

**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, January 15, 2023**  
 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany  
 8:00 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed  
 Divine Service, Setting 4, LSB 203

**Preservice Music**  
 Welcome & Opening Announcements  
 Opening Hymn **O God, My Faithful God, LSB 696 sts. 1-4, 6**  
 Invocation **LSB 203**  
 Confession & Absolution **LSB 203**  
 Service of the Word  
 Introit **Psalm 19:1-4a, b; antiphon: v.14**  
 Scripture Readings **Isaiah 49:1-7**  
**1 Corinthians 1:1-9**  
**John 1:29-42a**  
 Nicene Creed  
 Children's Message  
 Hymn of the Day **My Faith Looks Up to Thee LSB 702**  
 Message **Seminarian Noah Russell**  
 Offering  
 Prayer of the Church  
 Service of the Sacrament **LSB 208**  
 Lord's Prayer  
 Distribution Hymn **Thy Body, Given for me, O Savior LSB 619**  
**Lamb of God LSB 550**  
 Benediction  
 Installation of Governing Board and Board of Elders  
 Hymn to Depart **Great is Thy Faithfulness LSB 809**  
 Closing Announcements

*Sunday Morning Worship*

**Sunday, January 15, 2023**  
 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany  
 10:45 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed

**Preservice Music** *Behold the Lamb (The Victory)*  
 Welcome & Opening Announcements  
 Installation of Governing Board and Board of Elders  
 Opening Song **Lamb of God**  
 Opening Sentences  
 Confession & Absolution  
 Scripture Readings **Isaiah 49:1-7**  
**1 Corinthians 1:1-9**  
**John 1:29-42a**  
 Nicene Creed  
 Children's Message  
 Song **Lamb of God LSB 550**  
 Message **Seminarian Noah Russell**  
 Offering  
 Prayer of the Church  
 Service of the Sacrament  
 Lord's Prayer  
 Distribution Hymns **Behold the Lamb (Communion Hymn)**  
**Thank You Jesus for the Blood (Praise Team Only)**  
 Benediction  
 Closing Song **By Faith**  
 Closing Announcements  
 Musicians: Gordon Russell piano/vocals | Sarah Mueller, vocals | Lorie Crosbie, vocals

**THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS**

Sun, Jan 15	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	Worship w/Communion Christian Education Hour Worship w/Communion African Worship Hiawatha Care Center
Mon, Jan 16	6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Call Committee MMOC Community Choir Men's Retreat Planning Meeting Women's Bible Study
Tue, Jan 17	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Moms in Prayer International Pastor Led Bible Study Praise Band Practice Choir Practice Elder Meeting
Wed, Jan 18	1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting Youth Dinner High School Youth Confirmation Classes
Thu, Jan 19	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
Fri, Jan 20	6:30 p.m.	Book of Isaiah Bible Study
Sun, Jan 22	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	Worship Christian Education Hour Worship African Worship

**Attendance Last Week 01/08**  
 Worship: 8:00 AM: 119 10:45 AM: 109 Total- 228

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

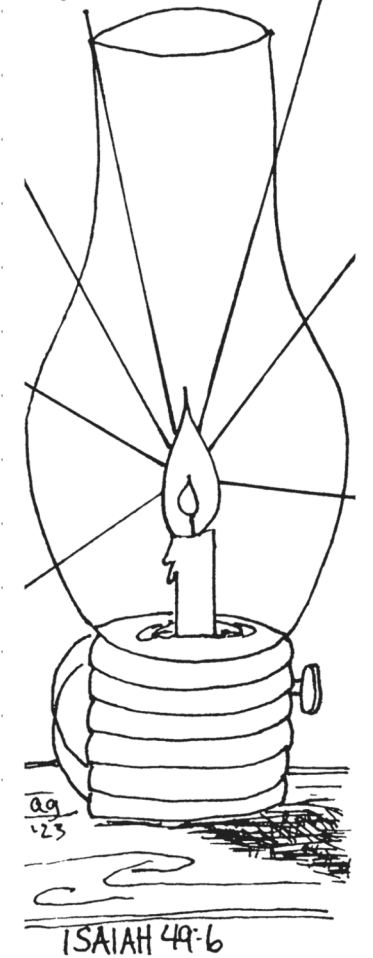
<b>THIS WEEK NEXT WEEK</b>	01/15 8:00 AM 01/22 8:00 AM		01/15 10:45 AM 01/22 10:45 AM
Elder 01/15 Elder 01/22	Curt Zebuhr Shane Hartzler		Paul Parry Mike Frerking
Ushers 01/15 Usher 01/22	Steve Schroeder OPEN		Keith Colton, Dan Hoffman, Jason Silcox Jamie Grimm, Dave Treptow, Deanna Glass
Acolyte 01/15 Acolyte 01/22	Juliet Wadsley Haley Sojka		Lila Dixon Izzy Mueller
Lay Reader 01/15 Lay Reader 01/22	Scott Nelson Shane Hartzler		Denny Goshon Keith Colton
Sound 01/15 Sound 01/22	OPEN OPEN		OPEN Joel Silcox
Media 01/15 Media 01/22	Ken Liske Kin Liske		Alisa Buchanan Darren Jacobsen
Video 01/15 Video 01/22	Dave Lempia Dave Lempia		Chris Dvorak OPEN
Greeters 01/15 Greeters 01/22	Kay Nelson Jason Sojka Holly Sojka		Rachel Happel Jim Muench Sue Muench

**King of Kings**  
 LUTHERAN CHURCH  
 January 15, 2023— January 21, 2023



**Sermon Notes**

a LIGHT  
 for the  
 Gentiles



ISAIAH 49:6



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### Prayer of the Church –January 15, 2023

Merciful God, you sent your Son to be a light for the nations. Preserve that light among us. Gather, enlighten and strengthen us by your grace, and grant that we might reflect the light of Christ to those around us.

Almighty God, watch over the homes of your people. Bless them with all that they need for this body and life, and preserve them in confidence that Christ is their strength and their salvation.

Holy God, fortify all in authority with courage and wisdom to govern justly, and cultivate penitent hearts among them so that they may gladly bow before their Redeemer on the Last Day.

Holy God, your Son became the Lamb of God to take away all of our sins and infirmities by his death and resurrection. Remember all who are in need of your help and healing. Deliver them according to your merciful will, and preserve them in the certainty that their sins are taken away.

Gracious Lord, we celebrate birthdays knowing that every life is a good gift from you. Be with those who this week observe the anniversary of their birth and bless them with the confidence that you know and love them every day. Likewise, we praise you for the blessing of marriage. Through every joy and trial be with the men and women you have joined together as one flesh.

Lord God, prepare the hearts of all who receive the body and blood of our resurrected Savior this day, that they would welcome him in repentance and faith.

Grant that we who have celebrated the incarnation of our Lord, Jesus Christ, may die to sin and rise to new life, that we may treasure up and ponder in our hearts the Christ announced by your forerunner; 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:

**Denny Goshon 01/15**  
**Carter Miller 01/15**  
**Glenn Lehrman 01/17**  
**Brandon Schroeder 01/17**  
**Sandra Germaine 01/19**  
**Eden Younggren 01/19**  
**Jackson Kane 01/20**

**Robert and Cherie Buelow 01/15/1972**  
**Tony & Andrea Yelden 01/15/2005**

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, we apologize, we'd love to include you. Please contact the church office to update your information, 319-393-2438 or

### Members

Sandra Butz  
Cherie Buelow  
Diane Muench  
Lois Muench  
Marv Frerking  
Richard Nelson  
John Owen  
Jerry Green  
Jerry Cline  
Lydia Parry

### Family & Friends

Amy Stuenkel  
John Leonard  
Richard Goshon  
Julie Gentry  
Jan Horne  
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!

### Call Committee Update

Here is a short summary of the Call Committee status:

- 15 requests for interview were sent out on 1/5/2023. Responses so far:
- 2 Yes
- 9 No (for a wide variety of reasons)
- 4 still awaiting responses
- We are conducting interviews next week with the two Yes responses

Please keep the Call process in your prayers as we seek God's will for our new Senior Pastor.

### THRIVE Young Adult Group – Meeting in the Conference Room

King of Kings THRIVE group is meeting once again. THRIVE 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](mailto:richardluth776@gmail.com)) or DCE Tony ([tdixon@kingofkingscr.org](mailto:tdixon@kingofkingscr.org)).

### A Word of Thanks from Pastor Rich and Jolene

The 2022 Christmas celebration was certainly a joyous one as we again remembered God's great love for us, sending his Son as our redeemer. It was also a special joy to us, having been remembered with many cards and greetings the past few weeks. Thank you to all for being a blessing to our entire family.

### The Power of Love Film Festival

You make a difference in the world. Create a short 5-10 minute video and enter it in the second annual King of Kings film festival. The videos will be shown during the Power of Love Film Festival on March 11, 2023. All ages are welcome to participate. Start putting your team teacher today. If you have questions, come to the Film Festival kickoff on February 19 at 7:00 PM at King of Kings.

### Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Robert & Cherie Buelow in celebration of their Anniversary today.

### Pew Sister Bible Study for Women

A new study for women is starting tomorrow Monday, January 16 at 7:00 PM. This 12-session Bible study for women "goes and tells what God has done" in the lives of real women in the church today. Sign up at the Welcome Counter or email Ann at [office@kingofkingscr.org](mailto:office@kingofkingscr.org). Each book will be \$15. Books will be passed out the first night. The group will meet the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. You do not have to be available every session to attend. Come when it works for you!

### One Hour, Once Per Month

Can you turn a page? Seems simple enough. Touch a finger to a songbook and turn to the appropriate page. But elderly residents of the Hiawatha Care Center often need assistance turning pages to sing the hymns when King of Kings members lead Sunday afternoon worship at 4 p.m. twice each month. We need additional volunteers to turn a page, sing along, listen to a story. Share the love that comes from Christ. If you can turn a page you can share Jesus. It's so easy, even kids can do it. Contact Pastor Balvanz at 319-350-3276 or [rbalvanz@kingofkingscr.org](mailto:rbalvanz@kingofkingscr.org).

### ATTENTION ALL CHURCH MEMBERS:

Have you ever wanted to put together a themed basket and donate for a silent auction? Now's your chance! Put together one yourself, with friends, or with Life Group. The KoK Youth are accepting basket donations, any theme, to auction off for their Valentine's Dinner fundraiser. Any questions about baskets/items talk to Joy Koepnick, Cindy Yokanovich, or Joanne Alden. All the proceeds from this event will support the 2023 HS Youth Summer Servant Event at Mission, South Dakota. The youth and leaders will spend a week with the Lakota people of the Rosebud Sioux Reservation repairing homes and sharing the love of Jesus, July 8-16, 2023.

### Sunday School / Parents Connect

Our children's Sunday School classes and *Parents Connect* continue this week by learning about how God rescued His people from captivity and what that means for us. There is something for all ages during the 9:30 education hour as we learn and grow together. Children's and Youth Sunday School is held in the Children's and Youth addition and new children may be registered at any time at the check-in desk.

### ANNUAL VOTERS MEETING SUMMARY

The annual voters meeting for King of Kings was held on Sunday, January 8, 2023. 86 were present for the meeting. The 2022 voters meeting minutes and ministry reports were shared. The 2023 ministry focus areas and the corresponding budget were shared and voted/approved by the voters assembly. Updates were given for the Childhood Education Center, Pastoral Call Committee, and Forward with Christ construction & capital campaign.

Elections for Governing Board members were held with the following new members elected: Denny Goshon and Don Church. Special thanks to those who have faithfully served: Deanna Glass.

Printed copies of the Annual Report are available on the Opportunities Counter at church.

As always, you can find all official minutes and reports on the King of Kings website ([www.kingofkingscr.org](http://www.kingofkingscr.org)). Look under the CONNECT tab and MY KING OF KINGS

### Interested in Membership at King of Kings?

A new Foundations of Faith class begins today, January 15<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Balvanz will lead us through a study of how one becomes and remains Christian. The study consists of four 90-minute sessions on consecutive Sunday afternoons at 2 p.m. in the King of Kings conference room. We emphasize open and free-flowing discussion. Everyone desiring membership at King of Kings is requested to attend these sessions, including those entering through transfer from another LCMS congregation. Please contact the church office to indicate your attendance plans. Email [office@kingofkingscr.org](mailto:office@kingofkingscr.org) or call 319-393-2438.

**Valentine's Day – A Day of Love and Friendship.** Looking for a fun way to celebrate Valentine's Day? Come celebrate with your Spouse, your friends, or even your child (father/daughter, mother/son, etc.). The KoK Youth are hosting their Valentine's Dinner again this year, on Saturday, February 11th at 6:00 pm. An evening with fine dining, dinner music, Silent Auction baskets, and entertainment. Childcare will also be provided. Seating is limited! Ready to make your reservation? Tickets go on sale next Sunday, January 22 for only \$25 per person, through Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. All the proceeds from this event will support the 2023 HS Youth Summer Servant Event at Mission, South Dakota. The youth and leaders will spend a week with the Lakota people of the Rosebud Sioux Reservation repairing homes and sharing the love of Jesus, July 8-16, 2023.



**KING OF KINGS**  
STUDENT MINISTRIES

### High School Winter Retreat – RELATE

Youth currently in high school, join us on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> for an amazing weekend to connect, grow, and learn more about what it means to RELATE to others. We'll meet at KOK on Friday evening and travel out to Grace Lutheran Camp in Dewitt, IA for our retreat. We got great activities, Bible studies, and discussions planned. The cost is \$50 which includes food, transportation, and lodging for participants. For more information or to sign up, reach out to DCE Tony Dixon! ([tdixon@kingofkingscr.org](mailto:tdixon@kingofkingscr.org))