

Christ the King Church

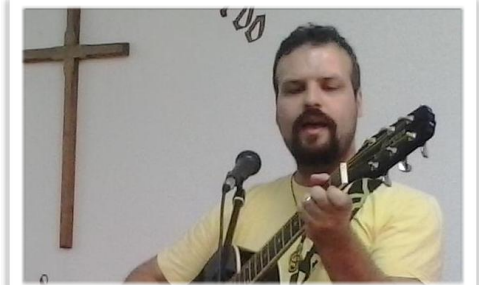
Karlovac & Zagreb Spring Newsletter



Asim riding in the annual Karlovac May Day bicycle race.

New Members at Christ the King

This Easter, there were some new faces among the worshipers. Since Christmas, Vesna and Daniel have been regularly attending. Vesna is originally from Montenegro. She is on a disability pension and currently undergoing extensive physical therapy on her knees. Some ladies in the church are helping her with transportation and doing Bible study together. Daniel comes to Karlovac by train from nearby Duga Resa, where he lives with his family. Daniel works for a seafood distributor. Daniel has his bachelor's degree from the Evangelical Theological School and is now enrolled in our church's Mihael Starin Seminary, working on his Master's degree. Previously, he has worked in various ministries doing social work with the homeless and as a musician in Zagreb. We are grateful for these two individuals and the energy and enthusiasm they bring to Christ the King.



Our mission: Working for the glory of God and the good of Karlovac.

Our vision: To build up the congregations, disciple new believers, offer basic seminary training and impact more lives for the Kingdom in a permanent facility.



Doing Evangelism In Karlovac And Beyond

Every morning, Monday through Saturday, you can find Asim in the Ray Bar cafe before he goes to work. Asim engages other customers and the baristas in conversation. He is not afraid to turn conversations in a spiritual direction. Asim makes a point of inviting people to church in the cafe, in his sewing machine repair workshop and wherever he goes. He gives away New Testaments, devotionals and other evangelical literatures. Recently on a trip to visit his Muslim relatives in nearby Bosnia, Asim took them New Testaments and Christian books. He has lived in Karlovac for 50 years and knows many people in the city and they know him. Since coming to faith in Christ, Asim is filled with the joy of the Lord and enthusiastically shares his faith to whomever he meets, wherever he goes.



Our New Lay Reader: Domagoj Rade

On March 17th, Domagoj Rade was made a lay reader, which is a member of the congregation who is authorized to lead certain services of worship and is permitted to preach. Domagoj studies information technology at the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) branch campus in Zagreb. He is also a student in the Mihael Starin Seminary, Karlovac satellite campus. After he graduates from RIT, he plans to be an entrepreneur with his own hi-tech company. When he is not busy with his studies, Domagoj helps in the church as a musician and assists in diaconal work such as delivering food baskets and supplies to the homeless shelter. We thank God for Domagoj and his heart to serve others.



Successful Fundraising Trip

In February, Almir and Tom travelled to America to raise funds to purchase a property before the church is evicted by the city from its current space. They attended the National Prayer Breakfast in Washington D.C. They met with many pastors and other individuals in Washington D.C., Pittsburgh, and Philadelphia. Almir spoke about the church and seminary work in Karlovac at RES Seminary, Holy Trinity RE Church, Mt. Chestnut Presbyterian and The Presbyterian Church of Prospect. During the trip over \$3000 was donated in cash and checks. More than \$3850 was mailed or pledged later to the REC Board of Foreign Missions, 23501 Cinco Ranch Blvd., Ste H120 #642, Katy, TX 77494. We thank God for raising \$7000 on this trip.

