

CHRIST THE KING HERALD

JANUARY 2025 EDITION

From the Pastor's Desk

12 So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.— Psalms 90:12 ESV



Greetings in the name of our Faithful and Powerful God.

As we begin another year, looking back on the old year and forward to the new year, many emotions can fill our thoughts. We may have sadness over failures of the past year, or even over those things that were not complete failures, but they certainly didn't go as well as we had thought and hoped. We may have grief over a loss or numerous losses we suffered during the year now gone. We may also have pleasant thoughts over achievements and celebrations of this past year. How many of us break our year down into months or weeks or even days? Psalm 90 talks about counting our days, which may not actually mean living with a small mindset, but certainly would have us break our life down into more than just years. Immediately preceding the verse quoted above, the Psalmist Moses spends some time putting life into perspective. For all our days pass away under your wrath; we bring our years to an end like a sigh. The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty; yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away. Who considers the power of your anger, and your wrath according to the fear of you? Psalms 90:9-11 ESV.

These words seem to give an air of despondency, and hopelessness. They seem to be very fatalistic, "What does it matter if I try or not, your wrath is all consuming, and I am so small." But then we get the real lesson. Each day matters, and each day should be looked at as one to get wisdom, to live in wisdom, to put wisdom into practice in what we do. Moses is encouraging the reader to look away from their own power, and to look to the power of the LORD. The Psalm begins with an acknowledgement of God's power and relationship with His people. Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. ² Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. Psalms 90:1-2 ESV.

There was never a time that we were not on God's mind, and there never will be. Generation after generation is loved by Him and preserved by Him. Our lives are held in His hands, but not in a controlling way, rather in a loving and supporting way. His power gives us life and breath, His power gives us strength and opportunity.

We spend time making resolutions on New Year's Eve/Day, and this is not a bad habit. It is good to set our sights on things we would like to do and achieve in the coming year. I am going to make a suggestion for this year. Instead of yearly resolutions, or perhaps in addition to them, we break the year down. Each month on the first day, we prayerfully consider what God would want us to achieve in the coming month, what activities would He enjoy us to spend time in? Further, each Sunday, looking at the week ahead, look at opportunities we anticipate for that week. It doesn't have to be a deep dive and deep study of our lives or the LORD's relationship with us, just prayerful consideration on the wisdom of the LORD. Counting our days and seeking wisdom, as the Psalmist suggests. Finally as we begin our days, thank the LORD for His love and support in the day past, and ask for His love and support to guide us during the coming day.

Yes, I am suggesting we move our resolution process from an annual event to a daily event, but with an added twist of inserting the LORD into the process, rather that the "What would I like to do." Let's make this a year of the LORD, and learn to count our days that we may get a heart of Wisdom. Best wishes for a New Year filled with thoughts about the LORD.

Pastor Tim

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THANK YOU For Your Financial Support

	Actual Givings Received	Total Needed	Difference
First Quarter Total: Second Quarter Total: Third Quarter Total:	\$89,296.70 \$68,491.38 \$76,514.86	\$78,780.00 \$78,780.00 \$78,780.00	\$10,516.69 -\$10,288.62 -\$2,265.14
Fourth Quarter Total:	\$100,795.76	\$78,780.00	\$22,015.76

A WORD OF SINCERE THANKS:

Pastor Brown and the Church Staff would like to thank you all for the "Christmas Gift of Love." May God bless all of you for your thoughtfulness and generosity. We wish all the members and friends of Christ The King a truly blessed New Year in Jesus Christ.

Taking Down The Greens

Sunday, January 5th, 2025

Immediately following the 10:30 AM Worship Service.



A special thank you to all of you who helped make the Bake Sale a huge success! We greatly appreciate it! God's blessings to you all!

Our next meeting will be on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>January 21</u>, <u>at 10:00 AM</u>, in Barnabas Hall. All ladies are invited to join us. Come and learn about us and hear a thoughtful Bible study led by Pastor Brown.

If you are interested in serving our Lord in His missions through our chapter of the LWML, please contact Lois Hintzman, 407-295-9810, or Betty Dorsey, 512-971-1814. If you are unable to attend our meetings but would like to receive our monthly meeting minutes, please contact Lois Hintzman or Betty Dorsey. Also, if you are interested in receiving the LWML daily Mustard Seed devotional online, please go to their website, LCMS.org and go to Mustard Seeds and give them your email address. These devotions are wonderful small nuggets to start your day with God.



Wendy Havens **PreSchool Director** 407-876-8155 ctkpreschool.net whavens@ctkpreschool.net

The Preschool is accepting registrations for the 2024-2025 school year! They offer small class sizes of only 10 students

Our Christmas Program & Pajama Party



You're Invited to Join Us For Preschool Chapel Time Wednesdays at 9:30 AM, in the Sanctuary (Please enter through the side door of the church)



CTK Ladies Social at Panera

Friday, January 31 10:00 AM

Come join us and bring a friend!



The Angel Tree

Thank you to those that so generously supported local families from our Angel Tree. The families were so grateful!

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Wednesday, January 22
7:00 AM—8:00 AM
Please RSVP to Daniel Snook at 443-618-1196.

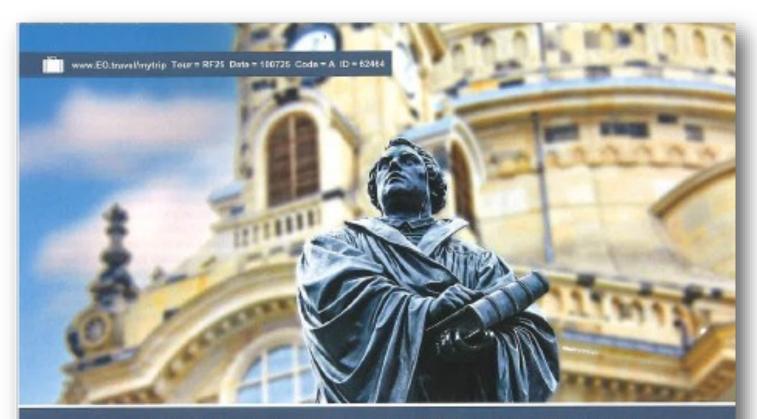
HELP WANTED FOR HOLY COMMUNION

Seeking volunteers to set up Holy Communion trays and clean up after the service. Training is provided. If you are able to commit to doing one or more of these times, please contact Corinne Fennessy at 321-438-9172 or email corinne.fennessy@gmail.com.



USED CEOTHING DROP-OFE SHED

Items Accepted: All Clothing, Shoes, Sneakers, Belts, Purses, Blankets, Towels, Sheets, Pillowcases, Curtains and Stuffed Toys.

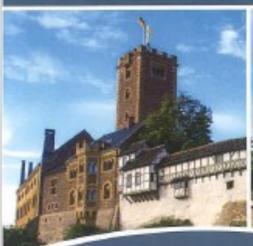


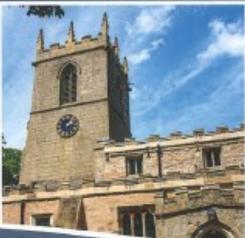
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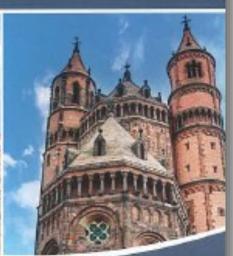
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October 7 - 15, 2025









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Happy Birthday!

01 - Ann Biro

02 - Vallie Gross

04 – Jeremy Hetz 06 – Joseph Bischoff 08 - Tom Haisch

15 – Virginia Fischer Dr. Sue Rolando

17 – Beverly Leitherer

18 - Todd Rhoads **Eelin Snell**

19 – Grant Novotny

20 - Thorvald Brun

21 – Trevor Gehret

23 – Elise Guthrie

24 – Kyle Hilgendorf Amy Weed Sanchez 28 – Leslie Jamieson

29 - Samuel Valuch

Sonia Gonzalez

Prayer Shawl Ministry

If you know of someone needing encouragement and a reminder of God's loving arms around them, prayer shawls and cards are available in the Bride's Room (off of the narthex) Please help yourself or contact Karen (office: 407-876-2771). If you would like information on this ministry, please contact Mary Montie at maryemontie@yahoo.com. New volunteers are welcome anytime.



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Live Video of Worship Services are Available on:

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Ctkorlando.com

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Please follow us on Instagram at ctkorlando

Office Hours: Monday—Friday, 7:00 AM—1:00 PM

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Thursday	2	9 10:00 AM Thursday Morning Bible Class	16 10:00 AM Thursday Morning Bible Class	23 10:00 AM Thursday Morning Bible Class	30 10:00 AM Thursday Morning Bible Class
Wednesday	1	8 9:30 AM Preschool Chapel	15 9:30 AM Preschool Chapel	22 9:30 AM Preschool Chapel	29 9:30 AM Preschool Chapel
Tuesday		7	14	21 10:00 AM LWML	28
Monday		9	13	20	27
Sunday		5 Worship Services: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Fellowship in Barnabas Hall 9:15 AM BC & SS	12 Worship Services: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Fellowship in Barnabas Hall 9:15 AM BC & SS COUNCIL MEETING	19 Worship Services: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Fellowship in Barnabas Hall 9:15 AM BC & SS	26 Worship Services: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Fellowship in Barnabas Hall 9:15 AM BC & SS

BIBLE CLASS/SUNDAY SCHOOL: In Barnabas Hall, Live on YouTube and Facebook. WORSHIP SERVICES: In Sanctuary, Live on YouTube and Facebook.