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, November 27, 2022 The First Sunday in Advent 8:00 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed Divine Service, Setting 1, page 151

Preservice Music

Welcome & Opening Announcements

Opening Hymn Savior of the Nations, Come LSB 332 sts. 1, 3-4, 7-8

Invocation

Confession & Absolution LSB 151

Service of the Word

Introit

Scripture Readings Isaiah 2:1-5 Romans 13:8-14

Matthew 24:36-44

Sat, Dec 3

Sun, Dec 4

Apostles' Creed

Children's Message How Do We Get Ready? Rev. Rich Balvanz The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns LSB 348 Hymn of the Day

Message How to Prepare When You Know What's Coming Rev. Rich Balvanz

Offering Offertory

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

LSB 166 Benediction Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates! LSB 341 **Closing Hymn**

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Lift Up Your Heads Song Benediction

Lift Up Your Heads

Musicians: Gordon Russell, piano/vocals | Sarah Mueller, vocals | John Lensch,

vocals | Gina Kleman, vocals |

Sun, Nov 27	8:00 a.m.	Worship	
	10:45 a.m.	Worship .	
	1:00 p.m.	African Worship	
Mon, Nov 28	6:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry	
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Network	
Tue, Nov 29	8:30 a.m.	Moms in Prayer International	
	10:30 a.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study	
	6:00 p.m.	Praise Band Practice	
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice	
Wed, Nov 30	1:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting	
	6:00 p.m.	HS Youth Drop In	
	6:00 p.m.	MS Youth Drop In	
	7:00 p.m.	Advent Worship Service	
Thu, Dec 1	5:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery Dinner	
	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery	
Fri. Dec 2	6:30 p.m.	Book of Isaiah Bible Study	

THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS

Attendance Last Week 11/20 **Worship**: 8:00 AM-135 | 10:45 AM-100 Total- 235 Children/Youth Sunday School: 47

Worship

Worship

African Worship

Hiawatha Care Center

Children's Christmas Program Practice

Christian Education Hour

9:30 a.m.

8:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

10:45 a.m.

1:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m.

THIS WEEK	11/27 8:00 AM	11/27 10:45 AM
NEXT WEEK	12/04 8:00 AM	12/04 10:45 AM
Elder 11/27	Mike Frerking	Tom Sandersfeld
Elder 12/04	Dan Klinkenberg	Paul Parry
Ushers 11/27 Usher 12/04		Jason Silcox, John Bartleson, Dave Treptow Glenn Lehrman Deanna Glass
Acolyte 11/27	Haley Sojka	Izzy Mueller
Acolyte 12/04	Zachary Beiber	Molly Yelden
Lay Reader 11/27	Scott Nelson	Tom Sandersfeld
Lay Reader 12/04	Scott Nelson	Denny Goshon
Sound 11/27	Brian Carlson	Joel Silcox
Sound 12/04	OPEN	Joel Silcox
Media 11/27	Sandy Germaine	Greg Glass
Media 12/04	Greg Glass	Darren Jacobsen
Video 11/27	OPEN	Chris Dvorak
Video 12/04	Kirk Monson	Kirk Monson
Greeters 11/27 Greeters 12/04	Kim Johnson Sheryl Johnson Dixie Dahl Roxy Savage	Dennis Bruster Virginia Bruster Denny Goshon Ruth Goshon







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November 27, 2022— December 3, 2022



Sermon Prayer

Gracious Savior, you commanded us to always be prepared for your coming. Strengthen us through your Spirit to be constantly ready for your glorious appearing. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Text

"Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming." Matthew 24:42

What To Do When You Know What's Coming

We have a	His name is Jesus.
Redeer	med by Jesus, I now love and serve Him.
	Man, Jesus, is remove sin's temptation and make all things new.
His arrival	time is
	rning that day and hour no one knows, not even the of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only."

Matthew 24:36

He expects me to be _ Noah followed God's commands to prepare for the flood while all others went about their worldly lives.

to receive him.

readiness.

Preparation requires The issue isn't whether Jesus will come tomorrow; it's about whether he will come today!

Readiness is living in daily

Much like the season of Lent, the season of Advent is marked by penitence, making note of sin's effect, asking God's forgiveness, and seeking constantly to live the things holy people are called to live.

"Therefore, you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." Matthew 24:44

Prayers for November 27, 2022

Holy and Gracious Lord, we pray stir up Your power to rescue us from the dangers of this dark world by the advent of Your Son, that we may ever walk in His light and learn the way of peace.

Holy and Gracious Lord, though we do not know the day or hour of Your Son's appearing, grant that we would always be prepared by sending us faithful pastors and teachers who will boldly proclaim Your Word to us, that we may be constantly encouraged and built up in the

Holy and Gracious Lord, visit our homes and defend us from the temptation to walk in the works of darkness, that husbands and wives, widows and widowers, parents, sons, daughters and grandchildren and all whom you have called to follow you may love one another and remain steadfast in the faith.

Holy and Compassionate Lord, look with mercy upon the sick. Visit them during these Advent days to comfort them with Your saving Gospel. If it be Your will, grant healing and peace to all for whom we pray.

Holy and Gracious Lord, draw to yourself those who have suffered the death of loved ones. Remind them of the hope that is ours through the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the dead, and your promise to reign eternally with your people.

Holy and Gracious Lord, we praise you for the blessings of life, health and loving companionship as we celebrate with those observing birthdays and anniversaries this week.

O loving Father, You alone know the day and the hour when our Lord, Jesus Christ, will come again in glory. Keep us steadfast in the one, true faith, that we may ever be ready for His reappearing; 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.

We'd like to wish the following King of Kings Members a very happy and blessed Birthday or Anniversary:

Barb Hahn 11/27 Janet Ramstad 11/27 Deb Green 11/28 Vivian Hoffman 11/28 David Treptow 11/30 Julie Birely 12/01 Brianna Howe 12/01 Morgan Elgersma 12/01 Ryan Cronbaugh 12/02 Madison Mullenbach 12/03

Pat & Sandra Cobb 11/29/1974 Kevin & Gayle Keiser 11/29/1986 Jonas & Stacie Coblentz 12/01/2018

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, we apologize, we'd love to include you. Please contact the church office to update your information, 319-393-2438 or office@kingofkingscr.org

COMMUNION PREPARATION (Communion is observed on the first and third Sundays of the month at both service times.)

The Bible instructs us to examine ourselves...

+Do I truly repent of my sins?

+Do I believe I am forgiven my sins through Jesus?

+Do I believe that along with the bread and wine I also receive the real body and blood of Jesus for the forgiveness of my sins?

+Do I promise, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to amend my sinful life? If you are not a member of a LCMS church. please speak with the pastor before the service.

Pravers for healing. recovery, peace, strength: Lvdia Parrv Jo Schumacher

Gary Russell Cherie Buelow

Mary Balvanz Lois Muench Diane Muench

Richard Nelson John Owen John Leonard

Mary Frerking Jerry Green

Jerry Cline Jack (grandson of Bob

and Pat Harris) Richard Goshon Paula Easton

Jen Zebuhr Julie Gentry

Prayers for encouragement upon the death of loved ones:

Jen Silcox and family at the death of her mother Sandy Brough.

The Simonson and grandmother Lorraine Weinbrandt.

Younggren family at their death of their mother and

Children's Ministry Christmas Program! A Christmas Yarn will be presented on

Sunday, December 11 at 6:30 PM. At Unique Gifts from Luxurious Yarns (U.G.L.Y.), ugly is beautiful! At the factory of the world's leading supplier of ugly Christmas sweaters, founder Sam Ebenezer pulls all the strings to make sure no stitch is dropped. With a huge order looming to get out the day before Christmas, the team of Bob Cratchit ("that's pronounced Crochet"), Tiny Tom and others weave together a plan of attack, while Sam encounters three mysterious visitors who not only help overcome some ugly obstacles, but bring

the beautiful good news of Christmas! With apologies to a well-loved Christmas Carol, don vour ugliest Christmas sweater, and have a dickens of a good time with A Christmas Yarn!

R U SURE?

Guest Information

Winter Coat Drive

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

(with variations) at 8:00, while the 10:45

observed on the first and third Sundays of

the month at both service times. Please

stop by the WELCOME CENTER, near

Kings. We hope to see you again soon!

It's getting cold outside and you can help.

the main entrance, for information on

programs and ministries at King of

Several confirmation students are

organizing a coat drive for our African

Ministry and others in the community.

Clean out your closets and bring new or

used, but in good condition, coats, hats

and gloves to the church and put in the

shopping cart outside the church office.

Collection will start this Sunday and go

Get out your ugliest Christmas Sweater

through the end of November.

and save the date for this year's

A CHRISTMAS YARN

All sizes, baby through adult are needed.

in a more traditional liturgical worship

contemporary form. Communion is

a.m. service employs a more

You are invited to an Adult Bible Study session at 9:30-10:30 AM in the Fireside Room on Sunday, 27 November. The study (which is only for this one Sunday) will focus on what the New Testament has to say about the END OF TIME.

Disaster Response Ministry

The Disaster Response Ministry is heading to Lake Charles, LA Dec 3-10 to help rebuild homes for those that have been effected by recent hurricanes. Thanks for all your prayers and support as we share God's love with others.

No Middle School, High School or Children's Sunday School today.

The white poinsettias for the altar during this Advent season are given to the Glory of the Lord by Darlene and Kristin Wood in memory of Rev. Fritz Wood and son, Tim and all our departed families heavenly homecomina.

Advent Worship Invitation, Wednesday

All parents have great expectations for their children. Adam and Eve believed their son Cain was the one promised by God to remove the stain of their sins. Boy, were they wrong! Advent reminds us that only one son of Adam was capable of such a great work, the one who was also the Son of God. Join us for Advent worship Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. as this season we explore the lives of several Old Testament sons, none of whom compared to the Son who calms our fears and gives us hope through his death and resurrection.

Church Work Day

Today after the 10:45AM service helpers are needed to put additional rock around the new CEC. Please bring gloves and a

THANK YOU!

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Marion Senior Living Community in Marion, thank you for your generosity of all the gift cards you purchased for the residents that live there.

Your response has been overwhelming and so generous. We had asked for the amount of \$250 in gift cards and you blessed us with \$750 in gift cards for the residents.

God bless you for opening your hearts to these people that don't have much to live

The Winter Rose

Join us December 11 at 8:00 AM or 10:45 AM for our Christmas Cantata, The Winter Rose. The Winter Rose incorporates both traditional carols and newly composed anthems that visit the timeless Christmas story with fresh insight. Through use of music, narration and simple symbolism, the cantata presents the life of Christ from prophecy to passion. The orchestrations effectively capture the essence of Joseph Martin's well-crafted piano writing, fully expressing the color and beauty of this musical tableau.

Thrive & Parents Connect

Thrive Young Adults group and the Parents Connect Class will not be meeting on Sunday. November 27

Poinsettias

Order your poinsettias today. Order forms can be found on the Welcome Counter. The deadline to order is Sunday, December 11.

PLEDGE CARDS - Thank you to all who returned pledge cards last weekend. If you have not yet taken the opportunity to return your cards (2023 annual giving & Forward with Christ building campaign), you may continue to do so - place them in the box at the welcome center (additional cards are available there also), mail them to the church or call/ email Jonathan with your pledge information (319-393-2438 or jofft@kingofkingscr.org). Thank you!

King of Kings Family Christmas Party!

All are invited to join us on Wednesday, December 21st at 5:15 pm for our Family Christmas Party before Advent Service. We will have a potluck style meal (main dishes, appetizers/snacks, desserts) crafts & activities for children, games, music, and an interactive Bible story time. We will also be offering professional photos by the Christmas tree with photographer Emily Wadsley.

Middle and High School Youth are encouraged to volunteer for the event and can see Tony for the sign-up. Please contact Lindsay Hoffman, Amanda Lane, or Olivia Pendleton with any questions. We look forward to celebrating the birth of Our Savior with





HS Servant Event

We still have some spots available for our summer youth trip to Mission, South Dakota. All youth currently in grades 8 through 12 are eligible to sign up. Don't miss out on this life-changing opportunity to go and serve in Jesus' name. For more information. reach out to DCE Tony. The deadline to sign up is Dec. 31, so don't wait! (tdixon@kingofkingscr.org)

Student Ministry During Advent

Students in grades 5-12 are encouraged to join us for midweek drop-ins beginning this Wednesday, Nov. 30 at 6pm. HS Youth will meet in the HS Youth room and grades 5-8 will meet in the Middle School youth room with Jessica Dvorak. We'll have a chance for youth to connect and have some fun before joining their families for Advent Worship at 7pm. For a complete list of Advent events, check out KOK Student Ministries social media or weekly email.