

# CHRIST THE KING'S MESSENGER

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*And let the peace of Christ, to which you were also called in one body, rule your hearts. And be thankful.  
(Colossians 3:15).*

Peace is not something we are seeing much of these days. You won't see it on TV or social media unless you are specifically seeking a certain trusted source. You definitely won't see it in politics. It might even be a challenge to see peace in your workplace. But what about in your heart? Do you have peace there? Can anyone see it blossoming out?

Nine years ago, I included the illustrations below in my May Messenger article.



... sexual immorality, moral impurity, promiscuity, 20 idolatry, sorcery, hatreds, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambitions, dissensions, factions, 21 envy, drunkenness, carousing, and anything similar... that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. (Galatians 5:19-21).



Same as above but maybe a little more subdued. It may show more like a legalistic attitude, impure thoughts, jealousy, guilt, worry, discouragement, critical spirit, frustration, aimlessness, fear, unbelief, disobedience, loss of love toward God and others, poor prayer life and no desire for Bible study.



But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, and self-control. (Galatians 5:22-23). Christ-centered, Spirit empowered prayerfulness, loves God's Word, Christian fellowship, and desires to share Christ with others.

Notice that the unbeliever and the worldly Christian are not very different. Self is on the throne and I don't know which is worse, telling Jesus to bow down to self or telling Jesus to stay out? All I know is that there is little to no peace in those two scenarios.

The committed Christians, however, know peace. In fact, once they start experiencing anything from the other two illustrations, and their peace begins to vanish, they jump off the throne and again take their rightful place of bowing before their Lord and Savior. In reference to Jesus, Ephesians 2:14 says, "He is our peace." Colossians 3:15 says, "And let the peace of Christ... rule your hearts." Trust in what He has done for you on the cross. Trust in His ability to lead you in the everlasting way.

Sing with me: Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Hold o'er my being absolute sway. Fill with thy Spirit till all shall see Christ only, always, living in me!

Amen! Pastor Tim

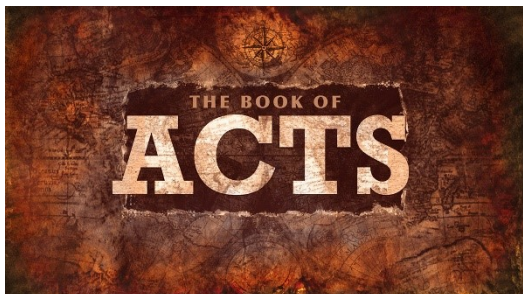
# May Sermon Series

## I See A Church...

May 2 *of Mission*

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Pastor Tim



## The Rest of the Story

May 9 *The New Promise*

Acts 1:4-8

Pastor Tim

May 16 *The Ascension Accord*

Acts 1:9-14

Pastor Matthew

May 23 *The Pentecostal Purpose*

Acts 2:1-13

Pastor Tim

May 30 *The Receptive Repentance*

Acts 2:32-41

Pastor Tim



Christ the King Free Lutheran Church  
Financial Report  
As of March 31, 2021

Balance Sheet

Revenue / Expenditures

	<u>Mar 31, 21</u>		<u>Mar 21</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		<b>Revenue</b>	
<b>Checking/Savings</b>		<b>Building and Grounds</b>	120.00
<b>Bank Total</b>		<b>Discipleship</b>	12.00
<b>Building</b>		<b>General Revenue</b>	19,381.57
Altar Guild	217.90	<b>Outreach Revenue</b>	5,019.45
Building Fund Account	772.09	<b>Visa Reward Points</b>	100.00
Wedding Deposits	500.00	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<u>24,633.02</u>
<b>Total Building</b>	<u>1,489.99</u>	<b>Expenditures</b>	
<b>General Total</b>		<b>Building &amp; Grounds</b>	3,904.66
General	24,550.55	<b>Discipleship Expenditures</b>	204.62
Truth Help	234.48	<b>Misc.</b>	67.06
<b>Total General Total</b>	<u>24,785.03</u>	<b>Office</b>	237.09
<b>Outreach</b>		<b>Outreach Disbursement</b>	
20% Offering	4,540.00	20 %Outreach	3,587.60
Children's Mission Offering	313.45	<b>PAS Wellness</b>	100.00
Thrivent	1,221.99	<b>Samaritan's Purse</b>	48.55
<b>Total Outreach</b>	<u>6,075.44</u>	<b>Total Outreach Disbursement</b>	<u>3,736.15</u>
Share And Care	900.00	<b>Payroll Expenditures</b>	15,893.55
<b>Special Accounts</b>		<b>Prayer and Worship</b>	106.77
Internship Fund	5,167.20	<b>Youth</b>	424.78
Local Outreach Ministry	4,323.71	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>24,574.68</u>
Church Missions	1,493.74	<b>Net Revenue</b>	<u><u>58.34</u></u>
Marriage Ministry	307.98		
Scholarship	322.26		
Youth	11,453.93		
<b>Total Special Accounts</b>	<u>23,068.82</u>		
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	<u><u>23,068.82</u></u>		

Christ The King Free Lutheran Church  
Trustee Meeting Minutes April 8, 2021 7 PM

**Present:** Jim Gawerecki, Dave Sutherland, Jim Otter, Bill VanderPlaats, Morgan McNickle, Marcine Olsen, Brandie Hulstein  
**Absent:** Laurie Bruns, Heather De Wilde

**Also Present:** Pastor Tim, Pastor Matthew, Collene Landgren, Mike Morgan, Wayne Smith, Matthew Amdahl, Jim Woelber

**President Jim Gawerecki** called the meeting to order. Social distancing was observed. Devotions were led by Marcine Olsen from a devotional Witnessing *Where You Are*. Some days we feel like we don't know who we are, to God we are always special, and God's child. Witnessing is something everyone can and should do. The devotional is based on Matthew 5:16, let your light shine before man and give glory to God in heaven. Marcine O. led in prayer. Bill VanderPlaats will lead devotions in May. **Request to replace lawn mower:**

Jim Woelber explained the current mower is 4 years old and he would like to trade it in for a current model. The cost would be \$2,000 with the trade. Dave S. moved to approve the purchase, seconded by Morgan M. Motion carried.

**Elders' Consultation:** Wayne Smith represented the Elders. At the last meeting the Elders discussed several items. They discussed a reading *Choose a Positive Attitude*. They discussed the youth ministry at CTK and made a suggestion to support attendance at Bible camps for CTK youth and other youth of the community. The youth groups from the various churches in the community should be encouraged to work together and not in competition with each other.

**COVID report:** As of 04/08/2021 Pipestone county reported 1,065 cases (includes confirmed and probable) and 25 deaths.

**The Treasurer's report** for March was presented. Jim O. moved to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Bill V. Motion carried.

**Treasurer Mike Morgan** reported we are still waiting for the forgiveness for the PPP Cares Loan. All the paperwork has been submitted. **The Payment of bills,**

Brandie H. moved to approve the bills, seconded by Morgan M. Motion carried. **Outreach was discussed;** Dave S. moved to approve outreach, seconded by Marcine O. Motion passed

AFLC \$ 140. Food Shelf \$ 100. Brazil Student \$ 100  
CRU-Jeff \$ 500. Paul \$ 500. Tim & Sheila Steele \$ 100.  
Local Outreach \$ 300. Alpha Center \$ 300. Atlas \$ 200.  
Kvale's(Wycliffe) \$ 500. Children's Life \$ 200.

Intern Account \$ 1,100. San Antonio Church \$ 100.  
PAS Wellness \$ 100. M. Abel \$ 100.00 Share N Care \$ 200

**The secretary's report** from the March 11, 2021 meeting was presented. Jim O. moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Dave S. Motion carried.

**Youth Ministry and Family Ministry Reports:** **Youth Ministry:** Pastor Matthew submitted a report of activities from March and a list of activities being planned for April through July. The youth will do RightNow Media studies with the gals at the Pillmans doing a study on identity in Christ and the guys doing a study at church on being a gentleman. **Family Ministry:** There is a family game night planned for Sunday, April 18 from 4-6 pm. Planning a

picnic & possible outdoor service on June 6 at the Hiawatha Park shelter. Plans will be made to serve at the Banquet this summer. The Ambassador singing team from the FLBC will be at CTK on Wednesday, June 9. A free will offering will be taken at the concert, CTK will be asked to provide housing and a meal for the 4 to 5 young people that are on the team. Jerry Remund has resigned from the board.

**Pastors' Report:** **Pastor Tim** submitted a report of activities for the last month. Pastor Tim asked the trustees what are the most necessary things CTK does? Answers ranged from: Sunday morning worship services, family events, youth program, Sunday school. Pastor Matthew and Pastor Tim will be meeting together to discuss possible changes to ministry in regard to how we can better minister to the needs of people within the church and those outside the church. Pastor Tim requested vacation time for May 13 -15 and June 25-July 4. Brandie H. moved to approve, seconded by Jim O. Motion carried. **Pastor Matthew** submitted reports of activities. Pastor Matthew requested time off the beginning of June when the baby is born.

Morgan M. moved to approve 1 week of PTO/family medical leave, seconded by Marcine O. Motion carried.

**Old Business: Seminary Intern:** Sam & Rachel Willard signed a lease for a home in Pipestone for the internship period of time. Thanks, Marcine.

**Bus:** Dave S. reported the bus is at a repair shop in Egan, SD that specializes in large vehicles. They are checking the transmission. The bill at S & S Truck repair is approved.

**New Business: Mask only section in sanctuary:** Jim G. was approached about the possibility of a mask only section of the sanctuary. At this time the trustees felt it would be difficult to enforce and the fellowship hall is considered the mask only section.

**Flower boxes:** Announce in the bulletin for volunteers to plant and care for the flower boxes.

**VBS:** A FLBC VBS team will be at CTK June 12-18. VBS dates are June 13-17. A signup sheet will be posted for housing, meals, and volunteers. Brandie H. moved, seconded by Dave S. to order the director's kit as needed. Motion carried.

**Stain playground & pillars:** Announcement will be posted in the bulletin for volunteers to clean & stain the playground and pillars by the front doors. **Replacement parts for grill:** the grates and heat tents (plate) need to be replaced for the gas grill. Jim O. volunteered to make the heat tents. The grates will be ordered.

**Other:** Brandie H. reported the SE corner of the parking lot has damage. This is the same area that had damage and was repaired in the last few years. Bill V. will talk to Double D Gravel. **Family Ministry** would like permission to pursue doing an outdoor service on June 6 as an end of Sunday school / beginning of summer picnic at the Hiawatha Park shelter. The trustees approved.

**Marcine O.** reported there was a request to replace toilets in women's restroom. Tabled. **Morgan M.** moved to adjourn the meeting. Jim G. adjourned the meeting and Pastor Tim closed in prayer. Collene Landgren, recording secretary {Draft subject to approval by the trustees}



# Confirmation Babies 2021



Alyssa DeRuyter

Bode Bruns

Brielle Kulm

Carter Holt

Cody DeRuyter

Trevin DeWilde

Trinity Halling





*Congratulations  
Confirmands*

**Cupcakes & coffee will be served beginning at 10 AM**

In honor of the Confirmands  
Confirmation Sunday, May 2

The families thank you deeply for your prayers!

Brielle Kulm, Carter Holt, Alyssa DeRuyter, Trinity Halling,  
Trevin DeWilde, Cody DeRuyter, Bode Bruns



Aaron Trae Johnson  
Hunter Joseph St. Aubin  
Christie Ann Swanson

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\* Cupcakes & coffee will be served on Sunday, May 16, \*  
\* beginning at 10 AM to honor the graduates of Christ the King. \*  
\* Please join us to wish the graduates God's blessings. \*  
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Please join us for a graduation celebration open house for **Aaron Johnson on**  
**Saturday, May 15, 2021 2:00 - 4:00 PM** at our home 808 5th St NW. Pipestone.  
Aaron is the son of Tim & Cindy Johnson

Everyone is welcome to a graduation celebration open house for **Hunter St. Aubin**  
**on Saturday, May 15 1:00 - 4:00 PM** at the Christ the King fellowship hall.  
Hunter is the son of Heather Stangeland.







# Birthdays

- 1 Connor Zephier
- 3 Julia Pillman
- 4 Jennifer Swanson
- 4 Justin Hulstein
- 4 Ella Woitaszewski
- 8 Carol Glidewell
- 12 Dennis DeClerk
- 15 Dorothy Wendt
- 15 Darron Westfield
- 16 Garrett Glidewell
- 19 Jerry Rood
- 19 Jennifer Stangeland
- 19 Christian Haag
- 20 Jim Gawerecki
- 23 Lyla Terry
- 27 Emerson Winter



## National Day of Prayer May 6

Please join other Christians in praying for our community & nation on Thursday, May 6, noon to 1 PM  
Come & go as you are able.

North steps of the Pipestone Courthouse lawn.

This event is being sponsored by the local Ministerial.

**All are welcome.**

**Chatter-sewers  
(Quilting)  
will meet May 4  
@ 1 PM**



**Youth Parents  
meet  
May 23  
11:45 AM**

**FAMILY  
MINISTRY  
MAY 25 @ 7 PM**

## AFLC Conference Information 2021

Hosted by the AFLC Schools  
June 16 - 19, 2021

PRAY for the AFLC Annual Conference

\*The AFLC would continue to uphold the inerrant Word of God and stand strong in the face of Spiritual warfare.

\*Elections at the conference would be guided by the Holy Spirit.

\*Safety for those attending .

**"Prepare the Way  
of the Lord"**

ISAIAH 40:3

VISIT [AFLC.ORG/2021REGISTRATION](http://AFLC.ORG/2021REGISTRATION)  
TO REGISTER



**Memorial  
May 31 DAY**

Messenger  
articles due  
May 23

Elders meet,  
May 27  
@ 7:00 PM  
@ CTK

# Thank You

Dear CTK Family,

I fully realize that you receive our prayer litter each month, with an update on what the Lord is doing in and through International Students lives but this note is to remind you how much you are appreciated by our family. We simply count not do what we do without partners like you

In Christ, Jeff & Marci Scholten



To Pastor Tim & Trustees

Thank you for the recent gift you provided to us. We are excited about the opportunity to work with and help another family in Pipestone!

Thank you for supporting us in our mission. May the Lord continue to use your congregation to shine the light in Pipestone and beyond!

Gratefully, John Timm      Habitat for Humanity of Redwood River.



## CHRIST THE KING FREE LUTHERAN CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL Staff 2020-2021

4 yr-K:	Brandie Hulstein
Grade 1 - 3:	Jason & Amy Steuck
Grade 4 - 6 :	Laurie Bruns
Grade 7 - 12:	Pastor Matthew
Adult	Pastor Tim
Superintendent:	Janelle Brockberg
Music:	Julia Pillman

**Thanks to each of you!**

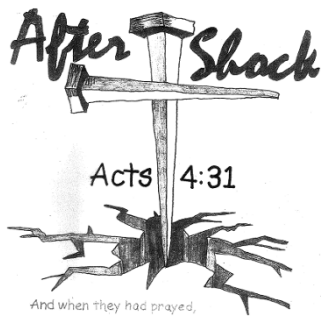


## VBS 2021

## June 13-17

Mark your calendars to  
Join the adventure!  
Watch for opportunities to  
volunteer!





### Upcoming Dates to remember:

- May 2 Confirmation Sunday
- May 5 Youth Night: Cinco de Mayo
- May 16 Graduate Sunday
- May 16 Last day of Sunday School
- June 5 Valley Fair
- June 13-17 VBS
- July 12-16 Aftershock Canoe Expedition



**Forge! May 23 11:45**  
**Watch for Details!!**

### Wednesday nights 7-8 PM



Girls will meet at the Pillman house & study *Dream Big* by Jennie Allen

Guys will stay at church and study *Bold* by Joby Martin



April 28, May 12 & May 19!



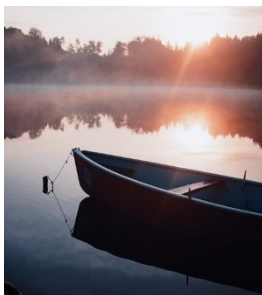
**WEDNESDAY NIGHT**  
**YOUTH GROUP**  
**6 - 8 PM**



### Pickerel Lake Lutheran Bible Camp

is a summer camp for youth who have finished grades 5-12. It is a week to build your relationship with Christ, unite with friends from camp, and make new friends. Registration cost is only \$75 and Christ the King youth ministry can help defray this cost. Ask Pastor Matthew for more details.

- Senior High week (grades 8-12) is June 20 - 25
- Junior High week (grades 5-7) is July 25 - 30



### Aftershock Canoe Expedition

Monday, Jul 12, 2021 12:00 PM  
 to Friday, Jul 16, 2021 1:00 PM

We are in the planning stages of a summer trip that would take the place of the FLY Convention which has been postponed.

This trip would stretch students physically, relationally, and spiritually. Current plans point toward a multiday canoe trip on the Missouri River. Along the way, we will have challenging teaching and opportunity to serve a nearby congregation. **Stay tuned for more details!**



Tim & Sheila Steele  
FamilyLife®/Cru® Las Cruces, NM

Like many of you, this last year has been a challenge. HOWEVER, there have been numerous blessings along the way. After 15 years of serving from the FamilyLife Int'l HQ in Arkansas we were offered a chance as Divisional Field Management over Live Events to move to New Mexico where 3 of our 7 grandchildren live.

Over the past couple of years FamilyLife has become even more creative with new digital content in the Blended, Marriage and Parenting spaces. New broadcast/podcasts have been added to FamilyLife Today® and we've ramped up our small group offerings BIG time. We've moved our digital engagement in a fresh new direction.

One of the biggest contributions that I (Tim) brought to that effort was a revision of our small group training that is now completely transferable and scalable for small group leaders everywhere. Two new modules are the "Small Group Training for First Time Leaders" and "Small Group Training with an emphasis on outreach".

Our Live Events team has hosted several hundred small groups via online formats and equipped those volunteers/small group leaders to intentionally create ways to "plant" small groups who will birth other small groups thereby starting a "legacy" of generational small groups with an outreach mentality. Because of this approach we have been able to partner with county court rooms and judge referrals, pregnancy centers, local school district referrals, prisons and churches.

The latest exciting news is that we are relaunching our Weekend to Remember Getaways® once again! Seven events this spring are implementing social distancing and safety protocols, MORE digital interaction and even some new content wrapped around the biblical principles we've shared for over 45 years. Sioux Falls is Nov 5-7 while Minneapolis is Mar 4-6. Other events are being contracted weekly. Check out WeekendToRemember.com for details.

THANK YOU for being an encouragement and a blessing to us by prayerfully and financially supporting our ministry efforts We know that there are people we are reaching here that will be standing alongside you in the Kingdom because of your faithful giving.

Contact info: familyofsteele@gmail.com (joint email acct)



**Prayer Concerns**

- \* Pray for us as we initiate an Evangelical Pastors Forum for pastors in and around Las Cruces.
- \* Grandparenting Summit (LegacyCoalition.org) Oct 21-22. FamilyLife's Stepfamily summit also in October.
- \* Pray for 3 evangelical church plants in the county that we are equipping with Marriage & Family resources (English & Spanish).
- \* Relaunching FamilyLife's Weekend to Remember® Getaways.
- \* For the neighborhood relationships that we have been fostering this past year.



**Help Youth Engage With Scripture through Wycliff Bible Translators** The Dako are a people group in Brazil with just 1,800 speakers. While Christianity has impacted Dako culture, traditional religion has a strong influence. They need translated Scripture to help break the hold of false beliefs. By choosing this gift, you'll come alongside the Dako team who are translating Scripture portions. The team also hosts Bible contests and activities to engage young people in using Scripture. Recommended gift \$ 35.00



“For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.”  
- [Romans 1:20](#)

## Altar Guild

Jane Smith

- May 2    Trey Boelman
- May 9    Hailey Goebel
- May 16    Laura Minet
- May 23    Braden Otter
- May 30    Cayden Zephier

## Acolytes

## Family of the Week

- May 2    Leon & Diana Uilk
- May 9    Mark & Laura Uilk; Brendon, Brooklyn, Brylie
- May 16    Glenn & Marilyn Van Essen
- May 23    Bill & Tami VanderPlaats; Logan
- May 30    Daryl & Marlys Viland

## Money Counters/ Trustees

Brandie Hulstein  
Marcine Olsen

## Nursery

## Kitchen Clean-up

## Hospitality Greeters

## Ushers





## Worship Leaders

- May 2    Bill Steuck, Irene Warner, Lynn Hellie, Char Prins
- May 9    Denis Parsley, Laurel Berg, Judy Steuck
- May 16    Matthew Amdahl, Janelle Brockberg, Jane Smith, Susan Parsley
- May 23    Bill Steuck, Irene Warner, Jane Smith
- May 30    Denis Parsley, Laurel Berg, Lynn Hellie, Judy Steuck





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>2</b> 9:15 AM All Ages Sunday School 10:00 AM Cupcakes & Coffee 10:30 AM Confirmation Worship Service 5:00 PM Bible Study @ CTK	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 1 PM Quilters Meet	<b>5</b> 6: PM Cinco de Mayo Youth Group	<b>6</b> Noon—1 PM National Day of Prayer @ Courthouse Lawn	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b> / <b>8</b>
<b>9</b>  Mother's DAY 9:15 AM All Ages Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship Service 5:00 PM Bible Study @ CTK	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 7: PM Youth Group	<b>13</b> 7: PM Trustees ————— Pastor Tim on Vacation —————	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 1-4 PM Hunter St. Aubin Grad Reception @ CTK
<b>16</b> 9:15 AM All Ages Sunday School 10:00 AM Cupcakes & Coffee 10:30 AM Worship Service 5:00 PM Bible Study @ CTK <b>PAS Graduation</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 7: PM Youth Group	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Pastor Tim @ Coordinating Committee @ AFLC	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> 10:30 AM Worship Service 11:45 AM Youth Parents Meet 11:45 AM Forge Meets 5:00 PM Bible Study @ CTK <b>Messenger Articles Due</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 7: PM Family Ministry	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 7: PM Elders @ CTK	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> 10:30 AM Worship Service	<b>31</b>  MEMORIAL DAY	Please Note: Sunday worship services will be livestreamed.				