Sunday Morning Worship

The 2nd Sunday after Christmas
January 2, 2020
8:00 a.m. In Person Worship and Streamed Live
10:45 a.m. In Person Worship

Preservice song

Opening Hymn Once In Royal David's City LSB 376 sts. 1-2, 4-5

Confession and Absolution

Service of the Word

Introit Psalm 147:1,5,11-12; antiphon; John 1:14

Scripture Readings 1 Kings 3:4-15

Ephesians 1:3-14

Children's Message Family Five

Luke 2:40-52

Hymn of the Day Oh Morning Star, How Fair and Bright LSB

395 sts. 1, 3-4, 6

Message Rev. Mark Halvorson

Nicene Creed

Offerings

Prayers of the Church & The Lord's Prayer

Blessing (Pauline)

Dismissal for those not taking communion

Service of Sacrament LSB 160

Distribution Song Emmanuel (Hallowed Manger Ground)

Benediction

Closing Song Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (w/King of Heaven)

Additional announcements can be found in the weekly e-News. Email the church office if you are not receiving the weekly emails. office@kingofkingscr.org

What's happening at King of Kings.....

In person Children's Ministry, Middle & High School to resume on Sunday, January 10 at 9:30 AM. See you then!

When Did You Last Commune?

In the Explanation to Luther's Small Catechism this question is asked: <u>Why should</u> Christians be encouraged to receive the Sacrament frequently?

There are several answers to this important question. First, Jesus instituted the Sacrament and invites us to partake in it (*Matt. 26:26*). Second, we need the comfort and strength provided by Christ's forgiveness to navigate our daily lives that are assaulted by the devil and our sinful natures (*Matt. 26:28*). Next, we are united with Christ and our fellow believers in this Sacrament (*1 Cor. 10:17*). Finally, as Christ has given himself to us so completely with his body and blood, the Sacrament strengthens us to give ourselves in sacrificial love and service to our neighbor (*John 15:12*). If you have the desire to receive the Lord's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins this week or anytime, please call either Pastor Balvanz (319-350-3276) or the church office (319-393-2438) to schedule an appointment.

Can Shed Fundraiser- NO ONSITE DROPOFF

Thank you for supporting our youth over the past few years by bringing in your bottle and cans for deposit! Throughout our collections, we've raised almost \$2,000 to support our youth ministry. Unfortunately we are no longer able to collect cans and bottles onsite at King of Kings, but there is still a way to support our youth program! Individuals can take **FULL** and **SORTED** "Can Shed" marked bags to a Can Shed location and have the deposit return contributed to our King of Kings youth account. We will continue to provide can shed bags in the Church office upon request. More guidelines for how to sort and what containers are acceptable can be found at https://www.canshed.com/.

Family Five is a short video lesson for all people, it includes a lesson for NOW and a question to discuss or activity to do with your family LATER.

Sunday's Family Five is titled "Ah ha!"

Activity for LATER: Next time you lose something say a prayer asking God to help you find it.

Wednesday, January 6 is the feast of the Epiphany. This annual celebration of the visit of the magi to the child Jesus marks the beginning of an important season in the Christian Church year. Join Pastor Balvanz as our regular Wednesday evening Bible studies resume at 7 p.m. as he focuses on the Epiphany – God's revelation to the world – on King of Kings' Facebook Live or YouTube channels

Covid-19 Worship Center Maximum Capacity = 95

Additional seating with live feed of service in Classroom 1 (Heartland Room)

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers this week for...

<u>King of Kings members &</u> friends:

That healing and encouragement are granted to those who mourn or are ill: Viki Ingram at the death of her husband Dennis, Jason Swestka (son-in-law of Denny & Ruth Goshon), Marv Frerking, Peggy Goodson, Laura Howe (mother of Rob Howe), Leilani Leudtke, Faith Buss, Jerry Green, Jan Fruth, Sherry Brendes and those we name in our hearts.

Prayers for Others:

Healing, recovery, peace, strength —
Vike Ingram & family
Jason Swestka
Marv Frerking
Peggy Goodson
Laura Howe
Leilani Luedtke
Jerry Green
David Marousek
Faith Buss
Bob & Jan Fruth
Sherry Brendes
Jack (grandson of Bob
and Pat Harris)

For growth in faith:

That God bless each of us with the desire to imitate Jesus, to learn and grow in wisdom and strength through His Word, abiding in it, eager to hear and follow it.

For a blessed new year at King of Kings:

That God opens our hearts and minds to his will and Word, directs our decisions and guides our steps so we may serve as able witnesses of His truth in our community. Bless the ministry of this congregation. Guide us according to His will so that Christ's light may shine through us in 2021.

For relief from the pandemic:

That God would stem the spread of the coronavirus, bring healing to those who are ill and bless us with confidence in His love and mercy through all circumstances. Grant that we live in confident trust in God's eternal care for his people.



January 3, 2020 — January 9, 2020

child grew & became he was filled with the grace of - LUKE 2:40