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 26, 2023

8:00 AM Worship Service in person and live-streamed Divine Service Setting 1, LSB page 151

Preservice					
Welcome & Opening Announcements					
Opening Hymn	We Pra	aise You, O God LSB 785			
Invocation					
Confession & Absolution		LSB 151			
Service of the Word					
Introit	Psalm 39:4-5a, 7-8, 12; a	ntiphon: 2 Peter 3:13 NIV			
Scripture Readings		Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24			
_		1 Corinthians 15:20–28			
Alleluia and Verse		LSB 156			
		Matthew 25:31-46			
Children's Message					
Hymn of the Day	With High Deli	ight Let Us Unite LSB 483			
Sermon	Made Alive, Till The End	Rev. Nathan Grewe			
Apostles' Creed					
Passing of the Peace					
Offering and Offertory		LSB 159			
Prayer of the Church					
Lord's Prayer					
Benediction					
Closing Hymn	Savior, Like A Sh	nepherd Lead Us LSB 711			

Sunday Morning Worship Sunday, November 26, 2023

Closing Announcements

The Last Sunday of the Church Year 10:45 AM Worship Service in person and live-streamed

Preservice		The Lord Almighty Reigns		
Welcome & Opening Announcements		This Is America Cross		
Opening Song Invocation		This Is Amazing Grace		
Confession & Absolution				
Scripture		Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24 1 Corinthians 15:20–28 Matthew 25:31-46		
Children's Message				
Song of the Day		Lamb of God		
Sermon	Made Alive, Till The End	Rev. Nathan Grewe		
Apostles' Creed				
Passing of the Peace				
Offering				
Prayer of the Church				
Lord's Prayer				
Benediction				
Closing Song		King of Love		
Closing Announcements				
Musicians: Gordon Russell, piano/vocals Sarah Mueller, vocals John Lensch, vocals				

	THIS WEEK AT KING OF KINGS		
Sun, Nov 26	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Worship Christian Education Hour Worship	
Mon, Nov 27	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry (virtual) Difference Makers	
Tue, Nov 28	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Moms in Prayer International Pastor Led Bible Study Staff Meeting Praise Band Practice Evangelism Team Choir Practice	
Wed, Nov 29	6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Youth Meal Pre-Confirmation & Confirmation Classes HS Youth Group	
Thu, Nov 30	6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery	
Sat, Dec 2	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Liberty Lecture Weekend Celebrate Recovery Step Study Children's Christmas Musical Rehearsal	
Sun, Dec 3	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 4:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	Worship with Communion Christian Education Hour Worship With Communion Hiawatha Care Center Youth Christmas Party	



Serving Sche	Serving Schedule - contact the church office if you'd like to serve.				
THIS WEEK NEXT WEEK	11/26 8:00 AM 12/03 8:00 AM		11/26 10:45 AM 12/03 10:45 AM		
Elder 11/26 Elder 12/03	Dan Klinkenberg		Tom Sandersfeld		
Acolyte 11/26 Acolyte 12/03	Coleman Loesch		OPEN		
Ushers 11/26 Ushers 12/03	Steve Schroeder Paula Bruner		Deanna Glass, Dan Hoffman Keith Colton		
Lay Reader 11/26 Lay Reader 12/03	Scott Nelson Denny Wangeman		Tom Sandersfeld David Ridout		
Sound 11/26 Sound 12/03	Joel Silcox		OPEN		
Media 11/26 Media 12/03	Denny Wangeman		Dan Henry		
Video 11/26 Video 12/03	Brian Mullenbach		OPEN		
Greeters 11/26 Greeters 12/03	Kay Nelson		Diana Lensch		







Today we welcome Rev. Nathan Grewe from Lutheran Family Services.

Prayer of the Church- November 26, 2023

Lord God, You gather Your people from all nations and bring them into Your one, holy Christian and apostolic flock. Strengthen them by Your grace, that they may gladly feast upon Your riches in Your Means of Grace and declare Your praises to all who will hear. Lord. in Your mercy. hear our prayer.

Almighty God, You judge between Your sheep, and You shepherd Your people with Your Holy Word. Encourage Your pastors. Through their faithful service, continue to seek the lost, bring back the strayed, bind up the injured and strengthen the weak. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Heavenly Father, You have subjected all things under Your Son, who gladly subjects Himself to You. Bless the homes of Your people, that parents may train and catechize their children with wisdom and love, and that children may gladly submit and honor their father and mother. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

<u>Members</u> Bob Harris Kris Ruprecht Ted Williams Leann Carlson Paul Buchanan Julie Birely Cherie Buelow Lois Muench Marv Frerking Richard Nelson John Owen Jerry Green Jerry Cline Lydia Parry

Family & Friends Mark Fintel, Laborers for Christ Project Manager Eddie Dedina, brother of Dian Treptow Julie Gentry Jen Zebuhr Jack (Grandson of Bob & Pat Harris)

O Lord of lords, You sustain every rule, authority and power as You see fit, until this world's powers should pass away. Bless all in civil authority, that they would not provoke Your wrath but maintain order and justice for the peace of Your people. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Father in heaven, we look forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness, while now we contend with a multitude of afflictions under the curse of sin. Remember those in need of help and healing *[including* 1. Preserve them, deliver them from their transgressions and hold not Your peace at their tears. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of life, Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. We give thanks to You for those You have gathered into Your kingdom and who are asleep in Him. Strengthen our conviction that death is defeated as we look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, You have prepared Your kingdom for us from the foundation of the world. Preserve us in faith and love throughout our days, that we may care for Your servants and our neighbors with compassion and joy, looking toward that day when the Son of Man comes in His glory; through the same Jesus Christ, 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:

11/27 - Barbara Hahn, Janet Ramstad

- 11/28 Debra Green, Vivian Hoffman
- 11/30 David Treptow
- 12/01 Brianna Howe, Julie Birely, Morgan Elergersma

12/02 - Ryan Cronbaugh

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

> 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

Christmas Cantata 2023

Join King of Kings Music Ministry on Sunday, December 10 at 8:00 AM and 10:45 AM for this year's Christmas Cantata, Agnus Dei, Lamb of God Born to Us.

Advent Is Almost Here!

The season of Advent is a time of focused worship in preparation for the arrival of Jesus our Savior. Midweek Advent services are slated for December 6, 13 & 20 at 7 p.m. The theme is Peace Come to Earth. Pick up a copy of the Advent devotional as you come in or out of worship.

Faith Mentors

Looking for a way to support our young people? As a part of our confirmation program, we are seeking faith mentors for our 6-7th grade confirmation students. Although this is not a large time commitment, it is important. You'll have a chance to support one of our confirmation students through prayer, encouragement, and a few events throughout their confirmation Journey (and maybe beyond confirmation!). The fun begins on November 29th, so please contact DCE Tony Dixon with your questions or to get more information before that date!

Governing Board Nominations

The Governing Board is now accepting nominations for the 2024 board. Nominations may be submitted to the church office or to one of the existing Governing Board members.

Evangelism Team

Evangelism Team will meet Tuesday November 28th at 6pm at King of Kings. Curious as to what we do? Want to check it out but not commit to anything for now? Come join us and be blessed. Remember, Jesus said where two or more are gathered, I am in the midst of them (Matthew 18:20).

Tuesday Mornings at Green Square Park

King of Kings is joining up with Bethany Lutheran Church to reach out to our homeless neighbors -- join us at 8:15am at Green Square Park downtown every Tuesday morning. Bethany is bringing sandwiches and drink to distribute. We also will be handing out hats and gloves, so any donations of these items are welcomed. Please come! If you have any questions please speak with Rachel Happel on behalf of King of Kings Evangelism (319-447-7901).

Fall Altar decorations provided by the Flamingos Life Group.

No Sunday School or Youth Bible Study today.

PLEDGE CARDS

Thank you to all who returned pledge cards last weekend. If you have not yet taken the opportunity to return your cards (2024 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.

Liberty Lecture Weekend

You are invited to join us for a Liberty Lecture Weekend! Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty will speak in a Saturday workshop and preach at Sunday services on the topic of the Two-Kingdom approach to Godly Citizenship. Workshop December 2nd 9:00AM-1:00PM, services December 3rd at 8:00 and 10:45AM with Bible study at 9:30AM, King of

Kings Lutheran Church, 3275 N Center Point RD Cedar Rapids, IA 52411. Lunch will be served on Saturday and there is no charge, just RSVP by scanning the QR code.



An update from the CEC

November has been filled with lots of fun and learning! Our theme for the month was titled "Praise and Thanksgiving". Because of God's love for us, we can praise Him and show gratitude for the blessings He provides. We remind children that He is powerful and mighty, and worthy of praise! In each age group, we provide developmentally appropriate activities and songs that complement our monthly themes.

During this time of Thanksgiving, as a staff, we reflect on how thankful we are for the families and children we work with every day. Our "little turkeys" always keep us on our toes and bring so much joy to our lives! We are grateful for the support we receive to be able to provide a caring community to our enrolled families and children.

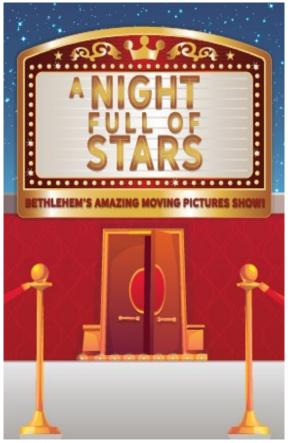
The Love Tree

The Love Tree returns this year! We would like to bless our African Ministry, and King of King's members or their family and friends. Please contact Pastor Chris or Ann Mueller by December 3 if you know a family that we can bless this Christmas. The Love Tree will be up next Sunday.

This year's program is a red carpet, formal attire event! The kids are going to be all dressed up and we would like to encourage those coming to the program to wear formal attire as well! We are going to have a great celebration and even have an "after party" following the program. Come a little early to experience the whole red carpet event and get pictures taken on the red carpet!



2023 Children's Christmas Program December 17, 2023 | 4:00 pm



KING OF KINGS STUDENT MINISTRIES



6th - 12th Grade Youth Christmas Party

Get ready for a night filled with food, friends, and lots of laughs! Our youth Christmas party this year will be held at King of Kings on Sunday, December 3rd from 4-7pm and all youth in grades 6-12 are invited. This year we are partnering with youth groups from other CR area congregations to make it an awesome party, so don't miss out. We'll have games, dinner, a gift exchange, and more! Find your most festive Christmas sweater, pick up a \$5 gift for the edible gift exchange (note: the gift should be edible) and we'll see you there. Friends are welcome too, the more the merrier.