

**Join in our Digital Coffee Hour at 11am –**  
<https://zoom.us/j/93941598230?pwd=cjh3RVlxSkp4NDgxMTN3T3FYbGpBdz09>

**In your prayers this week, please remember:**

- **Continuing Prayers: Laurie Youmans** (sister-in-law of Pam Jaye & Karen Youmans), **Lois Torvik, Steve Caspersen, Jim Knutson, Jaden Hanson** (relative of Lorie Aljoe), **Pastor Dave Valen, Char Weidenbach, Miriam Hecht, John Peterson** (brother of Jim Stoll), **Laura Grondin** (Shirley Smith’s daughter), **Tom Turrso** (friend of Jim Stoll’s), **Carol Trewartha, Dick Jackson, Eugene Jaster** (brother of Sharon Wood), **Chloe Ashley, Cal & Barb Vraa, and Bev Johnson**
- **Cathie Willmert** and all who are homebound
- **Rev. Philip and Lou-Marie Knutson, South Africa; Rev. Dorcas Wang, China and Peace Center for the Blind in Jerusalem**
- **The Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Johnson, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Meiganga, Cameroon**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>April Gift of Love - Beacon/Families Moving Forward Sheltering Program</b></p> <p>Congregations host families who are experiencing homelessness, extending hospitality and a warm, safe place to rest. Dedicated volunteers from more than 90 congregations throughout the Twin Cities metro area (including CTK) make hot meals, lead activities, and set up comfortable spaces to sleep as they host families overnight for a week at a time. However, due to Covid-19 safety precautions, families are currently being sheltered in a hotel in Chaska. Congregations continue to provide evening meals for the families at the hotel, and drop off food for breakfast and lunch at the Beacon Program Center.</p> <p>During the day, families work with FMF case managers based on their unique needs, finding support as they transition from temporary shelter to an established home. At the Beacon Program Center in Chaska, parents may search for a new home, do laundry, go to work or search for a new job, while their children play or go to school. Through the entire experience, FMF staff foster an environment of dignity and resilience.</p> <p>Christ the King has supported FMF for over 40 years! Our prayers and financial gifts are needed even more now, to help cover the additional costs of sheltering families in hotels, rather than with congregations. Your prayers and financial gift of love are greatly appreciated!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>April Worship at CTK</b></p> <p><b>4/11 - Online worship with Mpls Synod</b>  <b>4/18 - Drive-In Worship</b>  <b>4/25 - Drive-In Worship</b></p> <p>Drive-In worship will start at 9:30am and will take place in the CTK parking lot. Come rain or shine!! There will continue to be an online worship component for those who cannot safely attend.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Bible Reading for next week:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Acts 3:12-19                      Psalm 4</b>  <b>1 John 3:1-7                      Luke 24:36b-48</b></p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Spring Plant Sale</b></p> <p>Spring is here! Our Spring Plant Sale has begun! Forms are in the office or on our website at <a href="https://www.ctkb.org/news/spring-plant-sale">https://www.ctkb.org/news/spring-plant-sale</a>. You can mail in your order, drop it off in the office, call Rachel Bernier at 612-208-5874 or email her <a href="mailto:johnsonrachela@gmail.com">johnsonrachela@gmail.com</a>. <b>Orders and money are due April 18<sup>th</sup></b> with plants available for pick up the <b>evening of Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup></b>.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>May Newsletter Deadline</b>  <b>Thursday, April 15, 2021</b></p> <p>Email newsletter articles <a href="mailto:jvevea@ctkb.org">jvevea@ctkb.org</a> or leave a hard copy in the church office.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Remember VEAP March 1-April 11. It's the Minnesota FoodShare Drive. You can drop off food/household items at CTK or consider giving a financial gift to VEAP because every \$10 equals food for families to make 30 meals!!</b></p>
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**Make a Meal with Molly**  
**Cheesy, Chicken, White Bean, Tomato Dish**

This virtual cooking event will be held at 11:00am on Saturday, April 17th. You will receive the ingredients to make an easy low cost meal that can be easily adapted to your dietary preferences.

**We will deliver ingredients free of charge to the first 20 households that sign up. Others are encouraged to sign up for the event, but will be given the list of ingredients to have on hand to purchase on their own.** Sign up here using [this link](#) or go to our website at

<https://www.cktb.org/events/make-a-meal-with-molly/2021-04-17>

**Garden Boxes**

We are in the process of building 10 more boxes for the Community Garden. We are looking for people to help build our boxes during the month of April. **Please call Dan to schedule.** He or somebody will be made available to assist you along with an instructional video. Follow COVID-19 safe protocols and come in with a couple friends or your family. **We also need people to help tear down the boxes we are replacing and repairing the remaining old boxes. This will happen on April 10th and 11th.**

**If you want to rent a garden box this summer:**

**Cost is \$20.00 a season for the new larger boxes and \$10.00 for the old smaller boxes.** Click on the [link](#), stop by the office for a form or go to our website

<https://www.cktb.org/news/bryant-park-community-garden>.

**Exercising Imagination - A Spring Discipleship Group**

In the book *From What Is to What If*, Rob Hopkins clearly outlines the crisis of imagination we are experiencing globally and the impact it is having on our ability to address the issues we face - namely climate change. As people of faith, we ground ourselves in unimaginable stories: virgin birth, resurrection, Jonah being eaten by a whale?! Therefore, we also have a lot to offer our communities as we seek to live faithfully and think imaginatively. Join Pr. Maria for a 5-week study of imagination and the biblical characters who lead us by their own examples. We'll gather on Mondays from 4-5:30pm for scripture study, imagination exercises, learnings from Rob Hopkins' book, and plenty of fun!

Gatherings will either take place via zoom or outside on the CTK lawn with masks and distancing, weather permitting. **We will meet the following dates April 12th, 19th, 26th and May 10th and 17th.** It is not necessary to purchase the book to participate, but if you would like to, you are more than welcome to do so! **Email Pastor Maria if you are interested!!**

**Digital Schedule!**

**Sundays**

9:30am – Sunday online Worship Posted on YouTube, Facebook, and [www.cktb.org/services/](http://www.cktb.org/services/)

11am – Coffee Hour on Zoom - on April 11 – there will be no coffee hour when we have Drive-In Worship <https://zoom.us/j/93941598230?pwd=cjh3RVlxSkp4NDgxMTN3T3FYbGpBdz09>

**Daily**

10am - Digital Devotional on Facebook Live (Monday-Thursday)

Written Devotionals via email or at <https://www.cktb.org/blog>

**Tuesdays**

2pm - Community Announcements via Constant Contact

**Wednesdays**

10:30am Bible Study on Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/894811971?pwd=aG9lNmpTRTJyeGtzQWtNaDZibEZxZz09>