

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 10, 2023
The 15th Sunday after Pentecost
8:00 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed
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Preservice
Welcome & Opening Announcements
Opening Song Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing LSB 686
Invocation
Confession & Absolution LSB 151
Service of the Word
Introit Psalm 92:1-4; antiphon: v.5
Sunday School Teacher/Volunteer Recognition
Scripture Readings Ezekiel 33:7-9
Romans 13:1-10
Alleluia and Verse LSB 156
Matthew 18:1-20
Children's Message Rev. Chris Navurskis
Hymn of the Day The King of Love My Shepherd Is LSB 709
Sermon The G.O.A.T. is the Lamb! Rev. Chris Navurskis
Apostles' Creed
Passing of the Peace
Offering and Offertory LSB 159
Prayer of the Church
Lord's Prayer
Benediction
Closing Hymn Before You, Lord, We Bow LSB 966
Closing Announcements

Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, September 10, 2023
The 15th Sunday after Pentecost
10:45 AM Worship Service in person and live streamed

Preservice The Lord Almighty Reigns
Welcome & Opening Announcements
Opening Song All To Us
Invocation
Confession & Absolution
Response Hymn To Thee Omniscient Lord of All LSB 613
Sunday School Teacher/Volunteer Recognition
Scripture Readings Ezekiel 33:7-9
Romans 13:1-10
Matthew 18:1-20
Children's Message Rev. Chris Navurskis
Song Build My Life
Sermon The G.O.A.T. is the Lamb! Rev. Chris Navurskis
Apostles' Creed
Passing of the Peace
Offering
Prayer of the Church
Lord's Prayer
Benediction
Closing Song At The Cross (Love Ran Red)
Closing Announcements
Musicians: Gordon Russell, piano/vocals | Lorie Crosbie, vocals | Sarah Mueller, vocals |

THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS

Sun, Sep 10	8:00 a.m.	Worship
Fall Kick Off	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education Hour
	10:45 a.m.	Worship
Mon, Sep 11	7:00 p.m.	Men's Network
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
Tue, Sep 12	8:30 a.m.	Moms in Prayer International
	10:30 a.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study
	1:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting
	1:30 p.m.	LWML Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Governing Board Meeting
	6:15 p.m.	Praise Band Practice
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
	8:00 p.m.	Men of God Practice
Wed, Sep 13	6:00 p.m.	Youth Meal
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	6:30 p.m.	HS Youth
Thu, Sep 14	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
Sat, Sept 16	9:00 a.m.	Celebrate Recovery Step Study
Sun, Sep 17	8:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion
	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education Hour
	10:45 a.m.	Worship with Communion
	12:00 p.m.	CEC Playground Dedication
	4:00 p.m.	Hiawatha Care Center

Attendance

Worship 09/03 9:30 AM: 178 Total: 178

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

THIS WEEK	09/10 8:00 AM		09/10 10:45 AM
NEXT WEEK	09/17 8:00 AM		09/17 10:45 AM
Elder 09/10	Dan Klinkenberg		Paul Parry
Elder 09/17	Curt Zebuhr		Mike Frerking
Acolyte 09/10	Lila D		Izzy M
Acolyte 09/17	Annie K		Haley S
Ushers 09/10	Bill Maurer		David Eddy, Glenn
Usher 09/17	Dan Blomquist		Lehrman, Deanna Glass
	Kyle Hibbing, Tony		Dan Hoffman, Keith
	Yelden, Bob Buelow		Colton, Dave Treptow
Lay Reader 09/10	Denny Wangeman		Dave Ridout
Lay Reader 09/17	Steve Gronemeyer		Tom Sandersfeld
Sound 09/01	OPEN		Joel Silcox
Sound 09/17	Brian Carlson		OPEN
Media 09/10	Denny Wangeman		Greg Glass
Media 09/17	Holly Sojka		Dan Henry
Video 09/10	Kirk Monson		Kirk Monson
Video 09/17	Jason Sojka		OPEN
Greeters 09/10	Kay Nelson		Steve Epley
Greeters 09/17	Steve Schroeder		Kathy Epley
			Jim Muench
			Sue Muench

King of Kings
LUTHERAN CHURCH

September 10, 2023 - September 16, 2023

The G.O.A.T. is the Lamb!

Matthew 18:1-20

At that time Jesus' disciples came to him and said, "Who is the greatest in the Kingdom of heaven?"

Many people around the world, in their given sport, profession, or hobby want to be the G.O.A.T.

Is that even possible?

Why do we seek to be "great?"

How does Jesus' example of a child offer a definition of worldly "greatness" by contrast?

Children _____.

Children _____.

Children _____.

What's it mean to be a child of God in the midst of his family - the church?

These little ones belong to the Lord like _____.

And Jesus is called the Lamb of God who _____.

The Lamb of God is the Greatest of All Time.



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Prayer of the Church– September 10, 2023

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Blessed Lord, You have promised that where two or three are gathered in Your name, You are in the midst of them. Hear the prayers of Your people, and grant our supplications. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, heavenly Father, You have sent us pastors as watchmen. Let them be ever faithful in calling sinners to repentance and joyfully announcing Your forgiveness to those who heed their warning. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Father, because You have made us our brother's keeper, fill us with care for the members of our earthly families and for our brothers and sisters in Christ. Forgive our sins and strengthen us to live so that we owe no one anything except to love each other. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Righteous God, You give leaders to every nation and people. Grant us good and wise public servants to bear the sword righteously, defending the innocent and punishing wrongdoers. Guard those who protect us, especially our armed forces, police and firefighters. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Lord, look with compassion upon those who are struggling with illness, grief, loneliness or any malady *[especially _____]*. Reassure them of Your love, which is like that of the shepherd who seeks and saves the one lost sheep. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, because You desire that none of Your little ones should perish and because sin is constantly crouching at our door, we beg You to call us back to Yourself when we are tempted to stray. Deliver us from temptation, and keep us in the faith. Make us humble like little children, seeing how Your Son humbled Himself for us and for our salvation. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Members
Jolene Balvanz
Leann Carlson
Pat Harris
Greg Yokanovich
Paul Buchanan
Julie Birely
Cherie Buelow
Lois Muench
Marv Frerking
Richard Nelson
John Owen
Jerry Green
Jerry Cline
Lydia Parry

Prayers for encouragement upon the death of loved ones:
Nancy and John Owen upon the death of their father and grandfather John Leonard.

Family & Friends
Paula Easton, mother of Catherine Russell
Eddie Dedina, brother of Dian Treptow
Amy Stuenkel
Julie Gentry
Jen Zebuhr
Jack (Grandson of Bob & Pat Harris)

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

09/10 - Paula Bruner
09/12 - Robert Buelow, Jason Sojka
09/13 - Izzy Mueller
09/14 - Thadeus Ramsey, Aaron Thomasson
09/15 - Debra Hoffman, Adam Pladna

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

No anniversaries this week.

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!

Monday Night Men's Network Study
Men's Network will start this year with Volume 2 of "33 The Series." We all have a story, and God is in that story with us. We have all been shaped by defining moments, decisions, painful experiences, and personal relationships. We are deeply influenced by our fathers, mothers, friends, mentors, and even our own hearts. We need to look at the good, the bad, and the ugly parts of our past and present. We need to work on processing our life experiences. When we do, we will be more equipped to understand our heart and allow ourselves to give our heart to those we love. The first session will be Monday September 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM. If you have any question, call or text Glenn Lehrman at 319-361-3821 or by email at glehrman@imonmail.com.

Celebration for one year of being in our new addition!
Join us **Sunday, September 17, 2023 following the late worship service (at approximately 12:00 noon)** as we celebrate one year of being in our new building addition! We have been so blessed to have this space to further enhance our children's ministry, middle school and high school youth, and our new Childhood Education Center ministry. We will plan to gather outside to dedicate our new outdoor playground spaces and to give thanks for all the blessings from the Lord! Join us for a brief program and some goodies!

Come Join the Choir!
King of Kings choir rehearsals will begin on Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00 pm. New choir members are welcome! Contact Gordon Russell, Directory of Music Ministry with any questions, grussell@kingofkingscr.org or 319-393-2438.

Lost and Found Clean Out
The Lost and Found is located in the Coat Room across from the Fireside Room. All items will be donated after September 10, please check to make sure none of the items are yours.

Festival of Trees
We have been invited to participate in the Festival of Trees November 18-19. We would like to sponsor a tree, but we need your help to decorate it! If you'd like to put your tree decorating skills to use, please contact the church office at 319-393-2438 to join the fun!

Help Support Noah & Scott through the King of Kings Scholarship Fund
King of Kings is blessed to have 2 men of our congregation studying and preparing for careers in church work. **Noah Russell** continues his studies at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis as he prepares to be a pastor. This year he serves his vicarage year in Carmel, IN at Cornerstone Lutheran Church. **Scott Treptow** continues his studies in the Director of Christian Education (DCE) program at Concordia University Chicago. We are privileged to support these men with our prayers and care throughout their studies. We also want to give the congregation an opportunity to show financial support to both these men. King of Kings will be collecting funds to directly support Noah & Scott. While these funds can be given at any time, we will send any gifts received by the end of August for the start of the school year. Please designate Church Worker Scholarship Fund on the memo line.

LWML Meeting, Tuesday, Sept 12, 2023, 1:30pm
Join our Lutheran Women in Mission to discuss Fall activities, including a Card Making Workshop, the Cedar Rapids Zone Fall Event at St Paul's in Marion, Sat, Sept 30, LWML Sunday in October with distribution of Mite Boxes and more! For additional information, contact Norma Swift.

IN THE WORD AT KING OF KINGS SUNDAY MORNING 9:30 AM

Pastor Led Bible Study	Worship Center	Rev. Navurskis
Book of Isaiah	Classroom 1/2	McElreaths
Book of Jeremiah	Fireside Room	Rev. Konrad
Parents Connect	Red Room	Megan Dixon
HS Bible Study	Youth Room	Tony Dixon

Difference (dif-fər-ěnce) – a significant change in or effect on a situation

Maker (mā-kər) – one who creates, modifies or repairs, who typically learns by doing

It's your call.



GriefShare at King of Kings
Have you experience a recent loss or are struggling with an unresolved grief from years past of a spouse, parent, child or friend and find it difficult to cope with this loss? King of Kings Lutheran Church has a GriefShare support group that can assist you in working through your grief. This world-wide program is designed with a weekly CD where participants meet people who have walked through grief and who share what was helpful for them. You'll find it helpful to be around people who truly "get" what you are going through - the emotions, mental fog, questions, and exhaustion, because they are dealing with it too. Attendees have a sharing time at the end of each DVD that is very helpful. This GriefShare Support Group will start at King of Kings Lutheran Church, Monday, September 11, from 10:00 -12:00 in the Fireside Room. It is for anyone in the Cedar Rapids area feeling lost after their loss. If interested in attending this class, please sign up online at griefshare.org under the King of Kings group by Sept. 11 or call Darlene Wood (319) 270-1276. See you Sept. 11!



KING OF KINGS
STUDENT MINISTRIES

Upcoming Midweek Ministry
Beginning on Wednesday, September 13th!

Weekly Youth Dinner
A home cooked meal is served each week by Kate Ramsey and other parent volunteers. Dinner is served at 6pm, followed by various classes/activities at 6:30pm. Please keep an eye out in the E-News for sign ups!

5th Graders
5th grade youth will embark on a journey to develop a basic understanding and of God's living and active Word. The goal is to help students become more familiar and comfortable using the Bible in their every day lives. Class will be held in the 5/6 grade room and taught by Kathryn Church.

6th and 7th Graders
As the youth get older, we will give them opportunities to build on their foundational understanding of the Bible. This includes key parts of Lutheran theology and Luther's Small Catechism that provide guidance when seeking a Bible-based response to life's difficult questions. This class will be held in the red "Parents Connect" room in the youth hallway and taught by Amanda Klinkenberg and Megan Dixon.

8th Graders
Pastor Chris will meet weekly with 8th grade youth in the MS Youth Room to provide a space to ask questions, explore, and affirm who they are as Lutheran Christians. This includes topics such as what it means to be a Baptized child of God and what God offers us through Holy Communion.

High School
High School Youth meets weekly in the Youth Room for fellowship and devotion. Friends are always welcome!

We are so excited to continue the faith journey together with your families. If you have any questions about midweek programming and events, reach out to DCE Tony!

Save The Date: Wednesday, October 25 6:00 PM Grades 5th-12th Bloomsbury Farm