



Office for
Transition
Ministry

Ministry Portfolio

Full Portfolio (last updated Sep 18, 2018)

Christ the King, Springfield

1210 S. Fell Ave., Normal, IL 61761, United States

Rector / Vicar / Priest-in-Charge (Part-time) | Receiving Names until 11/15/2018.

Contact: archdeacon@episcopalspringfield.org

Weekly Average Sunday Attendance (ASA) 32	Number of Weekend Worship Services 52	Number of Weekday Worship Services 45	Number of Other per Month Worship Services
Current Annual Compensation	Cash Stipend	Housing / Rectory Detail	Utilities
SECA reimbursement	Compensation Available for New Position \$22500	Housing Available for	Pension Plan We're in compliance with CPF requirements.
Healthcare Options Negotiable	Dental	Housing Equity Allowance in budget	Annual Equity Amount
Vacation Weeks One month, including 5 Sundays (standard)	Vacation Weeks Details	Continuing Education Weeks 2 (standard)	Continuing Education Weeks Details
Continuing Education Funding in budget up to/including \$500/year	Sabbatical Provision	Travel/Auto Account Yes	Other Professional Account Yes

Compensation allocable between stipend and housing in consultation with the priest.

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Describe a moment in your worshipping community's recent ministry which you recognize as one of success and fulfillment.

For the last several years, Christ the King has hosted a Christmas party for over 150 at-risk children from Bloomington/Normal. By actively being involved in this event many members of CTK helped to bring a bit of joy and happiness into a child's life and shared the love of Christ with the children and their families. One year, CTK members shopped for and bought all the food items so CTK could donate a free Christmas turkey dinner for each family in attendance. CTK now has enough volunteers and children to offer Children's Sunday School every Sunday rather than two Sundays a month. CTK volunteers also work directly with the Regional Alternative School, Seeds of Hope, Center for Hope, Kairos, Cursillo, and our Craft Ministry. We are expanding our outreach by working with the Delegate Church Association (Partners in Healing prayer ministry) at Advocate-Bromenn Medical Center.

How are you preparing yourselves for the Church of the future?

The church continuously looks for ways to be of service to others outside CTK and share God's love and grace regardless of their background. We try to ensure we talk with them where they are and reach out as much as we can. CTK is focusing on being more courageous when building new relationships in and outside our church walls. We offer more bible study, service opportunities, intentional prayer (individual and group), and more healing prayer than anytime in recent memory. We also lead or take part in activities that support our mission of becoming joyful disciples of Jesus Christ and making disciples of others.

Please provide words describing the gifts and skills essential to the future leaders of your worshipping community.

Prayerful Preacher - Approachable Pastor - Scriptural Teacher -- Empowering Evangelist

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Describe your liturgical style and practice for all types of worship services provided by your community.

The people of CTK enjoy using and being exposed to all aspects of the Book of Common Prayer. We tend toward an evangelical/informal style using primarily Rite II liturgies. However, we are flexible and with the Bishop's permission offer services using Anglican resources from around the Communion. Our music tends toward selections from Episcopal Church music resources supplemented with outside resources. From time to time we offer Sunday healing services. Rite I is sometimes used for specific days or seasons. We encourage children to attend and take part in the services.

How do you practice incorporating others in ministry?

At CTK we are collaborative rather than hierarchal. Leadership encourages ministry ideas from CTK's friends and family. While the Mission Leadership Team (Vestry) has final decision-making authority, leadership invites input and feedback from CTK members. Besides garnering feedback and support for ideas many members will be active participants in a ministry they understand and into which they had input. We have a history of an active and engaged laity coming together to make events and activities happen. People at CTK tend to support ministries with their time and talents as well as their treasures. Intentional prayer for CTK and its ministries is another way people can feel a part of efforts. Communications occur through multiple vehicles; conversation, worship, meetings, the CTK newsletter, Email, website, and Facebook. Also, announcements and conversations occur during weekly coffee time following Sunday Worship.

As a worshipping community, how do you care for your spiritual, emotional and physical well-being?

We start by fostering a caring, family environment that respects the privacy and wishes of individuals. We are Christ-centered and try to do what Jesus calls us to do. We believe in the power of God and in God's grace and provision in our lives. We always try to be supportive and caring of others; even new comers to the church. We offer healing and prayer services. As a community we pray with and for each other, have a prayer request box and publish a weekly prayer list in the bulletin, email, and on Facebook. Emergency prayer requests are often shared with all members and friends via email and/or Facebook. We offer bible study, service opportunities, intentional prayer (individual and group), and more healing prayer than any time in recent memory. We also aid and take part in activities, such as Cursillo, Kairos, Craft Ministry, etc., that support our mission of becoming joyful disciples of Jesus Christ and making disciples of others. Christ the King tries to be a Learning, Caring, Worshipping, Giving, and Evangelizing church.

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How do you engage in pastoral care for those beyond your worshipping community?

We are blessed to have several members of the clergy who have ministered to us, and we have reached out to them in some cases to assist outside of our worshipping community. We have several members who are Eucharistic Visitors who are happy to take communion to members of our worshipping community and others. Laity conducts hospital and nursing home visitations for members and offers the Daily Office in those settings. Our doors are always open to others, and we are a welcoming and friendly community. Our members have helped new and infrequent visitors with challenges in their lives. In the past we have also prepared and served meals at a local homeless drop-in center (Jesus House) before they closed. We supply meals and fellowship to the Regional Alternative school, participate in Kairos - Prison Ministry, support Seeds of Hope - Christmas Party, supply food and staples to the Center for Hope, take part in the Partners for Healing prayer ministry at BroMenn Advocate Hospital, and assist Samaritan's Purse. The CTK Craft Ministry donates handmade items for patients at local hospitals, nursing homes, Alzheimer's units, the Community Cancer Center, and homeless agencies.

Describe your worshipping community's involvement in either the wider Church or geographical region.

Lay members of CTK have been involved with activities on the Diocesan level including the Standing Committee, Diocesan Treasurer, Bishop Search committee, the Synod, National Convention delegates, Commission on Ministry, Department on Mission, etc. and other activities within the Episcopal Church. In our geographical region we participate in activities including the Regional Alternative School, Kairos, Cursillo, Center for Hope, local children's Christmas Activities, BroMenn Delegate Church Association (advisory group for local hospital). The CTK Craft Ministry donates handmade items for patients at local hospitals, nursing homes, Alzheimer's units, the Community Cancer Center, and homeless agencies. We often allow the Neighborhood Association for our church neighborhood to meet in our facility.

Tell about a ministry that your worshipping community has initiated in the past five years. Who can be contacted about this?

The Regional Alternative School Program (RAS) provides educational services for students throughout Dewitt, McLean, and Livingston counties. The program provides students in grades 7-12 who do not qualify for special educational services and are not experiencing success in the traditional day school program, for a variety of reasons, with an option to continue their education. RAS needed food for their students. These students face a variety of challenges. Some of the students are parents themselves and have trouble meeting their own needs and the needs of their children. Many of the RAS students are from low income and/or broken homes. They seldom have a meal before going to school. For several years we have taken a monthly meal to them and have done special meals for Easter and Thanksgiving. We have also donated personal care and hygiene items for the student/community pantry at the school. (Linda Slotky/Mike Christopher) The CTK Craft Ministry donates handmade items for patients at local hospitals, nursing homes, Alzheimer's units, the Community Cancer Center, and homeless agencies. (Lois Brumbaugh/Debbie Nelson)

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What is your practice of stewardship and how does it shape the life of your worshipping community?

We try to be good stewards of the blessings that God has given us. We strive to be faithful disciples of Christ and make disciples of others. We are not rich in financial resources, but we are rich in a deep and abiding faith in God and what he can do for us. The church and its service to God and neighbors is always the focus of our actions. CTK has a high level of giving among its worshipping community. On many occasions, Bishop Martins has commended CTK for giving more per capita than any other church in the diocese. We are grateful for what God has provided to our church. Also, the Mission Leadership Team (Vestry) attempts to be good stewards of what God makes available. We vote an annual faith-based budget. Our members are very generous with their time, talents, and treasures. They give from their hearts and from their love of Christ and neighbors.

What is your worshipping community's experience of conflict? And how have you addressed it?

We would love to say we have no conflict. Sometimes we deal with it well; sometimes not so well. We try to remember that every person is made in the image of God and respect each other even if there are differences of opinion. As a community we believe in the power of prayer. When issues arise, or decisions must be made, the questions or challenges are "bathed in prayer." Seeking input and feedback is an integral part of decision-making at CTK. While decision-making rests with the Mission Leadership Team (Vestry), open communication and transparency have been hallmarks of CTK, especially in the last 3-plus years. Whether amongst the Leadership or the community, there is a high degree of collaboration. We try to "take the high road" in all that we do.

What is your experience leading/addressing change in the church? When has it gone well? When has it gone poorly? And what did you learn?

Three plus years ago when we lost our rector, we experienced a great deal of change within our church. The remaining leadership and congregation stood up and accepted more responsibility so CTK continued to exist. Some very difficult decisions were made, such as closing our church's community preschool due to decreasing enrollment and financial drain. Many people had to overcome their emotional attachment to this ministry which we could no longer support. At times, maintaining an aging facility is a challenge. Leadership and other members have been good stewards and God has answered prayers. God continues to shepherd and provide for the faithful at CTK. With God's help, we are alive, and not just surviving but growing on many counts. Attendance at worship services, educational offerings, and events is increasing. Outreach and Service Ministries are active and expanding. Giving has increased and our financial position is strengthening. There is a positive tone and direction. No doubt, challenges lie ahead, just as in the past. The one for whom our Eucharistic Community is named has not once forsaken or abandoned us. Christ the King, our Lord and Savior, has always provided for us in His perfect will and time.

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Prior Incumbents

Name	Position Title	Date Begun	Date Ended
John Richmond	Rector / Vicar / Priest-in-Charge	1987-02	1993-06

Name	Position Title	Date Begun	Date Ended
Robert Montiel	Rector / Vicar / Priest-in-Charge	1994-06	2000-08

Name	Position Title	Date Begun	Date Ended
Desmond Francis	Rector / Vicar / Priest-in-Charge	2002-01	2015-05

Church School yes		Number of Teachers/Leaders for Children School 7	Number of Students for Children School 7
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Number of Teachers/Leaders for Teen/Young Adults School	Number of Students for Teen/Young Adults School	Number of Teachers/Leaders for Adults School 1	Number of Students for Adults School 8
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Day School	Number of Students for Day School	Number of Teachers for Day School	Number of Total Staff for Day School
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Worshipping Community Web site: www.CTK4U.org

Media Links:

Online References:

www.facebook.com/groups/CTK4U

Languages Significantly Represented:

English

Provide Worship or Classes in:

English

References

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**The Rt. Rev. Daniel H.
Martins**

Diocesan Transition Minister

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The Ven. Shawn W. Denney

Current Warden/Board Chair

Rod Matthews

Previous Warden/Board Chair

Keith Gehrand

Search Chair

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Parish/Institution

Local Community Leader