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, July 2, 2023
The 5th Sunday after Pentecost
9:30 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed

Preservice

Welcome & Opening Announcements

Opening Song Cornerstone

Invocation

Confession & Absolution LSB 151
Scripture Readings Jeremiah 28:5-9
Romans 7:1-13

Matthew 10:34-42 Rev. Rich Balvanz

Battle Belongs

Children's Message Rev. Rich Balvanz
Hymn of the Day Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus LSB 685
Sermon Rev. Rich Balvanz

Sermon Nicene Creed

Offering

Commissioning/Blessing of Youth Mission Trip Participants

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Service of the Sacrament

Distribution Hymns
Distribution Song

Your Table I Approach LSB 628 Thank You Jesus for the Blood (Praise Team Only)

Benediction

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Closing Song Closing Announcements

Youth Trip Sponsorship

The King of Kings high school youth missions team has been busy preparing to depart for Mission, SD on July 8th. The youth feel tremendously blessed by the support of the congregation over the past several months of fundraising, but there is still one final opportunity to support our young people in their efforts. The youth sponsorship board is up outside the main office! We are looking for sponsors who are willing to support a participant with a donation of \$100 or more AND commit to pray for their youth during our trip. Stop by and check out who is going on the trip. If you aren't able to commit to sponsoring a youth, please still take a prayer calendar and lift up the group in your prayers! If you have questions, contact DCE Tony.



THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS				
Sun, Jul 2	9:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	Worship with Communion Hiawatha Care Center		
Tue, Jul 4	Church Office C	Church Office Closed		
Wed, Jul 5	6:00 p.m.	Safety Team Meeting		
Thu, Jul 6	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery Dinner Celebrate Recovery		
Sat, Jul 8	Private Event			
Sun, Jul 9	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Worship Christian Education Hour Worship		

Attendance

Worship 06/25 8:00 AM:139 10:45 AM:62 Total: 201

Serving Schedule - contact the church office if you'd like to serve. THIS WEEK 07/02 9:30 AM 07/09 8:00 AM 7/09 10:45 AM Elder 07/02 Shane Hartzler Elder 07/09 Curt Zebuhr Mike Frerking Ushers 07/02 Dale Hahn Bill Maurer Usher 07/09 Kyle Hibbing David Eddy, Glenn John Schaefei ehrman, Deanna Glass Lay Reader 07/02 Denny Goshon Lay Reader 07/09 OPEN Keith Colton Sound 07/02 Brian Carlson Sound 07/09 OPEN Joel Silcox Media 07/02 Ken Liske Media 07/09 Sandy Germaine Dan Henry Video 07/02 Kirk Monson Video 07/09 Dan Zange Chris Dvorak Greeters 07/02 Denny Goshon Ruth Goshon Greeters 07/09 OPEN Jim & Sue Muench







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Sermon Prayer

Heavenly Father, grant us faith in your Son and make us worthy of the salvation He has purchased for us with His own blood.

Strengthen us by your Spirit's power to withstand every evil. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Those who _	Jesus is Lord.
	k that I have come to bring (throw, cast) peace to not come to bring peace, but a sword."
	Matthew 10:34

Jesus is Lord.

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Two kinds of people who live in the world

Those who

The sword of the gospel of Christ

about us and others.		
"For the word of God is living and active		the
thoughts and intentions of the		Hebrews 4:12
Warning: A disciple remembers his gre	atest i	need is Jesus.

"Whoever loves (has greater ______) for father, mother, son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. Matthew 10:37

The disciple no longer is focused on the things of this world, but upon Christ, and is willing to lay down his earthly life for the sake of the gospel.

"And whoever does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me."

Matthew 10:38

The one who denies Christ, fearing suffering or rejection in this life, sacrifices eternal life.

"Whoever finds (_______) his life will lose it, and whoever loses (_______) his life for my sake will find it." Matthew 10:39

You belong to a new family, the body of Christ, to bear fruit for God.

Prayer of the Church - July 2, 2023

Most merciful God, rule and govern your Church so she may be preserved in the truth of your saving Word and defended against all adversaries, so the faith of your people may be strengthened and love increase in us. Console all Christians who Pat Harris feel the sword of division brought about by the confession of Christ's truth, especially those who cannot find agreement within their own families on the Word of God. from which life itself comes. Assure them that their stand for your truth is necessary, and guard them from seeking a false or Richard Nelson easier peace. Lord, in your mercy, hear our praver.

Almighty God, watch over all who make, judge and administer the laws of our nation, and preserve us from sinful contempt of good order and godly laws. Bless our authorities with integrity and honor, and sustain our nation with charity and love. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord of heaven and earth	n, strengthen us to hold
fast to your Word in time:	s of trouble and sickness
[especially	<i>]</i> . Sustain their faith in
Christ, in his peace and i	n his life. Likewise, bless
those who celebrate anni	iversaries of birth and
marriage. [especially	<i>].</i> Lord,
in your mercy, hear our	prayer.

Members Jen Silcox and family Miriam Navurskis Linnea Offerman Leann Carlson Ruth Goshon and family Greg Yokanovich Paul Buchanan Julie Birely Cherie Buelow Lois Muench Mary Frerking John Owen Jerry Green Jerry Cline Lydia Parry

Family & Friends Dale Ginder, friend of Rachel Happel Paula Easton, mother of Catherine Russell Eddie Dedina, brother of Dian Treptow Amy Stuenkel John Leonard Julie Gentry Jen Zebuhr

Heavenly Father, we have died to the law through the body of Christ and now belong to him who was raised from the dead. Prepare all who commune this day with penitent hearts and a true confession of faith to receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of their sins. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord God, heavenly Father, bless us in Christ, that we may bear much fruit. Receive our inadequate thanks for Your kindness, especially toward all who have died in the faith and now rest from their labors. Preserve us in the way of the Holy Spirit until we stand with them in glory; for you live and reign with the Son and 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:

07/02 - Larry Germaine, Corey Wadsley

07/03 - Tammy Mahmens, Pastor Chris Navurskis

07/04 - Bryan Ferguson, Roxy Savage

07/07 - Noah Dvorak, Natalie Loesch, Lois Muench, Noah Russell

07/08 - Alyssa Jacobsen, Jeff Whitham, Ashlyn Wilkins

Dale & Barb Hahn 07/02/1960 Kevin & Kim McCarthy 07/02/1983 Gary & Kelly Franck 07/03/2020 Frank & Sara Wilkins 07/05/1997 Daniel & Rebecca Zange 07/06/1991

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.

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!

Sunday Bible Study Opportunities

During the summer, there are two Bible study options at 9:30 AM. The Pastor led Bible study in the Sanctuary, and the Book of Isaiah Bible study in Classrooms 1 & 2 (formerly Heartland Room) led by Ken and Marsha McElreath. The McElreaths invite adults to bring their kids and study together.

Building Update

You may have noticed some new items around our King of Kings campus. Some projects are complete and a few are in progress. Special thanks to the many volunteers who have assisted in these transformations. The list of remodeled areas includes:

- ♦ New playground areas on the north side of our building
- New landscaping projects are taking
- Remodel of various areas inside:
- Music room & office
- Former children's ministry check-in counter being transformed into a lounge area
- Audio/video production room
- Additional office area
- Storage area

Cheer Someone's Day and **Support Missions**

Handmade greeting cards are for sale on the card rack in the Outreach Corner of the Fellowship Center, only \$2.50 each. These beautiful cards are made by King of Kings' LWML ladies. All proceeds go to support mission projects here in Iowa and around the world.

Keep Saving your Hy-Vee Receipts!

We are collecting for the 2023-24 year. Hy-Vee receipts are collected and counted weekly, so no need to hold onto them at home! Receipts need to be dated between April 1, 2023-March 31, 2024 to qualify for the Cash for Student's Program. Receipts can be put in the box on the Opportunities Counter.

Special Flowers

Special altar flowers for Pastor Weinhold's thanksgiving farewell and for Pastor Navurskis' installation were provided by the Bonnie Voss Memorial Flower fund.

King of Kings Softball Team

King of Kings softball team plays Monday nights at 6:00 PM or 7:00 PM at Noelridge Park. Last Monday the team played St. Paul's UMC, they were defeated 7-11. The next game is Monday, June 10 at 6:00 PM, field 1. Let's Go King of Kings!

Therefore Go!

Hitting a dry spell in your witnessing efforts? It happens to all of us at times. What can help? Prayer! God wants us to talk with Him, and let Him know what's on our minds and hearts. Before you go out in the world each day, pray that God will open up opportunities for you to tell others about Jesus, in word and deed, and God will definitely answer your prayer (as He does every prayer). Pray that even in your actions, you are a positive reflection of Jesus to all you encounter (whether it's the barista, that co-worker that bugs you, whomever). If the person you meet is struggling with something (and aren't we all?), tell them you'll pray for them....and do it (whether with the person or by yourself). As Pastor said in last week's sermon, we are all laborers for the harvest!

LWML National Convention

Denise Scott, Darlene Wood and Norma Swift joined 3500 Lutheran women at the LWML National Convention, June 22-25 in Milwaukee, WI. The Iowa East District bus visited Phil's Friends in Addison, IL, a mission grant recipient that sends care packages and cards to cancer patients. King of Kings Tuesday and Wednesday morning life groups collected 6 boxes and 2 bags of supplies and the LWML women created 140 cards of cheer to be included in the packages. Gift cards were also donated. Thank you to those who contributed.

31 new mission grants totaling \$2,350,000 were selected. The Riverfront Mission Walk raised over \$100,000 for missions! From the impressive opening worship service and continuing through the bible studies, mission grant recipient reports, traditional hymns and contemporary songs led by an energetic pianist, keynote speakers and a comedy duet made for a very inspiring convention.

An update from the CEC

CEC children and staff enjoyed participating in VBS last week. They had a "STELLAR" time meeting new friends and volunteers, making crafts, playing games, and learning about Jesus! Thank you to all of the volunteers who put together a fantastic experience!





Our enrollment continues to grow throughout the summer and in preparation for Fall preschool. We have 1 spot open in preschool, and waitlists for toddlers/2s. We are also enrolling for after-school care for Alburnett students!

Although it feels as if summer just began, we are already preparing for Fall programming. We will be looking for staff to work in our infant classroom part time, working mornings 7:00-12:00 or afternoons 12:00-5:30. Please reach out to Dani at dstromert@kingofkingscr.org if interested!



Marion Ministry Volunteer Opportunity

The Marion Ministry and Outreach Center distributes emergency diapers and wipes to people in need on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month.

On June 22nd, we distributed diapers and wipes to 51 individuals. Our immediate needs are: Wipes and size 3 diapers, and volunteer help to bag the diapers and wipes and to hand them out. The need is great! Won't you please consider volunteering? If you can, please contact Rachel Happel at (319)447-7901 and she will add you to the schedule. Thank you for your consideration.



Summer Youth Events

Although our regular midweek youth group meetings don't take place during the summer months, there are still opportunities to come together for some fun and fellowship. Upcoming Summer events include Nerf Wars on July 26 and Water Games on August 23. If you have questions, reach out to DCE Tony. (tdixon@kingofkingscr.org)

Youth Trip Update

As our High School youth prepare for their upcoming servant event to Mission, South Dakota, please pray that God would already begin to work in the hearts of the community and our group. The group departs on July 8th and returns on the 16th. The group includes: Brendan Doty, Stefan Happel, Dylan Koepnick, Claire Nuehring, Grace Blomquist, Max Schultz, Seth Frerking, Jordan Silcox, Dian Treptow, and Tony Dixon.

Youth Trip Dates:

July 7th - Packing and Devotion at 7pm July 8th - Meet at 12pm to load and depart July 16th - Return to KOK between 10-11am July 23rd - Trip Presentation @ 9:30am