

Sunday Morning Worship

6th Sunday of Easter

May 9, 2021

8:00 a.m. In Person Worship and Streamed Live

9:30 AM Christian Education Hour

10:45 a.m. In Person Worship

Preservice song **Christ Be Magnified**

Welcome and Opening Announcements

Opening Songs **10,000 Reasons
I Lift My Hands**

Confession and Absolution

Song **Holy Spirit**

Scripture Readings **Acts 10:34-38
1 John 5:1-8**

Children's Message **Family Five
John 15:9-17**

Hymn of the Day **What a Friends We Have in Jesus LSB 770**

Message **Rev. Rich Balvanz**

Apostles' Creed

Presentation of Offering

Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

Children's Song **More Than Enough (A Mother's Day Song)**

Benediction

Closing Song **Build Your Kingdom Here**

Altar flowers given to the Glory of God by Dixie Dahl and Roxy Savage in memory of their father Wayne Jenkins's 18th year in heaven. Also, we'd like to wish all the moms a Happy Mother's Day. What an awesome responsibility God has given you in raising and shaping the next generation. Thank you for your faithful service to your families and to the Lord.

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.....

Living As Easter People is the title of the current sermon series at King of Kings that will carry us through the Easter season of the church year. Each week's theme will center on a reading from the Letter of First John, emphasizing our life sinful people redeemed by Christ who now live in and for Him. Here are the details of the remaining Sundays:

May 09 Living with the Victory of Christ

May 16 Living in the Son

Join us for worship in person or online to hear these important truths from God's Word.



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: Noses!

For today's Family Five: Think about the ways that you might show your love for others and see how many times you can show it.

SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING

A special voters meeting has been scheduled for Sunday, May 23, 2021 at 12:00 noon. The single agenda item will be a vote regarding pursuing the future option of an early childhood center and providing daycare service through our new building addition. We ask for your prayers, attendance at the meeting and to be watching for further information.

Summer at King of Kings This summer worship will continue at 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM. Each week at 9:30 AM we will have a different fellowship event. Watch for further information.

The LADOAS (Life After Death of A Spouse...) grief group will resume their meetings on the second Tues. of the month, May 11 at 10:00 in the Heartland Room. This group is for anyone that has lost their spouse or anyone close to them. This support group assists us as we share our grief journey struggles and learn from each other how to cope with our loss. We hope that each one can be assisted and comforted in their grief struggle and be a blessing to each other. We follow King of Kings guidelines of wearing a mask as we enter the church and move to the Heartland Room. For any questions contact Darlene Wood 319-270-1276.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers

this week...

For confidence in the victory won by Christ:

That we would be strengthened to live according to God’s will and purpose, trusting in his grace and forgiveness, so that our love for Christ may be shown to the world through our love for one another.

For comfort for those who mourn and healing for those who are ill:

That these would find strength and hope through faith in God’s loving care – Bill Thurm (brother of Doug Thurm, who was seriously injured in a

car-pedestrian accident); Leilani Luedtke; Jason Swestka; Christine Oshel; Dick Blessing; Jerry Green; Dave Marousek as he awaits test results; Jim Barker; Faith Buss; Bob and Jan Fruth; Jack (grandson of the Harris’s); and all those we name in our hearts.

For King of Kings’ Re-engaging Ministries: That Hiawatha Care Center worship volunteers and residents be blessed through sharing and hearing the Word of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; that the Men’s Ministry be a blessing to the men of our congregation through engaging in the Word and through fellowship; and that those preparing for leadership roles be encouraged and strengthened to carry out kingdom work on behalf of all of our members.

For the newly confirmed: That they not forsake the faith they have received by God’s grace, holding steadfast through trials and temptations while seeking God’s willing forgiveness for those who confess their sins and trust in the redemption won by Jesus Christ.

For those laboring in construction: That they be kept safe from harm and given strength to complete their work so that God may be glorified through their efforts.

For our congregation: That in meeting together on May 23rd we may reach a God-pleasing and unified decision regarding the proposal to initiate a daycare program as part of the new children’s ministry wing.

Prayers for Others:

- Bill Thurm
- Jason Swestka
- Christine Oshel
- Leilani Luedtke
- Dick Blessing
- Jerry Green
- Rad Finch
- David Marousek
- Jim Barker
- Faith Buss
- Bob & Jan Fruth
- Jack (grandson of Bob and Pat Harris)



May 9, 2021 — May 15, 2021



Sermon Prayer: Heavenly Father, our lives are a testament to our faith. Strengthen us to live according to your will, so that our love for you may be shown to the world through our love of one another. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen

Living with the Victory of Christ

The Covid-19 pandemic has tested the faith of many Christians during the last year, asking did the incarnation, life, death and resurrection of Jesus accomplish anything for me?

Now question their faith:

Males	14%
Females	9%
Northeast	14%
Midwest	5%
Ages 18-29	24%
<small>Lifeway Research 2021</small>	

“Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been _____ of God. Everyone who loves the Father loves _____ has been born of Him.”
1 John 5:1

Satan wants to convince Christians that the “burden” of loving one another as Christ loved is too big of a commitment! He has been quite successful.

Lifeway Research found Lutherans were the LEAST LIKELY among Protestant denominations to see the pandemic as an opportunity to share their faith. But Christ has overcome our weakness.

“Whoever has been born of God _____ the world; and this is the _____ that has overcome the world: our _____.” 1 John 5:4

Faith makes loving and serving God a reality in our lives.

“This is the love of God, that we keep his commandments.” 1 John 5:3

Because we love God we also love one another since we are connected to Him, and through Him we are connected to one another.

“Love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends.” John 15:12-13