

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 24, 2023
The 17th Sunday after Pentecost
8:00 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed
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Preservice
Welcome & Opening Announcements
Opening Song **When Morning Gilds the Skies LSB 807**
Invocation
Confession & Absolution **LSB 151**
Service of the Word
Introit **Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16; antiphon: v.17**
Scripture Readings **Isaiah 55:6-9**
Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30
LSB 156
Matthew 20:1-16
Children's Message **Rev. Chris Navurskis**
Hymn of the Day **Seek Ye First LSB 712**
Sermon **God's Gifts Before Our Very Eyes** **Rev. Chris Navurskis**
Apostles Creed
Passing of the Peace
Offering and Offertory **LSB 159**
Prayer of the Church
Lord's Prayer
Benediction **LSB 166**
Closing Hymn **Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling LSB 827**
Closing Announcements

Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, September 24, 2023
The 17th Sunday after Pentecost
10:45 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed

Preservice **Shine On Us**
Welcome & Opening Announcements
Opening Song **By Faith**
Invocation
Confession & Absolution
Scripture Readings **Isaiah 55:6-9**
Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30
Matthew 20:1-16
Children's Message **Rev. Chris Navurskis**
Song **My Worth is Not In What I Own**
Sermon **God's Gifts Before Our Very Eyes** **Rev. Chris Navurskis**
Apostles' Creed
Passing of the Peace
Offering
Prayer of the Church
Lord's Prayer
Benediction
Closing Song **The River Is Here**
Closing Announcements
Musicians: Gordon Russell, piano/vocals | Sheila Monson, vocals | Catherine Russell, vocals | Kevin Stumpe, guitar | Tony Dixon, drums

THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS

Sun, Sep 24	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Worship Christian Education Hour Worship
Mon, Sep 25	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	GriefShare Women's Bible Study Men's Network
Tue, Sep 26	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Moms in Prayer International Pastor Led Bible Study Staff Meeting Praise Band Practice Evangelism Class Choir Practice Men of God Practice
Wed, Sep 27	6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Youth Meal Confirmation Classes HS Youth
Thu, Sep 28	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
Sat, Sept 29	9:00 a.m.	Celebrate Recovery Step Study
Sun, Sep 30	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	Worship with Communion Christian Education Hour Worship with Communion Hiawatha Care Center

Attendance
Worship 09/17 8:00 AM: 151 10:45 AM: 118 Total: 269
Children's Sunday School: 52

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

THIS WEEK	09/24 8:00 AM	10/01 8:00 AM	09/24 10:45 AM	10/01 10:45 AM
Elder 09/24 Elder 10/01	David Hoffman Shane Hartlizer		Tom Sandersfeld Mike Frerking	
Acolyte 09/24 Acolyte 10/01	Jake Hoffman Claire Navurskis		AJ Offt Luke Mishler	
Ushers 09/24 Usher 10/01	Steve Schroeder Paula Bruner		Dan Hoffman, Keith Colton, Dave Treptow	
Lay Reader 09/24 Lay Reader 10/01	Greg Happel		Denny Goshon	
Sound 09/24 Sound 10/01	Brian Carlson		Joel Silcox	
Media 09/24 Media 10/01	Sandy Germaine		Alisa Buchanan	
Video 09/24 Video 10/01	Brian Mullenbach		OPEN	
Greeters 09/24 Greeters 10/01	Scott Mahmens Tammy Mahmens		Virginia Bruster	



King of Kings
LUTHERAN CHURCH

September 24, 2023 - September 30, 2023



God's Gifts Before Our Very Eyes
Matthew 20:15-16

Is it possible to see the workers Jesus describes?
They begin their work in the _____.
There is enough work that the owner recruits new workers _____ times.
They are paid in the _____.
They complain about the _____.

They are _____ at the master of the house.
Remember Exodus 15, 16, and 17?
Remember Numbers 14, 15, and 16?

The master beholds their grumbling.
Literally: "Is your eye evil because I am good?"

God is good.
He gives gifts that are good.
He brings us into his gift-giving work.
He calls again today.



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Prayer of the Church– September 24, 2023

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

O Lord, grant that we would rejoice in the light of Christ and His salvation, and that sinners would find refuge in His mercy and comfort in His forgiveness. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, embolden our congregation and all sister churches throughout the world to confess the truth steadfastly and to witness boldly to our only Savior, Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Lord, we give You humble thanks for instituting the estate of holy marriage and for the blessing of family. Grant that these gifts would be cherished and honored in our society and especially within the household of faith. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty Lord, bless this nation and all people in their rightful callings. Grant that we may serve our neighbors in love, and that all authorities would exercise their callings with humility and wisdom on behalf of the defenseless. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we thank You for the gift of health. Hear our prayers on behalf of the sick, the aged, the infirm, the mourning or the dying *[especially _____]*. Grant them healing in accord with Your will and grace to sustain them in their need. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Lord, grant that, in Christ, we may seek You while You may be found and call upon You while You are near, forsaking all wicked ways and unrighteous thoughts. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

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

- 09/24 - Tricia Henderson
- 09/25 - Sarah Goodson, Sheryl Schumacher
- 09/26 - Kelly Franck, Joy Koepnick, Johanna Luth, Camille Offerman
- 09/27 - Madisyn Budde, Amanda Lane
- 09/28 - David Eddy, Kristi Mueller
- 09/29 - Jerry Green, Tyler Hansen, Christy Kesari
- 09/30 - Noel Burmeister, Dale Hahn, Addyson Schroeder

- Lee & Elinor Alshouse 09/24/1960
- Brandon & Shelley Schroeder 09/27/2008
- Robert & Diane Kibby 09/28/1963
- Robert & Patricia Harris 09/29/1978
- David & Dian Treptow 09/29/1990

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

- Ted Williams
- Jolene Balvanz
- Leann Carlson
- Pat Harris
- Greg Yokanovich
- Paul Buchanan
- Julie Birely
- Cherie Buelow
- Lois Muench
- Marv Frerking
- Richard Nelson
- John Owen
- Jerry Green
- Jerry Cline
- Lydia Parry

Prayers for encouragement upon the death of loved ones:

- Lorraine Stunkel, upon the death of her daughter in law, Amy Stunkel.
- Nancy and John Owen upon the death of their father and grandfather John Leonard.

Family & Friends

- Paula Easton, mother of Catherine Russell
- 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!

“The King is Coming” Psalm 14:7-10

Celebrate LWML Sunday with us on Sunday, October 1. A special Sunday to celebrate all that God has done through the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League (LWML). Next Sunday you’ll be invited to take home a mite box to fill with coins and dollars and return to the church on October 29 to dump into the BIG mite box! Children’s boxes will be handed out after Sunday School to children. Our **Card Ministry** will have “clearance cards” for \$1.00 available for purchase after the 8:00 AM Service. Also, please plan on enjoying **“Muffins for Mites”** next Sunday during our fellowship time. Your donations are appreciated. Thank you!

Life Chain

Sunday, October 1, from 2:00-3:30 PM, we have the opportunity to participate in the National Life Chain. The group of Lutherans will be located between 20th St NE and Crescent St on the east side of 1st Ave. There is a send off prayer at 2:00 PM in the St. Matthew’s Parking lot. Signs will be available at the send off. Feel free to walk or drive down to the block after the send off. All ages are welcome to participate.

POBLO International

Dear friends, If you were moved by our recent visit from Cynthia who works with POBLO and would like to make a donation please connect with them at: POBLO INTERNATIONAL 35555 Garfield Rd, Suite 7, Clinton Township, MI 48035, USA or go to <https://www.poblo.org/>

College Care Packs

King of Kings youth are getting ready to send out care packs to our College students and we need your help. If you have an undergrad college student who would be blessed by a care package from our youth, contact the Church office or email DCE Tony (tdixon@kingofkingscr.org) with their information. Our youth love being able to stay connected with and support college students by sending these packages and praying for them.

Trinity School’s annual Walk-A-Thon Fundraiser is underway!

TLS is raising \$23,000 by September 29 to support much needed funds for an audio/visual upgrades in our gymnasium, school improvements, PR and 10% to our endowment. We are also sending 10% of our raised funds to Emmanuel Lutheran School – Maui, to help with the Lahaina community’s fire relief fund. The students are equipped with all the information and donation packets, please consider donating! Don’t have access to a TLS student? No problem, you can donate online: www.trinitycr.org – special events page or QR code:



Evangelism Class 9/26 6pm

We’ve begun by seeing how God would have us “Living Together” through Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s book. Then by looking at how Jesus prayed the Psalms, we see how He’s praying with us for those on our hearts. God is moving us to engage those people we care about. It’s been great to hear and see the excitement of people as they share how God is using them in ways they didn’t expect. All of King of Kings is encouraged to come to the next session in Classroom 1/2 (the old Heartland Room), 6pm Tues the 26th.

An update from the CEC

The dedication of the Childhood Education Center Playground(s) occurred last Sunday after the 2nd service. (see photos below). We are so thankful to all who helped with these projects (too many to name!). Due to the beautiful Fall weather we’ve been blessed with, we are outside enjoying these spaces for 3-4 hours almost every day!

In addition to the gratitude towards our outdoor space, we are also reflecting joyously over the anniversary of our opening! The CEC opened a little over one year ago for full-day childcare in all age groups, on Sept 6th, 2023. Since that time, we have more than doubled our enrollment and have been privileged to get to know amazing families! We now have an enrollment of 44 children and this will continue to grow.



KING OF KINGS
STUDENT MINISTRIES

A Night at Bloomsbury Farm
Wednesday, October 25
6-8pm - \$20 Per Person

On Wednesday, October 25th we will head out to Bloomsbury Farm in Atkins to have an evening of fun and fellowship! The cost for this trip is \$20 and covers the cost of admission and hot dogs, chips, and s'mores. Students will have access to the 10 acre corn mazes and also be able to take advantage of Bloomsbury’s other activities! All youth grades 5-12 are welcome to join us at this event. Friends are welcome and encouraged too!

WE WILL MEET OUT AT BLOOMSBURY AT 6pm. Parents are welcome to stay, but paid admission is required for each person inside the gate, even if you don't participate in the activities. All youth who plan to attend should sign up on the clipboards in their youth room. You can also email DCE Tony Dixon (tdixon@kingofkingscr.org) All participants will need to fill out a KOK Student Ministry release form, which can be picked up in the youth room from the link in the e-news. If you have questions, reach out to DCE Tony Dixon. (tdixon@kingofkingscr.org)

IN THE WORD AT KING OF KINGS SUNDAY MORNING 9:30 AM

Pastor Led Bible Study	Worship Center	Rev. Navurskis
Book of Isaiah	Classroom 1/2	McElreaths
Book of Jeremiah	Fireside Room	Rev. Konrad
Parents Connect	Red Room	Megan Dixon
HS Bible Study	Youth Room	Tony Dixon

Upcoming Youth Events

- October 11 - College Care Packs
- October 25 - Bloomsbury Farm Outing
- November 8 - Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing