

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, September 4, 2022
The 13th Sunday after Pentecost
9:30 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed
Divine Service, setting 1, page 151– This is the Feast

Preservice Music	The Reason
Welcome & Opening Announcements	
Opening Hymn	Take My Life and Let It Be LSB 784 sts 1-3, 6
Invocation	
Confession and Absolution	LSB 151
Service of the Word	
Introit	Psalms 119:28-32; antiphon: v. 27
This is the Feast	LSB 155
Scripture Readings	Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14:25-35
Nicene Creed	
Children's Message	
Hymn of the Day	Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus LSB 685
Message	Rev. Robert Weinhold
Offering and Offertory	LSB 159
Prayer of the Church	
Service of the Sacrament	LSB 160
Lord's Prayer	
Distribution Hymn	I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table LSB 618
Distribution Song	Remembrance
Benediction	LSB 166
Closing Song	Lift High The Cross LSB 837 sts. ref-6

Please Welcome Our Vacancy Pastor

Our Vacancy Pastor is Pastor Robert Weinhold and he is here today sharing the Word of God. Pastor Weinhold has been retired from full-time pastoral ministry for four years after having served five congregations over 35 years in the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. He and his wife, Lisa, have been members at King of Kings for three years and currently live in Epworth, Iowa. Pastor Weinhold will continue to serve twice a month as guest preacher in Missouri Synod congregations through an organization called Food for the Poor. He, together with Pastor Balvanz, will be providing pastoral care and leadership for all of the members of King of Kings until a called senior pastor is installed. They are available for any pastoral needs that you may have. You may reach Pastor Weinhold through the church office or directly at 815-762-6153. An email address is in the process of being set up and will be shared with the congregation soon. He will be in the church office on Wednesdays and other times as needed. He is delighted to be serving our Lord and the people of King of Kings in this way and is available in anyway needed.

Contact information for Rev. Mark and Ann Halvorson

New address: 1120 Preserve Blvd, NYA, MN 55397
Phone: 612-205-4104
Email: markannh@gmail.com

THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS

Sun, Sep 4	9:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	Worship (only service) African Worship Hiawatha Care Center
Mon, Sep 5	Church Office Closed in observance of Labor Day	
Tue, Sep 6	10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study Praise Band Practice Men of God Project Practice
Wed, Sep 7	6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	High School Youth Confirmation Parent and Student Meeting
Thu, Sep 8	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
Fri, Sep 9	6:30 p.m.	Book of Isaiah Bible Study
Sun, Sep 11	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	Worship Christian Education Hour Worship African Worship
Mon, Sep 12	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Supervision Men's Network

FUTURE KING OF KINGS EVENTS

September 7-6:30 PM– Confirmation Parent and Student Meeting
September 11– 9:30 AM—Sunday School begins
September 12-7:00 PM– Men's Network begins
September 14– 6:00 PM—Youth Meals begin
September 14– 6:30 PM– Confirmation classes begin

Attendance Last Week

Worship 08/28 8:00 AM: 154 10:45 AM: 143 Total: 297

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

	THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK	09/11 8:00 AM	09/04 9:30 AM	09/11 10:45 AM
Elder 09/04				Tom Sandersfeld	
Elder 09/11			Dan Klinkenberg		David Hoffman
Today's Ushers					
Acolyte 09/04				OPEN	
Acolyte 09/11			Annie Klinkenberg		OPEN
Lay Reader 09/04				Greg Happel	
Lay Reader 09/11			Steve Gronemeyer		David Ridout
Sound 09/04				OPEN	
Sound 09/11			Brian Carlson		Joel Silcox
Media 09/04				Greg Glass	
Media 09/11			Ken Liske		Darren Jacobsen
Video 09/04				OPEN	
Video 09/11			Kirk Monson		Kirk Monson
Greeters 09/04				Dixie Dahl Roxie Savage	
Greeters 09/11					



September 4, 2022—September 10, 2022



"Successful Labor"

Jesus said, "Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple."

Luke 14:27

Intro: What do you need to do to be a successful employee?

I. What is a Successful Christian?

A. Love your _____ or your life?

B. Do more _____ things?

II. Today's Gospel: Jesus Is Preparing Us...

A. For the _____ of following Him

B. If we were _____ a house or going to war

C. Jesus blows up _____ of our conceptions...

III. Being a Christian Is About ...

A. _____ – Bearing our cross (vs. 27)

B. _____ all that we have (vs. 33)

C. Being a _____ follower of Jesus (vs. 34)

D. _____ Again With Jesus

IV. "Successful" Laborers at King of Kings...

A. _____ sins

B. _____ regularly

C. _____ joyfully

V. How Are You a "Salty" Laborer for Christ?



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Prayer of the Church—September 4, 2022

That our members, led by the Spirit, desire strengthening of faith and greater commitment to living under the cross of Christ.

That as we resume a full schedule of worship, adult Bible studies, children's and youth ministry next Sunday, the effort made to enhance our ability to teach God's word will bear fruit, and every member of every age may be blessed through greater use and knowledge of God's Word.

That Rev. Andrew Ratcliffe, whom we have called to be our pastor, be blessed with discernment regarding this call, and that he may respond according to God's will and purpose.

That Rev. Weinhold may fulfill the duties of vacancy pastor with joy as he guides us through this time of uncertainty. Use him to focus us on your Word and your will for us as a congregation.

That peace and healing may come to those who mourn, to the sick, the suffering, those troubled in mind, those suffering depression, and those with chronic illness and pain. [especially _____].

These things and all others that are known by you we ask in the name of our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers for healing:

Sandy Brough, mother of Jen Silcox
Jo Schumacher
Paula Easton, mother of Catherine Russell
Aimeee Mugiraneza
Deanna Sanden
Sherry Brendes
Guy Patten
John Schumacher
John Owen
Marv Frerking
Jerry Cline

Prayers for encouragement upon the death of loved ones:

Richard Luth at family at the death of his father Richard Luth, Sr.
Gina Kleman and family at the death of her mother Maria Diebold
John Jahlas & family at the death of his mother Ruth Jahlas
Jen Silcox & family at death of Jen's father Don Brough
Matt & Kelsey Younggren family who suffered miscarriage of baby Rhett

Prayers for strength in times of trial or suffering:

August Happel
Pierre Manirakiza and family
Jerry Green
Julia Bickel
Jen Zebuhr
Kathy Saveraid
Julie Gentry, (cousin of Deb Hoffman & Norma Colton)
Jack (grandson of Bob and Pat Harris)

Update from The CEC Advisory Board!

17 students are enrolled for this fall.

The infant room is full with 4 more on the waiting list. Praise God!

Important Dates:

Opening day ~ September 6

Help still needed...

We are seeking donations for outdoor toys suitable for toddlers through school agers. Examples include scooters, little tykes cars, wagons, sidewalk chalk, basketballs, soccer balls, jump ropes, etc. Please email dstromert@kingofkingscr.org if you have any of these items to donate them. We've also edited the Wish List on Amazon which includes toys and craft supplies. Please scan the QR code for the list. Please attach a gift tag so KOK can send you a receipt for your tax records.



Praise the Lord!! The CEC is fully staffed!

Director: Dani Stromert, Assistant to the Director: Taylor Guerra, Preschool Teacher: Heather Leske, Lead Teacher for 2 Year Olds: Rachel Myers, Lead Infant Teacher: Amber Dye, Before and After School Teacher: Lily Rompot, Kitchen Administrator: Lisa Klein

If you are interested in becoming a substitute, please call or email Taylor at tguerra@kingofkingscr.org and she will provide details about the necessary trainings.

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), Dani Stromert (Director of CEC), 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!

Come and Join Us!

King of Kings Church Choir
When: Tuesday Nights at 7:00 PM, starting September 13. Meet in the Worship Center. For more info contact Gordon Russell, Director of Music Ministry, at 319-393-2438 or grussell@kingofkingscr.org.

GriefShare at King of Kings

Another session of GriefShare will resume Monday, Sept 19 at 10:00 in the Heartland Room. Anyone that has suffered the loss of a spouse, mother, father, child or friend and want to learn many different ways of coping with their loss, come join us for this excellent study. For further info, please contact Darlene Wood at 319-270-1276.

Fruits of Our Labors

Coming to the Epley farm on Sunday, September 18 at 2:00 PM
Thinking about what to do with a little extra bit of space in your backyard? Try growing an apple tree. Come to the Epley farm to learn practical wisdom about growing apples. Try some dried apple slices. Spend some time walking through the Epley orchard. Taste apples from different trees. Pick some ripe apples to take home.

Sign up at the church Welcome Center or call the church office to let the Epley's know you are planning to come. The Epley farm is located at 1419 East Bertram Rd., Cedar Rapids, IA 52403.

Attention All Women!

Are you looking for a Life Group just for women? Sign up today for the newly formed group on the Life Group Sign-Up Board. Time and date to be determined to best fit the group's need. Contact Ann Mueller, office@kingofkingscr.org, with questions or for more information.

Women's Ministry Bible Study

Save the date! Fruit of the Spirit bible study will resume on Monday, September 19th at 7:00PM. The topic of study will be kindness. All women are welcome to attend. The group will meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month.

Many Hands Needed

With a new year of activities beginning in September, your helping hands are needed to make Sunday mornings run smoothly at King of Kings. The Board of Elders has outlined several areas of service that literally any adult or youth can perform: usher, greeter, Sunday school helper coffee prep and cleanup, communion prep and cleanup, sound board operator, video operator and more. Training is provided. Check out the opportunities at the welcome counter or reply to rbalvanz@kingofkingscr.org and lend your hand of service today.

Men's Network— 33 The Series

King of King's Men's Network will be starting our Monday night get-togethers in September. We will start September 12 at 7:00 PM and meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays. It will be a time to bond with other men as Jesus bonded with His Disciples. Life is hard and we need God and other men to help us navigate through it. We will start with "33 the series, A man and his design." This series is based off the series "Men's Fraternity" by Robert Lewis. There are six sessions that explore the basic foundations of authentic manhood and God's clear design for men as modeled by Jesus Christ in His 33 years on earth.

KOK of Golfers!!!

May 2023 will be the kick off for all golfers of King of Kings to enjoy fun and fellowship (goal) while golfing. In planning the kick off, all golfers who are interested in weekly or occasional golfing are asked to contact Jim Muench or Rad Finch for more details. We need to know who is interested in order to reserve tee times this spring. For the retired, during the day. For those who work, late afternoon or evening. Contact info: Jim Muench: 319-540-4720 or crmuench@gmail.com
Rad Finch: 319-551-9829 or radcliffe1953@gmail.com

Book Of Isaiah— Two Opportunities

Beginning Friday September 9, Marsha and Ken McElreath will be teaching the Isaiah bible study classes again each week at King of Kings church at 6:30pm, followed by discussion at 7:30 and informal mixing with snacks afterward. We plan to teach the same lesson each week as the previous Sunday morning's. The intent is that anyone who misses or cannot attend Sunday mornings will be able to participate on Friday nights at their convenience. We are hoping to expand the outreach of this study to as many people as possible, so please do invite your friends to come if this venue interests them.

The first study on September 9 will be of Isaiah 6:5-13, the prophet's calling to carry God's message to his people.



Children's Sunday School

We're so excited to have your family join us for a year of fun and learning at King of Kings Sunday School. Classes for all ages begin on Sunday, September 11 at 9:30am and will be held in the new Children's and Youth Center. There will be opportunities for everyone to learn and grow, including *Parent's Connect*, a time for parents of children and youth to come together and discuss what their kids are learning and what that looks like

in our families outside of a Sunday morning. Keep an eye out for more information in the coming weeks. For now you can get the process started by taking a few moments to register your child(ren) for our program. Scan the QR Code to register each child.



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STUDENT MINISTRIES

Upcoming Student Ministry Midweek Dates

Pre-Confirmation and Confirmation Orientation (Parents and Students) – Wednesday, September 7th at 6:30pm

HS Youth – Hangout / Devotion: Gearing Up For the Year!
September 7th at 6:30pm

Weekly Youth Meals, Pre-Confirmation, Confirmation and HS Youth Group Begin - Wednesday, September 14th– Meals at 6pm, Programming at 6:30pm

Confirmation Orientation-Wednesday, September 7 at 6:30pm

Parents and Youth in grades 5-8, join us to learn about what Pre-Confirmation and Confirmation will look like this year at King of Kings. Vacancy Pastor, Rev. Weinhold will be teaching 7&8 Grade students along with some help from Jessica Dvorak and DCE Tony Dixon. Mrs. Kathryn Church will once again teach Pre-confirmation and this year, we would like youth in both grades 5&6 to take part in this class. If you have questions about pre-confirmation or confirmation, reach out to the Church office or DCE Tony.

Help our Youth Connect!

We have some awesome new youth spaces and we are looking for help to stock our rooms with fun ways for youth to connect with one another and build relationship. If you have like-new or lightly used board, card, or party games that you no longer use, our youth would definitely put them to good use. We also have an Amazon wish list with some items on it, if you'd like to take a look, the link can be found by scanning the QR Code with your phone. If you have questions, reach out to DCE Tony. (tdixon@kingofkingscr.org) Thanks for supporting our youth!



Youth Meals

September 14 starts the new of year Wednesday Youth Dinners! This is a great way for our youth to nourish their body while preparing for Confirmation class or a night of fellowship and devotion for our high schoolers.

Last year I took over coordinating the youth dinners and things went really well. I

appreciate those that brought food items and helped with serving and cleaning up last year. This was a big help to making youth dinners successful. This year I would also like help with main dish preparation. I will continue the use of SignUp Genius (see below for first night signup) to communicate food items needed and volunteer slots for serving and clean up. Anyone interested in helping me prepare the main dishes, please reach out to me directly: ramsey.kate@gmail.com or text/call (319) 270-4296.



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