



The Courier

Christ the King Episcopal Church

1224 North Jefferson Street

Huntington, Indiana 46750

OCTOBER, 2025

A Few Words from Fr. Ted

WHOSE TIME?

The other day, I went to our local Lowe's Store. As I entered the store, the first thing I saw was a multi-aisle display of lighted Christmas trees and all the necessary accessories for holiday decorating. Just across the aisle was another display with plastic skeletons, jack-o-lanterns and other Halloween related items. I know it is common to decry the pushing forward of the Christmas season and other celebrations for commercial reasons. I also know that most of us remember when Halloween was a minor celebration and it was little thought of before the middle of October. Likewise, Christmas goods were hard to find before Thanksgiving. Those days are long gone.

What struck me in all of this was the almost universal urge to rush time. We were in a hurry to be old enough to drive, to drink legally, to graduate college, get married and have children. We couldn't wait to have a successful career, and then we looked forward to being able to retire. Yet with all of this impatience, time seemed to move quickly. And now, for many of us, we wonder where it went. Of all that we may hold precious, the most finite of all is time. We are each only allocated so many years of life. Psalmist said, "The days of our life are seventy years, or perhaps eighty, if we are strong..." (Psalm 90:10) For some, life is tragically short; others may even exceed the Psalmist's highest estimate. Still, there is only so much time.

The Greeks had two words for time, *chronos* which is the sequential time with which we are familiar. This is the time that marches forward and when once passed can never be reclaimed. The other is *kairos*. For the Greeks, *kairos* time was the right or proper time to act. It has been said that while *chronos* is a quantifiable measure, *kairos* implies a more qualitative and permanent time.

In Christian use, the distinction is between time as we experience it and God's time. For us, time is indeed chronological. It proceeds at a



measured rate. We wake up in the morning and we sleep at night. We mark its passing in minutes, hours, days, weeks, months, and years. It is counted as the time between our birth and our death.

Galatians 4:4-5 says, “But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children.” Scholars and preachers have tried and tried to determine why Jesus was born, lived, died and was resurrected at that particular place and time. They point to political, social and religious situations at the time which made it the best time. The Roman occupation of Palestine had people looking for a savior; the system of roads made it possible for the Good News to spread rapidly, and some felt that exact time fit with the prophecies of a Messiah in the Hebrew scriptures. The truth is it was the right time because it was *kairos*, God’s time.

The time we have is, likewise, *kairos* time. It is all the time we have. The question is how we choose to use it. Whether we have a little time or a lot is not as important as what we do with the time we have been given. Jesus spent his relatively short life making God known to others. We are called to love God, worship God and share the news of his love to others. The time to do that is now; it is *kairos* because it is the time God gave us. Let us not worry about how much time we have, but how we will use the time we have been given to love and serve God and our neighbors.

Fr. Ted+



“FOR ALL THE SAINTS”

Because of Fr. Ted and Dianne’s vacation, we will (with permission from Bishop Sparks) celebrate All Saints’ Sunday a week early on October 26, 2025. If you have loved ones who have died and would like them prayed for at that time, you may submit their names on the form below or email them to tneidlinger@yahoo.com. In order to include their names in the bulletin, your list needs to be received by October 22, 2025

CHRIST THE KING EPISCOPAL CHURCH ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY PRAYER REQUESTS

Please list below those departed loved ones you would like prayed for by name on All Saints' Sunday: **Note your name as well.**

Return in the alms basin or email to:
tneidlenger@yahoo.com by Sunday, October 22, 2025

THE FIVE W's OF MARRIAGE:

The When, What, Who, Why, and Where of The Sacrament

Beginning on November 9, 2025, after Mass we will have a four- or five-week discussion of the Sacrament of Marriage as now understood in the Episcopal Church. We will look at the history and theology of matrimony and wording of the marriage rite. All members of the parish are invited to attend and participate. This is being offered in accordance with Bishop Sparks' Pastoral Letter of December 2016 and the need for the adoption by the Vestry of a Marriage policy. Input from those attending the forum will be invaluable to the Vestry in development of this policy.

Further information will be in the November *Courier*.

September was a busy month at CtK –

*Lots of excuses for “enhanced”
Coffee Hours!*

*Here are Les Graham, Judy Frischman, Sue
Graham, Linda Beatty and Dorothy Bodi*

*We reluctantly bid farewell to Dorothy,
who is moving to Florida, and celebrated
Sue's 90th birthday.*



**ALZHEIMER'S and DEMENTIA
CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP**

Will meet Thursday, October 2
at 5:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall

Questions?

Call Nancy Heasley

260-450-7077

BOOK CLUB

Book Club will meet on Monday, October 20 to discuss *I Kill Killers* by S. T. Ashman. According to Goodreads, , ""I Kill Killers" is a pulse-pounding journey into moral ambiguity, blurring the slippery line between heroes and villains."



Britina Boxell will lead the discussion and Marguerite Wire will host.

Feel free to join us – even if you haven't read the book!.

We meet at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

**OCTOBER
BIRTHDAYS**

5 Lynn Roberts
10 Paul Wilson
16 Linda Beatty
17 Julie Harrell
28 Jacob Daugherty



**OCTOBER
ANNIVERSARIES**

7 Gary & Linda Beatty
20 Erv & Beth Ebersole
27 Chris and Britina Boxell

Remember to send updates for this page to Sue Jepsen at (sljepsen@yahoo.com). She'll even take them on little slips of paper if that suits you better! Thank you!



Just a small part of the crowd . . .

What a great "picnic" we had! It was a beautiful day and we filled up our house; the food was great, and the conversations were even better. It was also nice to see some of the faces we don't see much anymore. We are ready for the next one, how about you?

-- Carmen Oswalt

CHRIST THE KING OCTOBER, 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	01	02	03	04
		4:30 p.m. Choir 7:00 p.m. AA		5:30 Evening Prayer 5:00 Dementia Caregivers' Group		
05	06	07	08	09	10	11
9 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:30 Adult Study		4:30 p.m. Choir 7:00 p.m. AA		5:30 Holy Communion		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
9 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:30 Adult Study		4:30 p.m. Choir 7:00 p.m. AA		5:30 Evening Prayer 6:00 Vestry		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
9 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:30 Adult Study	7:00 p.m. Book Club in the Parish Hall	4:30 p.m. Choir 7:00 p.m. AA		5:30 Evening Prayer		
26	27	28	29	30	31	01
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Yet another farewell

Here we remembered to gather for a picture with Wilma Hammond, who has joined us the past several summers as she escaped the heat in Arizona. Her sunny presence will be missed!



SERVICE ROSTER OCTOBER, 2025

	5 Oct	12 Oct	19 Oct	26 Oct
		United with Love Ingathering		All Saints
Reader (OT & Epistle)	Marguerite Wire	Linda Beatty	Meg Moss	Linda Beatty
Intercessor	Bill Oswalt	Gary Beatty	Marguerite Wire	Liz Snively
Server 1	Dixie Harrold	Marguerite Wire	Dixie Harrold	Carmen Oswalt
Server 2	Jeff Roberts	Meg Moss	Jeff Roberts	
Counter				
Altar Guild	Linda Beatty	Marguerite Wire	Dixie Harrold	Alex Klausing
Coffee Hour	Parker	Beatty	Wire	Snively

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VESTRY

Sue Jepsen 2025
Nancy Heasley 2025

John Jepsen 2026
Paul Wilson 2026

Carmen Oswalt 2027
Sue Nunemaker 2027

PHONE NUMBERS

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260-224-3835

SERVICES at CHRIST the KING

Sunday, 9:00 a.m.: Holy Communion
Thursday, 9:00 a.m.: Morning Prayer
Thursday, 5:30 p.m.: Evening Prayer
2nd Thursday/month, 5:30: Communion

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Douglas Sparks

Sr. Warden:
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Jr. Warden:
George Goedesky

Treasurer:
Mark Parker

Music Director: Sue
Nunemaker

