

# KING'S NEWS

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## THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 8 - EPIPHANY

8:00am Worship with Holy Communion  
9:30am Adult Bible Study / Sunday School  
10:30am Worship with Communion + livestream

### MONDAY, JANUARY 9

6:00pm Men's Basketball  
7:00pm Handbell Choir  
7:00pm LWML Meeting

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

12:00pm Tuesdays @ Noon  
7:00pm Board of Directors Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

6:00pm Confirmation Classes  
6:00pm Women's & Men's Bible Studies  
7:15pm Choir Practice

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

8:00am Worship with Holy Communion  
9:30am Adult Bible Study / Sunday School  
10:30am Worship with Communion + livestream  
12:45pm Sr. Youth Roller Skating

## WELCOME VISITORS!

We are so glad you could join us today. Please fill out a Fellowship Card found on back of each pew and place in the offering plate. If you are in need of pastoral care or are interested in membership, please reach out to one of our Pastors or the church office. Find archived sermons, Bible studies, calendar and more at [KINGOFKINGSKC.ORG](http://KINGOFKINGSKC.ORG). We hope to see you soon!

### DUE NEXT SUNDAY

## LUMA FOOD DRIVE

THROUGH JANUARY 15

LWML is collecting non-perishable food items for LUMA and the needy of the inner city. To help, please place items in one of the blue tubs in the coat area. Items will be collected through next Sunday, January 15. Thank you in advance for supporting LUMA.

## POINSETTIA PICKUPS

Did you order a poinsettia before the holidays? This is your friendly reminder to pick your plant up from the Narthex TODAY. Thank you to every one that ordered. The chancel looked beautiful.

## THANK YOU!

FROM CHURCH & ELC STAFF

Thank you so much for your generous gifts given to each of us this Christmas. Each of our staff members and called workers were blessed by your generosity. Last year we saw blessings abound here at King of Kings and your support was always evident and greatly appreciated. We pray that the Lord will continue to bless our efforts in this upcoming year, and that He will give us new opportunities to share His Word with our community. Thank you for your continued encouragement and partnership in the Gospel.

## BIBLE STUDIES RESUME

WEDNESDAYS @ 6PM

Women's and Men's Bible Studies restart this Wednesday at 6pm. The women meet in the Narthex to continue their study, *Measured By Grace, How God Defines Success*. Each chapter discusses a different story and message, making it easy to join at any time. Books available. This amazing group of women dig into scripture, pray for and support one another. The group is led by Kathy Cunningham and Carla Brown. What wonderful way to start the new year!

Our Men's Bible Study also reconnects beginning this Wednesday at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. New faces welcome. Please bring a Bible. The group is led by Andy Brown and Lee Meyer.

## JR. YOUTH SERVE OUR REDEEMER

**FOOD PREP: JANUARY 28 @ 1-3PM**

**SERVE DINNER: JANUARY 29 @ 12:30PM**

Come together to help feed those in need at Our Redeemer. On Saturday, January 28, we will prepare dinner. The following day we will take food down and distribute to the homeless in the inner city. This is a great opportunity to serve those in need. RSVP on BAND for either/both days.

## SR. YOUTH HAPPENINGS

**ROLLER SKATING: SUNDAY, JANUARY 15**

Meet at Liberty's Northland Rolladium at 1:45pm for an afternoon of fun and fellowship skating with church friends. Who will be the lowest in the limbo? RSVP on BAND.

**BIBLE STUDY: SUNDAY, JANUARY 22**

Meet in the newly remodeled Youth Room from 6-8pm for our monthly Bible study. RSVP on BAND.

**HEART OF A SERVANT - SUMMER SERVICE TRIP: JULY 16-22**

Make a trip to Forest Lake, Minnesota, for a week-long trip with other high-schoolers from around the country to work on light construction projects for the elderly, low income or disabled people in the area. No construction skills needed. Each day will include recreational activities like swimming, sport or canoeing. Lord of the Lakes Lutheran Church is the program host. See details through link at right. Registration and deposit of \$150 due January 22.



## YOUNG FAMILIES SNOWBALL FIGHT

**JANUARY 28 @ 9:30-11:30AM**

The next event for our Young Families group is Saturday, January 28. Meet in the Fellowship Hall for a snowball fight (cotton balls) and to hear how each snowflake is special and uniquely created by God – just like each of us. Coffee served for tired parents (wink). Contact Aimie Graybill with questions.

## ALTAR FLOWER SIGN-UP

The 2023 Altar Flower Calendar has been posted on the glass windows of the church office. Commemorate an anniversary, birthday, in memory of a loved one or just because – altar flowers are given in glory to God each week by members of our congregation. A gift of \$25 covers costs and flowers may be taken home after the 10:30am service on day of reservation. Sign up on calendar or call the church office to reserve.

## AMAZON GIVES BACK

Amazon has a division called AmazonSmile that gives back 0.5% of eligible purchases to charity and non-profit organizations, at no extra cost to you. Thanks to those who have declared King of Kings as their preferred non-profit, we receive a donation check each quarter directly from AmazonSmile. We have received over \$2800 since the program started! Every little bit counts and together makes a great impact. To declare King of Kings as your preferred non-profit, follow these steps:

1. Go to [SMILE.AMAZON.COM](https://smile.amazon.com)
2. Sign-in with your Amazon username/password
3. Under "Pick your own charitable organization," Enter "King of Kings Lutheran Church Kansas City"
4. Start shopping! When shopping on Amazon, shop through [SMILE.AMAZON.COM](https://smile.amazon.com)
5. Add a bookmark to your browser



## THRIVENT MEMBERS

**DIRECT CHOICE DOLLARS® BY MARCH 31ST**

If you're an eligible Thrivent client and have Choice Dollars® available to direct, please keep King of Kings in mind. If you haven't already directed yours, there is still time. Your 2022 Choice Dollars expire on March 31, 2023. For more info or to direct Choice Dollars, call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice." Or log in to your account at [THRIVENT.COM](https://thrivent.com).

## INCLEMENT WEATHER

As cold weather continues this winter season, here is a quick reminder on how to find updates on church cancellations or rescheduling of activities:

- Check your email
- Check our website: [KINGOFKINGSKC.ORG](https://kingofkingskc.org)
- Facebook King of Kings page
- Facebook King of Kings Members group
- Local news channels: KCTV5, KMBC9, KSHB41

Even if church isn't canceled during winter weather, please be safe if you choose to travel to church. Remember, our 10:30am service is livestreamed each week for those who prefer to stay home or are unable to get out when weather or roads are less than ideal.

# 2023 KING OF KINGS EVENTS

Get ahead in your yearly planning by marking down these annual events in your personal calendars.

## JANUARY

- JAN. 1 New Years Day - 10:30am service only
- JAN. 8 Epiphany
- JAN. 15 Sr. Youth Roller Skating
- JAN. 22 Life Sunday  
Sr. Youth Bible Study
- JAN. 29 Jr. Youth Serve Our Redeemer Meal

## FEBRUARY

- FEB. 1 Early Enrollment Opens for ELC (Members)
- FEB. 3-5 Jr. Youth Quake Retreat – Wichita
- FEB. 12 Sr. Youth Valentine Service Project
- FEB. 19 Transfiguration of Our Lord  
Potluck Lunch & Voters Meeting
- FEB. 22 Ash Wednesday
- FEB. 24 Trivia Night

WEDNESDAYS  
FEB.22-MAR.29  
Midweek Lent  
Dinner 5:45pm  
Service 7pm

## MARCH

- MAR. 1 Open Enrollment for ELC
- MAR. 5 Jr. Youth Roller Skating
- MAR. 12 Sr. Youth Above All
- MAR. 16 LUMA Luncheon hosted by LWML
- MAR. 20-24 ELC Spring Break
- MAR. 26 Sr. Youth Bible Study

## APRIL

- APRIL 2 Palm Sunday  
Jr./Sr. Youth Ice Skating
- APRIL 6 Holy (Maundy) Thursday
- APRIL 7 Good Friday
- APRIL 8 Easter Egg-stravaganza 8:30am-11am
- APRIL 9 Easter Day Services 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am ✠
- APRIL 30 Sr. Youth Bible Study

## MAY

- MAY 3 Confirmation Rehearsal & Reception
- MAY 7 Confirmation Sunday – 10:30am ✠
- MAY 14 Ascension of Our Lord (observed)
- MAY 18 ELC Graduation
- MAY 19 ELC Last Day of School
- MAY 21 Potluck Lunch & Voters Meeting  
Sr. Youth Bible Study
- MAY 28 The Day of Pentecost ✠

## JUNE

- JUNE 4 Holy Trinity Sunday
- JUNE 5-8 Vacation Bible School
- JUNE 11 Jr./Sr Youth Chicken n' Pickle
- TBD Jr. Youth Service Trip

## JULY

- JULY 10 LWML Ladies Night Out (tentative)
- JULY 16-22 Sr. Youth Servant Trip – Minnesota

## AUGUST

- AUG. 6 Jr./Sr Youth Kickoff: The Springs – 1pm
- AUG. 13 Blessing of the Backpacks & Teacher Recognition
- AUG. 20 ELC Staff Installation & Re-dedication  
Potluck Lunch & Voters Meeting
- AUG. 24 ELC First Day of School
- AUG. 27 Blessing of Confirmands & Teachers

## SEPTEMBER

- SEPT. 6 Confirmation Kickoff
- SEPT. 10 Rally Sunday & Church Picnic
- SEPT. 17 Jr./Sr Youth Timber Challenge
- SEPT. 24 Sr. Youth Bible Study

## OCTOBER

- OCT. 14 Homespun Bazaar & German Lunch
- OCT. 15 Jr./Sr Youth Pumpkin Painting
- OCT. 21-22 Jr. Youth Retreat Iowa
- OCT. 22 LWML Sunday
- OCT. 29 Reformation Day (observed) ✠  
Trunk or Treat

## NOVEMBER

- NOV. 5 All Saints Day (observed) ✠
- NOV. 19 Loyalty Sunday  
Loyalty Lunch & Voters Meeting  
Sr. Youth Bible Study
- NOV. 20 & 21 ELC Thanksgiving Feasts
- NOV. 22 Thanksgiving Eve Service – 7pm ✠
- NOV. 26 Last Sunday of the Church Year

WEDNESDAYS  
NOV.29-DEC. 13  
Midweek Advent  
Dinner 5:45pm  
Service 7pm

## DECEMBER

- DEC. 3 Advent by Candlelight – 6:30pm
- DEC. 9 Breakfast in Bethlehem – 9:30a-11:30a
- DEC. 10 Children's Christmas Program – 10:30am
- DEC. 17 Jr. & Sr. Youth Christmas Parties ELC Christmas  
Program & Cookie Reception
- DEC. 24 Christmas Eve Services 10am, 3pm, 6:30pm ✠
- DEC. 31 New Year's Eve 8am, 10:30am (no evening) ✠