

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, February 27, 2022
The Transfiguration of Our Lord
8:00 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed
Divine Service Setting 4 LSB 203

Preservice Music Brass Ensemble – Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy
Welcome & Opening Announcements Beautiful Savior LSB 537
Opening Hymn
Invocation
Confession and Absolution LSB 203
Service of the Word
Choir Sings Lift Your Eyes and See The Glory
Scripture Readings Deuteronomy 34:1-12
Hebrews 3:1-6
Luke 9:28-36
Apostles’ Creed
Hymn of the Day O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair LSB 413
Message Rev. Rich Balvanz
Offering
Prayers of the Church
Lord’s Prayer
Benediction LSB 212
Closing Hymn Love Divine, All Loves Excelling LSB 700
Closing Announcements
Postlude Brass Ensemble – Grace Greater Than Our Sin
Musicians: Gordon Russell, piano/vocals | David Eddy, trumpet | Steve Loesch, trombone | Jonathan Offt, trombone

Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, February 27, 2022
The Transfiguration of Our Lord
10:45 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed

Preservice Song Your Love Defends Me
Welcome & Opening Announcements
Choir Sings Lift Your Eyes and See The Glory
Opening Songs Lift High The Name of Jesus
I Lift My Hands
Invocation
Confession and Absolution
Scripture Readings Deuteronomy 34:1-12
Hebrews 3:1-6
Luke 9:28-36
Holy Spirit
Rev. Rich Balvanz
Song of the Day
Message
Apostles’ Creed
Offering
Prayers of the Church
Lord’s Prayer
Benediction (Aaronic)
Closing Song Jesus Loves Me
Closing Announcements
Postlude Brass Ensemble – Grace Greater Than Our Sin
Musicians: Gordon Russell, piano/vocals | Bruce Crowther, guitar/vocals | John Mueller, drums | David Eddy, trumpet | Steve Loesch, trombone | Jonathan Offt, trombone

THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS

Sunday, Feb 27	8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Worship Hebrews Bible Study –Heartland Room Christian Education Hour Worship Power of Love Film Festival Kick Off
Monday, Feb 28	6:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Supervision
Tuesday, Mar 1	9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Book of Revelation Bible Study Praise Band Practice Choir Practice
Wednesday, Mar 2	11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Worship Service Ash Wednesday Worship Service
Thursday, Mar 3	10:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study Celebrate Recovery
Saturday, Mar 5	8:30 a.m.	Women’s Retreat
Sunday, Mar 6	8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	Worship w/Communion Hebrews Bible Study –Heartland Room Christian Education Hour Worship w/Communion VineLife—Gardening in the Snow (Epley Farm) Hiawatha Care Center

FUTURE KING OF KINGS EVENTS

March 2– Ash Wednesday
March 5– 8:00 AM– Women’s Ministry Retreat
March 11– Power of Love Film Festival
April 22-23 Men’s Retreat

Attendance Last Week

Worship 02/20 8:00: 99 10:45: 101 Total: 200

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

THIS WEEK NEXT WEEK	02/27 Sun 8:00 03/06 Sun 8:00		02/27 Sun 10:45 03/06 Sun 10:45
Elder 02/27 Elder 03/06	Shane Hartzler		Mike Frerking
Today’s Ushers	Tony Yelden OPEN		Keith Colton OPEN
Acolyte 02/27 Acolyte 03/06	Molly Yelden Gus Yelden		Izzy Mueller Noel Burmeister
Lay Reader 02/27 Lay Reader 03/06	Bruce Crowther Scott Nelson		David Ridout Denny Goshon
Sound 02/27 Sound 03/06	OPEN OPEN		Joel Silcox OPEN
Media 02/27 Media 03/06	Sandy Germaine Cathy Russell		Jordan Silcox Dan Henry
Video 02/27 Video 03/06	David Lempia Kirk Monson		OPEN Kirk Monson
Greeters 02/27 Greeters 03/06	Richard Luth Leah Luth Dixie Dahl Roxy Savage		Steve Epley Kathy Epley Tom Sandersfeld Sheryl Sandersfeld

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February 27, 2022— March 5, 2022

Sermon Prayer

Lord Jesus, on this Sunday of the Transfiguration, lead us to see your glory in the cross where you suffered and died for our sakes, so that by believing in you we might be heirs of your kingdom. In your name we pray. Amen.

From Glory to Glory

The account of the Transfiguration of Jesus is best understood in light of the death and resurrection of Jesus, the _____ of God’s salvation plan.

St. Paul called God’s perfect Law the ministry of death (condemnation) because it could not save sinners from the consequence of sin.

“For if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation (_____), the ministry of righteousness (_____) must far exceed it in glory.” 2 Corinthians 3:9

In Christ, God established a new and greater covenant with the people, a covenant of grace accomplished through the crucifixion, death and resurrection of Jesus.

“For the law was given through Moses; _____ and _____ came through Jesus Christ.” John 1:17

“Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the _____ of a house has more honor than the house itself.” Hebrews 3:3

On the Mount of Transfiguration, God reaffirmed the ministry of righteousness (by grace through faith in Jesus).

“His divine power has granted us all things that pertain to life and godli-ness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own _____ and excellence.” 2 Peter 1:3

As a result, we have become “partakers in the divine nature” (2 Peter 1:4), sharing in the glory of Christ and his cross, revealed to the disciples.

“[We all], beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the _____ from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.” 2 Corinthians 3:18

In the cross of Christ I glory,
Tow’ring o’er the wrecks of time.
Peace is there that knows no measure
Joys that through all time abide.



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Prayers for February 27– March 5, 2022

Heavenly Father, in prayer your Son, Jesus, revealed his glory to Peter, James and John. Grant that we, also gathered in prayer, would see him by faith and receive from him the redemption he has accomplished for us. Illuminate your Church with his own brightness, that she would tell the world of his mighty deliverance. As your Son cares faithfully for his Church, grant us a sure confidence in him and give us faithful hearts to serve him according to the callings he has given us. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty Father, you alone establish all authority on earth. In your divine wisdom and according to your will, we pray for a quick end to the war that has erupted in Europe that threatens the lives of thousands. Protect them and all people from the intentions of evil men. Frustrate their plans and actions. Fill our leaders with integrity and honor for the well-being of all. Grant that all division, conflict and strife here and abroad would give way to unity, peace and quietness. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father of all comfort, hear us for the sake of the troubled, the sick and the dying.
[_____]. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember on this day the glorious manifestation of your Son's divinity on the Mount of Transfiguration. Teach us to listen to Jesus and ever fix our eyes on him and his innocent suffering and death for our forgiveness. By your grace and mercy, strengthen us to remain faithful in all circumstances of trial, temptation and persecution. Preserve us to the end, that we may die a blessed death believing in your beloved Son with whom you are well pleased; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

A Caring Community Bringing Christ to Children and Families

The KOK Childhood Education Center is coming Fall of 2022! The Advisory Board meets twice a month and is working with an experienced early childhood administrator to formulate all the details for this exciting new ministry at KOK.

Here are some updates from our last meeting:

- We have reached out to other Lutheran churches, in the area, to advertise the Director position
- We have contacted the District office about writing an article for the IDE NEWS announcing the Childhood Education Center.
- We put up a banner in front of the church to help advertise the new Childhood Education Center
- We have a new phone number to the CEC: 319-536-0406
- We have received some inquiries for enrolling children

If you, or anyone you know, are interested in applying for the director position, send a resume to jofft@kingofkingscr.org. The job description is available on the church website under **About Us/Employment Opportunities.**

Enrollment inquiries will begin immediately through the website, **Ministries/Childhood Education Center**, or by calling 319-536-0406.

We are excited to serve KOK and to help grow God's Kingdom as the CEC Advisory Board.

Kathy Epley, Jodi Jonasson, Sheila Monson, Michelle Nuehring, Holly Sojka, and Stephanie Jemtrud (consultant)

Prayers for Healing and Encouragement:
The Hanson and Mishler Families
Liddle Family
Jerry Green
Rob Miller
Richard Luth, Sr.
Kathy Saveraid
Guy Patten and Family
Keturah Weber
Laury Whitham
Julie Gentry, (cousin of Deb Hoffman & Norma Colton)
Jack (grandson of Bob and 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!

CATS (Children's Activity Team)

We are looking for a group of 4-5 people who are willing to assist with the coordination of our first children's outreach activity in April. This team will select one program from options available from Iowa State Extension and Outreach and bring it to life! The Iowa State Extension staff will provide a majority of the supplies, training, and assistance for the chosen program. This activity will be held at the Marion Ministry and Outreach Center (MMOC) site and there will be some restrictions on size of group based on program and space needed for the activity.

Meal Prep / Marion Cares

Marion Cares has requested assistance preparing meals for families experiencing food insecurity in the Marion community. At the present time 27 families have requested assistance, up from the 15 in fall when we were assisting Marion Cares by providing meals for 7 families. The Marion Cares staff has been shouldering this process but now needs help. The process involves selection of a "dump meal" to prepare, securing ingredients (we have obtained a stipend to assist with the cost of the meal purchase), prepping and packaging it for distribution to the family in need. If you or a group of friends like to cook or need a reason to hang out and enjoy each other's company, you are encouraged to be part of this outreach program with Marion Cares. If you would like information or want to get involved with either of these projects, please contact Carol Maurer at (319)329-3088; or breeze1018@gmail.com ; or signup at <https://signup.com/go/yPEtTij>

The Power of Love Film Festival

Are you interested in trying something different? Come to the film festival kickoff event tonight at 6:30 in the Heartland Room at King of Kings. During the kickoff event we will show fun short videos, share important film festival information, sign up teams, and provide help. Be careful, you just might have some fun. If you are unable to attend in person, use the following QR code to join the zoom meeting.



Reaching De-Churched Adults

Do you have a friend, relative, adult child or neighbor who has strayed from their Faith walk? Individuals who grew up in a church-involved family, but have fallen away are sometimes referred to as being "De-churched." Often times these individuals still hold some basis of Faith, but just need the love and support of a fellow disciple to show them the value & importance of returning to worship and continuing their walk of Faith. The King of Kings "Therefore GO!" ministry team will be presenting a class entitled "Reaching De-Churched Adult Children/Friends," with an emphasis on utilizing relationship-based witnessing to help show God's unconditional love for them, and with the help of the Holy Spirit, to once again join their Christian brothers and sisters in worship. The class will consist of (4) class sessions (2/27/22 thru 3/20/22), to be held on Sunday mornings at 10:45am at King of Kings. Each class will include short video presentations, discussion and prayerful support. If you are interested in attending, sign up at the Welcome Counter.

Lenten Meals

As the season of Lent approaches, our King of Kings community will once again have weekly opportunities to gather around a meal and connect with one another. Each week, a meal will be served by one of the following groups at King of Kings: Elders, Women's Ministry, Middle/High School Youth, THRIVE Young Adults, and the Next Chapter Life Group. Be sure to join us for good food and fellowship before midweek Worship, starting on Wednesday, March 9 at 6pm.

Youth Can Collection- Sunday, March 6

Next Sunday, March 6, our Youth will be available at King of Kings to help unload your bottles and cans for our Can Shed fundraiser between Worship services. Whether you have a whole carload or only a few, we'll take them. Just keep a look out for the youth and signs indicating where you can drop off your cans and bottles throughout the morning. If you have questions, contact DCE Tony Dixon (tdixon@kingofkingscr.org)

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).



Building Update: More interior projects are getting knocked off the to-do list: The kitchen and pantry just got several coats of epoxy and are ready for cabinet work. Five classrooms and 3 bathrooms have had LVP (vinyl planks) flooring installed. Cabinets are now being installed at an awesome pace in those rooms. Electrical work is nearing completion with most of the lighting now done and now most of the low voltage communication wire has been run. It was great to take down the temporary construction light string. As

you can imagine, many of the projects depend on other things getting done first, so some project areas just have to wait their turn. HVAC, Electrical, plumbing and Fire system contractors are all getting close to completion. We continue to be blessed with great volunteer labor helping get these project done but we will always take more. Many hands make light work as the saying goes. Feel free to walk next door and check out the progress.



Rest in Him: Women's Retreat

Would you join us for a day of resting in the Lord? On Saturday, March 5th, 2022 from 8:30 - 4:00 we will gather together at King of Kings Lutheran Church. You are encouraged to wear your coziest clothes as we slow down to be refreshed by God's Word and prayer as well as through fellowship with one another. All retreat materials as well as a boxed lunch will be provided with your registration fee of \$20. Register by March 1 in the Fellowship Hall, Online or call the church office, 319-393-2438. You won't want to miss it!!

Cross/Peace

When Pastor Halvorson first got here and shared our initial Lenten Season together he introduced Cross/Peace and it was very, very well received. Now we are going to do it again. Cross/Peace is a series for Wednesday Evenings of Lent beginning on March 2, Ash Wednesday. It is based on the passion of our Lord as he approached the **Cross**, grave and resurrection in order to bring **peace** between us and God. The sermons and services are accompanied by a small wooden cross where each week something is handed out at service and added to your cross at home, visuals that will help each person and family see as well as hear the stories of Lent and Easter in more meaningful ways. Please join us on this Lenten Journey as we join Jesus through worship and His word on this 40 trip and to recognize the love that moved God the Father to send His Son to us, for our salvation.



Gospel Mime Rehearsal Begins

8-12 grade youth, It's already time to start preparing for the 2022 Gospel Mime. This great KOK Youth tradition is a fun and creative way to share the Gospel message through drama set to Contemporary Christian music. We will begin our rehearsals this Sunday, February 27 at 6pm. Meals are included as a part of our time together. If you would still like to join, connect with DCE Tony (tdixon@kingofkingscr.org)

7/8 Grade Connections & HS Bible Study

This week, we cover the final part of scripture that focuses on the life of Joseph in the Old Testament. As we come to the end of our series, we see through our scripture passages that God restores what is broken. Join us on Sunday mornings as we gather to have some fun and hear God's Word as it speaks into our lives. 7&8 Grade Connections Meets in the Conference room and HS Youth meets in the youth room, both at 9:30am on Sunday.

SAVE THE DATE: HS / MS Youth Lenten Meal

On Wednesday, March 23 @ 6pm, both High School and Middle School youth will be serving the Lenten Meal to our congregation members. We are asking youth families to consider bringing in a variety of homemade soups to share. A formal sign up with be sent in the next few weeks, keep an eye out!

Midweek Youth & Confirmation During Lent!

Starting March 2, our midweek youth and Confirmation schedule changes, but don't worry, you'll still have a chance to come eat some food and hang out. For High School Youth, after we grab food at the Lenten meals, we'll head into the youth room to hang out and play a game to connect with one another. For 7&8 Grade Students, Pastor Halvorson will be doing two weeks (March 9 & 16) of Confirmation makeup due to weather cancellations from 6:30-8pm. Then, on March 23, 30, and April 6 from 6-7pm we'll have youth group for 6th-8th grade youth led by Jessica Dvorak. Don't miss this chance to connect with other middle school youth and have some fun. Then stick around to attend worship at 7pm.