### 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 Third Sunday of Pentecost

June13, 2021 8:00 a.m. In Person Worship and Streamed Live 9:30 AM Summer in the Son 10:45 a.m. In Person Worship

Preservice Song	Let Your Kingdom Come
Welcome & Opening Announcements	
Opening Songs	Build My Life
Baptism of Logan Wiezorek (8:00 a.m.	. only)
	As It Is In Heaven
Invocation	
Confession and Absolution	
Scripture Readings	Ezekiel 17:22-24
	2 Corinthians 5:1-17
Children's Message	Family Five
	Mark 4:26-34
Hymn of The Day	Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid LSB 500
Message	Rev. Rich Balvanz
Apostles' Creed	
Offerings & Offertory	LSB 159
Prayers of the Church	
The Lord's Prayer	
Benediction (Aaronic)	
Closing Song	This Is Amazing Grace
Closing Announcements	5
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Serving Sc	hedule - contact the	church office	if you'd like to serve.
<u>THIS WEEK</u> <u>NEXT WEEK</u>	06/13 Sun 8:00 06/20 Sun 8:00		06/13 Sun 10:45 06/20 Sun 10:45
Today's Ushers	OPEN OPEN		Keith Colton OPEN
Elder 06/13 Elder 06/20	Travis Phillips Mike Frerking		Shane Hartzler Paul Parry
Lay Reader 06/13 Lay Reader 06/20	OPEN		Rad Finch
Sound 06/13 Sound 06/20	Lisa Gleason		OPEN OPEN
Media 06/13 Media 06/20	Ken Liske		Ken Liske
Video 06/13 Video 06/20	Kirk Monson		NA NA
Greeters 06/13 Greeters 06/20	Roxy Savage Marge/Larry Shay Larry Shay Marge Shay		Jolene Balvanz Rachel Happel Jim Muench,Adam Pladina Sue Muench/Kim Pladina

## THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS

Sunday Jun 12	8:00 a.m.	Warahin
Sunday, Jun 13	9:30 a.m.	Worship Summer in the Son– LFC
	9.30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	
		Worship
	1:00 p.m.	African Worship Service
Tuesday, Jun 15	7:00 p.m.	Men of God Practice
Thursday, Jun 17	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery Large Group
-	7:15 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery Small Group
Sunday, Jun 20	8:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion
•	9:30 a.m.	Summer in the Son– Pancake Breakfast
	10:45 a.m.	Worship with Communion
	1:00 p.m.	African Worship Service
	4:00 p.m.	Hiawatha Care Center
Monday, Jun 21	6:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Supervision
Tuesday Jun 22	6:00 p.m.	LWML Salad Supper
-	7:00 p.m.	Men of God Practice

#### **FUTURE KING OF KINGS EVENTS** June 21– Stephen Ministry 6:00 PM June 22—LWML Salad Supper 6:00 PM June 25—Women's Ministry Visual Faith Workshop Night 7:00 PM June 26—Freedom Festival Parade 10:00 AM June 26—Youth Tool Training 9:00 AM June 27—VBS Volunteer Orientation 4:30 PM June 27-30—Vacation Bible School 6:00 PM

#### Attendance Last Week Sunday: 97-103 Total: 200

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Amen.

"The kingdom of God is as if a man should on the ground. He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not ." Mark 4:26-27 God has given to his people the privilege of \_\_\_\_\_

Success as a sower is not measured by growth in \_\_\_\_\_, but by growth in to plant the gospel.

"We walk by faith, not by sight; the love of Christ us." 2 Corinthians 5:7&14

"He died for all, that those who live (that's us!) might no longer live for but for him who for their sake died and was raised." 2 Corinthians 5:15



Sermon Prayer

Heavenly Father, strengthen us to willingly share the good news of salvation in Christ with our neighbors and friends. Make us fruitful in sowing the seed of your kingdom. In Jesus' name.

## Sowing vs. Growing

## while reserving for himself the work of \_\_\_\_\_

"The earth produces \_\_\_\_\_, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear." Mark 4:28

## The work of the sower described:

"For nothing is hidden except to be made manifest; nor is anything secret except to come to light." Mark 4:22

## The seed we sow must clearly be the gospel of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ.

We are not witnesses of good works but witnesses of the forgiveness and eternal salvation in Christ alone

## Nothing will grow that has not first been

## As King of Kings Lutheran Church builds and prepares for the future, may we constantly remember our purpose is

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

Let us pray. Heavenly Father we praise you that you planted your holy Word among us. Give healthy growth to your church as your servants plant the seeds of your Word. Bless the preaching and teaching of your truth so that your kingdom may be extended. Send faithful laborers into your fields to scatter the seeds of the gospel in all places so that in due time a harvest will be gathered for your glory. Grant that we remain steadfast in Christ, bearing the fruits of love and singing praises to your name. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We praise you, Lord, for the blessing of the Laborers for Christ whom you have sent among us. As they build our new ministry addition they also are used by you to build your kingdom as they

witness to the truth of your saving Word. Grant them safety as they labor. Bless their work and give us who benefit from their labor thankful hearts for their hearts of service. When possible, encourage us to join in their work to the glory of your name. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

O God, we groan under many burdens in this earthly tent and long to be clothed with Your eternal life, which will swallow up all mortal sorrow. Comfort those who mourn the loss of loved ones: Darlene Wood and family; Chad and Amber Carpenter and family; Sue and Jim Muench and family; Glenn and Denise Lehrman and family. Remind them to walk by faith and not sight, to mourn our dead in the hope of the resurrection until at last we are at home with Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Mighty Savior, bring healing to the sick: We pray especially for Charles Howard, a Laborer for Christ at King of Kings, who continues to receive treatment for his injuries; Ann Knupp as she continues the difficult process of healing and therapy; Bill Thurm as he slowly recovers from a serious accident; Keturah, the granddaughter of Allen and MaryLu Konrad, as she receives chemotherapy; Dick Blessing, receiving treatment for acute leukemia; Chad Winterhoff as his cancer treatments continue, and all of those who need your power and strength in dealing with physical and mental ailments. Do not let them lose hope but fix their eyes beyond what is temporary to the things unseen and eternal. By this slight momentary affliction, prepare them for an unending weight of glory beyond all comparison. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Prayers for Healing and Encouragement: Darlene Wood Jim & Sue Muench Chad & Amber Carpenter & family Glenn & Denise Lehrman Janice, Aunt of Sheila Monson Ann Knupp Bill Thurm Keturah Weber Dick Blessing Chad Winterhoff Jerry Green David Marousek Jim Barker 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.

#### **Baptism Today**

Logan Sue Wiezorek, daughter of Mark & Patra Wiezorek is welcomed into the Holy Christian Church this morning through the sacrament of Holy Baptism.

#### Update to mask policy

At our Board of Elders meeting last week we discussed the national and local changes easing the required wearing of masks. Sensitive to the fact that some members have not received inoculations for Covid19 and that there are still members who would like more time to worship with masks required at the 8:00am service, it was decided that we will stay with the current practice for four more Sundays. Beginning June 20th both services will be mask optional. This gives ample time for those who still want to get vaccinated. Board of Elders, King of Kings Lutheran Church.

#### Volunteers Wanted!

This summer, King of Kings would like to have an entry into the Freedom Festival Parade. If you, or you and some friends are interested in being a part of this year's Freedom Festival Celebration, please contact the church office to get involved. 319-393-2438 or office@kingofkingscr.org.

#### Faith, Friends, Fun & Fellowship

Have you experienced the loss of loved, ones, have children who have grown up and moved away, or felt isolated due to COVID? Many people are experiencing those same feelings of loneliness and separation. Wouldn't it be wonderful ton connect with others and share the many things that have been absent from our lives? We are inviting you to join a newly formed group to offer opportunities for friendship and fellowship in a safe and positive environment. Please join us at Trinity Lutheran Church (1363 1st Ave SW) on Monday June 14th at 1:30 p.m. We strongly encourage people from the Cedar Rapids area and other church communities to be a party of this group to help ensure that it is successful and fun. Plus, it's a great way to meet people you otherwise wouldn't have. Questions call Darrell Axtell 319-270-6543. Alive Hoffmeier 319-365-8586 or Karen Flint 319-899-1421

Altar Flowers Given to the Glory of God of by Offt Family as they remember Patricia's heavenly homegoing on June 12, 2018.

#### Summer in the Son

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. The next Sunday, June 20th Women's Ministry will be hosting a pancake breakfast! Join us on Father's Day for this special breakfast!

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: What is a Parable?

For today's Family Five: As a family talk about who you can share about Jesus with this week. Say a prayer asking for Jesus to help you in sharing.

#### LWML Summer Salad Supper

Tuesday, June 22, 2021, 6:00 PM Bring a salad to share and enjoy an evening of delicious food and friendship with our King of King's women.

Hosted by our Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) for all women. Questions? Contact Norma Swift, 377-9889, njswift@hotmail.com.

### Women's Ministry Summer Visual

Faith Workshop Night Friday, June 25 7:00 PM. Join us for a night of creative fun and fellowship. We will work on a project that will help us to consistently pray for the important people in our lives. Sign up below so that we know which version of the project you'd like to make. We will have all supplies available at church. Just bring yourself (and a friend)!

#### Summer Book Club

This summer Women's Ministry invites you to join them for a Summer Book Club. The book is called A Lineage of Grace by Francine Rivers. You can find the book where most books are sold or contact the church office if you'd like to purchase through the office. The book club will meet July 12 & 26, August 9 & 23 at 7:00 PM at King of Kings.

#### **Missionary Visit**

The Rev. Dr. Michael Paul, a theological educator missionary for the China Evangelical Lutheran Church in Taiwan a partner of the LCMS, will visit St. Silas Lutheran Church, North Liberty, Wednesday, June 30th. Dr. Paul teaches in congregations and at China Lutheran Seminary, Hsinchu, He also writes and translates Lutheran Chinese resources and helps mentor new church workers. He will speak about his work in Taiwan at 7:00 pm on June 30th. Light refreshments

Marion Cares which is a non-profit organization provides assistance and programming for children and families in Marion and is an official ministry supported by King of Kings. Marion Cares contacted us last week about the possibility of us assisting with their backpack project this summer, so we are taking this opportunity to invite you to participate in this ministry.

student at the event. Cares Office on August 3rd.

Please direct questions to Carol Maurer (breeze1018@gmail.com) or Peggy Liske (peggyliske@gmail.com)





### HS Mission Trip Tool Prep Meeting

On Saturday, June 26 from 9am - 3pm youth and leaders attending the summer mission trip will take part in a tool training and hands on project to help us prepare for the trip. All trip participants should plan to attend for the entire time. This meeting is a part of the commitment that participants made to attend the trip. If you have questions, please contact DCE Tony!

## 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.

Here are the steps to adopt a student in need of a backpack:

1. Sign up online by selecting a student. Register here now so you will be notified when the student list is open: https://forms.gle/QtCswQ4pG2uMuog8

2. Purchase a backpack and fill it with the supplies listed. Each Backpack is said to cost approximately \$75-\$80 including the purchase of the bag and the necessary items. 3. Write the STUDENT # on a piece of paper and put it in the front pocket of the

backpack. This is crucial as it is the only way we will be able to match it up with the

4. Drop it off at the Marion Cares Office (lower level of Carnegie building at 1298 7<sup>th</sup>- use East entrance) on Aug 3rd or Aug 5th between 8 am and 6 pm. You can also leave it at the church no later than July 25th and we will see that they get dropped off at the Marion

#### Thank-you to all King of Kings members who help Marion students start the 2021/22 school year with the supplies they need.

## Amazing Acts of Faith– VBS 2021

There is nothing quite like the Circus. VBS 2021 will be amazing Under God's Big Top! June 27-30. The Big Show starts at 6:00 each evening! Additional information in the e-news.

Scan the QR code to register to attend or volunteer, or at www.kingofkingscr.org.

# KING OF KINGS HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

#### HS Youth Trip Sponsorship

As our high school youth prepare to travel to Huntington, West Virginia this summer to serve, there is still a need for financial and prayer support. This provides you, our King of Kings Family, with a great opportunity to sponsor one of our youth

participants! Sponsorship involves more than just a donation, so stop by the bulletin board outside the Church Office to learn more. We are so thankful for the support of this amazing congregation. Please continue to keep our entire group in your prayers as final details come together for this great life-changing opportunity.