

Welcome to King of Kings

We are glad to have you worship the Lord with us today. Members, friends and visitors are asked to complete a "Welcome" card, found in the chair pocket. Please place the card in the offering plate. Your personal information will not be shared outside of King of Kings. Prayer requests on the reverse side of the card will be offered by the King of Kings Prayer Team.

Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, December 3, 2023
8:00 AM Worship Service in person and live-streamed
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Preservice
Welcome & Opening Announcements
Opening Hymn Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates LSB 341
Invocation
Confession & Absolution LSB 151
Service of the Word
Scripture Readings Isaiah 64:1-9
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Alleluia and Verse LSB 156
Mark 13:24-37
Children's Message
Sermon Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz
Hymn of the Day Savior of the Nations Come LSB 332 sts 1-2, 7-8
Nicene Creed
Passing of the Peace
Offering
Prayer of the Church
Service of the Sacrament
Lord's Prayer LSB 162
Distribution Hymn Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread LSB 625
O God, My Faithful God LSB 696
Benediction LSB 166
Closing Hymn Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come LSB 350
Closing Announcements

Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, December 3, 2023
The Last Sunday of the Church Year
10:45 AM Worship Service in person and live-streamed

Preservice King of Kings
Welcome & Opening Announcements
Opening Song Advent Hymn
Invocation
Confession & Absolution
Scripture Isaiah 64:1-9
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:24-37
Children's Message
Song of the Day Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King
Sermon Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz
Nicene Creed
Passing of the Peace
Offering
Prayer of the Church
Lord's Prayer
Service of the Sacrament
Distribution Song Communion Song
O Come All You Unfaithful (Praise Team Only)
Benediction
Closing Song This Is Love (with Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus)
Closing Announcements
Musicians: Gordon Russell, piano/vocals | Sarah Mueller, vocals | Lori Crosby, vocals | Brendan Doty, drums

THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS

Sun, Dec 3	8:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion
	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education Hour
	10:45 a.m.	Worship With Communion
	4:00 p.m.	Hiawatha Care Center
	4:00 p.m.	Youth Christmas Party
Mon, Dec 4	6:30 p.m.	MMOC Community Choir
	7:00 p.m.	Difference Makers
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
Tue, Dec 5	8:30 a.m.	Moms in Prayer International
	10:30 a.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study
	1:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Praise Band Practice
	6:00 p.m.	Governing Board Budget Planning Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Wed, Dec 6	6:00 p.m.	Safety Team Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	HS Youth
	7:00 p.m.	Advent Worship
Thu, Dec 7	5:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery Dinner
	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
Sat, Dec 9	9:00 a.m.	Celebrate Recovery Step Study
	9:30 a.m.	Children's Christmas Musical Rehearsal
Sun, Dec 10	8:00 a.m.	Christmas Cantata
	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education Hour
	10:45 a.m.	Christmas Cantata

Attendance 11/26
Worship: 8:00 AM: 133 10:45 AM: 59 Total: 192
Children's Sunday School: N/A

Serving Schedule - contact the church office if you'd like to serve.

THIS WEEK	12/03 8:00 AM	12/10 8:00 AM	12/03 10:45 AM	12/10 10:45 AM
Elder 12/03	Shane Hartzler		Paul Parry	
Elder 12/10	Dan Klinkenberg		Mike Frerking	
Lay Reader 12/03	Denny Wangeman		David Ridout	
Lay Reader 12/10	Steve Gronemeyer		Keith Colton	
Acolyte 12/03	Haley Sojka		Izzy Mueller	
Acolyte 12/10	Annie Klinkenberg		Lila Dixon	
Ushers 12/03	John Schaefer, Dale Hahn, Kyle Hibbing		Jason Silcox, Jon Bartleson, David Eddy	
Ushers 12/10	Bill Mauer, Boyd Kaiser		Jason Silcox, Deanna Glass, Colin McCarthy	
Greeters 12/03	Roxy Savage		Steve Schroeder	
Greeters 12/10	Dixie Dahl, Jim Muench, Sue Muench		Rachel Happel	
Sound 12/03	Brian Carlson		Joel Silcox	
Sound 12/10				
Media 12/03	Ken Liske		Greg Glass	
Media 12/10	Holly Sojka		Holly Sojka	
Video 12/03	Kirk Monson		Kirk Monson	
Video 12/10	Jason Sojka		Jason Sojka	

King of Kings

LUTHERAN CHURCH

December 3, 2023 - December 9, 2023

Today we welcome Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz



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Prayer of the Church-- December 3, 2023

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Gracious Lord, sustain Your saints to the end as we enter another Church Year. Encourage the preachers of Your Word and all who hear, that the testimony about Christ may be confirmed among us as we wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, behold our nation and its leaders and protect our armed forces, taking them under Your care and blessing. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Visit us in Your compassion, O Lord. Deliver the sick from their infirmity, the troubled from their afflictions, the grieving from their sorrow and the dying from their fear *[especially _____]*. May all who cry to You receive grace according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, grant Your blessing to all marriages and keep all husbands and wives faithful to each other. Guide them as they care for the children entrusted to them. Bestow Your loving care upon all children who have suffered abuse or neglect, as well as upon all who open their homes to children in foster care. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Lord, Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, entered Jerusalem to shouts and cheers of joy. Grant that we may be stirred by the Word and Sacraments to rejoice anew, now and at His second advent. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Father, You have made us glad to enter into Your presence to hear the good news of our Savior and receive Your gifts. Preserve Your Church against all her enemies, and lead us to walk in Your ways and to follow Your paths, that when Jesus returns in His glory we may welcome Him with glad hosannas; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

We'd like to wish the following King of Kings Members a very happy and blessed Birthday or Anniversary:

- 12/03 - Madison Mullenbach
- 12/06 - Sarah Mueller
- 12/07 - A.J. Offt, Denise Scott
- 12/08 - Ben Wadsley
- 12/09 - Landon Parry

Dennis & Virginia Bruster 12/05/1970

COMMUNION PREPARATION (Communion is observed on the first and third Sundays of the month at both service times.)
The Bible instructs us to examine ourselves...
+Do I truly repent of my sins?
+Do I believe I am forgiven my sins through Jesus?
+Do I believe that along with the bread and wine I also receive the real body and blood of Jesus for the forgiveness of my sins?
+Do I promise, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to amend my sinful life?
If you are not a member of a LCMS church, please speak with the pastor before the service.

Members

- Lydia Parry
- Bob Harris
- Kris Ruprecht
- Ted Williams
- Leann Carlson
- Paul Buchanan
- Julie Birely
- Cherie Buelow
- Lois Muench
- Marv Frerking
- Richard Nelson
- John Owen
- Jerry Green
- Jerry Cline

Family & Friends

- Mark Fintel, Laborers for Christ Project Manager
- Eddie Dedina, brother of Dian Treptow
- Julie Gentry
- Jen Zebuhr
- Jack (Grandson of Bob & Pat Harris)

Guest Information

Welcome to King of Kings Lutheran Church! We are happy you have chosen to attend one of our two Sunday morning worship services. The message is the same at both, but the worship styles are somewhat different. You will participate in a more traditional liturgical worship (with variations) at 8:00, while the 10:45 a.m. service employs a more contemporary form. Communion is observed on the first and third Sundays of the month at both service times. Please stop by the WELCOME CENTER, near the main entrance, for information on programs and ministries at King of Kings. We hope to see you again soon!

Advent Is Here

The season of Advent is a time of focused worship in preparation for the arrival of Jesus our Savior. Midweek Advent services are slated for December 6, 13 & 20 at 7 p.m. The theme is *Peace Come to Earth*. Pick up a copy of the Advent devotional as you come in or out of worship.

Governing Board Nominations

The Governing Board is now accepting nominations for the 2024 board. Nominations may be submitted to the church office or to one of the existing Governing Board members.

Tuesday Mornings at Green Square Park

King of Kings is joining up with Bethany Lutheran Church to reach out to our homeless neighbors -- join us at 8:15am at Green Square Park downtown every Tuesday morning. Bethany is bringing sandwiches and drink to distribute. We also will be handing out hats and gloves, so any donations of these items are welcomed. Please come! If you have any questions please speak with Rachel Happel on behalf of King of Kings Evangelism (319-447-7901).

Altar Flowers for 2024

The Altar Flower sign up for 2024 is available on the Opportunities Counter. Purchasing Altar Flowers in memory of a loved one or a special occasion is a great way to help decorate the altar each week. Please take a look at the sign-up and see if there is a special Sunday that speaks to you. We would love to see flowers on the altar every Sunday.

A Night Full of Stars

Join us Sunday, December 17 at 4:00 PM for this year's Children's Program called a Night Full of Stars! This year's program is a red carpet, formal attire event! The kids are going to be all dressed up and we would like to encourage those coming to the program to wear formal attire as well! We are going to have a great celebration and even have an "after party" following the program. Come a little early to experience the whole red carpet event and get pictures taken on the red carpet!

The white poinsettias for the altar during this Advent season are given to the Glory of the Lord by Darlene and Kristin Wood in memory of Rev. Fritz Wood and son and brother, Tim and all our departed families heavenly homecoming.

PLEDGE CARDS

Thank you to all who returned pledge cards. If you have not yet taken the opportunity to return your cards (2024 annual giving & Forward with Christ building campaign), you may continue to do so -- place them in the box at the welcome center (additional cards are available there also), mail them to the church or call/email Jonathan with your pledge information (319-393-2438 or jofft@kingofkingscr.org). Thank you.

The Love Tree

The Love Tree returns this year! We would like to bless our African Ministry, and King of King's members or their family and friends. Please contact Pastor Chris or Ann Mueller by December 10 if you know a family that we can bless this Christmas. The Love Tree tags will be on the tree next Sunday.

Annual Voter's Assembly

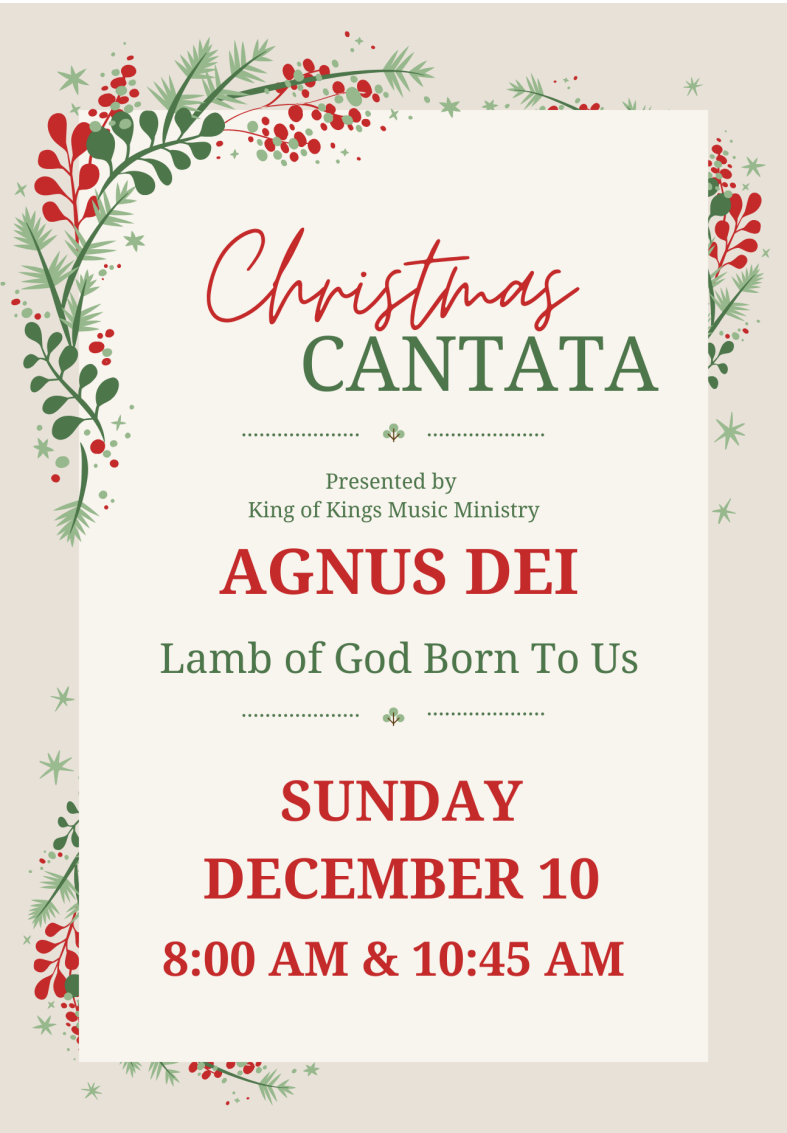
We have once again reached the very important time of the year when we conduct our Annual Congregational Voter's Assembly. This meeting plays a critical role in the setting of the annual budget, elections for open Governing Board positions, as well as the establishment of congregational Visions and Goals for 2024. The leadership of the congregation truly values the input of all of our members, and would encourage everyone to attend. This year's meeting will be held on Sunday, January 14, 2024, immediately following the 10:45 a.m. service. No meal will be provided. Childcare will be available.

Order Your Poinsettias Today!

Order a poinsettia to help up decorate the altar for our Christmas season celebrations. Poinsettias can be ordered in memory of a loved one or a special occasion. The Christmas bulletin will list the contributors and their memory/occasion. Order forms are available on the Welcome Counter. Please note the deadline to order is Sunday December 10th.

Midweek Youth During Advent

As we enter into the season of Advent, regular midweek youth activities take a break so that youth can attend Worship each Wednesday at 7pm with their families. There will be no 5-8th grade activities or Confirmation on Wednesdays. HS Youth will have the opportunity to come hang out in the youth room from 6-7pm each Wednesday before Advent Worship begins.



Christmas CANTATA

Presented by
King of Kings Music Ministry

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God Born To Us

SUNDAY
DECEMBER 10
8:00 AM & 10:45 AM



KING OF KINGS
STUDENT MINISTRIES



JOINT YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY

King of Kings Lutheran Church, CR
4-7 pm
Sunday, Dec 3



6th - 12th Grade Youth Christmas Party
Get ready for a night filled with food, friends, and lots of laughs! Our youth Christmas party this year will be held at King of Kings on Sunday, December 3rd from 4-7pm and all youth in grades 6-12 are invited. This year we are partnering with youth groups from other CR area congregations to make it an awesome party, so don't miss out. We'll have games, dinner, a gift exchange, and more! Find your most festive Christmas sweater, pick up a \$5 gift for the edible gift exchange (note: the gift should be edible) and we'll see you there. Friends are welcome too, the more the merrier.