



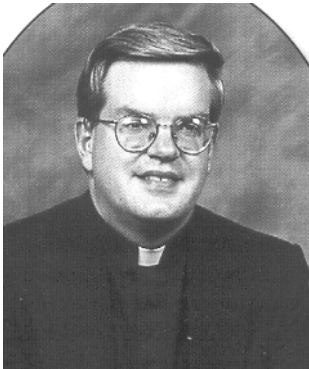
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We are called by God to be a caring partner, serving our neighbors by sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ through worship, fellowship, compassion and opportunities for growth.



From the Pastor

The Fourth of July has always been my wife's favorite holiday. She says she loves the fireworks displays, the parades, the cookouts and all the patriotic hoopla. And I have to agree that it has all the ingredients of a great day. It's a day when we are able to celebrate our citizenship in this country, a day to celebrate not only our nation's birthday, but also to celebrate our independence.

And I know that you already know how great it is to live in a free country. I know that you feel grateful for being born here, or for coming to live here, rather than in some other place where you might not be as free to vote as you choose, to worship as you choose, to speak your mind and say what you think. That really is something to celebrate.

But even as we celebrate our independence, and even in this month when we may have the opportunity to enjoy the sights and the sounds of children enjoying the freedom of their summer vacations, I invite you to reflect on your own dependence. You are not completely free; rather, you are dependent upon the Creator who made you and who

sustains you in life. If it weren't for God, you wouldn't even exist. And not only that, God also gives us our "daily bread"-everything we need to continue in life. As Martin Luther notes in his Small Catechism, God gives us all of this without our even praying for it, but it's still important for us to recognize where it comes from and to give thanks for it.

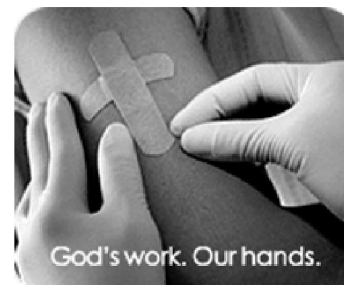
And I don't know about you, but sometimes, I don't do a very good job of that. I take too much for granted. That's why I need to be reminded where it all comes from.

So whatever your plans for the Fourth may be, I hope it will be a happy day for you. But I also hope that you'll take the time to celebrate "Dependence Day" right alongside Independence Day, and that you will give thanks to God for absolutely everything.

God bless you this month!

Peace and love,

Pastor Jim





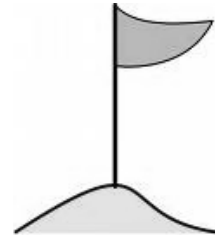
Happy July Birthdays

- 1 Carole Hedrick
- Sandra Mader
- 6 Wesley Riedel
- 7 Fred Spafford
- 9 Leo Lampman
- Shannon Warren
- 12 Kaitlyn Reynolds
- 13 Katy Burke
- Eric Laurson
- 14 May Bock
- Krys Martin
- 15 Cheri Justus
- Susan Marsh
- 16 Bill Gibson
- 18 Howard Calaway
- 20 Ginny Froehlich
- 21 John Hornbecker
- 22 Sarah Holland
- 23 Erika Lind
- 24 Bob Wolf
- 26 Vicki Wagner-Kline
- 28 Bill Margheim
- 29 Cheryl Cook
- Juliana Peters
- 30 Eric Brown
- Jason Johnson
- 31 Cindy Margheim
- Judy Smith



Morning Bible Study meets twice a month on the first and third Tuesdays (July 7 & 21) 9:30-11:00 a.m. in the church library. We are studying The Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren. Please join us—even on a drop-in basis! Please call Bonnie Brundige (303-988-2036) for information, and call Bonnie or the church office to confirm that we are meeting.

Lutheran Family Services Golf Event



Golfers! You are invited to participate in the annual Lutheran Family Services (LFS) golf event, which this year will be held at the renowned Hiwan Golf Club, in Evergreen, Colorado on Monday, July 27th. It would be great to have several men's and women's teams participating. If you are interested in forming a team and playing in the event, contact LFS at www.lfsc.org or call Doyle Lott at 303-217-5860. Deadline for entries is July 14, 2009.

Lutheran Family Services is the largest private child placement agency in Colorado and each year provides 73,000 nights loving foster care, and helps dozens of these children find placement homes through adoption. LFS is also Colorado's largest refugee settlement agency. LFS needs our support through these fund-raising efforts to continue their ministry throughout Colorado.



Day Camp will be held this month, July 13 through July 17. If you have not already registered

your children or grandchildren, please do so as soon as possible, so that we will know how many children to expect. Remember that Day Camp is intended for children from preschool (age 3) through those who will be entering the 6th grade this fall. Our counselors from Rainbow Trail will be arriving the evening of July 13th. If you're here at church that week, stop by and meet them!

Day Camp Scholarships

Would you like to help a needy child in our neighborhood attend Day Camp this year? You can by donating a Day Camp Scholarship! Scholarships are \$25.00 per child. Simply write a check to Christ the King in the amount you'd like to donate, make a notation on your check that says "Day Camp Scholarship," and drop your check in the offering plate! We appreciate your help!

Middle School, High School and College Students!

Want to help with Day Camp this year? Then let Pastor Jim know no later than July 7th!

Day Camp Needs

All adults, college students and high school and middle school students are invited to help. If you would like to prepare or serve a day's snack, provide lunch for the counselors, help with crafts, or help in any other way to make this week a success, please see Lynette or Pastor Jim. Your help is much appreciated. We are also in need of the following items for our craft projects. They may be placed in the boxes outside of Fellowship Hall:

- pony beads
- pipe cleaners
- pine cones
- jingle bells
- pocket combs
- plastic bottle caps
- wooden chop sticks
- balloons
- washers
- black or white beans
- yellow or green split peas



Ice Cream Social

You are invited to attend an Ice Cream Social during Day Camp week. We'll be gathering in Fellowship Hall and the church courtyard on Thursday, July 16th at 7 pm for ice cream sundaes and the Day Camp closing program. This event is open to the whole church and families and friends of the children attending Day Camp. A sign-up sheet will be available in the narthex this month for those who would like to help. We hope you'll come!



Pizza Night

All Middle School and High School students (from beginning grade 6

this fall through those who just graduated) are invited to join the Rainbow Trail counselors for Pizza Night during the week of Day Camp! Pizza Night will be held on Monday, July 13, from 6 - 8 pm at the church. Bring \$5 to help pay for pizza and pop and enjoy some great games and some great fellowship! We hope you can come!



It's time for us to take on the ragin' Arkansas River once again! All Senior High Youth are invited to join Pastor Jim for a camping and rafting trip July 24-25th. The basic cost for the rafting part of the trip will be \$82, but there will be other expenses involved. If you'd like more information, please see Pastor Jim!

Thank You!

Thank you to all who attended the Spring Tea and brought wedding dresses and memorabilia to share with everyone. You made it a great success. *Helen Schlager, Congregational Life.*

New Library Book

We have a new book in the library: *They Are Us – Lutherans and Immigration*, by Stephen Bouman and Ralston Deffenbaugh. "This book is a powerful call for the church to welcome and embrace our new neighbors - the immigrants among us. The authors tell immigrant stories from their own families and congregations, and from scripture about the importance of welcoming the stranger and argue persuasively for the richness our new neighbors bring to our society and culture." *Richard Bliese, President of Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota.*

Camp Sunday

is back!! This month, on Sunday, July 19th, join us for worship camp style! That means laid-back worship, with lots of songs that are fun to sing! It's a come-as-you-are service, so shorts and t-shirts are perfectly fine, but please note that worship that day will be at 10 am, instead of 9 am.



Also, following worship, you are invited to stay for a potluck picnic. Just bring your own main dish to grill, and a side dish, salad or dessert to share. Table service, condiments and beverages will be provided by the church. We'll plug in the big refrigerator in the kitchen for anything that needs to be kept cold while we worship. We hope you'll join us!

Did you know? —

- Helen and Bob Holmes are the proud great-grandparents of Ella Kathryn Holmes, born in Texas on Sunday, May 24. Ella is the daughter of Jim & Sarah Holmes and the granddaughter of Brad and Debbie Holmes.
- On June 11 at Holiday Lanes in Lakewood, Derek Dick bowled another 300 game and a 3-game 848 series, to average 283 per game. He had 33 out of 36 strikes.
- A memorial service for former member, Karen Felt, was held at CTK on June 13, 2009. Karen passed away on December 4, 2008 in Prescott Valley, Arizona. She was 60 years old.
- Former member, David Linam, son of Tom and Marie Linam, passed away on June 2. His service was held at Horan & McConaty on June 12. He was 54 years old.



Mother Nature Wins!

If you did not get out to see the Memorial Garden, you missed a great show of lupines with Mother Nature throwing in a pink with the white. It was the most beautiful the garden has been! Though we planned this to be a white garden, we don't argue when Mother Nature throws in such beauty.

Check it out every week as something is always blooming. We look forward to Mother Nature's next move.



School Supply Drive for Community Ministry

During July, Community Ministry will once again be collecting school supplies to help the children of our area to start school with the supplies they need. Items needed include:

- crayons
- colored pencils
- #2 pencils
- erasers
- glue/glue sticks
- markers
- index cards
- wide-ruled paper
- wide-ruled spiral notebooks
- folders
- pens
- rulers
- blunt edge scissors.

Items may be left in the boxes provided just inside the Fellowship Hall door. Deadline to bring supplies is Sunday, July 19. Thank you for your support.



Address Changes:

Jim & Alyce Holmes
7390 W. Eastman Ave., #232
Lakewood, CO 80227
same phone number

Jamie Pohl
P.O. Box 543
Mountainair, NM 87036-0543



CTK's item for July is *peanut butter and jelly*. Remember, this is only a suggestion. They are also in need large copy paper boxes with lids. All of these donations may be placed in the shopping cart outside of Fellowship Hall. During the month of May (crackers), CTK donated 145 lbs. of food valued at \$232.

Please continue to bring the unclipped coupon inserts from the Sunday newspaper. The collection box is above the coat rack outside of Fellowship Hall. Coupon clippers meet every Monday from 9:00 a.m. until about noon at Brentwood Methodist Church, 1899 S. Irving. Their job consists of taking the unclipped coupon booklets from the Sunday newspapers and cutting out specific coupons ordered by a company in New York. Between \$4,000 and \$10,000 is raised each year for Community Ministry. For more information on how you can become involved, call Sue Albers 303-798-4669.

Don't forget the pizza fundraiser at CiCi's Pizza in the Bear Valley Shopping Center. A portion of the proceeds from meals sold on the first Tuesday of the month benefit Community Ministry. Just place your receipt in the marked container at the cash register. This month's day is Tuesday, July 7.

Community Ministry also takes donations of children's clothing. Especially needed is new underwear and socks for 0-12 years. Sorry, they DO NOT take donations of adult clothing.

Volunteers are needed on a regular basis:

- Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays with back door receiving help from 9:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

- Thursdays to help as an intake counselor from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
- Friday mornings to help stock shelves from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Call the Community Ministry office at 303-935-3428 or talk to Jan or Angel Ruiz for more details.



New CTK Website Feature

Can't find your copy of the *Herald*? Our website now has a copy of each month's *Herald* newsletter, including the calendar, "Those Who Serve" and advertising page. You will find the link to it on the **CTK Calendar and Newsletter** page. Check it out at www.ctk-denver.com



Altar Guild Update

Through the efforts of the Altar Guild, we are getting a new stained glass window in the sanctuary. They have commissioned Ed and Gail Laurson's son to make a stained glass panel of a dove against a blue background. This will be in memory of Dorothy Simon. The Altar Guild will provide a portion of the cost, with the memorial fund furnishing the rest. This panel should be completed and installed by the Fall.

WHAT'S NEXT FOR CTK???

On Sunday, August 16, 10:30 a.m.-12 noon, there will be a meeting for anyone interested in exploring our ministry, needs, vision, and mission at Christ the King. This meeting is intended to begin a discernment process concerning what God is calling us to be and to do here at CTK. Everyone is invited. Please be praying and bring your imagination, insights, concerns and ideas to join in this important discussion.

CTK explores a closer working relationship with other area congregations

Pastor Jim and three others from CTK (Nancy Henning, Bonnie Brundige, and Fred Spafford) joined people from three other Southwest Denver ELCA congregations on Saturday, May 30. We met at Iglesia Luterana Cristo Rey (5th & Raleigh) for conversation about ministry in our congregations and neighborhoods, which together include roughly from I-25 on the east to Sheridan Blvd. on the west, Hampden Ave. on the south to Colfax Ave. on the north. Congregations represented were Cristo Rey, Family of Christ, Good Shepherd, and Christ the King.

Guiding this 5-hour meeting was Pastor Ruben Duran, Executive Director for New Ministries (ELCA) and Pastor Jim Hytjan, Assistant to the Bishop (Rocky Mt. Synod). Also joining us were Ms. Maria Paiva, Region 2 Coordinator for Latino Ministries (ELCA) and Pastor Hector Carrasquillo, Director for Latino Ministries (ELCA), who shared stories of other congregations and people of cultural differences around the country sharing ministry.

We shared with each other key insights about the neighborhood we serve, and we heard about the demographics of the area. (75 % are Latino and 15 % are Asian, with the remainder being primarily Anglo.) We also shared with each other our ministries within our individual congregations as well as our struggles, concerns and hopes and needs. We were served a wonderful lunch prepared by the people of Cristo Rey. The mood seemed to be one of hope and gratitude for being together, talking and building relationships.

We committed to meet once a month during the summer for prayer, Bible Study and to continue conversation about how we can work more closely together and to discern how God is working in this SW Denver neighborhood and how God may be calling us to participate in God's work here.

Please pray for these conversations, to be held June 20, July 18 (CTK will host this one) and August 8.



Fall Church Sale

Plans are tentatively being made for CTK to hold a fundraising Church Sale sometime in September. Start to clean out your basements, closets and garages and save items at your home or bring items to the church for storage until the sale. Many helpers are also needed. If you can help in any way, please let Lynette know. More details will follow.

Signs of our faithfulness

(May 24 – June 14)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Number at Worship</u>	<u>Number Communing</u>	<u>Financial Offerings</u>
5/24/09	86	81	\$2,414.50
5/31/09	80	76	\$1,128.00
6/7/09	84	79	\$4,848.00
6/14/09	80	74	\$3,366.00

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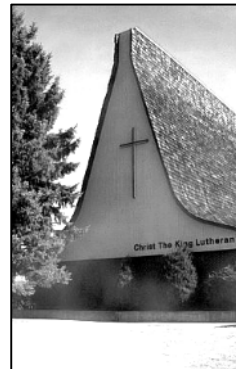


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