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Christ the King Lutheran Church
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Bellevue, Nebraska 68147
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## What's Happening This Month!

Monday August 2, 7:00pm - Mosaic Party (Steve's and Pat's Birthday)
Wednesday August 4, 8:00am - Lum's Breakfast Group
Saturday, August 7 - Rytych Wedding
Tuesday August 10, noon - Mothersingers Dominoes
Thursday August 12, 1:00pm - Hand and Foot at Mable Rose
Saturday, August 14, 8:00am - Men's Breakfast at McDonald's
Saturday, August 14, 8:00am - 1:00pm - Basement Sale for Autism Society of America
Sunday, August 15, 10:00am - Backpack Blessing
Sunday , August 15, 4:00pm - Youth Event! Frisbee Golf and Spaghetti Works!
Saturday, August 21, 9:30am - Arrows to Aerospace Parade
Sunday, August 22, 11:15am - SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER'S MEETING!
Wednesday, August 25 7:00pm - CONFIRMATION START-UP MEETING Saturday, August 28 - Keating Auction - Youth do consessions

## WomentílCA量

We are still in the middle of summer but August means back to school for many of our children. I remember when Labor Day was the indicator that school would resume for the new school year. Back then none of our schools were air conditioned and neither were our homes. Air conditioning is one of the modern conveniences that most of us would not be willing to give up. Yet for many people air conditioning is not an affordable option. We have indeed been blessed.

Our Bible study group continues through the summer months. We will meet on Tuesday, August 17 at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our Bible study will focus on "The power of Prayer" based on Ephesians 3:14-21. Harriet Carlson will serve as hostess.

## UPCOMING DATES:

September 18 - Autumn Renewal at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Wahoo. Presenters will be Bob Kasworm, operations leader for Alegent Health, Tanzania and Pastor Martin Russell, assistant to the Bishop Nebraska Synod ELCA. Cost is $\$ 18$. Contact Mardelle for a registration form.
January 15, 2011 - Winter Retreat, Grand Island.

We are no longer collecting UPC's from "Our Family" products. We continue to save the UPC's from Campbell soups (save the entire label) and General Mills "Box Tops for Education". A box for these items is located on the piano in the Fellowship Hall.

## Please make the following changes in your Friends \& Family Directory:

HUDELSON, Gordon
8114 Browne
Omaha, 68134
JONES, Joe \& Tina
Moved to Maryland no
new address available
PRISMANTAS, Valerie
Change phone \# to 630-0959

DANIEL, Merna
10403 Lewis and Clark Rd.
Bellevue, NE 68123
TAYLOR, Jedd \& Regan
Temporary address
P.O. Box 686

Bellevue, 68005
VITAMVAS, Jeremy \& Jamie
Moved to Lincoln no new address available


Grace and Peace!
Some people think that prayer is "saying a prayer" - speaking a particular thought, desire, or intention to God. Prayer, however, can be understood to be more than that.

Prayer, in a broad sense, links all aspects of our lives to God. God is present in all of life. We might set aside certain times and places for worship, but God is not absent from any time or any place. It is right and proper to pray at all times and in all places.

Prayer is the name we give to the experience of being in communication with God, wherever we are and whatever we are doing. In all the various forms and methods of prayer, there is something going on between the believer and God. You are sharing your life: your needs, feelings, concerns, and desires. God is responding with divine presence, consolation, insight, and change.

But prayer is not communication between equals. God is far above and beyond what we can know. God has revealed his heart and will in Jesus and his desire to draw all people to relationship with him. We know God's continuing presence in the Holy Spirit but, we acknowledge that we do not know all there is to know about God.

This tension between knowing and not knowing about God affects our prayer life. This tension between God's otherness and our likeness to God - our creation in God's image - defines some of the struggle in prayer. God is in control but is open to our requests and intercessions. We do not see God but he gives glimpses of his workings and will. We cannot touch him yet he dwells among us and in us through the Holy Spirit. God is distant yet near.

This tension says that prayer needs to be grounded in humility but expressed in faith and hope. Most of Jesus' teaching on prayer focuses on this basic point. We are to come to God as a child to a parent, as a creature to the Creator, as a sinner to the Holy One. But at the same time we are to pray as a friend of God: in confidence that God hears and will respond, persistently and fervently because our prayers make a difference, and in humility but with all confidence and hope because we are the beloved children of God.

Prayer, broadly understood, is also the way we offer all of who we are and what we do in the dialog with God. Our prayer life is a part of our body, mind, feelings, and will. It is a part of our worship, work, play, and rest. As God seeks to be always and everywhere present, so we seek to be always and everywhere present with God.

Prayer is centering our life in our relationship with God in Christ and allowing that center to be present in all we do. Christ will be there when we simply need to feel that our relationship with God is warm and real. Christ will be there for rest, guidance, joy, love, and hope. In prayer we present our whole life and the lives of others to God, so that God may be known and lives may be touched by grace.

As Christ the King seeks to be a people growing in Faith Love and Service to the God who loves us, we need to reach for the One who we proclaim. We need to speak and listen, laugh and cry, dream with and act for the God who has called us to be his people here and now.

At Confirmation Camp this summer our young people explored prayer and have made a tool for prayer; a ring of prayer beads. Check out their explanation of them at the church website's media page and on the following page. Pick up a ring and join them and the rest of your congregation in devoting yourself to be more regular in your prayer life.


# Using Your Christ the King Prayer Beads 

Prayer is simple. Talking and listening to God. But this thing that is so simple seems to be so hard. We don't know what to say and we don't take the time. But we know that we need to talk and listen to God. We need to pray.

Prayer beads have been used for centuries to help people pray. These beads were designed especially for those connected to Christ the King. They help us to think about our mission: Growing in Faith, Love and Service to the God who loves us.

You can carry these prayer beads wherever you go. Keep them in your pocket or bag. Clip them to your keys or backpack. Or, keep them in a special place and make a point of setting aside a moment every day for quiet conversation with God.

Using these beads takes about two minutes. So, it's not a lot of time, but it could be two of the most important minutes in your day.

In time these two minutes will grow to a few more; that's how it is with God. But time with God is restful and refreshing time. And a day spent after being refreshed has more opportunities to experience the joy that Jesus wants for us as we grow in faith, love and service to the God who loves us.

## Bailey Thompson and Kyle Johnson <br> Confirmation Camp Project 2010



## The basic prayer

Say this simple prayer as you hold each colored bead

## Every breath

## You in me Me in you omm 5 sa

## Faith: the red beads

Faith gives hope when life is tough. When you're worried or afraid about the future, God wants us to remember that he holds all things in his hands, that he is always with us and will always love us. Nothing is meaningless or hopeless when we rest with God because nothing can undo what Jesus did for us on the cross.

## Love: the blue beads

The unimaginable love of God, greater than any kind of human love, brings us closer to God and each other. This love is grace. All of creation lives because of this love - and love, like our breath moves in two ways - in and out. To love and be loved is life's awesome gift. Think about the grace-filled love you receive from God and from others and the grace-filled love you are able to give.

## Service: the green beads

The promise of our baptism says that we are good just as we are. We don't do good to earn our salvation. Because of our baptism, the good that we do is for the glory of God. As we pray we ask: How can the will of God be done in me, with me and through me.

## The last bead: the Cross

Many Christian times of prayer end with the Lord's Prayer. It is the prayer that Jesus taught the disciples to pray. It is a good way to end your time with God.

# Frisbee Golf Anyone? 

## Confirmation and <br> Post-Confirmation Youth Event Sunday. August I5, 2010 4pm

Come play frisbee golf at Seymour Smith Park and then lets head to Spaghetti Works in Ralston. This will be a great way to close out the summer before school starts up again. Bring a Frisbee, friends and $\$ 5$ to help cover your meal. We'll meet at the church and PARENTS, since we're headed somewhere, it will mean that we need drivers. We can even set up an old person' foursome. :)


So this year the council has decided to be visibly present in one of the communities that we serve during the Arrows to Aerospace Parade. The Papillion Days Parade was a lot of fun! We would like as many people as possible to ride on the float. We will be lining up at 9:30am beside Lincoln Rd. The parade will start at 10am. This is a fun and easy thing for kids to do. If you have some great ideas and would like to help make them happen, call Harriet at the office 733-3294 and she'll get you in touch with the right people.

## Confirmation Start-Up Meeting

For ALL families involved in Christ the King's Confirmation Ministry! If you've got someone going into sixth or seventh grade or you were in confirmation last year, that's you! Calendars! Camp! What's Going On! All the 411! Don't Miss It! August 25, 2010 at 7pm!

# Do you find it difficult to read the Bible? 

I don't have time. I don't know where to start. It just doesn't make sense to me.
I'm just not that disciplined to do it.
The Sunday Morning Adult Study Group has been talking about how these reasons get in the way of growing in our relationship with God. Reading God's Word is hearing from God and prayer is a natural response that often follows. Listening and talking are how we build relationships with people and the same is true with God.

We have an idea that we think might help some people make reading God's Word a regular part of their devotional life by taking care of some of those reasons for you.

Here is what we are thinking. Give us an email address or cell phone number that receives text messages; or both. Once a week, we will pick out a short (30 words or less) Bible passage and send it to you. When it comes, read it. Our guess is that, more often than not, you will be surprised how God will have something timely to say. How you choose to respond is up to you. Thanks for partnering in ministry with us!

Fill out a form at church or send us your Name, Email or Cell Number (be sure to tell us the carrier) to GodsGift@ctklc-bellevue.org

## Privacy Statement

When you give us your information we will never share, sell, or rent your personal information with third parties for their promotional use. The messages will come from GodsGift@ctklc-bellevue.org and are not generated from a third party. They are composed on and sent from a computer located in the Church Office. The addresses and telephone numbers are stored on this same computer.

## Limited Scope of Purpose

The purpose of the messages is a tool for devotional use for people connected to Christ the King. As such, the church will not regularly send messages that are not devotional. Administrative notices concerning delivery of the messages and emergency notices may be sent as needed.

## Terminating Participation

The recipient database is managed by a person rather than a computer. To be removed from the list, reply to a message with that request. This may take a couple of message cycles.


BDOC is a non-profit club providing obedience training for puppies and older dogs. Bellevue Dog Obedience Club was established in 1973 and is licensed by the American Kennel Club. Their website is www.bdocneb.org.

Beginning August 3, BDOC will be using our building to offer training classes on Tuesdays from 7pm-9pm. This is the fifth community group to use our facilities and we are happy to welcome them here as an outreach into the community.


# Backpack Blessing August 15, 2010 

 August is here! For many families that means school is just around the corner! Shopping for school supplies, books, and fall clothes becomes a part of everyone's schedule. Here at Christ the King, on Sunday, August 15, we want to celebrate and bless the beginning of another school year.Anyone committed to learning, be it in a school, home or workplace; bring your backpacks or lunch boxes, briefcases or laptops to worship at 10:00. We will lift up children and students of all ages, dedicating them to God's glory as we begin a new school year.
A new school year or a new year for work, we ask that God would use our supplies, our equipment, our hands and our feet to help the world; and that we would keep God in the center in all that we do and learn.
Teachers, aides, principals, administrators, secretaries, cooks, librarians, janitors, and bus drivers (that includes mom's or dads that do all the shuttling)...come to church to be blessed, affirmed in your vocation, and encouraged as you serve children and families in your daily work!

# Upeoming Norship Duties 

August Communion Preparation - Norm and Jean Grob

August 1, 2010
Assisting Minister Val Johnson
Acolyte Austin Dyer
Ushers Paul Bernier \& Bernie Drassal

August 8, 2010
Assisting Minister Jodi Keating
Acolyte Erik Junker
Ushers Bill \& Sharon Webb
August 15, 2010
Assisting Minister Jay Welshonse
Acolyte Brandon Robalik
Ushers Norm \& Jean Grob

August 22, 2010
Assisting Minister Gene Schniederman Acolyte Bailey Thompson Ushers Dick \& Jeri Lindauer

## August 29, 2010

Assisting Minister Debbi Cline
Acolyte Austin Dyer
Ushers Phyllis Carlson \& Don Williams
September 5, 2010
Assisting Minister Val Johnson
Acolyte Kyle Johnson
Ushers Dave \& Val Johnson

# Sunday School Teachers Meeting Sunday, August 22, II:I5am Calandars! Christmas Program! What's Going On! 

 All the 411! Don't Miss It!Interested in being on a teaching team or helping... others are always welcome.


I CORINTHIANS 15:54
FloVilla Butler
May 6, 1912-July 20, 2010
FloVilla Faktor was born May 6, 1912 in Mason City lowa. Her early years were spent helping her parents on the farm and, following graduation from high school, taking care of twin sisters, Bettie and Bonnie.
She married Virgil Butler May 12, 1935 and was a partner in his business ventures-an auto business and a motel management in Mason City and an automotive supply company in Greeley, Colorado (30 years). She also had her own career as a nurse's aide in lowa and as chiropractic assistant to her sister Bettie's husband in Colorado.
Flo \& Virg moved to Bellevue from Colorado in 1993 and immediately became a part of our church family which was very important to them. Flo had been active in her Prayer Chain in their former church and asked to be included in our group. At her suggestion we included a scripture verse with every prayer. What started with the Carmines and the senior Butlers having breakfast together at Lum's grew into today's monthly Breakfast Group-a wonderful opportunity for fellowship. Anyone is welcome to join us.
Flo was an elegant lady. Wherever she went she was color coordinated with no hair out of place. We remember her beautiful smile and the twinkle in her eyes. Her presence will be missed.

Jon \& Marge Butler can be reached at 204 Oakridge Ct. Bellevue, 68005

## The Broken Chain

We little knew that morning that God
Was going to call your name. In life we loved you dearly, In death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you, You did not go alone; For part of us went with you, The day God called you home.

You left us peaceful memories, Your love is still our guide; And though we cannot see you, You are always at our side Our family chain is broken, And nothing seems the same; But as God called us one by one, The chain will link again.

Harry G. Hall
June 5, 1931-July 19, 2010
Harry Hall was born June 5, 1931 in Ridgley, Tennessee. He married his beloved wife, Mary on October 14, 1950 in Piggett, Arkansas.
Harry's Air Force career brought the Halls to Omaha. On March 3, 1962 Harry, Mary, daughter Cynthia and son Greg were baptized. The following day the Halls became members of Christ the King Lutheran Church with the Keating and Grob families.
It wasn't long before Harry's gift of leadership was recognized. He was the third president of our congregation, holding that office in 1963 and 1964. By 1970 our congregation had outgrown the first unit and discussions began as to how we could finance the second unit. Harry as newly-elected Vice President played a large role in communicating the lengthy negotiations with the American Lutheran Church and the various contractors to the congregation. Ground was finally broken November 18, 1970. On March 14, 1971 Harry became chairman of the New Building Committee, replacing Col. Ari Staver. A personal note: while over-seeing the building of the church, Harry had time to come to the Carlson home to fix a leaky bathroom faucet while Milo was in Viet Nam! He was a very generous and caring person.
We felt so helpless as Harry struggled with his many health problems during the past several years. Now we can say with assurance, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant...enter thou into the joy of the Lord." (Matthew 25:21).
You may reach Mary Hall at
2812 Hahn Blvd. Bellevue, Nebraska 68123.


Can you believe it has been almost 50 years since 111 men, women and children gathered for worship in the auditorium of the District 43 School on September 11, 1960?
You are invited to participate in Christ the King's Celebration Weekend beginning Friday, September 10 at 7 p.m. There will be an informal gathering of "old friends" including our founding Pastor, LeeRoy Eikanger and his wife Marilyn. Light snacks will be available as you renew friendships, re-live our history through pictures and scrapbooks, watch a continuing video presentation and tour our church facility. Note: Loren Corell, one of our former presidents, will only be available this evening as he is contracted to exhibit his paintings at Rockbrook Village on Saturday and Sunday.
On Saturday morning, our Men's Group will serve a "Re-connection Breakfast" from 9-11 a.m.-time for more reminiscing and visiting. A combined choir rehearsal of present and former members will occur at 11 a.m.
Our Sunday School begins a new year at 9a.m. on September 12, 2010. "Celebration Sunday" Worship will be at 10 a.m. followed by a time for visiting before the 12 noon banquet catered by "Eddies". Cost of the meal is $\$ 9$. We need your paid reservations by Thursday September 2, 2010. Below is a reservation form for the three events to give us an estimate of how many persons to prepare for, especially the dinner. Call the church office if you have questions: 733-3294.

The September 50th Anniversary Committee

Celebration Weekend Reservation Form

- We will attend the "Old-Timers" gathering on Friday, September 10, 2010.
Number attending
- We will attend the "Re-connection Breakfast" on Saturday, Sept. 11, 2010.
Number attending $\qquad$
- We will attend the Celebration Banquet on Sunday, September 12, 2010.
Number attending $\qquad$
(2) Brest Breakfast August 14, 2010 8:00am Men's breakfast is going to meet at the McDonald's on Cornhusker by Menards in Bellevue. Grab some coffee and something to eat and find the rest of us at one of the tables.



## FRIENDS!

I am having a large garage sale in the fellowship hall on August $14^{\text {th }}$ from 8 am to 1 pm . All proceeds will benefit the Autism Society. I would love to take anything you might want to get rid of so we can sell it. I would prefer NOT to deal with large furniture pieces. If you would like to donate items to the garage sale please contact Aimee at 402-6502149.

Remember to look for holiday items, home décor, craft supplies, kitchen items as well as office supplies such as note cards, stationary, old computer parts, books, etc. Now is your time to purge!

All items will be priced to sell. At 1:30pm all leftover items will be free!


Thank you!
Aimee Robalik

## NEWS FROM THE PEWS

## IT'S A GIRL!

Charlotte Palm has a new baby sister, Harper Collins, born Saturday, July $14^{\text {th }}$ at Bergan Mercy Hospital.
She weighed 7 pounds 9 ounces and measured 20 inches in length. Harper also has a big brother, Alexander, to watch out for her. Congratulations to Colin and Tammi from your family at Christ the King. We look forward to meeting your new daughter soon!


> Happy Anniversary to...
> 8 Jeff \& Kathryn Heldt
> 21 Jeff \& Lori Kiesel
> 22 Leonard \& Colleen Schwalm
> 25 Karl \& Shelly Zeek

| Happy Birthday to... |  |  |
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| 3 | Colleen Rughe |  |
| 3 | Trey Harris |  |
| 6 | Jarred Stubbe |  |
| 7 | Kathryn Heldt |  |
| 8 | Kathleen Stubbe |  |
| 9 | Alayna Marie Kennon |  |
| 10 | Julie Junker |  |
| 14 | Dorothy Prine |  |
| 15 | Amanda Hohn |  |
| 21 | Erwin Haack |  |
| 25 | Frances Jirka |  |
| 25 | Karl Zeek |  |
| 26 | Paul Dawkins |  |
| 26 | Sharon Rice |  |
| 26 | Mary Hall |  |
| 27 | Lee Fideline |  |
| 29 | Don Williams |  |

## August 2010

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| 22 <br> 9:00 AM Adult Forum <br> 10:00 AM Worship <br> 11:15 AM Sunday School Teachers | $23$ <br> 5:45 PM TOPS | 24 <br> 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Bellevue Dog Obedi ence Club | $25$ <br> 7:00 PM Confirmation Start-up Meetin 7:30 PM AA/AlAno | 26 <br> Mary Hall's 80th Birthday | 27 | $\begin{aligned} & 28 \\ & \text { 10:00 AM Keating } \\ & \text { Auction } \\ & \text { 4:00 PM Hall Rentec } \end{aligned}$ |
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## September 2010

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| 12 <br> 9:00 AM Adult Forum 9:00 AM Sunday Schoo 10:00 AM Worship CELEBRATION SUNDAY! SUNDAY! | 13 <br> 5:45 PM TOPS 7:00 PM Eddie Proctor Birthday at Mosaic | 14 <br> 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Bellevue Dog Obedience Club | $\begin{aligned} & 75 \\ & \text { 7:00 PM Confirmatiion } \\ & \text { 7:30 PM AA/AlAnon } \end{aligned}$ | 16 | 17 | 18 <br> First Sunday School <br> 1960 ( 37 children present) <br> Tent. Girl Friends <br> gathering |
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