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CHRIST THE KING
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER OF CHRIST THE KING PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

INTO THE FUTURE

BY CLAY HOLLAND

In her wonderful book, *Team of Rivals*, Doris Kearns Goodwin details the frustrations Abraham Lincoln had with Union generals early in the Civil War. He was particularly frustrated with General George McClellan because he steadfastly refused to pursue and completely defeat his enemy when he had the upper hand in battle, thus allowing the Confederate forces time to regroup and counter-attack. McClellan, it seemed, was content to defend his ground, but he did not take the risk to pursue his enemy into new territory in order to secure victory.

In the past year, Christ the King has gone through more significant transitions than we have during the previous thirteen years combined. Here is a brief review of this past year's events:

- In June 2010 our founding pastor, Leo Schuster, announced that he had accepted a call to be one of the lead pastors at Redeemer Presbyterian Church in New York City.
- In September 2010 the congregation of Christ the King moved into our new facility on Silber Road.
- In December 2010 the congregation voted to purchase contiguous property to the south of the church property.
- In the spring of 2011 the congregation voted on a new Senior Minister, who was installed in May.
- In June 2011, the congregation voted to purchase property at the intersection of Silber Road and Hartland Street.

Whew! That's a busy year! And it is tempting after having a year like that to sit back and rest for a while – to “defend our ground,” as it were.

However, the Lord has given us a greater mission than this. I have a friend in ministry who once said, “When the mission of the church is safe, the church is a dangerous place to be; when the mission of the church is dangerous, the church is a safe place to be.” In other words, if we rest on our laurels as a church after moving into a new facility and finding stability, we become a dangerous place because we lose focus on our mission to be a light for the gospel in Houston and beyond. But if we continue on the path of being a prayerful and risky church, we become a safe place because there is safety in being fully dependent on God.

Because of this, the Session is taking the opportunity during this upcoming school year to ask, “What's next for Christ the King?” We hope to develop a strategic plan to launch Christ the King into the next twenty years of worship, discipleship, mission, church planting and growth. Please pray for the Session during this process. Pray that we steadfastly refuse to simply defend our ground, but rather we choose the risky, yet safe, path of following our Savior in mission into Houston and beyond.

Clay Holland is the Senior Minister of Christ the King.

Hymn Sing

August 14, 5:30 pm

Join us for our first-ever Hymn Sing on August 14! A hymn sing doesn't mean we're limited to music out of our hymnal; we'll open our entire repertoire including pulling out and dusting off a few long-forgotten songs.



We'll also take requests from the congregation. Afterward, we'll enjoy ice cream to celebrate the end of summer and the beginning of the fall semester. Childcare is available from 8-weeks through Kindergarten.

Go to christtheking.com/hymn-sing for more information or to nominate songs.

Get to know your pastors as they share about their likes, dislikes and things that they value. See the Pastors' Interview Chart on pages 2-3

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DISCIPLESHIP: THE PLATEAU THAT IS NOT COMING

BY JARED HUFFMAN

Discipleship is not easy. It is a slow process to grow in your love for Jesus and walk in faith and maturity. The disciples walked with Jesus for three years. And when he was raised from the dead, he found them hiding behind a locked door. Later, after being restored, Peter was more concerned about John's future than he was about his own path with Jesus. The men that loved him most could not seem to rest in his love for them. It's like this for us too.

We convince ourselves that because we have known Jesus for some amount of time, that we really should have it all figured out. Our relationships should be perfect, our parenting moments should be calm and patient, our prayers should be regular and passionate, our reading of the Bible should be daily and meaningful, and mostly, we should have stopped sinning by now. But the truth of the matter is that our relationships are far from perfect, our parenting moments are intense and lacking in grace, our prayers are cold and infrequent; many of us struggle to open the Bible and we con-

tinue to sin. We are shocked by our lack of progress.

The encouraging news is that your lack of 'progress' is part of the discipleship process. We often feel that when we grow in our faith, we will feel more satisfied about who we are before God. It feels like if we can just take a few more steps, we will reach the plateau of maturity, and we will feel better than we do right now. However, this is not gospel maturity. Gospel maturity is a growing dissatisfaction with our sin and our idolatries and a deepening rest and trust in Jesus' love for us. It is also the softening of our hearts to others,

and it is the opening up of our lives to more of the mission of Jesus.

Jesus' disciples are not illustrations of how grace makes you perfect quickly. Instead, his disciples stand as examples, showing us what growth really looks like. They kept stumbling even after they believed in Jesus. They were still selfish, unspiritual, and sinful. But over the course of their lives, as they kept stumbling in faith and growing in repentance, they found that their hearts were changing. Their individual stories had been caught up in something bigger than themselves. Maturity was not a category of doing lots of good things and avoiding bad things. Maturity was resting in Jesus and longing for more of him. As we stumble our way through life, we should not be surprised by our sin. Of course we are still sinful, but he loves us anyway. And over the course of a long, slow road, we will stop waiting to reach the plateau, and we will start resting in his love.

Jared Huffman is an Assistant Minister at Christ the King.

MEMBERSHIP AT CHRIST THE KING

BY SARAH AND BRYANT LEE

Our move from New York to Houston in May 2010 was a Texan homecoming as Sarah grew up in Dallas and Bryant grew up in Houston. All of our family is still in this state; and while we were sad to leave our friends and the community we had developed in New York, we were thrilled to return to the place which we have always considered home. Though Texas is home to us, prior to moving here last year, we had never lived in Houston as a married couple and had never conducted a search for a church home in this city.

Finding a church in Houston for our family was a priority, for a number of reasons. Chief among them was that we knew a church home would be the way in which we would plug into the community of believers in Houston and begin to serve the city around us. In New York, we had spent nearly one year searching for a church family, and we did not want to repeat that lengthy process. Our familiarity with the city gave us some advantages; however, all of the strong church bodies in and around Houston could have easily overwhelmed us with choice.

Two key factors initially led us to Christ the King Presbyterian Church. First, we had been members of a church in New York which was also part of the Presbyterian Church in America. Second, we both

knew members of Christ the King—Sarah lived with Tricia Zucker for two years in college at Southern Methodist University while Bryant knew Alex Sims from attending Second Baptist School.

These friends kindly invited—or, perhaps, demanded—that we visit the church upon moving to Houston. The warmth of these initial invitations was matched by the friendliness with which we were greeted upon visiting the church for the first time last June. Though we continued to visit other churches in Houston throughout the summer, we rather quickly became convinced that we had found a home at Christ the King that would provide us a platform through which we would deepen our faith, grow close to other believers in the city, serve the church body, and bear witness to Jesus Christ in our community.

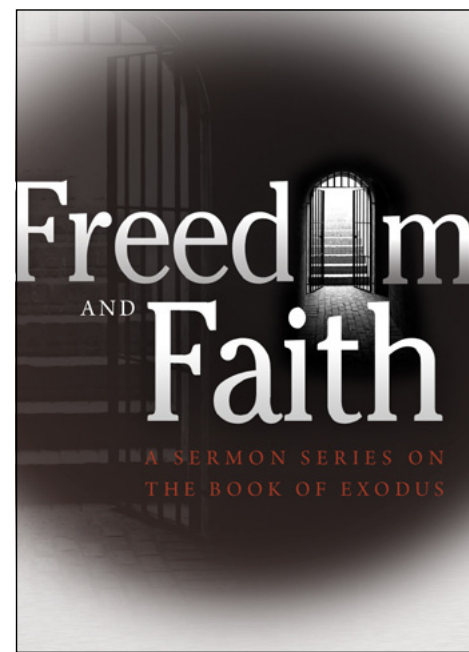
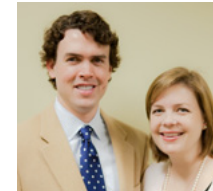
We both quickly engaged ourselves in the life of the church last fall through weekly Bible studies and various other events at Christ the King. In the March 2011, we attended Introduction to Christ the King class. We both thoroughly enjoyed the class both as a way to learn more about the church and as a way to meet and fellowship



with other new members. We look forward to deepening our connection to the church through future service in communion preparation (Bryant), youth ministry (Sarah), and any other area where we can be put to work.

Finding a church family in a new city can be a daunting task. For us, it was important to remember that the Lord controlled the process. We only had to be faithful in making ourselves open and available for the journey on which he would take us. When it became clear to us that the journey should end at Christ the King, we began to immerse ourselves in this community so that we might be prepared to be as welcoming to potential members as this church was to us on our first visit. We feel at home at Christ the King, and we thank the entire community for welcoming us into your family.

Sarah and Bryant Lee are new members of Christ the King.



PASTORS' INTERVIEW

	What living person do you most admire?	What is it that you most dislike?	What do you value most in your friends?	What is your most treasured possession?	What is your favorite hymn?	What helps you relax?
Clay	I admire different people for different things, so this question would be easier to answer in categories. My wife and children top the list - mainly for loving me in spite of my many flaws.	Lack of charity between professing Christians - mainly, but not solely, exhibited in theological blogs and social media. That and the designated hitter rule in the American League.	Perseverance, honesty and humor devoid of cynicism. That last one is tough - especially for me.	My coffee maker, I guess. Although I must confess a covetous eye toward self-grinding espresso machines.	<i>Praise to the Lord, the Almighty</i>	Dates with Shannon, music, working out, catching fish, and captivating books that don't require too much brainpower. I like the other kind of books, too, but that's the answer to a different question.
Jared	My bride, Erin. Also, I'm a big fan of Joe Novenson and Jerram Barrs.	Traffic. Speeding tickets. Theological blogs. Automated customer service.	Vulnerability, loyalty, and the ability to make me laugh out loud.	My iphone. Yes, that is a horrible answer.	<i>Be Still, My Soul</i>	Dinners out with Erin. Going to the pool with Knox. Watching The Office, Friday Night Lights or Modern Family. Grilling any meat with a glass of Cabernet in my hand.
Eric	I admire a lot of different people for different reasons: my wife Joanne, my parents, several of my teachers and professors, the folks behind schools like Yellowstone Academy, and others.	Iceberg lettuce. My hatred of iceberg lettuce is almost irrational. Almost. It's hard for me to eat anything that's even touched that foul leaf. (And, of course, the Designated Hitter rule in baseball.)	Honesty, an ability to laugh at oneself, and cleverness.	I'm pretty attached to my Conn 8D horn. I've had it since I was a freshman in college.	This one is easy: <i>At the Name of Jesus</i> . The words are a wonderful poetic setting of Philippians 2 and the most common tune is King's Weston, written by one of my favorite composers, Ralph Vaughan Williams. When my son was an infant, I used to sing this to him every night as I rocked him to sleep.	Sitting in an easy chair with a book and an empty schedule. Good movies with Joanne (we most recently saw Harry Potter 7.5 and Midnight in Paris). Building wooden railways with my son's train tracks; sometimes, I even let him play too.

INTRODUCTION TO CHRIST THE KING CLASS

If you have questions about Christ the King or are interested in membership, mark your calendars for our next Introduction to Christ the King class. October 7 (6:30-9:30 PM) and October 8 (9:00-noon) in the Redeemer Room (third floor). Clay Holland will be leading this informative and interactive class which is designed to help you understand the mission and ministry of Christ the King while getting to know leaders and other members. Contact ruth.reitmeier@christtheking.com for registration or additional information.

SERVICE AND COMMUNITY IN WOMEN'S MINISTRY

BY KIM BYRD

How can I serve? "How can I create community?" These questions continue to be quite a challenge given my upbringing in a small, less than 100 member church where service and community seem an inherent part of membership. I wonder, "Can my service be significant to other women here at Christ the King?"

My parents raised me to believe that one of the most important commitments in life is service in the church. For as long as I can remember, the thought of women's ministry coincided with service. My mother was a positive example of that involvement. From an early age, she included me in different events that she organized, teaching me the importance of leading through service and relationships.

As a new member, I thought fellowship with other Christ the King women would help me to get my bearings within the women's ministry community. The events I attended were graciously organized for both fellowship and learning opportunities (Women's Retreat, Theology Uncorked). At times, I was nervous to attend these events as a newcomer, knowing very few people. However, there were many women in our church who helped me to feel warmly welcomed. As a result, I challenge myself to seek out new women in the church who may be searching for a place to fit in.

I believe our Women's Ministry allows me the chance both to serve and to be served.

I discovered that the opportunities to be involved are abundant in a church the size of ours, yet it is my personal responsibility to take the first step into the ministry. I learned to say 'no'

to some areas of service while saying 'yes' to others where I felt more comfortable. There are brunches, game nights, art museum visits, playdates, dinners, and retreats. The Women's Ministry facilitates a great variety of activities and creates a place for every woman in our church.

It is pretty incredible to me how service and community are connected. Serving on committees, hosting a community group, being a part of leadership for the Women's Christmas Dinner, being a contact person for a Sowing Seeds event, hosting new people that are trying to get connected, or making follow-up phone calls to new women in the church are ways that I have met and gotten to know other women. I have learned that "community" is the people that God places in our lives with whom we have the divine



opportunity to build relationships... and serve!

I am thankful that each woman I encounter is unique and can share a new sweetness in life with me that I may not have expected. I am confident that the Women's Ministry will continue to be a part of my life where I can serve, be served, and build community!

Kim Byrd is a member of Christ the King.

SOWING SEEDS MINISTRY

BY LESLIE PINE

Sowing Seeds is designed to nurture connections among families with young children by providing outreach, fellowship and learning activities. This ministry hopes to support moms and dads in growing their children in Christ.



This summer, Sowing Seeds hosted a variety of play dates around Houston and a series of three talks by our own Child Development Specialist, Jan Dollinger. Sowing Seeds will be hosting play dates, a service project and a speaker in the fall.

If you are interested in receiving e-mails about upcoming events, please sign-up at christtheking.com/sowing-seeds-registration. If you have any questions about getting involved, contact Leslie Pine at leslietpine@yahoo.com or Jessica Evans at jessicaevans23@gmail.com.

Leslie Pine is a member of Christ the King.



MEN OF CHRIST THE KING – PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE

BY BATCH BACHELDER

PAST.

Four years ago, on July 28, 2007, Vic and Carol Thomas hosted Bob Hansen, Bob James, Bret Oliver, Jack Perry, Jonathan Edwards, Quique Autrey, Ray Cunningham, Vic Thomas, and me in a discussion about what a Men's Ministry could look like at Christ the King. We talked about how Christ the King had ministered to men in the first 10 years. We considered statistics and examined how those statistics bore out in our church and our city. We dreamed about what we wanted Men's Ministry at Christ the King to look like and set some targets: Men's Retreat, growth in the number of men



qualified and willing to serve, ongoing men's Bible studies, men's prayer groups, and more. We prayed.

From there, a subset of that group tackled developing a framework within which we would try to build a ministry. We met and discussed and prayed some more. That effort culminated in February 2008 with the delivery to the Session of *The Vision for Ministry to Men*:



Our purpose is an extension of Christ the King - to equip men to worship, know and serve the king. We want to do so by emphasizing three Biblical concepts - connecting, learning and serving.

PRESENT.

Today we are beginning to see the fruits of that vision. Our men **Connect** regularly through Pig Roast, Steak Night, Crawfish Boil, and Bowling night. Our men continue to **Learn** about Christ through Theology on Tap, book and Bible studies, and a Men's Retreat. Our men **Serve** in our city with Habitat for Humanity, GenerationOne and Oaklawn Presbyterian. We are equipping men to Worship, Know, and Serve the King in real and practical ways.



FUTURE.

For the remainder of the year, Theology on Tap is slated for August and December; the Pig Roast looks to become "OctobeRoast" (in October of course); we will sponsor Seasons of Service this fall with Oak Lawn Presbyterian and Bible studies around the city beginning in August.

For more information, contact Batch_Batchelder@yahoo.com or visit christtheking.com/men

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YOUNG ADULT HAPPENINGS

BY LINDSEY WINDHAM

Nearly four years ago, during my senior year in college, I applied to and was accepted to Teach For America (TFA) – a national organization that places college seniors with identifiable leadership potential in under-resourced schools for two years. TFA decided to send me to Houston, Texas – the largest placement region in the corps. In the summer of 2008, I packed my car in my hometown of Winter Park, Florida, and drove west to my new job and my new life.

It's amazing to look back and realize that a full eight months before I walked through the doors of Christ the King, the Lord so graciously and intimately knew exactly what I would need. I was lucky – blessed, I should say – to have had a "legit" former Christ the King staff member, Stacey Croft, as my RUF pastor and mentor at Vanderbilt University.

As soon as I told him about Houston, he told me that he had a church home and friends already waiting for me. The Lord, in his providence, was already leading me here.

I could never have known how much I would come to depend on and love the Christ the King community, because I didn't know I was about to dive into the most difficult six months of my life. Despite the amazing extra support I received from my school district, I struggled to find time to rest when meeting my own expectations for myself as a first-year teacher meant 17-hour work days. I struggled to believe I was loving and serving my students, and instead found myself believing the lies of, "You're incapable" and "Everyone here is better than you" and "What made you think you could do this?"

The community group of young adults that met at the Fairview house in 2008 got

me through the valley of my first year of teaching. Thursday nights became my refuge, a place where I didn't have anything to prove and where I could turn off my teacher voice, let my heart sing to the Lord, and discuss weighty things about Scripture and life. After some days, my brain couldn't process ONE thing we were talking about, and the most I could happily do was sit still and rest. Sometimes I graded papers in the back and just listened to the conversation, letting it soak into me like a healing balm. On rare occasions, I actually let myself put work away and got out on the circuit – to learn how to two-step, try new restaurants, or just spend time in friends' homes.

My friends at Christ the King – the dudebro chicks, the hipster cowboys, and everyone in between – exposed the lies as they spoke truth to me, week after week. They listened intently and lovingly when a prayer request brought me to tears. They praised God with me when relational triumphs and

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Over 300 children and more than 80 volunteers attended PandaMania, the first Vacation Bible School held the week of June 13 in our new facility. Children played among the pandas in a decorated bamboo forest as they learned all week that God is wild about us.

The Scripture focus for the week was Psalm 139 and children were able to earn Bible memory buddies as a reward for memorizing 5 verses from Psalm 139. Each day's theme reinforced the memory verse for the day.

Children started each day watching the antics of John Trapp and Joe Deegan as they set the stage for the day's activities. Children enjoyed snacks in Treetop Treats, a Bible lesson in Wild Bible Adventures, watched a mystery unfold in Chadder's Movie Mania, played games in Bamboo Blast Games, and were creative in Crazy Crafts and Missions.

The week concluded with Chow Fun, a Friday night party that included dinner, a program and games for the children.

The Children's Ministry thanks Chris Butler and Nicole Miller for directing and all who made the week possible by volunteering to decorate, leading or assisting in a crew, or helping with the Friday night party.



SOUTHEAST ASIA VISION TRIP REFLECTIONS

BY RICHARD COLQUITT

The heat and humidity were familiar, but little else was. Indeed, Bangladesh is more than a location on the other side of the world, a place where Islam and overwhelming crowdedness are front, center, and undeniable; it is a place where 2000 years after Christ's earthly ministry the gospel is strangely new, generally unwelcomed, and the church itself almost in its infancy. How could this be so, and why? Those questions, more than any other, reverberated in my mind as we taught and shared with fellow believers in the Presbyterian Church of Bangladesh ("PCB"). These dear brothers and sisters are truly on the frontlines of the battle to advance God's kingdom, and yet we were somehow graciously viewed by them as bearing worthy insights for the battle. It seemed to me at times that we were like football fans who had left the comfort of our club level suites to go down to the field to encourage and instruct the true combatants on the field of play. Yet this image is only partially accurate: we, like them, are engaged

in the very same journey to worship our King and Redeemer, and to fulfill all that he has directed. That the church in Bangladesh has formidable challenges largely unfamiliar to us is clear; that we are positioned to support them on several levels seems equally clear to me.

Many precious and profound moments are seared into my mind, but none more vivid than those during the outdoor PCB anniversary celebration where 30 or so pastors/church planters and their families reflected on 10 years of Christian ministry. What a joy to have been a part of that occasion! One moment captured our time most vividly for me: as Pastor Ayoub prayed for the continued advance of the church and the encouragement of the pastors, nearby loudspeakers began blaring out the haunting Islamic call to prayer. Our ears simultaneously heard the prayers of competing faiths: one true faith, one false faith; one prayer to the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of the universe; the other a call to prayer to a false

god. The eerie sound of the call to prayer temporarily distracted my Western ears, but not the ears of the pastors and church planters of Bangladesh, whose attention to the prayer of Pastor Ayoub was, no doubt, undisturbed.

On later reflection I pondered: might there be in our own culture a rough equivalent to the Islamic call to prayer, a "call" which regularly surrounds us and competes against true prayer and genuine worship? As we flew home, I imagined that our Western equivalent may be the pervasive "call of materialism," a call which is as foreign in Bangladesh as the Islamic call to prayer is to most of us. Yet the advance of God's kingdom, both here and in Bangladesh, involves the rejection of all but the one true call of Christ, a call which includes the mandate to make disciples in all nations. That Christ the King is embracing that mandate is an abiding encouragement to me, and surely to so many others.

Richard Colquitt is a member of Christ the King.

STUDENT MINISTRY SUMMER WRAP UP

This summer, the Student Ministry has been caught in a whirlwind of action. We kicked off June with an initiation of our rising 6th graders, kidnapping them from their homes and dragging them back to the church to cover them in layers of filth as we played messy games. Needless to say, it's what every middle schooler dreams of.



Two days later we hauled off to Belize for our week-long mission trip with the high school. We had fourteen students travel to the tiny village of Patchakan where we finished digging the hole for the septic tank we started one year ago at La Trinidad Presbyterian Church. We spent every morning and afternoon working, digging, toting wheelbarrows, and mixing concrete. Then, around 4 o'clock every afternoon, the real fun began. All the children from the village would show up for VBS, piling 150 strong into the tiny church building. I believe this was the highlight of the week for everyone on the trip. The children were so loving and playful and attentive to the message of the gospel. Our unofficial theme for the week was "a glimpse of heaven," and no glimpse was bigger or more distinct than the look in those children's eyes. God truly gave us a



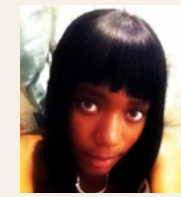
foretaste of what awaits us in the new heavens and new earth, and I'm sure it will be a week that none of our students will soon forget.

Coming back to Houston was just as much of a whirlwind as the mission trip. Many of our students helped with Christ the King's VBS the following week, volunteering with the younger kids in the church. The week after that, we turned around and partied with the middle school, once again. A sixteen hour bus ride through the night took us to Lookout Mt, GA, where we spent five days at the EDGE conference with about 700 other middle school boys and girls from churches all across the south. We had great play time and great discussion, and many of our students came to a better understanding of the gospel and God's grace.



July was laced with a little more normalcy. "High School Siesta" was on Tuesday nights, and "Middle School Splash" was on Thursdays. Then the summer activities wrapped up with a high school retreat to Tuscumbia, AL where we spent a week at John Trapp's family lake house. Summer may be the busiest time of year in the Student Ministry, but that is what makes it so fun. God blessed us with our intern, Natalie Pilcher, and with wonderful experiences. We are excited about what he has in store for the upcoming year.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2011



Edith Barley
Graduated from Lee High School and will be attending Prairie View A&M University



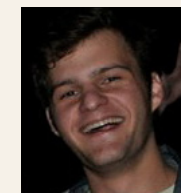
Ashley Brown
Graduated from Tyler Lee High School and will be attending the University of Mississippi



Bethany Cavanaugh
Graduated from Home School and will be attending Houston Community College



John Durie
Graduated from Second Baptist School and will be attending the University of Texas



Parker Fleming
Graduated from Episcopal High School and will be attending the University of Virginia



William Whitehead
Graduated from Memorial High School and will be attending the University of Texas



Grace Whittle
Graduated from St. John's School and will be attending Pepperdine University



Anna Wright
Graduated from Crosby Covenant School and will be attending Kingwood College

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

Baptisms

Grayson Daer Casey, Aiden Pierce Hendricks, Lauren Grace Thompson and Owen Andrew Trapp were baptized on April 17

Rebekah En-Pei Mou, Chelsea En-Tsz Mou and Stephen En-Cheng Mou were baptized on May 8
Ellen June Buja, Katherine Chung, Drew Lawhon Evans and Mary Sterling Webster were baptized on June 19

Evelyn Louise Donovan and Jack Allan Evans were baptized on July 17

Births

Joanna Melissa was born to Rebekah and Grant Elam on April 18

Micah Jane was born to Devin and Ryan McCord April 21

Jack Allan was born to Jessica and Andrew Evans on April 22

Elizabeth Stewart was born to Jessica and Bob Croyle on April 26

Miles Clayton was born to Kristen and Matthew Miller on May 1

Ann Caroline was born to Leslie and Wes Hinton on May 17

Carter Robert was born to Julie and Jerry Smith on May 25

Franklin Ezekiel was born to Frances Toe and Joseph Tamba on May 28

Anna Grace was born to Liz and Mike Steveken on June 7

Matthew Liang was born to Jean and Mark Gargiulo on June 11

Jennifer Tegbeah was born to Anna Tegbeah on June 23

Madeline Rose was born to Renee and John Pisklak on July 25

Communion

Elaine Jeanette Sims & Kelly Ann Thomas celebrated their first communion on May 22

Thomas Zane Pramudji celebrated his first communion on June 26

Marriages

Kimberly Bush and Eric Richardson were married January 15

Claudia Tabora and Julius Balatoni were married on April 10

Katie Machen and Robbie Zorich were married April 30

Laura Laughlin and Will Conrad were married on June 4

Corrie Pendergrass and Slade Johnson were married on June 4

Breanne Wesche and Brian Vannest were married on June 18

Morgan Rucker and John Holmes were married on July 3

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to Rebecca and Tim Brown and Kyle and Tricia Livingston in the death of Rebecca's and Kyle's father

Our sympathy is extended to Beth and Greg Gleason in the death of Beth's father

Our sympathy is extended to Carol and Gordon Gaetke in the death of Gordon's father

Our sympathy is extended to Mike and Susan McJilton in the death of Mike's mother

Our sympathy is extended to Davalyn and Bob Bone in the death of Davalyn's stepfather

Our sympathy is extended to Elisabeth and Steve Rizzotti in the death of Elisabeth's grandfather

Our sympathy is extended to Amy and Stephen Wiggs in the death of Stephen's father

Our sympathy is extended to Cecille and George Shannon in the death of Cecille's father

Ordination and Installation

Clay Holland was installed as Senior Minister on May 1

John Durie and Paul Rasplicka were installed as elders on June 26

Alan Curry was installed as an elder on July 2

Matt Dowiak, Travis Graham, and Arjan Voogt were ordained and/or installed as deacons on June 26

STUDENT MINISTRY NEWS

Amy Cavanaugh

On May 16, Christ the King celebrated the ministry of Amy Cavanaugh who had served as our Student Ministry Coordinator as she moved on to new endeavors. She had been in her role for five years and was the glue that held our Student Ministry together over multiple leadership transitions. She was an outstanding member of our staff team! Thankfully, Amy and her husband, Joe, will continue to worship at Christ the King and serve in other areas. Thank you Amy!

Hope Foley

As Amy Cavanaugh transitioned out of Student Ministry, the Lord graciously provided Hope Foley to serve among us as the new Student Ministry Coordinator. She was welcomed with open arms and a busy schedule, as the demanding student ministry summer schedule fell into her lap. She has embraced the students with humility and joy, making the transition quite seamless. Hope

grew up in San Antonio and was later a graduate of Wheaton College just outside of Chicago where she and her husband Joe met. They have been married for four years, the last of which was spent mostly in Houston after Joe was transferred from Chicago for his work. Hope spent some time as an event coordinator in Houston before feeling the call to ministry. It was purely God's providence that guided Hope to Christ the King, and the student ministry is so excited to see what God has in store for Hope and the work he will do through her willing spirit and servant's heart.

YOUNG ADULT HAPPENINGS

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students' success gave me the hope that I could be a great teacher and love my students well. Their support was more than that of just friends. They became my family.

Now, at YES Prep East End, I teach 10th and 11th grade English, lead the service learning program, and work part-time with the recruitment and selection team to attract great people to our organization. I have the best job ever, and I have a vibrant and dear group of friends from YES Prep whom I adore, but I have a family at Christ the King. I experience Christ's love and grace through the young adult community in a precious and authentic way, and am so, so blessed to have them in my life.

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BASIC TRAINING

Basic Training will be taught by Clay Holland on Sunday nights at 5:30 pm beginning September 11. Sign up at christtheking.com/basic-training. Basic Training is a fun and interactive course covering Christ the King's mission principles, theological distinctives and philosophy of ministry. It is required for leadership in the church, and we encourage every member to attend.