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, May 29, 2022 The 7th Sunday of Easter 9:30 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed

Preservice Music Whatever May Come

Welcome & Opening Announcements Opening Songs

Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You LSB 668

All The Way My Savior Leads Me Invocation

Confession and Absolution

Act 1:12-26 Revelation 22:1-6. 12-20

John 17:20-26

LSB 151

Hymn of the Day Message

Scripture Readings

Blest Be The Tie That Binds LSB 975 (not in the hymnal) **LCMS Seminarian Noah Russell**

Apostles' Creed Offering Therefore Go! Video **Prayers of the Church** Lord's Prayer

Benediction (Aaronic)

O Church Arise (Arise, Shine) **Closing Song** Musicians: Gordon Russell, piano/vocals | Sarah Mueller, vocals | Bruce Crowther, vocals/guitar

The Blessings of Stephen Ministry at King of Kings

Stephen Ministry multiplies blessings throughout the church and community.

- The congregation carries out Christ's commandment to "Love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12) in a powerful and practical way.
- ●The Pastors have a team of gifted, trained, and committed lay caregivers ready to minister to hurting
- •Trained lay members of the church nurture and use their gifts in meaningful ministry, growing spiritually as they serve others.

People who are hurting have a caring Christian presence to provide emotional and spiritual support. In short, Stephen Ministry helps carry out the vision of King of Kings in being "a caring community reaching in friendship with Christ."

lf you, or someone you know, are going through a difficult life challenge, whatever it might be, please consider learning about having a Stephen Minister. Contact one of the following Kathy Epley,319-270-0632; Kris Ruprecht, 319-321-1220; Pastor Halvorson, 612-205-4104 or Pastor Balvanz 319-350-3276.

All Stephen Ministry relationships are strictly confidential

Can You Turn A Page?



Seems simple enough. Touch a finger to a songbook and turn to the appropriate page. But elderly residents of the Hiawatha Care Center often need assistance turning pages to sing the hymns when King of Kings members lead Sunday afternoon worship at 4 p.m. twice each

Turn a page. Sing along. Listen to a story. Share the love that comes from Christ. If you can turn a page you can share Jesus. It's so easy, even kids can do it. Contact Pastor Balvanz at 319-350-3276 or balvanz@kingofkingscr.org.

THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS				
Sunday, May 29	9:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	Worship African Worship Service		
Monday, May 30	Church Office Closed in observance of Memorial Day			
Tuesday, May 31	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Book of Revelation Bible Study LADAOS GriefShare Study Pastor Led Bible Study Praise Band Practice Choir Practice Men of God Project Practice		
Thursday, June 2	10:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study Celebrate Recovery		
Friday, June 3	6:30 p.m.	Women's Ministry BUNCO Night		
Sunday, June 5	8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m.—noon 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	Worship Pop and Bottle Collection Summer in the Son– Fun and Fellowship Book of Isaiah Bible Study/THRIVE Bible Study Worship African Worship Hiawatha Care Center		
Monday, June 6	10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	LADOAS GriefShare Study MMOC Community Choir		

FUTURE KING OF KINGS EVENTS

Tuesday, June 7– 6:00 PM—VBS Volunteer Meeting Monday, June 13 – June 17 9:00 AM-Noon — Vacation Bible School Saturday, June 19–8:00 AM- Noon—Youth Car Wash Tuesday, June 21 –6:00 PM LWML Salad Supper

Attendance Last Week

Worship 05/22 8:00: 103 10:45: 98 Total: 201

THIS WEEK NEXT WEEK	06/05 Sun 8:00	05/29 Sun 9:30	06/05 Sun 10:45
Elder 05/29 Elder 06/05	Curt Zebuhr	Shane Hartzler	Paul Parry
Today's Ushers	Bill Maurer Dan Blomquist		Ken Ramstad Janet Ramstad
Acolyte 05/29 Acolyte 06/05	Lydia Koepnick	Grace Blomquist	OPEN
Lay Reader 05/29 Lay Reader 06/05	Curt Zebuhr	Denny Goshon	Keith Colton
Sound 05/29 Sound 06/05	Brian Carlson	OPEN	Joel Silcox
Media 05/29 Media 06/05	Sandy Germaine	Ken Liske	Jordan Silcox
Video 05/29 Video 06/05	Kirk Monson	David Lempia	Kirk Monson
Greeters 05/29		Scott Mahmens Tammy Mahmens	
Greeters 06/05	Dixie Dahl Roxy Savage	Taning manifold	Sharon Meyer Rachel Happel









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Prayer of the Church—Seventh Sunday of Easter May 29, 2022

Heavenly Father, your Son obeyed your holy will for the sake of our salvation. Through your Spirit, give your Church on earth unity of faith, that the world may know that you sent your Son to rescue us from sin, death and the power of the devil. Father, we pray that the peace we have with you may extend to those who recently suffered the tragic deaths of children at the hands of sinful men. Comfort them in their grief. Surround them with your love and guide authorities to wise and effective means to protect our children. Above all, open hearts to the saving Word of the gospel so love and not evil may prevail among us.

Lord of the Church, you have sustained your people through the ages by the apostles' witness to the death and resurrection of your Son. Raise up from among your people faithful witnesses in every age. Bless fathers and mothers, aunts and uncles, baptismal sponsors, pastors and teachers, evangelists and missionaries and all who proclaim your truth to others, that they may serve you and your kingdom in truth and faithfulness.

Gracious Lord, we thank you for the many blessings you have bestowed upon this nation. Grant us a long memory to recall those who gave the full measure of devotion to our country's peace and security. Bring to mind the sacrifices of those who served faithfully until death in the protection of our freedom and in the defense of our land. Empower us through your Spirit to seek peaceful rela-

tions with one another and with all nations, so that the saving Word of your gospel may be shared throughout the world.

Eternal Lord, you have seated Christ at your right hand for our deliverance. Remember all who are afflicted with illness and injury [including _______]. Give them health and strength according to your will. Sustain them in faith, knowing that, for Jesus' sake, you will raise them in glory on the Last

Merciful God, we praise You and remember the faithful who went before us and now rest from their labors. Grant that we may follow in faith where they have led the way and at length be brought with them into Your everlasting light and life to see You face to face.

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. Amen.



A Caring Community Bringing Christ to Children and Families

We have exciting news to share!

We have hired a Director for the Childhood Education Center!

Introducing Danielle (Dani) Stromert. Dani will start on June 6.



My name is Danielle Stomert and I will be serving as the director of the King of Kings Childhood Education Center. With over 9 years of early childhood teaching experience, I am excited to be taking on this leadership role. My husband and I grew up in the Cedar Rapids area, attended Iowa State University, where I earned my bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education, and now reside in Cedar Rapids with our three children, Chase, James and Verah. As an alumni of Trinity Lutheran School, it is a blessing to be supporting the Lutheran education ministry. I look forward to meeting and working with our staff and families.

Prayers for Healing and Encouragement:

Ruth Jahlas, mother of John

Julie Gentry, (cousin of Deb

Hoffman & Norma Colton)

Jack (grandson of Bob and

Chuck and Wendy

Bob Fruth

Alysia Beam

Lydia Parry

Jahlas

Osterhaus and family

Julia Bickel, mother of

Andrea Happel

Richard Luth, Sr.

Kathy Saveraid

Laury Whitham

Marilee Vail

Jen Zebuhr

Jerry Green

Pat Harris)

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! **Women's Ministry Summer Opportunities**

Guest Information

Fighting Words- 100 day devotional study, starts May 31

Welcome to King of Kings Lutheran Church!

Bunco Night- June 3, 6:30 PM- bring a friend, a snack and drink for yourself Summer Book Club- June 20, July 11 and August 8– the book is titled Family of Jesus and can be found wherever books are sold. Watch for more fun and fellowship events for July and August!

TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE NEEDED

We are seeking additional helpers for our technology ministry. This mainly includes volunteers to assist in running the soundboard and media during worship services. We welcome those with tech backgrounds and those who are new – we will provide training. Please contact the church office (319-393-2438 or office@kingofkingscr.org). Thank you.

LADOAS

The LADOAS group decided to meet weekly for the 13 weeks of the study, GriefShare. This week it will meet on Tuesday, May 31 at 10:00 a.m. in the Heartland Room. The following week, it will meet on Monday, June 6 at 10:00 a.m. This study is designed to meet weekly to keep the continuity of the subject of grief which assists anyone with the loss of a loved one to attend. The curriculum consists of a video presented by professionals that have lost a loved one and moves the grieving person from mourning to joy. We have a discussion time of the material and sharing. Invite a friend that is struggling with their grief as we welcome them to our group. And questions or concerns contact Darlene Wood (319-270-1276).

Telling others about Jesus isn't always as easy as we would like it to be. Someone may be totally against Christianity, 'organized religion', etc. Or they may simply have never thought about their need for a Savior. Whatever the person's background, if we rely on ourselves alone, we will struggle with witnessing.

If we involve God in the whole process, however, His Word will spread, even if we don't see the immediate results. Isaiah 55:11 says "my word that goes out from my mouth: it will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what i desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it". Asking God to open our eyes to opportunities to tell others about Jesus, and having Him give the words we need to say, makes all the difference. When we realize we as humans cannot do things on our own, it frees us up to hear and speak what the Holy Spirit wants to convey. May God be with you as you look for ways to be God's representative in the world around you!

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Dave & Dian Treptow in honor of their daughter Stephanie's 30th Birthday on May 31, and John, Ann & Izzy Mueller in honor of Emmy's 9th Birthday today, May 29th.

VBS at King of Kings

VBS is June 13-17 (M-F) from 9 am - Noon Children & Volunteers - Make Waves with us and come learn about Jesus! Sign up online at www.kingofkingscr.og, under Ministries/

Help us make a splash with VBS and assist us with snack items and supplies! Feel free to take a fish on the donation board in the Fellowship Hall and return the purchased item to the church kitchen marked VBS by June 8th. Monetary Donations can by left in the church

VBS Volunteer meeting Tuesday, June 7th at 6:00 PM. Pizza will be served, please bring your own drink.

THRIVE Young Adult Group -

Will not meet today, will resume June 5 in the Conference Room

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 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) or DCE Tony (tdixon@kingofkingscr.org).

Can and PLASTIC Bottle Collection June 5

Are you having a Memorial Day cookout or Graduation Party?? Save those cans and PLASTIC bottles to support our youth! During Worship services on June 5, our Youth will be available at King of Kings to help unload your bottles and cans for our Can Shed fundraiser. This time, we will only be

accepting cans and PLASTIC

bottles. 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)

Youth Carwash - June 19

On the morning of June 19th, our youth will be hosting a Car Wash to raise funds for the Youth Gathering trip to Houston! You can show up anytime between 8 and Noon to have your car washed while you wait OR drop your car off with one of our Parent Valets to have your car washed while you Worship and fellowship. Spread the word to your friends and family members who might also want to stop by and get their vehicles cleaned up for a good cause. Our crew plans to set up on the far end of the parking lot where the RVs were parked last year, so keep an eye out for those signs! Thanks for supporting our youth as they prepare to attend the LCMS Youth Gathering with several thousand other youth from across

Pastor's Bible Study Will Not Meet the Week of VBS

Pastor's Tuesday and Thursday 10:30 AM Bible Classes will **not** meet the week of VBS. June 13-17. They will resume June 21.



Building Update: Lots and lots of detail work. All doors are up and now most of the door hardware is also installed. Thanks Leroy Buelow for taking FORWARD on that task. Little things like filling in kitchen floor joints, getting the last 3 cabinets in from the magnifecture. Roland Massow has a few items yet on his build list as well. A furniture order is being detailed and will be placed shortly. Concrete work is all done now except for the youth patio which will be poured this summer after the

ground has dried up some. We are in process of getting the dirt piles spread and doing final grading for the playground area. Retaining walls will need to be built on the north and east sides and that ` project will be coming up shortly - yes volunteers welcome. We still need an extensive clean in the next few weeks and then we will be ready for carpet. We will need all hands on deck for the needed deep clean and thanks in advance for your help.

WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR

Robins Round Up is taking place on June 10-11! You are invited to attend all the fun events. Once again, King of Kings desires to be a visible presence of Jesus in serving our community of Robins. Help serve our community and put a smile on faces of all ages!

How can you be involved? There are two specific ways/times that we are looking for people:

- Join in the parade! We have a group that is part of the parade on Saturday morning at 10am. We hand out candy and King of Kings Vacation Bible School promotional materials.
- We also hand out free cotton candy in the park on Saturday (5-8pm). In addition, there are inflatables for the kids, live music, concessions, and fireworks to enjoy.

Look for the sign-up sheets with more details at the Opportunities Counter at church. You may also call the church office (319-393-2438) to sign up.

A Bible Study of the Book of Isaiah

The apostle Paul wrote in Romans 15:4, "Whatever was written beforehand was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the Scriptures we might have hope." Paul was certainly thinking of the prophet Isaiah, who "saw his (Jesus') glory and spoke of him." And the Bible has no clearer gospel than Isaiah 53:4-6, "Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned-every one-to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all."

On Sunday June 5 at 9:30 in the Heartland Room, Ken and Marsha McElreath will begin a study of this, the most quoted book in the Bible. Whether you are familiar with Isaiah or a new acquaintance, all persons are invited to participate.

Each Sunday's study will be followed by a time of coffee and informal fellowship and discussion, also in the Heartland Room.



LCMS Youth Gathering Important Dates

Sunday, June 5 - Can Collection from 8am-12pm

Sunday, June 19 – Youth Car Wash from 8am – 12pm

Sunday, June 26 @ 9:30am Worship - Youth Commissioning/Blessing

Sunday, June 26 – NYG Trip Meeting (At least 1 parent and all Participants) – 7pm

Thursday, July 7 – Final pre-trip devotion meeting @ 7pm

Friday, July 8 – Depart from King of Kings at 7pm Thursday, July 14 – Arrive home at approximately 8am

Below are pictures of Middle School verses High School Kickball Game Wednesday Night.





