

## 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.

### Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, September 18, 2022

The 15th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed  
Divine Service, setting 1, page 151 (This is the Feast)

Preservice Music

Welcome & Theme

Opening Hymn

Hope of the World (to the tune of LSB 809)

Invocation

Confession and Absolution

LSB 151

Service of the Word

Introit (Response)

Psalms 119:137-140, 142; antiphon: v. 144

This is the Feast

LSB 155

Scripture Readings

Amos 8:4-7

1 Timothy 2:1-15

Luke 16:1-15

Nicene Creed

Children's Message

Rev. Rich Balvanz

Hymn of the Day

Jesus, Priceless Treasure LSB 743 sts. 1-2, 4, 6

Message

The Message We Proclaim

Rev. Rich Balvanz

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

LSB 160

Lord's Prayer

Distribution Hymns

Lord, Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread LSB 625

Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor LSB 534

Benediction

LSB 166

Closing Song

Before You, Lord, We Bow LSB 966

### Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, September 18, 2022

The 15th Sunday after Pentecost

10:45 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed

Preservice Song

As For Me

Welcome & Theme

Opening Song

You Are My King (Amazing Love)

Invocation

Confession and Absolution

Scripture Readings

Amos 8:4-7

1 Timothy 2:1-15

Luke 16:1-15

Nicene Creed

Children's Message

Rev. Rich Balvanz

Song

May the Peoples Praise You

Message

The Message We Proclaim

Rev. Rich Balvanz

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Service of the Sacrament

Distribution Songs

Communion Song

Unbroken Praise

Benediction (Aaronic)

Closing Song

You are My King (Amazing Love)

Musicians: Gordon Russell, piano/vocals | Brendan Doty, drums | Kevin Stumpe, guitar | Catherine Russell, vocals | Sheila Monson, vocals |

## THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS

Sun, Sep 18	8:00 a.m.	Worship
	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education Hour
	10:45 a.m.	Worship
	1:00 p.m.	African Worship
	2:00 p.m.	VineLife
	4:00 p.m.	Hiawatha Care Center
Mon, Sep 19	10:00 a.m.	GreifShare
	6:30 p.m.	MMOC Community Choir
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
Tue, Sep 20	10:30 a.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study
	1:30 PM	LWML Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Praise Band Practice
	6:00 p.m.	Elder Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Wed, Sep 21	6:00 p.m.	Youth Dinner
	6:30 p.m.	High School Youth
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation
Thu, Sep 22	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
Fri, Sep 23	6:30 p.m.	Book of Isaiah Bible Study
Sat, Sep 24	8:00 a.m.	Celebrate Recovery Summit
Sun, Sep 25	8:00 a.m.	Worship
	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education Hour
	10:45 a.m.	Worship
	1:00 p.m.	African Worship

### FUTURE KING OF KINGS EVENTS

September 19-10:00 AM- GriefShare  
September 19-7:00 PM- Women's Ministry Bible Study  
September 20-1:30 p.m.- LWML Meeting

### Attendance Last Week

Worship 09/11 8:00 AM: 133 10:30 AM: 100 Total 233

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

THIS WEEK NEXT WEEK	09/18 8:00 AM 09/25 8:00 AM		09/18 10:45 AM 09/25 10:45 AM
Elder 09/18 Elder 09/25	Shane Hartzler Curt Zebuhr		Mike Frerking Paul Parry
Ushers 09/18 Usher 09/25	Steve Schroeder John Schaefer		Jon Bartleson Dave Treptow
Acolyte 09/18 Acolyte 09/25	OPEN OPEN		OPEN OPEN
Lay Reader 09/18 Lay Reader 09/25	Shane Hartzler Scott Nelson		Denny Goshon Keith Colton
Sound 09/18 Sound 09/25	OPEN Brian Carlson		OPEN Joel Silcox
Media 09/18 Media 09/25	Denny Wangeman Sandy Germaine		Dan Henry Greg Glass
Video 09/18 Video 09/25	Chris Dvorak Brian Mullenbach		Chris Dvorak Brian Mullenbach
Greeters 09/18 Greeters 09/25	Kay Nelson Steve Schroeder		Steve Epley Kathy Epley Ken Ramstad Janet Ramstad

# King of Kings

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

September 18, 2022—September 24, 2022



### Sermon Prayer

Blessed Savior, lead us to be your faithful people who serve and honor You alone. Through your Spirit use us as testimony to the power of your death and resurrection that promises true, eternal riches to all who believe. In your name we pray. Amen.

### The Message We Proclaim

*“No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.” Luke 16:13*

**When wealth is one's master:** A life characterized by idolatry, deceit and other sin and disdains worship of God, \_\_\_\_\_ Him.

*[They ask], “When will the news moon be over, that we may \_\_\_\_\_? And the Sabbath, that we may offer wheat for sale, that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal \_\_\_\_\_ with false balances?” Amos 8:5*

**When Jesus is one's master:** God calls His people to live to a higher standard that reflects His love toward sinners and honors Christ our Savior.

*“I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for \_\_\_\_\_, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.” 1 Tim. 2:1-2*

**We honor Christ with a life characterized by concern for all people, powerful and powerless, poverty-stricken and wealthy, weak and strong.**

*“Christ gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.” 1 Timothy 2:6*

**Salvation by grace through faith in Christ is our true wealth:** The things valued by the world—unrighteous wealth—are used shrewdly with the eternal goal to advance the kingdom of God.

*“Who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.” 1 Tim. 2:4*

Shrewdness is not deceitfulness. Rather, it is using the means provided by God to evaluate, plan and implement activity that leads to the desired end—sharing Christ with those who



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Prayer of the Church—September 18, 2022

We pray to the Lord-

For all baptized children of God, that we be freed from obsession with the things of this world and set our hearts on the joys of the kingdom and the inheritance that never fades.

For men and women, that we rejoice in the callings and responsibilities that God has given to us.

For our president, governor and all whom God has placed in high positions, that they may act with wisdom and mercy, so we may lead peaceful and quiet lives.

For the sick and those who suffer, for those troubled in mind, for the grieving in their sorrows, and for the dying in their last hours, grant them the comfort of your presence, relief according to your will and peace in their hearts.

For the enemies of God who forget His Word, that God would call them to repentance and faith through the message of the Gospel proclaimed through the Church so they also would rejoice in His righteousness and salvation.

Prayers for healing:

Ryan Schumacher, grandson of Jo Schumacher  
Richard Goshon, brother of Denny Goshon  
Holly Sojka  
Sandy Brough, mother of Jen Silcox  
Jo Schumacher  
Paula Easton, mother of Catherine Russell  
Aimeee Mugiraneza  
Deanna Sanden  
Sherry Brendes  
Guy Patten  
John Schumacher  
John Owen  
Marv Frerking  
Jerry Cline

Prayers for encouragement upon the death of loved ones:

Richard Luth at family at the death of his father Richard Luth, Sr.  
Gina Kleman and family at the death of her mother Maria Diebold  
John Jahlas & family at the death of his mother Ruth Jahlas  
Jen Silcox & family at death of Jen's father Don Brough  
Matt & Kelsey Younggren family who suffered miscarriage of baby Rhett

Prayers for strength in times of trial or suffering:

August Happel  
Pierre Manirakiza and family  
Jerry Green  
Julia Bickel  
Jen Zebuhr  
Kathy Saveraid  
Julie Gentry, (cousin of Deb Hoffman & Norma Colton)  
Jack (grandson of Bob and Pat Harris)



Update from The CEC Advisory Board!  
7 New enrollments this past week! Praise God!!

Help still needed...

We are still seeking donations for outdoor toys suitable for toddlers through school agers. Examples include scooters, little tykes cars, wagons, sidewalk chalk, basketballs, soccer balls, jump ropes, etc. Please email [dstromert@kingofkingscr.org](mailto:dstromert@kingofkingscr.org) if you have any of these items to donate them. Praise the Lord for our CEC staff!

Director: Dani Stromert  
Assistant to the Director: Taylor Guerra  
Preschool Teacher: Heather Leske  
Lead Teacher for 2 Year Olds: Rachel Myers  
Lead Infant Teacher: Amber Dye  
Before and After School Teacher: Lily Rompot  
Kitchen Administrator: Lisa Klein

If you are interested in becoming a substitute or an assistant teacher, please call or email Taylor at [tguerra@kingofkingscr.org](mailto:tguerra@kingofkingscr.org) and she will provide details about the necessary trainings

We are excited to serve at KOK and to help grow God's Kingdom as the CEC Advisory Board. Kathy Epley, Jodi Jonasson, Sheila Monson, Michelle Nuehring, Holly Sojka, Jonathan Offt (KOK Church Administrator), Dani Stromert (Director of CEC), and Stephanie Jemtrud (consultant)

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!

Come and Join Us!

King of Kings Church Choir  
When: Tuesday Nights at 7:00 PM, started September 13. (Interested singers can still join.) Meet in the Worship Center. For more info contact Gordon Russell, Director of Music Ministry, at 319-393-2438 or [grussell@kingofkingscr.org](mailto:grussell@kingofkingscr.org).

GriefShare at King of Kings

Another session of GriefShare will resume Monday, Sept 19 at 10:00 in the Heartland Room. Anyone that has suffered the loss of a spouse, mother, father, child or friend and want to learn many different ways of coping with their loss, come join us for this excellent study. For further info, please contact Darlene Wood at 319-270-1276.

Fruits of Our Labors

Coming to the Epley farm today, September 18 at 2:00 PM  
Thinking about what to do with a little extra bit of space in your backyard? Try growing an apple tree. Come to the Epley farm to learn practical wisdom about growing apples. Try some dried apple slices. Spend some time walking through the Epley orchard. Taste apples from different trees. Pick some ripe apples to take home.  
Sign up at the church Welcome Center or call the church office to let the Epley's know you are planning to come. The Epley farm is located at 1419 East Bertram Rd., Cedar Rapids, IA 52403.

Women's Ministry Bible Study

Fruit of the Spirit bible study will resume on Monday, September 19th at 7:00PM. The topic of study will be kindness. All women are welcome to attend. The group will meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month.

Advent Tea Planning Committee

If you are interested in being a part of the planning committee for the 2022 Ladies Advent Tea, please contact Ann in the church office, 319-393-2438 or [office@kingofkingscr.org](mailto:office@kingofkingscr.org).

*Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by the Zebuhr family in honor of the wedding of their daughter Morgan Zebuhr to Dustin Elgersma yesterday.*

Call Committee Update

Pastor Ratcliffe declined our Call on Saturday, 9/3. It was a very hard decision for him, but after praying a lot about it, he was convinced that the Lord still had work for him at St. Paul's. We are disappointed, but we know that the Lord will provide our new Senior Pastor in His time. So the Call Committee is starting the process again. If you would like to nominate a pastor for consideration, please email or call Dan Henry, Call Committee Chair, at [DanJHenry05@gmail.com](mailto:DanJHenry05@gmail.com) or 319-693-3636. We are asking for your prayers as we seek God's choice for our new Senior Pastor.

Men's Network— 33 The Series

King of King's Men's Network started their Monday night get-togethers on September 12. They will continue to meet at 7:00 PM on the 2nd and 4th Mondays. It will be a time to bond with other men as Jesus bonded with His Disciples. Life is hard and we need God and other men to help us navigate through it. We will start with "33 the series, A man and his design." This series is based off the series "Men's Fraternity" by Robert Lewis. There are six sessions that explore the basic foundations of authentic manhood and God's clear design for men as modeled by Jesus Christ in His 33 years on earth.

THRIVE Young Adult Group – Meeting in the Fireside Room (Former Youth Room)

King of Kings THRIVE group is meeting once again. THRIVE 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 Fireside 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](mailto:richardluth776@gmail.com)) or DCE Tony ([tdixon@kingofkingscr.org](mailto:tdixon@kingofkingscr.org)).

Family Contact Information

It's time to make sure we have current information for all our members. Please scan the QR code and complete for each person in your household, or fill out the yellow form on the Welcome Counter. Yellow forms can be returned in the offering plate, the church office or the basket on the Welcome Counter.



Forward with Christ Update/Building Update

We have now received our official occupancy for the new building through the City of Robins and through the State Fire Marshall! We thank the Lord for the opportunity to share the love of Jesus in this new space! A thank you to all of you for your part as the body of Christ to make this a reality. Thank you for your prayers, your labor (building, painting, cleaning, etc.) and your financial gifts to this ministry venture.

We were blessed with a wonderful dedication of our new space on Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. Sunday School, Confirmation, Middle School & High School Youth are enjoying the new space. There are also various adult Bible study classes and Life Groups that will utilize a variety of our classrooms. Our CEC (Childhood Education Center) began with our before & after school program on August 23rd, our daycare ministry began on September 6th and Children's and Youth Sunday School began last Sunday, September 11th.

There are a variety of indoor projects that continue in both the new and existing building. We will also be doing some fall landscaping and retaining wall projects – so be on the look out for some upcoming volunteer opportunities.

If you have not yet had an opportunity to tour, please stop by the new space. We also continue to receive pledges and gifts as we pay for our new construction. Please contact Jonathan Offt (church administrator) if you have any questions and/or would like to be involved.

Parents Connect

So you've got kids in Sunday School and they are starting to learn more about the Bible and what Jesus has done for them. GREAT! But then you realize that they are also starting to ask you more questions that you might not be sure how to answer. If you can relate, drop by **Parents Connect** to grab some coffee and learn more about the lessons that are being taught to your kids in their classes. Parents will have a chance to connect with one another, share the unique joys and challenges of family life, and discuss topics that coincide with the Children's Sunday school lessons. Parents Connect meets in the corner "red room" in the new Children and Youth Ministry addition at King of Kings and is facilitated by Megan Dixon.



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STUDENT MINISTRIES

Middle School and High School Bible Study

This week, we'll dig into our main point: **God made all people in His image, giving us a dignified identity and a unique purpose.** Middle School and High School youth, don't miss out on this great chance to hear God's Word, discuss it with other youth and see how God guides us in our lives. 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade connections class is led by Jessica and Jonas in their youth room. The High School group is led by DCE Tony in the HS youth room. We hope to see you there!

HS Midweek and Confirmation

We had a great start to our midweek programming at King of Kings last Wednesday! Be sure to join us again this coming week for food and fellowship before attending confirmation and youth group. Every Wednesday at 6pm, youth can come grab some dinner and hang out with their friends.. Then at 6:30pm, Pre-confirmation begins in the 5/6 Grade Room, Confirmation begins in the Middle School youth room and High School youth begins in their new room. Don't miss out on this chance to have some fun, connect with friends, and grow in faith together! If you would like to help with the youth meal, scan the QR code.

Bloomsbury Farm

Save the Date! 5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade youth will have an opportunity to venture out to Bloomsbury Farm in Atkins for a day of fun with friends. This event will take place on SUNDAY, October 16<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm. A sign up will be released shortly with more information, but in the meantime talk with you friends and see who might want to join you for a day of fun.

