

KING'S NEWS

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COMING UP AT CHURCH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

8:00am Worship
9:00am Coffee & Fellowship
9:30am Sunday School // Parent Study
9:30am Adult Bible Study - End of Life
10:30am Worship + livestream
12:30pm Senior Youth - Breakout KC Escape Room

MONDAY, JANUARY 15

6:00pm Handbell Practice
7:15pm New Member Assimilation Committee

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

12:00pm Tuesdays@Noon

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

6:00pm Confirmation Classes
6:00pm Men's Bible Study - Fellowship Hall
6:00pm Women's Bible Study - Narthex
6:00pm Global Missions
7:15pm Choir Practice

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21 - LIFE SUNDAY

8:00am Worship with Holy Communion
9:00am Coffee & Fellowship
9:30am Sunday School // Parent Study
9:30am Adult Bible Study - End of Life
10:30am Worship with Holy Communion+ livestream
1:00pm Jr. Youth Above All Trampoline Park

LOOKING AHEAD

JAN. 22 Evangelism Gathering
JAN. 27 Young Families Snowball Saturday

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are so glad you could join us today. Please fill out a Fellowship Card found on the 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 sermons, Bible studies, calendar and more on our website at KINGOFKINGSKC.ORG.

STARTS TODAY

END OF LIFE DECISIONS

JANUARY 14 & 21 IN ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Our Adult Bible Study will be taking a look at how the Bible guides us in end-of-life decisions and how we handle earthly remains. Join Adult Bible Study for these important discussions and guidance.

JANUARY 14 Is Burial the Only Option? Explore why some are opposed to cremation and hear more about the memorial garden project at King of Kings.

JANUARY 21 Making End-of-Life Decisions. Life Sunday study will focus on end-of-life concerns and decisions.

2024 CALENDAR AVAILABLE

The 2024 King of Kings Calendar has been released and is a great tool as you plan your year ahead, including all annual church events, major holidays, and community-wide events. Calendar inside this issue. Additional copies are available on the Information Counter in the Narthex or [available online at KingofKingsKC.org/Documents](http://KingofKingsKC.org/Documents).

NEXT MONDAY EVANGELISM 2024 GATHERING

MONDAY, JANUARY 22 @ 6PM

"Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field"

— Matthew 9:38



Together with the Holy Spirit, all ages are invited to gather and kick-off Evangelism 2024! Pray together, share ideas on ways King of Kings can bring the powerful message of Jesus' salvation to others and into our community, and enjoy fellowship together. All ideas welcome. Please prayerfully consider attending. Led by Brian Stapleton and Jon Jannings, this kick-off will meet in the Board Room on the lower level. Snacks provided.

ELC TO CALL A COMMISSIONED MINISTER TEACHER FOR 2024/2025 SCHOOL YEAR



The Board of Elders and Board of Directors have approved the forming of a Call Committee in order to call a Commissioned Minister Teacher for the 2024-2025 school year. [Find details at KingofKingsELC.org/jobs](https://KingofKingsELC.org/jobs).

The LCMS classifies a Commissioned Minister Teacher as one who has graduated from a synodical college (and course of study) or a teacher whom has completed a course of study making her/him eligible for a colloquy.

SERVE ON THE CALL COMMITTEE

Our by-laws require two members from the congregation at-large to serve on the call committee. If interested in serving on Call Committee, please contact Andy Brown by January 28, at 816-510-5500 or abrown@bipskc.com.

NOMINATE A TEACHER BY JANUARY 28

Nominate an eligible LCMS rostered teacher for consideration in our call process. Nominees should be submitted directly to Andy Brown, Head Elder, at 816-510-5500 or abrown@bipskc.com.

HELP LOCAL CHILDREN'S PANTRY CONFIRMATION PROJECT - MIMI'S PANTRY 4 KIDS DONATE THROUGH FEBRUARY 14

Did your children or grandchildren receive new outerwear for Christmas? We want your outgrown items! A group of Junior Youth are organizing a coat/hat/mitten drive to support Mimi's Pantry for Kids, a Northland organization that provides FREE food and clothing for families in need. We are collecting gently used and new outerwear like coats, hats, mittens, gloves for children ages 2 - 12. It's a great time to hit up the winter clearance sales or shop spring jackets. Donation tub in the Narthex. Contributions are being collected until Wednesday, February 14th.

Additionally, Mimi's Pantry 4 Kids provides a small toy "library" for the children to borrow toys and return them when they come for services. An additional tub is in the Narthex for gently-used or new small toys, like Barbies, Transformers, Card Games, etc.

FOUNDATIONS CLASS AN INTRODUCTION TO THE LUTHERAN FAITH BEGINS JANUARY 28

Our next Foundations session will be held on Sundays at 9:30am, beginning January 28 in the Overflow Room at the rear of the Sanctuary. This 8-week class is our introduction/refresher course on the Christian faith and core teachings of Lutheran beliefs. We welcome all those considering membership and adult confirmation, as well as current members seeking to refresh their faith. To sign up, contact a pastor or the church office.

SUPERBOWL FUNDRAISER ORDER THROUGH JAN. 28 / PICKUP FEB. 11

It's time for our annual Super Bowl Fundraiser! Order your game day goodies in the Narthex, through January 28. Payments can be made at pickup on February 11. Proceeds benefit tuition for King of Kings students attending Lutheran schools. Questions? See Barb Ewert or Susan Haerer-Deatherage.

PEPPERONI BREAD \$14/LOAF
HOMEMADE BRATS \$4/ BRAT
SMOKED CHEESES \$10/BAG (LIMITED AVAILABILITY)

DONATIONS & VOLUNTEERS

Please consider donating ingredients or volunteering some of your time to make or distribute bread.

YOUNG ADULT GAME NIGHT

Saturday, January 20th 1-3 p.m.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
6700 NW 72ND ST
PLATTE WOODS, MO 64151

Bring a board or card game and snack to share!

THIS EVENT IS FOR AGES 18-40, PLEASE NO KIDS.

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2024 KING OF KINGS EVENTS

JANUARY

- JAN. 7** Epiphany
- JAN. 14** Baptism of Jesus
- JAN. 21** Life Sunday

FEBRUARY

- FEB. 1** Early Enrollment Opens for ELC (Members)
- FEB. 2-4** Jr. Youth Quake Retreat - Wichita
- FEB. 11** Transfiguration of Our Lord
- FEB. 14** Ash Wednesday
- FEB. 15** Open Enrollment for ELC (Public)
- FEB. 18** Potluck Lunch & Voters Meeting
- FEB. 23** Trivia Night

MARCH

- MAR. 24** Palm Sunday + Mission Sunday
- MAR. 25-APR.1** ELC Spring Break
- MAR. 28** Holy (Maundy) Thursday
- MAR. 29** Good Friday
- MAR. 30** Easter Egg-stravaganza 8:30am-11am
- MAR. 31** Easter Day Services 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am †

**LENT MIDWEEK
WORSHIP
WEDNESDAYS**
Feb.14—Mar.20
Dinner 5:45pm
Service 7pm

APRIL

MAY

- MAY 1** Confirmation Rehearsal & Reception
Final Confirmation Class
- MAY 5** Confirmation Sunday - 10:30am †
- MAY 12** Ascension of Our Lord (observed)
- MAY 19** The Day of Pentecost †
Potluck Lunch & Voters Meeting
- MAY 23** ELC Graduation
- MAY 24** ELC Last Day of School
- MAY 26** Holy Trinity Sunday

JUNE

- JUNE 2** Sending Sunday - Guatemala Mission Trip
- JUNE 2** Car Show
- JUNE 3** ELC Summer Program Begins
- JUNE 7-9** LWML State Convention (hosting)
- JUNE 8-16** Mission Trip to Guatemala
- JUNE 24-27** Vacation Bible School
- TBD** Jr. Youth Service Trip

JULY

- JULY 8** LWML Ladies Night Out
- TBD** Sr. Youth Service Trip

AUGUST

- AUG. 11** Jr/Sr Youth Summer Splash
- AUG. 11** Blessing of the Backpacks & Teacher Recognition
- AUG. 18** ELC Staff Installation & Rededication
Potluck Lunch & Voters Meeting
- AUG. 25** Blessing of Confirmands & Teachers
- AUG. 27** ELC Meet the Teacher
- AUG. 29** ELC First Day of School

SEPTEMBER

- SEPT. 4** Confirmation Classes, Bible Study & Choir Begin
- SEPT. 8** Rally Sunday & Church Picnic
Blessing of Sunday School Students & Staff
- SEPT. 9** Handbell Choir Practices Begin

OCTOBER

- OCT. 12** Holiday Bazaar & German Lunch
- OCT. 19-20** Jr. Youth Retreat Iowa
- OCT. 20** LWML Sunday
- OCT. 27** Reformation Day (observed) †
- OCT. 27** Trunk-or-Treat

NOVEMBER

- NOV. 3** All Saints Day (observed) †
- NOV. 15** Global Missions Fiesta Game Night
- NOV. 17** Loyalty Sunday
Catered Lunch & Voters Meeting
Operation Christmas Child - Shoebox Collection
Thanksgiving Meal Box Distribution
- NOV. 24** Last Day of the Church Year
- NOV. 25&26** ELC Thanksgiving Feasts
- NOV. 27** Thanksgiving Eve Service - 7pm †
- NOV. 30** Decorate Church for Christmas

**ADVENT MIDWEEK
WORSHIP
WEDNESDAYS**
December 4
December 11
December 18
Dinner 5:45pm
Service 7pm

DECEMBER

Angel Tree Donations Collected Throughout

- DEC. 1** First Day of Advent
Advent by Candlelight
- DEC. 7** Breakfast in Bethlehem - 9:30a-11:30a
- DEC. 8** Children's Christmas Program - 10:30am
ELC Christmas Program & Cookie Reception
- DEC. 15** Christmas Meal Box Distribution
- DEC. 23** ELC Christmas Break begins
- DEC. 24** Christmas Eve Services 10am, 3pm, 6:30pm †
- DEC. 31** New Year's Eve - 7pm †

Dates subject to change.



NOTES OF THANKS ANGEL TREE DONATION

Thank you to all of those who donated to the Angel Tree—our members are so generous and giving. Two large boxes were delivered to each school: New Mark, Fox Hill, Nashua and Bell Prairie. This year, we had several cash donations, allowing us to purchase additional items for donation. The items are kept in the counseling offices and given to those in need. Each of the schools were incredibly appreciative of the donations from King of Kings.

KC YOUNG ADULT LUTHERANS - EPIPHANY WORSHIP

Thank you so much for all your help in making our the KCYAL Worship Night a success! We weren't sure what to expect with it being our first one, but we all agree that it went really well. We were excited to see so many new faces. We know it takes a lot of work to pull something like this together including communications to get the word out, Ushers, Altar Guild, preparing bulletins, preparing the meal, putting together the service, setting up the Fellowship Hall, and many more behind the scenes helpers. We appreciate each and every one of you!



YOUNG FAMILIES SNOWBALL SATURDAY

JANUARY 27 @ 9-11AM

The next event for our Young Families group is Saturday, January 27. 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. Contact Aimie Graybill with questions.

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

STREAM TEAM VOLUNTEERS & LEADER

We are looking for a few technology-minded volunteers to join the Stream Team and help run livestream on Sunday mornings. This is a fantastic way to serve at church and brings so much to those who are homebound, out of town or looking for a church. Please contact Amy Babcock or the church office to learn more.

ALTAR FLOWER SIGN-UP

The 2024 Altar Flower Calendar has been posted on the glass windows of the church office. Celebrate a special day or in memory of a loved one – 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.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

With cold weather and snow moving in this last week, you might be wondering if church or evening activities may be canceled. Find updates quickly if there is ever a cancellation or reschedule through these outlets:

- Email: An email will be sent with any changes
- Website: KingofKingsKC.org
- Facebook King of Kings page: @KingofKings.kc
- Facebook King of Kings Members group

YOUTH GROUP UPDATES

RSVP FOR ALL EVENTS ON BAND APP

JUNIOR YOUTH (6-8)

JANUARY 21 Above All Trampoline — 1pm

FEBRUARY 2-4 Quake Retreat — Wichita, Kansas

SENIOR YOUTH (9-12)

JANUARY 14 Escape Room — 12:30pm
Meet at BreakoutKC, 114 W. 3rd Street KCMO.
Reservations have closed.

JANUARY 28 Bible Study — 6pm