

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 at their weekly meeting.

Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, May 8, 2022
The 4th Sunday of Easter
8:00 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed
Divine Service Setting 2 LSB 167

Preservice Music
Welcome & Opening Announcements
Opening Hymn **Father Welcomes LSB 605**
Baptism of Beau Mahmens
Invocation
Confession and Absolution **LSB 167**
Service of the Word
Scripture Readings **Acts 20:17-35**
Revelation 7:9-17
John 10:22-30
Hymn of the Day **The King of Love My Shepherd Is LSB 709**
Message **Rev. Rich Balvanz**
Apostles' Creed
Offering
Offertory **LSB 176**
Prayers of the Church
Lord's Prayer
Benediction **LSB 183**
Kids Go!
Closing Hymn **Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us LSB 711**

Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, May 8, 2022
The 4th Sunday of Easter
10:45 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed

Preservice Song **I Will Follow**
Welcome & Opening Announcements
Opening Song **Living Waters**
Your Grace Is Enough
Invocation
Confession and Absolution
Scripture Readings **Acts 20:17-35**
Revelation 7:9-17
John 10:22-30
Song of the Day **Because He Lives (Amen)**
Message **Rev. Rich Balvanz**
Apostles' Creed
Offering
Prayers of the Church
Lord's Prayer
Benediction (Aaronic)
Kids Go!
Closing Song **King of Love**
Musicians: Gordon Russell, piano/vocals | Sarah Mueller, vocals | Bruce Crowther, vocals/guitar

THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS

Sunday, May 8	8:00 a.m.	Worship
Mother's Day	8:00 a.m.	Hebrews Bible Study –Heartland Room
	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education Hour
	10:45 a.m.	Worship
	1:30 p.m.	African Ministry Mother's Day Event
Monday, May 9	Church Office Closed During the Day	
	6:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Supervision
Tuesday, May 10	9:00 a.m.	Book of Revelation Bible Study
	10:30 a.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Praise Band Practice
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
	7:30 p.m.	Men of God Project Practice
Wednesday, May 11	6:00 p.m.	Youth Dinner
	6:30 p.m.	MS & HS Youth Groups
	6:45 p.m.	Adult Bible Study
Thursday, May 12	10:30 a.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study
	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
Sunday, May 15	8:00 a.m.	Worship w/Communion
	8:00 a.m.	Resurrection, Then What? –Heartland Room
	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education Hour
	10:45 a.m.	Worship w/Communion
	12:00 p.m.	Senior Brunch and Recognition
	4:00 p.m.	Hiawatha Care Center

Attendance Last Week

Worship 05/01 8:00: 89 10:45: 206 Total: 295

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

THIS WEEK	05/08Sun 8:00	05/08 Sun 10:45
NEXT WEEK	05/15Sun 8:00	05/15 Sun 10:45
Elder 05/08	Mike Frerking	David Hoffman
Elder 05/15	Dan Klinkenberg	Curt Zebuhr
Today's Ushers	OPEN	Dan Hoffman
	OPEN	OPEN
Acolyte 05/08	Haley Sojka	Izzy Mueller
Acolyte 05/15	Annie Klinkenberg	OPEN
Lay Reader 05/08	Scott Nelson	Keith Colton
Lay Reader 05/15	Denny Wangeman	Tom Sandersfeld
Sound 05/08	OPEN	Joel Silcox
Sound 05/15	John Mueller	John Mueller
Media 05/08	Sandy Germaine	Alisa Buchanan
Media 05/15	Ann Halvorson	Greg Glass
Video 05/08	Jason Sojka	Chris Dvorak
Video 05/15	Kirk Monson	Kirk Monson
Greeters 05/08	Richard Luth	Jim Muench
	Leah Luth	Sue Muench
Greeters 05/15	Kim Johnson	Steve Epley
	Cheryl Johnson	Kathy Epley

King of Kings

LUTHERAN CHURCH

May 8, 2022— May 14, 2022

Sermon Prayer

Lord Jesus, you saved us with your blood and called us to be your children. Strengthen us to follow in the paths of righteousness for your name's sake. Amen.

The Lamb is My Shepherd



Three questions about this picture:

#1 Who is the shepherd?

"The _____ who was "slain and by your blood you _____ people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation."
"Revelation 5:9b

"The _____ in the midst of the _____ will be their shepherd."

Revelation 7:17a

Answer: Jesus, the one who lives and reigns is my Shepherd!

#2 Who are the sheep?

"My _____ my voice, and _____ them, and _____ me." John 10:27

Answer: The sheep are those who follow the shepherd's voice.

#3 To what is the shepherd leading his sheep?

Green pastures & still waters (daily needs, relief from anxiety and chaos)

Soul restoration (security, rest, peace of mind)

Paths of righteousness (God-pleasing faith life, showing that I am his)

Valley of the shadow of death (trouble, sorrow, fear of death)

"I will fear no evil, for you are _____; your rod and your staff, the comfort me." Psalm 23:4b

Though he has ascended to heaven, the incarnate Son of God, our Good Shepherd, never departs from his people.

Answer: "I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and _____ will snatch them out of my hand." John 10:28



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Prayer of the Church—Fourth Sunday of Easter 8 May 2022

Heavenly Father, your Son purchased us with His own perfect blood, and he now leads us through the gate of death to our eternal home with you. As the sheep of his fold, inspire us to hear his voice gladly and to follow him steadfastly through every trial. Bless your Church under the care of her pastors, and instill in them all wisdom, fortitude, humility and grace.

O Lord, you provide the gift of family. Bless those who have shown us a mother's love and nurtured our lives from childhood. Bless and protect all mothers with child, all those who have suffered miscarriage or the death of a child, and comfort all those who have long desired the gift of children.

Compassionate Lord, you will not allow any power or enemy to triumph over your saving purpose or snatch your lambs from your hand. Give us wise and faithful leaders who will govern in our land according to your will and defend the lives of the unborn, the orphaned, the widowed and the aged. Bless all those who make, administer and judge our laws, that they may not hinder your purpose.

Gracious God, you have not forgotten us in our afflictions nor abandoned us in our weakness. Deliver the sick and suffering according to your will, and give comfort to the dying, especially to those who have requested our prayers. Guard us against despair and grant us patience in days of trouble as we await your perfect healing.

All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayers for Healing and Encouragement:

Alysia Beam
Lydia Parry
Steve Loesch and family at the death of his mother Carol Loesch
Ruth Jahlas, mother of John Jahlas
Julia Bickel, mother of Andrea Happel
Yokanovich Family
Larry Shay
Jerry Hendricksen, brother of Kristi Mueller
Marilee Vail
Emilie & John Andrews
Jen Zebuhr
Jerry Green
Richard Luth, Sr.
Kathy Saveraid
Laury Whitham
Julie Gentry, (cousin of Deb Hoffman & Norma Colton)
Jack (grandson of Bob and Pat Harris)

King of Kings Childhood Education Center Update

A Caring Community Bringing Christ to Children and Families.

Exciting things are happening in the new Childhood Education Center! We have seen a lot of progress in the CEC these last couple of weeks. The classrooms are coming together nicely and we are securing furniture needed for the classrooms and the offices. The kitchen equipment is being installed and we should have the ovens by mid-June.

The building is about 8-weeks away from being completed (this does not include furnishings or the playground). The CEC Advisory Board is meeting with Greg Glass to discuss security measures and which doors are locked and when. Our interview team has been busy and they have interviewed four candidates for the director position, and our operations team is working hard on the policies and procedures manuals needed for the new center. We are currently working on the job descriptions for the teachers and assistants and hourly wages. We are making progress!

Mark your calendars!

We are planning on having the KOK Childhood Education Center dedication be on August 28, 2022

Before the dedication, we will need volunteers to help deep clean the center. Consider having your Life Group, family, or friend group adopt a room to deep clean in preparation for the dedication! Reach out to the Church Office so we can start planning volunteer jobs. We will provide detailed information when the time gets closer.

We continue to receive inquiries from the community about enrolling their children at the Childhood Education Center, and have reached out to those families. If you know someone interested in receiving more information for enrollment, have them use the KOK website, **Ministries/Childhood Education Center**, or by calling 319-536-0406.

We are excited to serve at KOK and to help grow God's Kingdom as the CEC Advisory Board.

Kathy Epley, Jodi Jonasson, Sheila Monson, Michelle Nuehring, Holly Sojka, Jonathan Offt (KOK Church Administrator) and Stephanie Jemtrud (consultant)

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!

Calling All Musicians!

We want to grow the praise team! We are looking for instrumentalists and singers. Come help us lead our 10:45 worship services. Contact Gordon Russell, Director of Music Ministry, for more details.

Baptism Today

Beau Mahmens, son of Mitchell and Jana Mahmens, is welcomed into the Holy Christian Church this morning through the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Beau's sponsors are Nicole Mahmens and Kelsey Jaeger.

PLAY BALL!

Church co-ed softball league starts on May 16th. The King of Kings team will play on Monday nights at the Noelridge Park ball fields at either 6pm or 7pm. The season will last 8-10 weeks. If you are interested, sign up at the Opportunities Counter or email Melanie Jochimsen at m.a.jochimsen@gmail.com

TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE NEEDED

We are seeking additional helpers for our technology ministry. This mainly includes volunteers to assist in running the soundboard and media during worship services. We welcome those with tech backgrounds and those who are new – we will provide training. Please contact the church office (319-393-2438 or office@kingofkingscr.org). Thank you.

THRIVE Young Adult Group –Now meeting in the CONFERENCE ROOM

King of Kings THRIVE group provides a community where young people can connect with others to talk about faith and life. Whether you're just out of High School or somewhere in your 20's, you're welcome to join! The group meets on Sunday morning at 9:30am in the Conference Room at King of Kings. You can show up to find out what it's all about or reach out to Richard Luth (richardluth776@gmail.com) or DCE Tony (tdixon@kingofkingscr.org).

Altar flowers given by David and Laurie Lempia celebrating their 36th Wedding Anniversary on May 17.

Church Office Closed Monday
The church office will be closed Monday, May 9 due to the water being turned off for construction.

High School and College Graduate Information

King of Kings would love to recognize our 2022 graduates for all of their hard work and accomplishments! If you are graduating from High School or College this spring or if you graduated during the past academic year, please fill out the information form online in the e-news of the bulletin insert.

Mark Your Calendars for Vacation Bible School at King of Kings!

June 13-17 (M-F) from 9 am - Noon
Children & Volunteers - Make Waves with us and come learn about Jesus! If you are able to volunteer, please Sign up online at www.kingofkingscr.org, under Ministries/Children. Watch for a volunteer/planning meeting within the next month. Let's get ready to dive into a super fun week!

LADOAS... (Life After Death Of a Spouse...) The monthly meeting will be postponed from May 9 to May 16. This is due to the church being closed during the day on May 9.

We will begin the "Grief Sharing" series that other congregations are using and consists of a video conducted by professionals (pastors, Christian counselors, grief therapist, and clinical psychologists etc.). This curriculum is designed to ease grief suffering. God understands grief because He grieved the unjust execution of His Son Jesus. He wants to bring comfort, hope and healing to you. This class will have a workbook that will go with the video to help each grieving person examine themselves and help you heal.

See you Monday, May 16 at 10:00 in the Heartland Room.

African Immigrant Worship Returns at King of Kings

A new group of African refugees began worshipping at King of Kings Sunday, April 24. The congregation currently consists of approximately 50 members, including many children. The group will have access to our worship facility for a leadership prayer meeting on Saturday afternoon and congregational worship Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m. Due to previously scheduled activities, the African community will meet late afternoon the next two Sunday. In addition, a large garden plot has also been made available again this year east of our building site. Please greet and welcome these worshipers if the opportunity arises.

Dear Members of King of Kings.

For the last five years Pierre and Amie Manirakiza and their three children have been part of our ministry and mission here at King of Kings. What most of you may not know is that while still living in Africa Pierre and Amie adopted four children, three of whom are in their twenties and one nineteen. For the last eleven years they have been trying to earn and raise the funds to bring their adult children to America. After numerous setbacks they have asked if I would ask you, the members of King of Kings if you would be willing to prayerfully consider assisting. If God leads you to contribute towards what would easily amount to at least ten thousand dollars you can send the money to our church ("Pierre" on memo line) and we will place it into a special line item within our social ministry account in our budget.

May God continue to bless you and keep you. Pastor Mark Halvorson



HS Graduate Lunch

High School Graduates and families are invited to join us on **Sunday, May 15th from 12pm – 1:30pm** for time of fellowship and recognition of all that God has done in the lives of the graduates. We will begin with lunch together, followed by a time of recognition in the Worship Center. If your family is able to attend, please email DCE Tony Dixon (tdixon@kingofkingscr.org) to let us know if your family will join us and if so, how many will be eating.

Upcoming High School Youth Events

Midweek Youth: Fleece Tie Blankets
Wednesday, May 11 @ 6pm

HS Graduate Lunch / Recognition
Sunday, May 15 @ 12pm

Bigger and Better Scavenger Hunt
Wednesday, May 18 @ 6pm

End of the Year Bonfire & MSvsHS Kickball Challenge
Wednesday, May 25 @ 6pm

Upcoming Middle School Events

Meals will be provided through the end of May for youth events!

Midweek Youth Group: Fleece Blankets
Wednesday, May 11 @ 6pm

Middle School Youth Group: Names of God
Wednesday, May 18 @ 6pm

End of the Year Bonfire & MSvsHS Kickball Challenge
Wednesday, May 25 @ 6pm