

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

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost  
August 8, 2021

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

Preservice Song	Christ be Magnified
Welcome & Opening Announcements	
Opening Song	Mighty to Save
Invocation	
Song	Breathe
Confession and Absolution	
Men of God	Written in Red
Scripture Readings	1 Kings 19:1-8 Ephesians 4:17-5:2
Children’s Message	Family Five John 6:35-51
Hymn of the Day	Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor LSB 534
Message	Rev. Mark Halvorson
Apostles’ Creed	
Offerings	
Sending Service for Scott Treptow	
Prayers of the Church	
The Lord’s Prayer	
Benediction (Aaronic)	
Closing Song	The River is Here

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

<b>THIS WEEK</b> <b>NEXT WEEK</b>	08/08 Sun 8:00 08/15 Sun 8:00		08/08 Sun 10:45 08/15 Sun 10:45
Today’s Ushers	Steve Schroeder John Schaefer		Ken Ramstad Janet Ramstad
Elder 08/08 Elder 08/15	Mike Frerking Dan Klinkenberg		Shane Hartlzer Paul Parry
Lay Reader 08/08 Lay Reader 08/15	Mike Koster Scott Nelson		Tom Sandersfeld David Ridout
Sound 08/08 Sound 08/15	Lisa Gleason John Mueller		OPEN John Mueller
Media 08/08 Media 08/15	Denny Wangeman Dan Henry		Darren Jacobsen Greg Glass
Video 08/08 Video 08/15	Jason Sojka Kirk Monson		NA NA
Greeters 08/08 Greeters 08/15	Holly Sojka Kay Nelson Tom Sandersfeld Sheryl Sandersfeld		Rad Finch Joyce Finch Jolene Balvanz Rachel Happel

THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS

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
Tuesday, Aug 10	10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	LADOAS Governing Board Men of God Practice
Thursday, Aug 12	6:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery Large Group Celebrate Recovery Small Group
Sunday, Aug 15	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	Worship with Communion Summer in the Son– Disaster Response Worship with Communion New Member Reception African Worship Service Hiawatha Care Center

FUTURE KING OF KINGS EVENTS

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  
August 29– 9:30 AM- Kick Off Sunday  
September 12-Rally Day- (Fall Scheduling starts)

Attendance Last Week

Sunday: 83-100  
Total: 183

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Introduction: Life lessons from Elijah:

Elijah was a man with a nature like ours... James 5:17

A \_\_\_\_\_nature, with failings and weaknesses.

Key Point: Scripture is not meant to live outside of us as something unfamiliar or foreign to our nature and mind. No, indeed, the Word of God is meant to live \_\_\_\_\_ us.

3 Then he said to me, "Son of man, eat this scroll (God’s Word) I am giving you and fill your stomach with it." So I ate it, and it tasted as sweet as honey in my mouth. Ezek. 3:3

...he tucked his mantle under his belt and ran ahead of Ahab to the entrance of Jezreel. 1 Kings 18:46

Then Elijah became afraid and immediately ran for his life. 1 Kings 19:3

Elijah at his \_\_\_\_\_...

Emotionally drained (mountain top to the valley)

Tired

Fearful

Hungry

Filled with \_\_\_\_\_

God’s Word is meant to be personally internalized!

When your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart's delight,..  
Jer. 15:16

What does the Bible alone clearly show us? “Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, 9 for you are receiving the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.” 1 Peter 1:8-9

4 Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Matt 4:4

God comes alongside of us in this life and after this, FACE OF FACE IN HIS KINGDOM! (Closing prayer– “...inwardly digest...”)

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

The eyes of all look to You, O Lord. You open Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. Incline now Your ears to us.

Preserve the pure proclamation of the Gospel throughout all the world. Stand in the way of all false teaching and the lies of Satan, so many may be drawn to you through your Son, Jesus Christ. Cause this congregation and all congregations in our Synod to flourish and thrive. Make them strong witnesses to their confession of faith, eager to show mercy on account of your steadfast mercy. Knit us together in unity of doctrine and love for our neighbors. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless all families and homes, that one generation may tell to the next the wonderful works of God in Christ. Show kindness to the sick and grant healing to the recovering: Jana Burrington, Ann Knupp, Allen Konrad, Janet Zeisness (our church custodian), Crysten Sanchez (wife of loDisECa director Daniel Sanchez), Keturah Weber, Chad Winterhof, and those we name in our hearts. Never let them be in doubt that You hear their prayers. Relieve all pain and provide for those who suffer from any kind of hardship. Comfort those who mourn with Jesus’ words that He is the bread of life and anyone who eats of this bread will live forever. We pray especially for Jennifer Silcox and family upon the death of her aunt, Jean Kohler. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Grant strength of faith, wisdom to discern the lies of Satan and certainty of the comforting truth of your promises to all students who are returning to classes in coming days. Preserve faithful teachers and administrators in their work. Defend both students and teachers from physical and spiritual harm. Remind them of their baptisms and nurture them with the Word of your teaching implanted in their hearts. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father of our risen, ascended and glorified Lord, who has promised that those who believe in Christ as the true and living bread will never hunger nor thirst: By Your Holy Spirit, keep us steadfast in faith. Give us grace to live out our baptismal lives in repentance and forgiveness, and keep our eyes ever focused on the life that never ends, knowing that You will raise us up on the Last Day; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Prayers for Healing and Encouragement:  
Janet Zeisness  
Crysten Sanchez  
Jana Burrington  
Guy & Linda Patten  
Ann Knupp  
Bill Thurm  
Allen Konrad  
Keturah Weber  
Chad Winterhof  
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

The early apples will be ripe. Peaches may still be coming on. Learn practical wisdom about what fruits do best in Iowa. Know how to plan a small backyard orchard and what varieties would be best for you. Learn about strawberries, blueberries, raspberries and other fruits that require little space. Get simple practical answers to your questions about fruit trees and plants.

- Where do you get them?
- When do you plant them?
- How do you care for them?
- How do you know when to harvest them?

Spend some walking through the Epley orchard. Pick some ripe apples to take home. Get a tour of the Epley gardens.

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.

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](mailto:jofft@kingofkingscr.org) ). Thank you.

Thank you

We sincerely appreciate the prayers, cards and words of sympathy during the recent losses our family has experienced. Than you for the Christian love and support shown to us as we mourned the passing of seven members in Lester's family within the past two years. We are deeply grateful for the care and concern from our King of Kings Family. -Lester and Alma Happel and Family

Altar Flowers Given to the Glory of God by an anonymous member.

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: Ordinary Gift

For today's Family Five: Share an ordinary snack together with others and while you're eating, make it special by telling them about hose much they mean to you.

Summer in the Son- Disaster Response Team Sunday August 15

The Disaster response team responds right after an event, and also helps communities rebuild after an event. A year after the Derecho, the Disaster response team will lead an effort to focus on some items that need attention around our church. Leave your Sunday best at home and don a pair of work gloves instead.

Next Sunday during the 9:30 Summer in the Son hour, we have trees to trim, a couple trees to plant, one tree to remove, weeds to pull, and windows to wash. Tools are here and ready to be put to work.

Help Support Noah & Scott through the King of Kings Scholarship Fund –

King of Kings is blessed to have 2 men of our congregation studying and preparing for careers in church work. **Noah Russell** began his studies at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis this summer as he prepares to be a pastor. **Scott Treptow** is beginning his studies this fall in the Director of Christian Education (DCE) program at Concordia University Chicago. We are privileged to support these men with our prayers and care throughout their studies. We also want to give the congregation an opportunity to show financial support to both these men. King of Kings will be collecting funds to directly support Noah & Scott. While these funds can be given at any time, we will send any gifts received by the end of August for the start of the school year. Please designate Church Worker Scholarship Fund for any gifts given.

Backpack Thank You

A big THANK YOU to King of Kings members that were involved with the backpack service project held in July. Thanks for all the donations and help preparing backpacks for 2nd and 5th graders. We set a goal of providing 16 students with a supply-filled backpack for the 2021-2022 school year. We crushed that goal and delivered 26 backpacks to Marion Cares this week with encouraging notes for students in our community. Thanks again for your support!

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Summer in the Son– Youth Trip to Huntington, West Virginia

Last week, 154 high school youth and adult leaders from around the country travelled to the community of Huntington, West Virginia for 5 days of service. King of Kings sent a mission team of 15 youth and 3 adults to be a part of the collective efforts to build ramps and steps, scrape, paint, and repair homes to share Jesus’ love with

residents. All in all, 14 Churches were represented from 10 different states to complete work on 25 different homes. Although the week of service is done, the ways that God worked through young people to make an impact is ongoing and our group is excited to share with you. Join us Sunday morning at 9:30 for our Summer in the Son session as the youth mission team shares about the work that was done and how they saw God at work during our week together!



Coming this fall: The Bible You Haven’t Read!

If you are like most people you probably haven’t spent much time reading the Old Testament book of Obadiah. The same is probably true of books such as Habakkuk and Zephaniah. And what about that guy Haggai? In fact, there are probably some New Testament books that haven’t received much attention either, like Titus, Philemon and Jude. Wait no longer!

Beginning Sunday, September 12 the 9:30 a.m. adult Bible study led by Pastor Halvorson and Pastor Balvanz will begin a year long journey through the Bible entitled:

66 Texts from 66 Books

Each Sunday will explore a significant reading from a different book of the Bible. This is your opportunity to dig deeper into God’s Word by making use of the entire scripture given to us through the prophets and apostles. So, bring your Bible and a friend as we embark on this interesting walk through scripture.

