

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, July 24, 2022
The 7th Sunday after Pentecost
8:00AM Worship Service in person and live streamed
Divine Service, setting 1, p. 151

Preservice Music
Welcome & Opening Announcements
Opening Hymn O For A thousand Tongues to Song LSB 528 sts. 1-4, 7
Invocation
Confession and Absolution LSB 151
Service of the Word
Introit Psalm 119:145-149; antiphon: Psalm 50:15
Scripture Readings Genesis 18:20-33
Colossians 2:6-19
Luke 11:1-13
Hymn of the Day What A Friend We Have In Jesus LSB 770
Message Faith Prays Rev. Rich Balvanz
Apostles’ Creed
Offering and Offertory LSB 159
LWML Video
Prayer of the Church
Lord’s Prayer
Benediction LSB 166
Closing Hymn Praise the Almighty LSB 797

Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, July 24, 2022
The 7h Sunday after Pentecost
10:45 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed

Preservice Song Jesus Your Name
Welcome & Opening Announcements
Opening Songs May the Peoples Praise You
Jesus Loves Me
Invocation
Confession and Absolution
Scripture Readings Genesis 18:20-33
Colossians 2:6-19
Luke 11:1-13
Living Waters
Song of the Day Faith Prays Rev. Rich Balvanz
Message
Apostles’ Creed
Offering
LWML Video
Prayer of the Church
Lord’s Prayer
Benediction (Aaronic)
Closing Song Blessed Be Your Name
Musicians: Gordon Russell, piano/vocals | John Lensch, vocals | Sarah Mueller, vocals

THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS

Sunday, July 24	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.	Worship Summer in the Son– LWML 80th Anniversary Book of Isaiah Bible Study/THRIVE Bible Study Worship African Worship Foundations of Faith
Monday, July 25	10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	LADOAS Grief Support Stephen Ministry Supervision
Tuesday, July 26	9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Book of Revelations Bible Study Praise Band Practice Biblical Citizenship Study Men of God Project Practice
Thursday, July 27	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
Sunday, July 31	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.	Worship Summer in the Son-Disaster Response Book of Isaiah Bible Study/THRIVE Bible Study Worship African Worship Foundations of Faith
Monday, August 1	10:00 a.m.	LADOAS Grief Support

FUTURE KING OF KINGS EVENTS

August 7– 12:00 PM-Voter’s Meeting
August 7– Life Group Sign-Ups begin
August 21– Pastor Halvorson’s Retirement Celebration– after each service

Attendance Last Week

Worship 07/17 8:00 AM: 114 10:45 AM: 88 Total: 202

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

THIS WEEK NEXT WEEK	07/24 8:00 AM 07/31 8:00 AM	07/24 10:45 AM 07/31 10:45 AM
Elder 07/24 Elder 07/31	Shane Hartzler Dan Klinkenberg	David Hoffman Paul Parry
Today’s Ushers	Dale Hahn OPEN	Glenn Lehrman Jamie Grimm
Acolyte 07/24 Acolyte 07/31	Lydia Koepnick Grace Blomquist	OPEN
Lay Reader 07/24 Lay Reader 07/31	OPEN Greg Happel	Denny Goshon
Sound 07/24 Sound 07/31	Brian Carlson OPEN	OPEN Joel Silcox
Media 07/24 Media 07/31	Ken Liske Cathy Russell	OPEN Greg Glass
Video 07/24 Video 07/31	Kirk Monson Brian Mullenbach	Kirk Monson Brian Mullenbach
Greeters 07/24 Greeters 07/31	Kim Johnson Cheryl Johnson Richard Boardman Charlene Boardman	Sharon Meyer Rachel Happel Adam Pladna Kimberly Pladna



Sermon Prayer

Almighty God, you promise to hear the petitions of those who ask in your Son’s name. Mercifully hear the prayers of your people and grant those things faithfully asked according to your will to meet our need and bring glory to you. We pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Faith Prays

Prayer is rooted in the _____ God has established with each of his children in Baptism.

“God tenderly _____ us to call upon him as dear children ask their dear father.” (Luther’s Small Catechism)

The value (power) of unceasing prayer includes -

- God’s response reveals his _____.
- God’s response reveals his _____.
- God’s response real the _____.

What things should this congregation be praying about today?

Prayers—Seventh Sunday after Pentecost – July 24, 2022

Almighty and most merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give You thanks for all Your goodness and tender mercies, especially for the gift of Your dear Son and for the revelation of Your will and grace. Implant Your Word in us that, with good and honest hearts, we may keep it and bring forth the fruits of faith.

Almighty God, we seek your blessing on the ministries of this congregation, especially the Children’s Education Center, which is near completion. Bless the work of its director and all who assist her. Bring to it the children of this community whom you have already chosen so they may hear your Word of love and salvation through Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As our congregation prepares for a transition in the Pastoral Office. Give peace to Pastor Halvorson as he prepares to retire. Guide the work of our leaders. Bless the one who will serve during a vacancy in the pastoral office and prepare the heart of the one you have ordained to lead King of Kings in the future. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, friend of those in need, your Son Jesus has untied our burdens and healed our spirits. We lift up the prayers of our hearts for those still burdened, those seeking healing, those in need within the church and the world. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you Lord for the work of the women of LWML. We give thanks for their 80th Anniversary and ask for your continued guidance, strength and love for all of the many projects supported by these women. Bless them as they bless the lives of so many. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Prayers for healing:
Aimeee Mugiraneza
Deanna Sanden
Sherry Brendes
Guy Patten
John Schumacher
John Owen
Marv Frerking
Jerry Cine
Prayers for encouragement upon the death of loved ones:
Paula Bruner & Sandy Chapman and families
Galen Brendes and family
Prayers for strength in times of trial or suffering:
Pierre Manirakiza and family
Jerry Green
Alysia Beam
Ruth Jahlas
Julia Bickel
Jen Zebuhr
Jerry Green
Richard Luth, Sr.
Kathy Saveraid
Julie Gentry, (cousin of Deb Hoffman & Norma Colton)
Jack (grandson of Bob and Pat Harris)

From You, through You and to You are all things, O Lord, holy Father, mighty God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit is one Lord, one God, now and forevermore.



A Caring Community Bringing Christ to Children and Families.

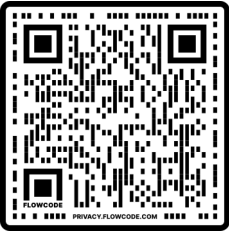
The Childhood Education Center is continuing to make great progress. Families are continuing to tour and enroll. We are excited to help fill the need for quality child care in the community. We hope to open on August 23rd for Before/After school care for Alburnett students and September 6th for full day child care.

Our furniture orders have started arriving and we are excited to begin filling the classrooms. We want to ensure teachers have high quality materials for children to engage in play-based learning. Please consider donating to help us fill this need. We are accepting items from a specific list that meets DHS and Iowa Early Learning Standards. You can access the list by scanning the QR code below.

We are continuing to search for quality loving candidates to fill our teaching positions. We are still actively seeking the right individuals for a few specific positions, including an Infant Lead Teacher. The Infant Lead Teacher lovingly, patiently, and efficiently responds to each child’s needs, and creates a nurturing environment. We are also looking for assistants to work in this classroom. If you know someone who might be a good fit, please reach out to CEC Director Dani Stromert - dstromert@kingofkingscr.org

We continue to receive inquiries from the community about enrolling their children at the Childhood Education Center, and have reached out to those families. If you know someone interested in receiving more information for enrollment, have them use the KOK website, **KOK CEC** or by calling 319-536-0406.

Dedication for the Childhood Education Center and Open House will be on Sunday, August 28th.



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!

Voters' Meeting - Senior Pastor Call

Please mark your calendars. We are holding a Voters' Meeting on Sunday, Aug 7, at 12:00 PM to prayerfully consider extending a Divine Call for our next Senior Pastor. Here are the three candidates the Call Committee is recommending for consideration at the Aug 7 Voters' Meeting for a Call to our new Senior Pastor:

- Rev. Ron Millard
- Rev. Andrew Ratcliffe
- Rev. James Uglum

If any member has concerns about any of the candidates, please contact Dan Henry at 319-693-3636 prior to the Voters' Meeting. Please pray for the Holy Spirit’s guidance as we seek to do God’s will at King of Kings.

GriefShare

GriefShare will meet Monday, July 25 at 10:00 a.m. in the Heartland Room. We are on Lesson 11, "Grief - Part two". We will learn different strategies of becoming familiar with our new identity, the value of friendships, and becoming more familiar with God in our daily lives. See you all there.

Altar Flowers Given to the Glory of God by Eric and Kristi Mueller celebrating their 31st Anniversary on July 27.

Summer in the Sun

Summer fun and fellowship has returned! Join us each Sunday during the 9:30 AM hour for something new and exciting every week. Next week, join us as the Disaster Response Team shares about their recent experiences.

Is It A Fruit?

Come to the Epley’s farm to learn everything you need to know about growing tomatoes.

- Determinate and indeterminate varieties
- Growing heirlooms
- Controlling wilt and other diseases
- Growing in containers
- Starting your own seeds indoors

Get free samples of Container Choice tomato seeds to grow next year. Check out the lambs and chickens on the farm. Pick some early apples.

Coming Sunday August 14th at 2:00 PM at the Epley farm at 1419 East Bertram Rd., Cedar Rapids. Sign up at the church Welcome Center or call the church office to let the Epleys know you are planning to attend.

Save the Date!

Life Group Sign-Ups begin on Aug 7! The church wide bible study for this fall is called “One Day In A Christian Life”.

R U Interested?

Rev. Konrad is willing to facilitate an Adult Bible Study and would like to get an idea as to who is interested in such an hour of study and also what studies would be of interest to the group. So he is calling for an August 7 (Sunday) gathering in the Church Sanctuary at 9:30 AM. It will be a time for gathering information from those attending. This will help him develop Bible studies for the Sunday 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study he, Lord-willing, would be conducting from September 2022 to May 2023 .



You are cordially invited to celebrate the retirement of

Pastor Mark Halvorson

Sunday, August 21, 2022

Join us for a card shower and reception from
9:30AM-10:30AM or 11:45AM -12:45 PM
Program at 10:00 a.m.

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Stephen Ministry Testimonial From A Care Receiver

King of Kings is an active Stephen Ministry church where people are specifically trained in caring for each other as Jesus called us to do. It is a very confidential ministry so we can't post the amazing things God has done in bringing healing. From time to time we ask a care receiver to write a note about their experience having a Stephen Minister. This testimonial is from a current member. If you are interested in learning about having a Stephen Minister, please contact Kathy Epley, Kris Ruprecht, Pastor Halvorson, or Pastor Balvanz.

I highly recommend the Stephen Ministry Program here at King of Kings Lutheran Church! I inquired about this program during one of the hardest times in my life. I was drowning. I was scared. My faith was shaken. As a person who is used to being the helper, reaching out for help was hard to do. I knew I had to. I am so happy that I did! Everyone I spoke to from inquiring about the program to receiving my wonderful Caregiver was extremely compassionate, supportive, & kind! It would be impossible for me to list all the ways this program has positively impacted my life! My Caregiver was amazing! The way this person came along side me will always be one of my greatest blessings! Huge bonus is now that I am in a much better place in my life; I also have a new forever friend! I can't thank all the people here at King of Kings Lutheran Church enough for bringing this truly fantastic program to our church! If you or someone you love is struggling, please reach out to them! You will be safe & cared for, just as Jesus would want for you!

Blessings & Love Always, A Stephen Ministry Care Receiver