

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

Sunday, January 2, 2022
The Second Sunday After Christmas
8:00 AM service in person and live streamed
9:30 AM Christian Education Hour
10:45 AM Worship Service

Preservice Song

Welcome & Opening Announcements

Opening Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing LSB 686

Invocation

Confession and Absolution

Service of the Word

Scripture Readings

1 Kings 3:4-15

Ephesians 1:3-14

Luke 2:40-52

Hymn of the Day

How Firm A Foundation LSB 728

Message

Rev. Mark Halvorson

Nicene Creed

Offering

Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Service of the Sacrament

LSB 160

Distribution Hymns

Your Table I Approach LSB 163

From East to West LSB 385

Benediction (Aaronic)

Closing Song

Hark The Herald Angels Sing (w/King of Heaven)

Closing Announcements

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

THIS WEEK NEXT WEEK	01/02 Sun 8:00 01/09 Sun 8:00		01/02 Sun 10:45 01/09 Sun 10:45
Today's Ushers	OPEN Steve Schroeder		Keith Colton Jamie Grimm
Acolyte 01/02 Acolyte 01/09	Lydia Koepnick Courtney Franck		Eric Jacobsen Noel Burmeister
Elder 01/02 Elder 01/09	Shane Hartzler		Mike Frerking
Lay Reader 01/02 Lay Reader 01/09	Denny Wangeman Greg Happel		David Ridout Denny Goshon
Sound 01/02 Sound 01/09	Brian Carlson OPEN		Joel Silcox OPEN
Media 01/02 Media 01/09	Ken Liske Denny Wangeman		Darren Jacobsen Greg Glass
Video 01/02 Video 01/09	Kirk Monson Jason Sojka		NA NA
Greeters 01/02 Greeters 01/09	Dixie Dahl Roxie Savage Holly Sojka Kay Nelson		Diana Lensch OPEN Denny Goshon Ruth Goshon

THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS

Sunday, Jan 2	8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	Worship w/Communion Hebrews Bible Study –Heartland Room Young Adult Bible Study @ KOK Worship w/Communion African Worship Service Hiawatha Care Center
Tuesday, Jan 4	10:30 a.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study
Wednesday, Jan 5	6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:45 p.m.	MS/HS Youth Dinner Confirmation HS Youth Group Pastor Led Bible Study
Thursday, Jan 6	10:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study Celebrate Recovery
Sunday, Jan 9	8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m.	Worship Hebrews Bible Study –Heartland Room Young Adult Bible Study @ KOK Worship Annual Voter's Assembly African Worship Service

FUTURE KING OF KINGS EVENTS

January 5–6:00 PM- Wednesday Night Youth Dinner Resumes
January 5– 6:30 PM- HS Youth and Confirmation Resumes
January 9– Can and Bottle Drop Off at KOK
January 9– 12:00 PM-Annual Voter's Assembly
January 11-9:00 AM-Book of Revelations Bible Study at KOK
January 17– Women's Ministry Bible Study

Attendance Last Week

12/24: 105-95-142-32 12/25: 49 12/26: 118 Total: 541

CONTACT INFORMATION

Pastor Mark Halvorson pastor@kingofkingscr.org	Associate Pastor Rich Balvanz rbalvanz@kingofkingscr.org	Director of Christian Education Tony Dixon tdixon@kingofkingscr.org
Director of Music Gordon Russell grussell@kingofkingscr.org	Children's Ministry Director Karla Doty childrensministry@kingofkingscr.org	African Ministry Coordinator Pierre Manirakiza pierre@kingofkingscr.org
Life Groups Coordinator Ann Mueller office@kingofkingscr.org	Church Administrator Jonathan Offt jofft@kingofkingscr.org	Office Manager Ann Mueller office@kingofkingscr.org



3275 N Center Point Road
Cedar Rapids, IA 52411
319-393-2438
www.kingofkingscr.org



"Unwrapping God's Gifts"

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who
has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing...
Eph. 1:3

Introduction: No matter how old we are presents are fun to unwrap!

A Closer Look at some of God's gifts to us

1. He _____ us in him before the foundation of the earth
2. [to be] _____ and _____ before him
3. _____-placed or appointed as...a son/child;
accepted, embraced, approved; totally part of the family!
4. Redemption (_____)
5. forgiveness (pardoned, given mercy instead of punishment)
6. Obtained an inheritance
7. _____ with the promised Holy Spirit,
8. Guarantee (pledge granting eternal _____)

Conclusion

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in His excellent word. What more can He say than to you He has said To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, My grace,
all-sufficient, shall be your supply, The flame shall not hurt you,
I only design, Your dross to consume and the gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will
not desert to His foes, That soul, though all hell should
endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake

Prayers for January 2—January 8, 2022

Prayers for Healing and Encouragement:

Ruth Goshon
Amanda Klinkenberg
The Glass Family
The Brendes and
Soenksen Families
The Ramstad Family
Guy Patten and Family
Keturah Weber
Laury Whittham
Julie Gentry, (cousin of
Deb Hoffman & Norma
Colton)
Gary Russell (father of
Gordon Russell)
Leilani Luedtke
Jerry Cada
Rodney Blake
Ann Knupp
Chad Winterhof
Jack (grandson of Bob
and Pat Harris)

Heavenly Father, give patience and
endurance to all who are sick or in any
need, especially those around the world
who continue to contract Covid-19. Give all
in your Word, eager to receive your Word
and Sacraments and always treasuring your
divine wisdom and favor.

people wisdom to acknowledge your blessing of protection and
healing through all means with which you provide them. And, if
it is your will, use this pandemic as the path by which those who
do not know you may hear and believe your saving Word.

Among our King of Kings members, bless those who mourn the
loss of loved ones with hope in the promise of resurrection to
eternal life for all who trust in you. We remember the Brendes,

Soenksen, Glass, Patten and Ramstad families who mourn the
loss of family members. Strengthen them with the assurance of
your love. We pray also for those who are facing surgery, ill or
recovering from illness or medical procedures, including Ruth

Goshon, (also Ruth's brother-in-law Tom who is struggling with
health issues), Amanda Klinkenberg, Chad Winterhof, Laury

Whitham and others we name in our hearts. Strengthen and heal
them according to Your will. Receive our thanksgiving for every
blessing and kindness You have shown to Your people in Christ.

Heavenly Father, uphold and strengthen our president, governor
and all public servants. Grant wisdom to lawmakers and judges,
so their decision-making is done according to your will. Protect
our nation and our families from evildoers so we may carry out
your will in peace and unity.

Guest Information

Thank you for visiting King of Kings. We
offer two worship services on Sunday
mornings, 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.

2022 ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

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 2022. 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 Sunday, January 9, 2022,
immediately following the 10:45 a.m.
service. No meal will be
provided. Childcare will be available.

Power of Love Film Festival

Want to try your hand at authoring,
producing, filming, and/or editing fabulous
video content? The King of Kings Media
Ministry Team (M&M) is sponsoring a film
festival in Feb/Mar 2022. Teams will
produce an original short video (5-10
minutes)! The videos will be shown
during the Power of Love Film Festival
Premiere in Mar 2022. No experience
necessary. Training will be provided. All
ages are welcome! Start putting your
team together today. More information on
this film festival competition will be
provided in the future.

Children's Ministry Contact

Children's Ministry families and
volunteers, should you need to reach
someone on Sunday morning, please
contact Dian Trepow or leave a message
on the church's voicemail.

Women's Ministry

Starting January 17, we will be starting a
new bible study and invite women of all
ages to join us! More details will be
coming soon. Also watch for a special
event planned for January!

LADoAS

The LADoAS Grief Group will not be
meeting for the months of Jan & Feb until
the virus numbers settle down. We
hope that everyone stays healthy and
safe.

THRIVE Young Adult Group – Sunday
at 9:30 in the Fellowship Area

King of Kings THRIVE group 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
Fellowship Area 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) or DCE Tony
(tdixon@kingofkingscr.org).

Can Shed Fundraiser

This holiday season, hang on to those
plastic bottles and cans to support our
youth! We're having a can and bottle
drop off event at King of Kings on the
morning of Sunday, January 9th before
and after worship services. Whether you
have a whole carload of cans or only a
few plastic bottles, we'll take them. If
your bags are piling up and you just can't
wait, we have an account set up for "King
of Kings Youth" set up at the Hiawatha
Can Shed. All proceeds support
fundraising efforts for the 2022 LCMS
Youth Gathering trip.

Adult Bible Studies Resume

Feb. 13, Sub Sandwich Sales.

Sunday morning Bible study resumes
January 2nd at 9:30 a.m., led by Pastor
Balvanz. The text for this week is 1
Timothy 3:14-16, as we continue our
focus on 66 Texts in 66 Weeks, one from
each book of the Bible. To prepare,
please read all of 1 Timothy chapter 3.
On Sunday, January 9, our study text is 1
Samuel 16:1-13.

Wednesday evening Bible study resumes
in person at King of Kings on January 5th
at 6:45 p.m. Our text for the evening is 1
Chronicles 5:1-2. However, to prepare for
this study with Pastor Balvanz, please
read the first 7 chapters of 1 Chronicles.
Wednesday evening Bible studies will
also be carried live on the King of Kings
Facebook and YouTube channels.

Baby Bottle Boomerang Ambassadors

King of Kings will kick off our annual Baby
Bottle Boomerang to support Bridgehaven
on January 23. We are looking for
Ambassadors to help with this important
campaign. Your role as an Ambassador
is very important! You are the liaison
between our church and Bridgehaven. If
you are interesting in this opportunity,
please contact Ann Mueller,
office@kingofkingscr.org or 319-393-2438

FORWARD
with Christ



Building update: Prepping for Painting!

These volunteers are preparing walls for painting in the
new Children's Ministry and daycare center at King of
Kings Lutheran Church. Volunteer painters will be
needed next! (Hint: it's easier than shovelling snow and
doesn't require coats or gloves.) Work crews will be
needed this coming week, working 8-11am and 12:15-
3pm each day. Let the church office know your availa-
bility or note it on the clipboard on the welcome center
so we can coordinate the teams. Thanks in advance
for your help.

KING OF KINGS
STUDENT MINISTRIES

New Student Ministry Series Begins Today!

If someone asked who you are, what would you say? Maybe you'd say your
name. Or maybe you'd say, "I'm a musician. A basketball player. A friend. A
daughter or son. I'm a human!" Those things might be true, but have you ever felt
like you're still figuring out who you are, what you're good at, or why you're here?
In this 4-week series, the stories of Jesus and John the Baptist, and the words of
Paul, will help us see why discovering who Jesus is helps us discover who we're
meant to be. Not only is Jesus different from anyone who has ever lived, but
because of Jesus we are made new, with distinct gifts we can use to serve God
and others. Join us at we learn more over the next few weeks! 7 & 8 Grade
Connection Class meets in the conference room and High School Youth meets in
the youth room, both at 9:30am on Sunday Morning.

Youth Midweek Returns

Midweek activities for 6-12 grade youth resume at King of Kings this Wednesday,
Jan. 5. The fun starts at 6pm as we eat a meal and hang out with each
other. Then at 6:30, Confirmation starts for the Middle School students, while
High Schoolers split off to participate in an activity and devotional time
together. Don't miss out on a chance to connect with other youth and learn more
about what it means to be a follower of Jesus!