening at CTK, I hope you're ready for an amazing fall. A newly formed Christian Education team has been planning a fabulous year of Sunday morning learning and fun. It all kicks off with **Rally Day on September 8th**. Sunday mornings will rotate between age-specific classroom sessions, intergenerational events, and events focused on Faith in the Home

(See pages 3 and 4). Also this fall, we will continue our popular Faith on Tap program with monthly offerings at McLadden's (See page 3). Also, coming soon, our acclaimed Joy of Music Concert Series returns. There really are some wonderful things happening this fall at CTK.

So get excited, and be ready for some wonderful ministry together this year. And remember, this community we call Christ the King is just that – a community. Without our members and friends, we would be left with just a building. But together, as the Body of Christ in this place, God can use us to do some wonderful things. As God's people, we know the joy of living in God's abundant grace. This year, let's celebrate, and share that grace together in a big way.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Nathaniel

We strive to be a congregation so empowered by the Gospel message and our unity in Christ that we work together to minister to those in need and proclaim the Good News to all.



Christ the King Council officers are:

President - Kevin Hinkamaper, Vice-President - Catherine Olson
Treasurer - Peter Van Beaver, Financial Secretary - Melissa Springer



Other Council members:

Tom Henry, Martha Mensing, and Jessica Henry (youth representative)

PASTOR NATHANIEL'S OFFICE HOURS



Please note a change in Pastor Nathaniel's office hours beginning in September. They will be as follows and by appointment.

Monday: 9:00 a.m. - noon at CTK
Tuesday: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. at CTK
Wednesday: 9 a.m. to noon at The Village Store, 462 Main Street, Wilbraham

Please call the church office, as Pastor Nathaniel from time to time will have specially scheduled events or pastoral emergencies.

As a new addition, look for evening hours at McLadden's in Hampden and the Tap Room in Wilbraham, perhaps one or two scheduled each month at varying times and places. These will be posted in the newsletter each month and weekly bulletin. The first scheduled date is **Monday, September 16th, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at McLadden's Irish Publick House, 546 Main Street, Hampden.**

WORSHIP AND MUSIC NEWS

Parish Choir . . .

Sunday, September 1st, at 9:30 a.m. is the last morning for pick-up choir. Please join us one last time to learn a hymn and perform it for the service that morning.

Wednesday, September 4th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. is the beginning of weekly Parish Choir rehearsals. Please join us if you are interested in singing, having fun, and praising God through song. All are welcome!

Joy of Music Concert Series . . .

The opening concert for the 2013-2014 Joy of Music Concert Series will be held on **Saturday, September 21st, at 7:30 p.m.** The series welcomes back the vibrant four-hand piano duo BeloSom, featuring Patricia Guadagnoli and Lee Hagon. BeloSom will be performing a varied program of beautiful music from Latin cultures, including Argentina, Brazil, Spain, Cuba, Italy, and Portugal. For more information about BeloSom, please visit www.belosompianoduo.com.

Coffee Hour . . .

Thank you to those who signed up to help with the coffee hour after the 10:00 a.m. service on Sundays. Because there are five people who have signed up to be on the schedule from September to June, there will be Sundays that no one will be scheduled to host this fellowship time after the Sunday service. If you wish to help, please sign up on the sheet that will be posted in the "warming room" on the refrigerator. Thanks in advance for your help!

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

Christ the King will be welcoming new members during worship on **Sunday, October 20th**. A reception will follow worship. Membership is an intentional commitment to share in the ministry of this community, while enabling members to vote and hold office in the congregation. If you are interested in membership, please contact Pastor Nathaniel.



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A NEW YEAR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Whether you're 3, 13, or prefer to leave the "age" field blank on any non-governmental form, there is something for you on Sunday mornings at CTK!

Classes include:

- Pre-K – grade 1
- Grades 2-5
- Confirmation (grades 6-8)
- SHOE (high school)
- Adult forum



This year, we kick off an exciting new format for our Sunday morning Christian Education. The curriculum is divided up into units of 4 Sundays. For most groups, 2 of those Sundays will be in their classroom. Other Sundays include:

Intergenerational Events – All ages (except for our youngest children, who will be in their classroom) will get together to share in learning and fun.

Family Days – All parents and their children will gather to share a lesson, as well as to learn about faith practices in the home. Support will be given to parents on teaching prayer and Bible reading practices to their children. Everyone will get a chance to practice different faith practices they can bring home with them and implement into their faith-building routine. (Adult forum will meet separately.)

SHOE will have a slightly different schedule. In addition, a special Confirmation Class will be offered for High Schoolers, who have not yet been confirmed. Because of the variability of the schedule, and occasionally the time and location of classes, it's important to consult the Christian Education Schedule on [page 4](#). The schedule will also be included online, on the master calendar, and in "This Week at CTK".

Rally Day is September 8th – be sure to register soon and plan on participating in this new and exciting year of Sunday School. Register online at www.ctkwilbraham.org, or fill out a registration form in the Fellowship Hall.

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By appointment

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FAITH ON TAP

Faith on Tap is a monthly gathering of Christians, seekers and everyone in between. We share a couple pints and a lot of laughs as we



explore our faith and what it means to be a Christian in the 21st century. **Everyone 21+ is welcome!** Join us for our next event: **Sunday, September 8, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.** at McLadden's Irish Publick House, 546 Main Street, Hampden. Childcare is available at CTK. Drop your children off starting at 3:15 p.m.

This month's topic is "Did Gandhi go to heaven? - Religious Pluralism".

LOAVES AND FISHES

Thank you to all who have volunteered to shop or cook for the meal sent the first Wednesday every month to Loaves and Fishes in Springfield. A copy of the menu is available in the "warming room". If anyone else would like to help, or if there are any questions, please contact Ellen Henry at thehenrys6@charter.net.

September 3 Cook/September 4 Food Delivery

Shopper: Buffy Mayo

Cooks: Kelly Comeau/Barb Fisher

October 1 Cook/October 2 Food Delivery

Shopper: Buffy Mayo

Cooks: Linda Van Beaver/Melissa Springer

CALLING ALL QUILTERS

The quilting session of the fall will be held on **Wednesday, September 18, beginning at 9:00 a.m.** All are welcome, and no sewing experience is necessary.



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Pastor Nathaniel's online tools:

Twitter: www.twitter.com/PastorNanderson

Blog: <http://pastornanderson.blogspot.com/>

Facebook page: www.facebook.com/PastorNanderson

Fran's Hours . . . Monday through Thursday - 9:00 a.m. to noon.

2013-2014 EDUCATION SCHEDULE

***LESSON DAYS** – EVERYONE IN INDIVIDUAL CLASS-ROOMS,
GROUPED BY AGE, JUST AS WE DID LAST YEAR.

***INTERGENERATIONAL DAYS - Large group activity including all ages, grade one to adult (pre-k will remain in their own separate classroom unless specified).**

***FAMILY DAYS** – Family Activities, pre-k and elementary kids with their parents. (Adult Forum will meet separately for study).

****NOTE:** Some activities meet AFTER church. On these days, the ages involved in the activity DO NOT meet for class before church.

SEPTEMBER

- 8 Intergenerational Day/Rally Day**
- 15 *Family Day – Kickoff faith at home*
- 22 LESSON DAY – OLD TESTAMENT**
- 29 LESSON DAY – OLD TESTAMENT**

OCTOBER

- 6 LESSON DAY – HUNGER**
- 13 **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR ADULT FORUM**
- 20 *Family Day – Crop Walk FOLLOWING WORSHIP- all ages welcome.)*
- 27 LESSON DAY – HUNGER**

NOVEMBER

- 3 Intergenerational Day – Church scavenger hunt FOLLOWING WORSHIP**
- 10 **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR ADULT FORUM**
- 17 LESSON DAY – CHRISTMAS**
- 24 *Family Day – Christmas, making Advent wreaths/calendars*

DECEMBER

- 1 **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR ADULT FORUM**
- 8 LESSON DAY – CHRISTMAS**
- 15 Intergenerational Day – Trip to Heifer Farm FOLLOWING WORSHIP- all ages welcome**
- 22 PRACTICE MUSIC FOR SPECIAL MUSIC DURING WORSHIP –**
- DETAILS TO FOLLOW**
- 29 **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR ADULT FORUM**

JANUARY

- 5 *Family Day – Holy Communion*
- 12 LESSON DAY – HOLY COMMUNION**
- 19 **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR ADULT FORUM**
- 26 LESSON DAY – HOLY COMMUNION**

FEBRUARY

- 2 Intergenerational Day – Holy Communion, Bread Baking**
- 9 LESSON DAY – HOLY COMMUNION**
- 16 **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR ADULT FORUM**
- 23 **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR ADULT FORUM**

MARCH

- 2 LESSON DAY – NEW TESTAMENT**
- 9 *Family Day - New Testament*
- 16 Intergenerational Day – New Testament**
- 23 LESSON DAY – EASTER**
- 30 LESSON DAY – EASTER**

APRIL

- 6 *Family Day – Easter, Benjamin's Box*
- 13 Intergenerational Day – Easter, Pretzel Baking**
- 20 **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR ADULT FORUM**
- 27 **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR ADULT FORUM**

MAY

- 4 *Family Day - Spiritual Gifts/Pentecost*
- 11 LESSON DAY – SPIRITUAL GIFTS/PENTECOST**
- 18 LESSON DAY – SPIRITUAL GIFTS/PENTECOST**
- 25 **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR ADULT FORUM**

JUNE

- 1 Intergeneration Day – Spiritual Gifts/Pentecost, prayer partners, after church BBQ**

CTK PEOPLE

Remember in your prayers . . .

A complete prayer listing is available through the Prayer Chain. If you wish to be added, please e-mail Fran at office@ctkwilbraham.org, or call 596-3045.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY - PHOTO SESSIONS



It's been a number of years since Christ the King has put together a pictorial directory. Sign up in the Fellowship Room, call (596-3045), or email the church office (office@ctkwilbraham.org) to set up a session with our own Tom Henry. Times include:

- Wednesday, September 4 - 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.
- Saturday, September 7 - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 10 - 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.
- Saturday, September 14 - 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Prints will also be available at a nominal cost. Sign up today!

SOCIAL MINISTRY

(The following is a letter from The Community Survival Center.)

Dear Friends at Christ the King Lutheran,

June 30th, 2013, closed the 30th fiscal year for The Community Survival Center. The Board of Directors, staff, and families would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your continued support in the last twelve months. Your donations of \$1,885 and

1,373 pounds of food were greatly appreciated. The continued support from the parishioners of Christ the King Lutheran has allowed the Center to assist all the individuals who have requested help over the last 30 years.

Thanks to the continuing generosity of so many caring and concerned individuals, we will be able to continue our vital food programs, which offered food security to over 11,549 men, women, and children this past fiscal year. During the coming months, the number of families seeking help will increase considerably and so will the need for continuing donations, both monetary and food items.

For over thirty years, the Center, with the support from the community, has been able to assist thousands of individuals with food, clothing, or household items. This past year, 37,378 individuals received clothing and/or household items in our program. Another 12,416 helped to support our efforts by shopping in our Thrift Shop, where all the proceeds support our work. All of this was made possible through the donations of food, clothing, and household items that we are so dependent on. Without your help, our work would not be possible.

On behalf of the 14,756 families whose lives we've touched because of you –

Thank You.

Jacqueline A. Madden
Executive Director

'How Men Think about God, Sex, and Money'

Calumet Men's Retreat
Oct. 18-20

Yes, that is the title of the Calumet Men's Retreat. **Bishop Jim Hazelwood** is the retreat leader, and his three talks "For Men Only" will wrestle with the unique ways men approach these subjects. He'll use studies from as disparate fields as depth psychology, philosophy and recent win-loss percentages of left-handed pitching in Major League Baseball.

"I'm weaving together a spirituality of male intimacy in this retreat," Bishop Hazelwood says. "I think men in our culture have inherited some unhelpful perspectives on money, sex & God. While I'm not aiming to overturn a thousand years of thinking, I do think that we can explore and surface some of these unhelpful world views. As is usual for my approach to such matters, we'll use zaniness, humor and playfulness while also integrating Biblical stories. Even if nothing new emerges, we'll have a good time." In case you



haven't figured it out, Bishop Hazelwood believes in a Spirituality of Fun. Men can register for this retreat at Camp Calumet by contacting betsy@calumet.org.

(The following is an excerpt of an article found on the website of the New England Synod of the ELCA.)

Rev. Elizabeth Eaton Elected Presiding Bishop of the ELCA

The Rev. Elizabeth Eaton, bishop of the Northeastern Ohio Synod, was elected at the ELCA's Church-wide Assembly, held at

the David L. Lawrence Convention Center in Pittsburgh, Pa. Rev. Eaton was first elected Northeast Ohio's bishop in 2006, having spent 15 years as the pastor at Messiah Lutheran church in Ashtabula, Ohio.

Eaton won election to the office of presiding bishop on the fifth and final ballot, earning 600 of the 889 votes cast. The Rev. Mark Hanson, who has served as the ELCA's presiding bishop for the last 12 years, received 287 votes. The election came at the end of three days of voting, starting with the first ballot on Monday, Aug. 12.

Rev. Eaton is a native of Cleveland, Ohio, and is married to the Rev. Conrad Selnick, an Episcopal priest serving St. Christopher's by-the-River, Gates Mills, Ohio. They are parents of two daughters, Rebeckah and Susannah.

15 Aug
Written by Andy Merritt for Stories of Faith in Action

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America made history today, electing the first woman bishop in its 25-year history.



IMMANUEL-GRACE LECTURESHIP PRESENTATION

“The Ten Parallel: The Global Encounter of Christianity and Islam”

By Eliza Griswold

**Wednesday, September 25
at 7:00 p.m.**

**Franklin Patterson Hall at
Hampshire College**

Organized in 2011 by Immanuel Lutheran and Grace Episcopal Church in Amherst, this ecumenical series of lectures fosters informed

dialogue on vital issues affecting us today, offering a space where civic-minded people of all faiths and philosophies are welcome to explore new ways of thinking about the contemporary world.

Eliza Griswold, currently a Guggenheim fellow, received the Anthony J. Lukas prize for her best-selling book *The Tenth Parallel: Dispatches from the Fault Line Between Christianity and Islam*, published in 2010. Her reporting on religion, conflict, human rights, and

environmental issues has appeared in *The New Yorker*, *The Atlantic Monthly*, *Harpers*, and *The New Republic*, among others. Her first book of poems, *Wideawake Field*, was published in 2007. She is currently at work on a collection of poems of Afghan women, as well as a second volume of her own poetry.

The lecture is free and open to the public.



SEPTEMBER 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 15th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 Pick-up Choir 10:00 Holy Communion	2 Labor Day	3 6:00 Cooking for Loaves & Fishes	4 Noon Loaves & Fishes 5:30-8:00 Photo Sessions 7:00 Parish Choir	5	6	7 9:00-1:00 Photo Sessions
8 16th Sunday after Pentecost RALLY DAY 8:45-9:45 Education Hour* 10:00 Holy Communion 3:30 Faith on Tap-McLadden's	9	10 5:30-8:00 Photo Sessions	11 7:00 Parish Choir	12	13	14 Holy Cross Day Noon-4:00 Photo Sessions
15 17th Sunday after Pentecost 8:45-9:45 Education Hour* 10:00 Holy Communion	16 5:00-7:00 Pastor's Office Hours at McLadden's	17 Citizenship Day (observed)	18 9:00 Quilting 7:00 Parish Choir	19	20	21 Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist 7:30 BeloSom Concert
22 18th Sunday after Pentecost 8:45-9:45 Education Hour* 10:00 Holy Communion Fall Begins	23	24	25 7:00 Parish Choir	26	27	28
29 19th Sunday after Pentecost 8:45-9:45 Education Hour* 10:00 Holy Communion	30	<i>*See page 4 in newsletter for planned event for the day.</i>		<i>Pastor Nathaniel's Office Hours: Mon: 9:00 a.m.-Noon at CTK Tues: 1:00-4:00 p.m. at CTK Wed: 9:00 to Noon at The Village Store, Main St., Wilb.</i>		



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9/1 Kelly Comeau	Kelly Comeau-reader
9/8 Catherine Olson	Ruth Kruger-reader
9/15 Bill Leslie	Linda Van Beaver-reader
9/22 Faith Lund	York Mayo-reader
9/29 Dick Oswald	Helene Pickett-reader

ACOLYTES

USHERS

GREETERS

9/1 Alf & Joan Monrad
9/8 Dave Silva
9/15 Helene Pickett
9/22 Karen Moreau
9/29 Fran Selva

NURSERY

ALTAR GUILD

Karen Moreau, Melissa Springer

COFFEE HOST/HOESSTESS

9/1 Fran Selva
9/8 Kelly Comeau
9/15
9/22 Andrea Hinkamper
9/29 Ruth Kruger

COUNTER for September

ASSISTANT COUNTER

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