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MESSAGE FROM PASTOR SMITH

FEBRUARY 2018

Dearly beloved of Christ the King;

Some time ago I sat in a dentist's chair enjoying the unique pleasures of a root canal. Contemporary dentist offices are unlike our childhood. Back in the day, it was a "no frills" experience. Typically, a gentle but forceful man would dive into your mouth, do what had to be done without many apologies, and then send you on your way. During this particular procedure I was treated to a set of goggles that displayed a movie of my choice, complete with headphones – all while the medical professional drilled into my tooth to remove the nerve in the root and the infection in the soft tissue.

I chose a comedy. I figured, "why not watch something funny while enduring this awful medieval torture." Mouth full cotton, goggles showing some goofy juvenile fare, headphones conveying the dialogue, and the drill penetrating the unhappy tooth – I'm sure I was a sight. And then it happened – the dentist's drill touched an un-numb aspect of the nerve and the funniest line in the movie played across the goggles/headphones. I was conflicted. Laughter and pain, physical alarm and mental humor – both equally strong. The sound coming from my voice was likely inscrutable. Two competing realities collided.

This year, Ash Wednesday is on Valentines Day (February 14th). Romance and penitence are competing realities that will collide in two weeks' time. I suspect that many of y'all have certain traditions surrounding Valentines Day and going to church is likely not one of them. Ash Wednesday is not akin to sitting in the dentist's chair, but it does bring a certain discomfort. You are well aware of the fact that the spiritual life at Christ the King is not built on cotton candy or sinking sand. The substantive truth of God's Word in all of its splendor animates our happy fellowship. God's counsel, all of God's counsel, is considered and extolled – all for our

profit. The rhythm of the church year is the rhythm of Christ's life. We adopt that rhythm as we follow our Lord. A critical stop along that yearly path is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.

Good Friday, at the end of Lent, is the commemoration of the death and burial of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Ash Wednesday, at the beginning of Lent, is the commemoration of our death and burial. Our sin is examined in sober detail. The repercussions of our sin is also noted and confessed. This is as productive an exercise as the church knows. It is not the well who need a physician, but the sick. So said the Good Physician, the Lord Christ. He is the only One who brings genuine health to a dying people. Every Christian is to recognize their condition and the extraordinary action taken by the Almighty to deliver us from sin and death. Faith grows when we consider precisely what precipitates Jesus passion, crucifixion, and death. Ash Wednesday is a particular blessing to Christ's church and it has no substitute. I fervently encourage you to make good use of what is offered you this February 14th.

Lest anyone accuse me of advocating a reduced romantic life, let me offer an alternative. Celebrate Valentines Day on the 13th or the 15th this year. Roses, chocolate, dinner and a bottle of wine – it will be equally fantastic on Tuesday or Thursday – save Ash Wednesday for your soul and the soul of your beloved.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Smith



Happy New Year!

News from the Conrads serving in Mexico

lcms.org/conrad

Greetings in the name of the Lord! We pray that all of you had a blessed Christmas and New Year celebration. Long after we put away the Christmas lights the glory of the Lord continues to shine throughout the world!

Dan is now serving as the interim pastor at Buen Pastor while the Schlunds are on their furlough to the United States.



This last week at Buen Pastor the congregation celebrated its Epiphany service with a special Mexican treat called Rosca de Reyes which is a sweet round, cake or oval shaped Mexican bread, decorated with slices of crystallized or candied fruit. The King cake is also called: biscuit, cake or sweet bread to celebrate the three kings.

Dan continues teaching his exegetical course on the Gospel of John.

It is quite an experience to teach seminarians from five different Latin American countries! The class takes place on Thursday mornings from 8:30 in the morning until 12 o'clock noon. The students have been working very hard and will be a great blessing to their respective national churches when they are ordained.

The ongoing challenge that we have in Mexico is that of forming national pastors. We give thanks to God for these future Mexican national pastors that are in formation and pray for future vocations.

At the present time we are celebrating the Epiphany season. At the same time the churches are getting prepared for their Ash Wednesday celebrations that will take place on the 14th of February. We pray that all of you have a blessed Ash Wednesday celebration!

During the latter part of December and the first week of January the amount of traffic diminished significantly due to the school's and companies' holiday vacation time. It is now back to the normal hectic pace!

On a Personal Note



We are now back to normal emotionally again after the break-in of our apartment. We again thank God that we were away when it happened and for that reason none of us suffered any bodily harm. It will take a while to replace everything that was stolen but material things can be replaced.

Everything is fine with our health. Ana has a few more appointments with her orthodontist before she is done with her braces.

We thank God for the mission in Mexico as we build up existing congregations and provide Biblical training for national pastors, deacons, and deaconesses. Prayerfully consider how the Lord may be leading you to support this vital mission. The Lord provides the funding for his missionaries efforts through the donations of His local churches and its individual members. Through your financial donations national pastors and deaconess will be formed and mentored that they may spread the Gospel throughout Mexico. Together we partner with God to take the Gospel to the far ends of the earth. Blessings on your Epiphany season!

Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. (Hebrews 13:20-21)

Soli Deo Gloria

Daniel, Kathy, and Ana



March for **LIFE** with the LCMS

I am a God of Life.
 So said our triune Lord.
 It is He who gives the
 gift that we all possess.
 What God gives, we defend.





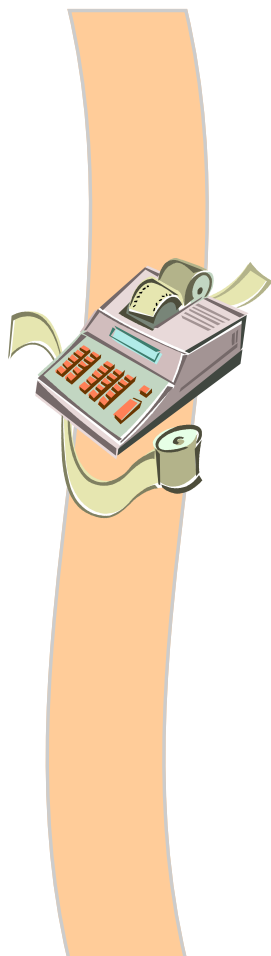
Christ the King – Missions

We at Christ the King support numerous missions locally and around the world.



December 2017 Mission Support

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church	\$350.00
Concordia Theological Seminary	\$200.00
Lutherans for Life	\$200.00
Pregnancy & Family Resource Center	\$200.00
Tian Shan Mission Society	\$200.00
Youth Hope Foundation of Redlands	\$200.00
LCMS World Mission	\$250.00
Seminary Support - Justin Woodside	\$1,000.00
Total Cash Contributions	\$2,600.00



CTK DECEMBER 2017 TREASURE'S REPORT

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income

400.00 GENERAL OFFERINGS	\$34,887.11	\$ 278,547.69
420.00 OTHER OPERATING INCOME	\$ 2,287.00	\$ 27,173.41
430.00 INTEREST INCOME	\$ 338.19	\$ 2,004.34
440.00 FUNDRAISING INCOME	\$ 1,045.00	\$ 5,804.00

Total Income

\$38,557.30	\$ 313,529.44
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Expense

500.00 ACTIVITIES	\$ 248.14	\$ 19,262.73
520.00 ADMINISTRATION	\$ 983.51	\$ 24,283.97
525.00 BANK FEES	\$ -	\$ 34.50
530.00 MAINTENANCE	\$ 433.22	\$ 9,341.85
540.00 MISSIONS	\$ 1,900.30	\$ 20,402.16
550.00 SALARIES AND WAGES	\$13,496.55	\$ 153,545.83
560.00 PAYROLL EXPENSES/BENEFITS	\$ 3,872.10	\$ 43,882.94
570.00 PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	\$ 4,100.37	\$ 7,665.99
580.00 WORSHIP	\$ 519.51	\$ 3,524.56

Total Expense

\$25,553.70	\$ 281,944.53
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Net Ordinary Income

\$13,003.60	\$ 31,584.91
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LWML NEWS-February 2017



February 24th at 5:00PM — CHILI COOK OFF & POTLUCK!

Sign up in the overflow to enter the Chili Cook Off

Contest or for something to share. Everyone votes for their favorites so come for tastings and voting between 5-5:30pm. After that, you can grab a tasty bowl of chili and other delicious foods to enjoy your dinner in good company.



February 25th — Undie Sunday Many destitute people in and around our Pacific Southwest District including Tijuana, Mexico need basic necessities like good underwear and socks. Children in Tijuana must have socks to go to school. Here's how you can help! Collect NEW underwear for Orphan Grain Train to distribute to needy people! Men's, women's, boy's and girl's all sizes are needed. 100% cotton is the most useful kind. Please place your donations in the box in the narthex by February 25. Thank you.



MAY 26th - SPRING FLING - Anne of Green Gables play at Lifehouse Theatre. Watch for the more information in upcoming bulletin.



Remember that mites are collected each month, on the 3rd Sunday, or any time your mite box is full.

Dear Pastor Smith,
my name is Ginny Beck. I'm writing to tell you how blessed I am in discovering your congregation "Stations of the Cross" on my early morning walk. I thank Jesus every time I make my way in the Garden stopping to pray at each station, at least two times a week. It is comforting and a wonderful way to thank Lord Jesus for His gift of eternal life to us/me.

Blessings Ginny Beck



CTK February 2018 Events

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Believers waken to repentance, faith, and new life
through the living and active word of God

ASH WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 14TH

Return to me with all your Heart, with
fasting, with weeping and with mourning;
and rend your hearts and not your garments.

Joel 3:12-13

***FEBRUARY 21ST**

Broken Cisterns, Broken Faith
Jeremiah 2:1-19

***FEBRUARY 28TH**

Amend Your Ways and Your Deeds
Jeremiah 7:1-15



***MARCH 7TH**

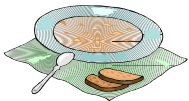
Remember Me and Visit Me. I Am Called
by Your Name, O Lord, God of Hosts
Jeremiah 15:15-21

***MARCH 14TH**

The Lord Tests the Heart
Jeremiah 15:5-13

***MARCH 21ST**

God is the Potter, We are the Clay.
His Hand Works Virtue



STARTING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST -WEDNESDAYS DURING LENT SOUP/SALAD SUPPERS

Preceding the Lenten Vespers Services will be a soup/salad dinner @ 6:00PM. Please come and join us for food and fellowship Please sign-up in the church overflow to bring a soup, salad, bread, or dessert.



COUPLES BIBLE STUDY

FRIDAY at 7:30pm, February 2nd

Join us in Pastor Smith's home for an
enlightening time as we study God's Word
and in the light of God's gift of marriage, followed by
choice desserts. Hope to see you there



CTK WOMEN'S COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

3RD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH AT 9AM

Set aside an hour to have to enjoy some
sisterly fellowship and café refreshments at the
ESRI Café, located at 380 New York Street in Redlands
(south of the post office). Hope to see you there.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY



Please join us on Wednesday mornings at
9:30am in St John the Evangelist Hall.
Everyone is welcomed.

NOTE: No morning bible study on February 14th thru 28th.
Please join us for Ash Wednesday and Vespers at 7pm.

Bible Study Saturday Mornings **@ 8a.m. - 9a.m.**



With Deacon Russ in the Church Office

Anniversaries



02/21 Thomas & Donna Crowley



Birthdays



02/02 Emily Crowley	02/15 Ezra Woodside
02/07 Ricky Gross	02/18 Renee Murphy
02/07 Sierra Scott	02/20 Kaye Deen
02/09 Jeff Egeland	02/21 Jiggs Gallagher
02/09 Megan Freitas	02/22 Steve Aimar
02/13 Don Krahn	02/25 Patricia Dawley
02/13 Diane Ronchetto	02/25 Doris Herzberger
02/15 Dwayne Danielson	02/27 Brian Romberg

If your special date did not appear or is incorrect, please
contact Cindy Currier at the church office 909-793-5703.

CTK February 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
9:00 AM Divine Service 10:30 AM Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 11:30 AM Jr. Confirmation Class			 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study with Pastor Smith 6:30 PM Choir Practice		7:30 PM Couples Bible Study 	8:00 AM Bible Study with Deacon Russ 
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9:00 AM Divine Service 10:30 AM Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 11:30 AM Jr. Confirmation Class	9:00 PM Lutheran Braille Workers	7:00 PM Evangelism Committee Meeting	7:30 PM Elder Meeting			8:00 AM Bible Study with Deacon Russ 
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9:00 AM Divine Service 10:30 AM Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 11:30 AM Jr. Confirmation Class	5:00 PM Stewardship Meeting	7:00 PM School Board Meeting	 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Divine Service			8:00 AM Bible Study with Deacon Russ 
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
9:00 AM Divine Service 10:30 AM Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 11:30 AM Jr. Confirmation Class		 9:00 AM Women's Coffee Fellowship	6:00 PM Soup Supper 7:00 PM Mid-Week Vespers 8:00 PM Choir Practice			8:00 AM Bible Study with Deacon Russ  5:00 PM LWML  BINGO & Potluck
25	26	27	28	1	2	3
9:00 AM Divine Service 10:30 AM Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 11:30 AM Jr. Confirmation Class		7:00 PM Church Council Meeting	6:00 PM Soup Supper 7:00 PM Mid-Week Vespers 8:00 PM Choir Practice		7:30 PM Couples Bible Study 	8:00 AM Bible Study with Deacon Russ 

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Servants for February 2018



DATE	ACOLYTES	ALTAR	ELDERS
Feb. 4	Lauren Hathaway & Gabriela Vasquez	Anna Bush	Dwayne Danielson
Feb. 11	Emma Hinkleman & Jacob Freitas	Judy Alder	Don David
Feb. 18	Ethan Haarala & Alex Hathaway	Marianne Anderson	John Hinkleman, Sr.
Feb. 25	Jilian Belli & Ava Belli	Joy Phillips	Roger Loewecke
DATE	FLOWERS	DATE	FINANCE
Feb. 4	Anita Steinle	Feb. 4 & 11	Mary Coppenger & Margaret Nowak
Feb. 11	FLOWERS NEEDED	Feb. 18 & 25	Lucy Becker & Roger Loewecke
Feb. 18	Deloris Koller	DATE	USHERS
Feb. 25	Patrick & Amy Edwards	Feb. 4	Joe Vasquez & David Alder
		Feb. 11 & 18	John Mitchell & Mike Bush
		Feb. 25 & Mar. 4	Joe Belli & Glenn Henderson