

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

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 1, 2021

8:00 and 10:45 a.m. In Person Worship and 8:00 a.m. Streamed Live

Preservice Song	Living Waters
Welcome & Opening Announcements	
Opening Song	From All That Dwell Below Th Skies LSB 816
Invocation	
Confession and Absolution	
Service of the Word	
Scripture Readings	Exodus 16:2-15 Ephesians 4:1-16
Children's Message	Family Five John 6:22-35
Hymn of the Day	Onward, Christian Soldiers LSB 662
Message	Rev. Rich Balvanz
Nicene Creed	
Offerings	
Prayers of the Church	
The Lord's Prayer	
Service of the Sacrament	LSB 160
Distribution Hymns	Your Table I Approach LSB 628 O Jesus, King Most Wonderful LSB 554
Benediction	
Closing Song	Jesus Messiah

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

THIS WEEK	08/01 Sun 8:00		08/01 Sun 10:45
NEXT WEEK			
Today's Ushers	Steve Schroeder OPEN		Glenn Lehrman OPEN
Elder 07/25 Elder 08/01	Dan Klinkenberg Mike Frerking		Paul Parry Shane Hartzer
Lay Reader 07/25 Lay Reader 08/01	Steve Gronemeyer OPEN		Rad Finch Tom Sandersfeld
Sound 07/25 Sound 08/01	Brian Carlson Lisa Gleason		OPEN OPEN
Media 07/25 Media 08/01	Ann Halvorson Denny Wangeman		Alisa Buchanan Darren Jacobsen
Video 07/25 Video 08/01	Kirk Monson Jason Sojka		NA NA
Greeters 07/25 Greeters 08/01	Dixie Dahl Roxy Savage Holly Sojka Kay Nelson		J & S Muench A & K Pladna Rad Finch Joyce Finch

THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS

Sunday, Aug 1	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Worship with Communion Summer in the Son- Life Group Sign Ups Worship with Communion African Worship Service Hiawatha Care Center Youth Group Returns
Monday, Aug 2	6:30 p.m.	New Member Class, Pr. Balvanz Home
Tuesday, Aug 3	1:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	LWML Planning Meeting Men of God Practice Men's Retreat Planning Meeting
Thursday, Aug 5	6:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery Large Group Celebrate Recovery Small Group
Sunday, Aug 8	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	Worship Summer in the Son- Youth Sharing Worship African Worship Service
Monday, Aug 9	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Supervision Women's Ministry Book Club

FUTURE KING OF KINGS EVENTS

August 1-9:30 AM- Life Group Sign Ups
August 1- 6:00 PM Youth Return from West Virginia
August 8- Summer in the Son- Youth Group shares about their trip
August 10- 10:00 AM LADOAS
August 15-9:30 AM Summer in the Son- Disaster Response/Derecho Remembrance
August 17-2:30-5:00 PM- Blood Drive

Attendance Last Week

Sunday: 93-104
Total: 197

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Sermon Prayer

Heavenly Father, having created faith in us through your Holy Spirit, cause us to continually desire to be fed the Bread of Life through your Holy Word and Sacraments, and thereby be strengthened in fellowship with you and with one another. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Understanding "the Loaves"

During the time of Jesus' earthly ministry, bread was the staple food of every household, rich and poor alike. The value of labor was measured in how much bread it would buy to sustain the family. **Jesus told the Jews to desire a different bread.**

"Do not work for the food that _____, but for food that _____ to eternal life, which the Son of Man will _____ to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal." John 6:27

Food that sustains one for eternity that is the work and gift of Christ and is received through faith is much more important than food earned through our earthly labor that lasts only a short time.

"For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and _____ to the world. I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall _____, and whoever believes in me shall _____." John 6:33 & 35

As recipients of the Bread of Life we have new purpose and different "work."

"He gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers to equip the saints for the _____ of _____, for building up the body of Christ."

Ephesians 4:11-12

Conception—Implementation—Execution

The goal of this work of ministry shared by all believers and sustained by Christ is to build the Church and bring all believers to maturity in faith and Christian life.

"This will continue until we all come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be mature in the Lord, measuring up to the full and complete standard of Christ."
Ephesians 4:13 NLT

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers this week...

Gracious heavenly Father, as You provided for the Israelites during their journey through the wilderness to the land You had promised, give us confidence to trust in Your promises and to look to Your hand to provide all we need for this life and for the life to come. Enable us to walk in humility, gentleness and patience, that we would bear with one another in love and be eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Lord of all, hear our prayers for the hungry and the homeless. Provide for them not only bread to satisfy their hunger but, above all, the true bread of life, Jesus Christ, who alone can fill and satisfy every need of body and soul.

Show Your mercy to the sick and hospitalized and those who are recovering, including Jana Burrington, Guy and Linda Patten, Ann Knupp, Allen Konrad, Keturah Weber and Bill Thurm. Grant them relief from pain and rapid healing according to your will. Continue to be with others who are in need of care, including Chad Winterhof, Faith Buss, Bob and Jan Fruth, Jerry Green and Jack, the grandson of Bob and Pat Harris. Provide doctors, nurses and other medical professionals to care for those who need health and healing.

Lord of the Church, encourage us to greater love and service. We especially pray for King of Kings' life group ministry. Move the hearts of your people to actively engage and encourage one another through your Word and the fellowship that is ours through your Spirit. Bless this ministry as a means by which to engage those who do not yet know you.

Gracious provider of all good things, strengthen and empower our young people who have returned home from their servant trip to West Virginia. May this experience of love and service for others capture the hearts and minds of those who participated so they may go forward with a greater appreciation for the depth of your love for them in Christ.

Prayers for Healing and Encouragement:
Lori Blessing
Deb Howard
James & Shari Ross
Jana Burrington
Guy & Linda Patten
Ann Knupp
Bill Thurm
Allen Konrad
Keturah Weber
Chad Winterhoff
Jerry Green
Faith Buss
Bob & Jan Fruth
Jack (grandson of Bob and Pat Harris)

Guest Information

Thank you for visiting King of Kings. We offer two worship services on Sunday mornings during the summer, at 8:00 and 10:45 a.m. The message and worship style are the same at both worship services. Communion is served at both services on the 1st and 3rd Sundays. 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.

Life Group Sign Ups

Life Group Sign ups continue through August. If you aren't familiar with Life Groups and would like more information, please talk to Ann Mueller, our Life Group Coordinator.

Fruits, Fruits and More Fruits!

Coming to the Epley farm on Sunday, August 15 at 2:00 PM

Thinking about what to do with a little extra bit of space in your backyard? Try growing a fruit tree or starting a small orchard. Come to the Epley farm to Learn practical wisdom about growing apples, plums, apricots, peaches, pears, raspberries, strawberries, and more. Get simple practical answers to your questions.

- What is the right time to plant fruit trees?
- Where are the best places to get fruit trees?
- How do you care for fruits like apples or pears?
- How hard is it to plant a raspberry patch or start some blueberry bushes?

Spend some walking through the Epley orchard. Pick some ripe apples to take home. Take home some dried apple slices. Sign up at the church Welcome Center or call the church office to let the Epleys know you are planning to come. The Epley farm is located at 1419 East Bertram Rd., Cedar Rapids, IA 52403.

Marion Ministry and Outreach Center

The Marion Ministry and Outreach Center has a new home! Our new location at 640 14th Street, Suite 1 in Marion is scheduled to open this September. The goal for this new site is to provide services and ministry opportunities for children and families in the Marion area and our own King of Kings congregation.

Altar Flowers Given to the Glory of God by Gordon & Cathy Russell in celebration of their 30th Anniversary on August 3.

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: Bread of Life

For today's Family Five: make a list of all the different kinds of bread you can think of and then ask each family member to share their favorite.

Save the Date to Save Lives

Blood Drive at King of Kings on Tuesday, August 17 from 2:30-5:00 PM. Sign Up at <https://login.bloodcenter.org/donor/schedules/drive-schedule/98925>

YOU HAVE THE POWER TO HELP!

By giving blood with ImpactLife (Formerly Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center), you'll provide a lifesaving resource used by patients right here in our area. The demand for blood is constant, so ImpactLife needs donors to schedule regular appointments for donation.

Bible Study of the Book of Hebrews

Today at 9:30 in Classroom 4, Ken and Marsha McElreath will continue a weekly study of this rich epistle. All are invited to join.

QUARTERLY GIVING STATEMENTS

Giving statements for the first half of 2021 are located in your church mailboxes. Thank you for your faithful stewardship of God's gifts. A reminder that a convenient and consistent way of giving is through our Simply Giving online platform through the church website (www.kingofkingscr.org).

Custodial position opening at King of Kings

King of Kings Lutheran Church is seeking to fill an open ministry position - we have an opening for a 10 -15 hour/ week position for custodial work at King of Kings. If you are interested or have further questions, please contact Jonathan Offt at church (319-393-2438 or jofft@kingofkingscr.org). Thank you.



Summer in the Son— Youth Group Trip Sharing—

Join us Sunday, August 8 during the 9:30 Summer in the Son hour to hear the High School Youth share about their trip to Huntington, West Virginia.



From a grateful Stephen Ministry Care Receiver



"To anyone who is considering a Stephen Minister, give me a minute to tell you my experience before deciding. At one time I struggled with saying yes to this kind of partnership. I figured I had been handling my life struggles for so long, why add that kind of mentoring now.

It turned out to be more of a blessing than I even could image back then. This kind of experience is going to be a different kind of "personal" for each pairing, but I experienced a deep shift through this process.

The Holy Spirit is always present but when my Stephen Minister and I met, my faith became even more empowered. I never felt judged or strong armed.

She would gently bring my thoughts back to the only Power that transforms hearts. She would always give God true credit for all the healing.

We had lots of laughs along with some necessary tough feelings. I felt like no topic was off-limits. They are highly trained and very compassionate.

Give yourself the gift of time partnering with a Stephen Minister. Let God help you in this manner. I personally have found out that a heavy heart can be lightened in this way. Know God wants to bless you in every way that is good for you. Time with a Stephen Minister is a ten-fold grace.

Thankful & Blessed Care Receiver"



KING OF KINGS

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

Upcoming Youth Trip Dates

Sunday, August 1 @ 6pm – Return Home!

Sunday, August 8 @9:30 am –Youth will be sharing about their trip during the Summer in the Son hour

