

**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 8, 2023  
Epiphany Observed

8:00 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed  
Divine Service, Setting 1, LSB 151

Preservice Music  
Welcome & Opening Announcements  
Opening Hymn **What Child Is This LSB 370**  
Invocation  
Confession & Absolution **LSB 151**  
Service of the Word  
Introit **Psalms 45:6-8a; antiphon: v. 17**  
Scripture Readings **Isaiah 60:1-6**  
**Ephesians 3:1-12**  
**Matthew 2:1-12**  
Apostles' Creed  
Children's Message **Rev. Bob Weinhold**  
Hymn of the Day **As With Gladness Men Of Old LSB 397**  
Message **Compelled to Mission** **Rev. Bob Weinhold**  
Offering  
Offertory **LSB 159**  
Prayer of the Church  
Lord's Prayer  
Benediction **LSB 166**  
Hymn to Depart **Songs of Thankfulness and Praise LSB 394**  
Closing Announcements

*Sunday Morning Worship*

Sunday, January 8, 2023  
Epiphany Observed

10:45 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed

Preservice Music **Peace Has Come**  
Welcome & Opening Announcements  
Opening Song **What Child Is This LSB 370**  
Invocation  
Confession & Absolution **LSB 151**  
Solo **Adore**  
Scripture Readings **Isaiah 60:1-6**  
**Ephesians 3:1-12**  
**Matthew 2:1-12**  
Apostles' Creed  
Children's Message **Rev. Bob Weinhold**  
Hymn of the Day **As With Gladness Men Of Old LSB 397**  
Message **Compelled to Mission** **Rev. Bob Weinhold**  
Offering—Solo **Noel**  
Prayer of the Church  
Lord's Prayer  
Benediction  
Closing Song **Facing A Task Unfinished (We Go To All the World)**  
Closing Announcements  
Musicians: Gordon Russell piano/vocals

**THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS**

Sun, Jan 08  
8:00 a.m. Worship  
9:30 a.m. Christian Education Hour  
10:45 a.m. Worship  
12:00 p.m. Annual Meeting  
1:00 p.m. African Worship

Mon, Jan 09  
6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry  
7:00 p.m. Men's Network

Tue, Jan 10  
8:30 a.m. Moms in Prayer International  
10:30 a.m. Pastor Led Bible Study  
6:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice  
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Wed, Jan 11  
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting  
6:00 p.m. Youth Dinner  
6:30 p.m. High School Youth  
6:30 p.m. Confirmation Classes

Thu, Jan 12  
6:30 p.m. Celebrate Recovery

Fri, Jan 13  
6:30 p.m. Book of Isaiah Bible Study

Sun, Jan 15  
8:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion  
9:30 a.m. Christian Education Hour  
10:45 a.m. Worship w/Communion  
1:00 p.m. African Worship  
4:00 p.m. Hiawatha Care Center

Attendance Last Week 01/01  
Worship: 9:30 AM Total- 150

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

THIS WEEK NEXT WEEK	01/08 8:00 AM 01/15 8:00 AM		01/08 10:45 AM 01/15 10:45 AM
Elder 01/08 Elder 01/15	David Hoffman Curt Zebuhr		Mike Frerking Paul Parry
Ushers 01/08 Usher 01/15	Dan Blomquist Steve Schroeder		Jamie Grimm, Dave Treptow, Deanna Glass Keith Colton, Dan Hoffman, Jason Silcox
Acolyte 01/08 Acolyte 01/15	Zach Bieber Juliet Wadsley		Noel Burmeister Lila Dixon
Lay Reader 01/08 Lay Reader 01/15	David Hoffman Scott Nelson		David Ridout Denny Goshon
Sound 01/08 Sound 01/15	OPEN OPEN		Joel Silcox OPEN
Media 01/08 Media 01/15	Holly Sojka Ken Liske		Dan Henry Alisa Buchanan
Video 01/08 Video 01/15	Jason Sojka Dave Lempia		OPEN Chris Dvorak
Greeters 01/08 Greeters 01/15	Roxy Savage Dixie Dahl OPEN OPEN		Denny Goshon Ruth Goshon Rachel Happel



**"Compelled to Mission"**

"Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." Matthew 2:1-2

Introduction: When was the last time you saw a product and were compelled to buy it?

- I. The Problem with Being Compelled
  - A. We don't like to be \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. We have become jaded, \_\_\_\_\_
- II. The Incredible, Wonderful, Inspirational Magi
  - A. Magi – the learned, \_\_\_\_\_ scholars but also magicians and sorcerers
  - B. They read of the \_\_\_\_\_ star "out of Jacob" of Numbers 24 about 1400 B.C.  
"I see him, but not now; I behold him but not near: a star shall come out of \_\_\_\_\_, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel;..."
  - C. They had access to the \_\_\_\_\_ because of the Captivity of the Jews (722-422 B.C.)
  - D. They \_\_\_\_\_ the star
  - E. They \_\_\_\_\_ the Word – also Micah 5:2 about 700 B.C.
  - F. They were compelled to
    - 1. \_\_\_\_\_ the Word
    - 2. \_\_\_\_\_ the King
    - 3. \_\_\_\_\_ gifts of time, talent and treasure
- III. For Us: It is No Different
  - A. We have seen \_\_\_\_\_, His Manger, His Cross
  - B. We Have \_\_\_\_\_ His Word
  - C. Now we \_\_\_\_\_; We have a mission; We worship; We give
- IV. But What Do We Do?
  - A. Do we \_\_\_\_\_ in "Babylon?"
  - B. Do we \_\_\_\_\_ back?
  - C. Do we \_\_\_\_\_ in faith, worship, giving?
- V. Jesus Compels Us as Individuals and as a Congregation into Mission

### Prayer of the Church –January 8, 2023

O God, you made yourself known to all nations in the person of your Son. Grant us a right knowledge of him, so we may abandon the darkness of this world and embrace the joy of His heavenly light. Preserve us in the faith so we are not led astray by cultural trends or man-made philosophies. Through your Word, strengthen us to believe that Jesus is the Christ, your Son and our Savior, and grant that we may make use of your gifts according to your will and with thanksgiving.

As you gather a people to bear your name from distant lands and far off places, cause us to live in the light of your Word. Bless the Church, that she may be united in doctrine, live in harmony and peace, and labor to bring the light of Christ to those still dwelling in darkness and death.

Holy Lord, grant your favor to our congregation. Stir our hearts to serve you joyfully in all things and in all ways. Through your Word and Spirit ignite zeal in our hearts to proclaim your salvation in our community. And strengthen the bond of peace among us, so each person may share in the fellowship of faith at King of Kings. Give us willing and grateful hearts to do your will. And in your due time, O Lord, bring us a wise and faithful shepherd to guide us to eternal life.

As our civic leaders embark on another year of service, guide them in the pursuit of justice and peace for all the people. Guard those who protect and defend us against all enemies.

Give to all people the comfort of Your presence, healing according to Your will, relief of suffering, and an end to the terrors of mind and heart. Sustain the weary with Your Word, the wounded with hope and the dying with peace.

Giver of all good things, we praise you for the anniversaries of birth and marriage being observed this week by our members. Bless them with joy as they celebrate.

O Lord, shine your light on us and bring forth the fruits of repentance in our daily lives. Give us confidence in your Word, that we would embrace your will without fear. Hear and answer us through Jesus Christ, 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:

**Gayle Kaiser 01/08**  
**Caleb Weinhold 01/11**  
**Donna Whiting 01/11**  
**Cindy Greene 01/12**  
**Lisa Gleason 01/12**  
**Alaina Jacobsen 01/12**  
**Evan Thomasson 01/12**

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 [office@kingofkingscr.org](mailto:office@kingofkingscr.org)

**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

Sandra Butz  
Sheryl Sandersfeld  
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

We have received a total of 31 nominations in this second round of our search for our next Senior Pastor. After reviewing the new candidate profiles and re-evaluating the previous candidates, we are proceeding forward with contacting 14 pastors to request a Zoom interview.

We are aware that Advent is a very busy time for pastors, so we are not expecting to conduct many interviews until January, but we will proceed through the interview process as soon as possible in the new year.

Please keep this process in your prayers as we seek God's will for our next Senior Pastor. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Henry at 319-693-3636 or [DanJHenry05@gmail.com](mailto:DanJHenry05@gmail.com).

### Sunday School / Parents Connect Starts

Our children's Sunday School classes and *Parents Connect* resume on January 8<sup>th</sup> with the story of God calling Moses. 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.

### 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)).

### Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Dixie Dahl and Roxy Savage in loving memory of Vera Jenkins' (their mother) 99th birthday on January 9th.

### Save the Date– Pastor Rich's Retirement Celebration

Put Sunday, January 29 at 9:30 AM on your calendar. Join us as we celebrate Pastor Rich and his wife Jolene.

### Pew Sister Bible Study for Women

A new study for women is starting on 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. From alcoholism to postpartum depression to cancer, twelve different women generously share the story of God's faithfulness in their lives for the consolation of their sisters in Christ.

Each session begins with a scripture reading followed by a narrative of an individual woman's real-life story. Eight study questions, designed for both personal and group study, help the reader apply the reading and narrative to her own life in Christ. A meditative hymn stanza and collect complete each session.

Sign up at the Welcome Counter or email Ann at [office@kingofkingscr.org](mailto:office@kingofkingscr.org). Each book will be \$15. They will meet the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month.

### Inclement Weather

It's that time of year again, we never know what mother nature has in mind. If inclement weather is predicted and we need to cancel services or activities we will send out notifications via email, text, social media (Facebook) and on KCRG (TV and online). Please make sure to check one of those avenues if the weather is questionable. Also, if you have not opted in to text notifications, please contact the church office to sign up.

### Annual Voter's Assembly

We have once again reached the very important time of the year when we conduct our Annual Congregational Voter's Assembly. This meeting plays a critical role in the setting of the annual budget, elections for open Governing Board positions, as well as the establishment of congregational Visions and Goals for 2023. The leadership of the congregation truly values the input of all of our members, and would encourage everyone to attend. This year's meeting will be held on today January 8, 2023, immediately following the 10:45 a.m. service. No meal will be provided. Childcare will be available.

### Poinsettias

Please take your poinsettias home. They are in the kitchen. Those not taken home today will be discarded on Monday.

### Interested in Membership at King of Kings?

A new Foundations of Faith class begins Sunday, 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.

### An update from the CEC

#### **ENROLLMENT**

28 children are enrolled in our Infant through School Age programs.

#### **PROGRAM NEWS**

After a few extra days off from the Holiday, preschoolers through infants are excited to be back growing and learning about Jesus. Children's chapel and classroom lessons are planned out for the month of January. This week children learned about Jesus' studies in the Temple and were reminded that the Bible is God's Word and gives us the knowledge of salvation, telling us that Jesus is our Savior

#### **THANK YOU**

Thank you to Laurie Lempia and Lori Lebeda for the recent donation of "art smocks". Your sewing talents are appreciated and will be well-loved by our toddler and preschool classrooms.



#### **Midweek Student Ministry Returns**

In case you missed it, Wednesday evening programming at King of Kings is back for 5<sup>th</sup> grade through High School youth! Each week at 6pm, we begin our time with an amazing meal, followed by games and fellowship before youth separate into their age groups. Kathryn Church leads our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders in Pre-confirmation while 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade confirmation is led by Pastor Weinhold and Jessica Dvorak. HS Youth meets in the High School youth room and friends are always welcome to come hang out, discuss the world we live in and how God loves us and redeems us. If you have questions or want to know more about Wednesday night activities, contact DCE Tony Dixon. ([tdixon@kingofkingscr.org](mailto:tdixon@kingofkingscr.org))

#### **High School Winter Retreat – Save the Date**

Youth currently in high school, block out February 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> on your calendars for an amazing weekend to connect, grow, and learn more about what it means to RELATE. Keep an eye out for more details soon!

#### **Summer Youth Trip – Last Chance**

Youth currently in grades 8-12, you have one last chance to sign up for our trip to Mission, South Dakota in July. If you have any questions at all or would like more info, contact DCE Tony.