# KING'S NEWS

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# **GLOBAL MISSIONS WEEK**

# MARCH 16 - MARCH 23



## MERCY SHIPS PRESENTATION

#### **TODAY AT 9:30AM**

All of our Bible study classes, from Junior Youth through Adult Bible Study, will join in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am today to hear about the wonderful work being done by Mercy Ships on the coast of Africa.

Mercy Ships is a compassion organization that offers hope and healing to some of the forgotten poor on the continent of Africa. Utilizing two hospital ships, they provide free surgical care for African patients, plus training for African healthcare professionals. All personnel (700-800) serving aboard the ships are volunteers who serve anywhere from a few weeks to a year or more.



#### OUR PRESENTERS: BOB & SHERILYN COOK

Bob and Sherilyn grew up in the same church as Mercy Ship founders—Don and Deyon Stephens. After serving as Director of Church Relations for Mercy Ships for 5 years, they are now volunteer representatives for the organization. Bob and Sherilyn currently reside in Springfield, MO.



"Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God." – MATTHEW 4:4

### DAY OF FASTING & PRAYER WEDNESDAY MARCH 19

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert where he fasted for forty days and forty nights. In remembrance of His sacrifice, we invite you to join in a day of fasting and prayer this Lent as we draw closer to God.

#### Dear Jesus,

I pray that this fast will remind me of my complete dependence on you and your grace. May it unite me with people who suffer from hunger from day to day and lead me to share what I have with my neighbors. I pray that I will grow in my patience, generosity and compassion through this experience. Be with me during this time of fasting and may it increase my gratitude for your abundant blessings.

I pray this in your name, Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### OTHER WAYS TO PRAY:

- Ask for strength if you are struggling with the fast.
- Offer thanksgiving for all your blessings.
- Reflect on God's plan for your life and how it might not be what we expected, but be grateful at all times. And know, He has a plan for each of us.

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## **COMING UP AT CHURCH**

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 16 - MISSION SUNDAY

8:00am Worship with Holy Communion
9:00am Coffee & Fellowship: Gym & Welcome Center
9:30am Sunday School for 3yrs-5th grade
9:30am Mercy Ships Presentation youth and adults
10:30am Worship with Holy Communion
6:15pm Confirmation Classes

#### MONDAY, MARCH 17

6:00pm Handbell Choir 7:00PM Connections Ministry Meeting

TUESDAY, MARCH 18

12:00pm Tuesdays@Noon

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19 - DAY OF FASTING & PRAYER

9:30am ELC Chapel
5:00pm Jr. Youth Fun & Fellowship
5:45pm Lenten Dinner, hosted by Global Missions
6:10pm Confirmation Small Groups
6:10pm Children's Choir Practice
7:00pm Midweek Worship for Lent
8:15pm Adult Choir Practice

#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 20**

10:00am Friends Visiting Friends6:00pm Global Missions Bible Study - Overflow

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 21

No school for ELC - parent/teacher conferences 4:45pm Jr. Youth T-Shotz

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 22

Private wedding shower

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 23

8:00am Worship
9:00am Coffee & Fellowship: Gym & Welcome Center
9:30am Sunday School for 3yrs-12th grade Adult Bible Study // Parent Study
10:30am Worship
4:30pm Sr. Youth Pennway Putt
6:15pm Confirmation Classes



#### THANKS FROM HIMO, TANZANIA FROM REV. JONATHAN CLAUSING & FAMILY THEOLOGICAL EDUCATOR, ST. PETER SEMINARY

On behalf of the Christians of the Lutheran Church in East Africa, thank you for your recent \$500 gift in support of theological education in Tanzania. With your help, men are able to study the word of God at our local seminary, being shaped and equipped to shepherd God's people faithfully. We are grateful!

For more information about this LCMS International mission, visit **INTERNATIONAL.LCMS.ORG/AFRICA** 

#### PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY THIS MONTH: SHERRYDALE NEIGHBORHOOD

The Evangelism Team invites all of our members to join us in praying for a local neighborhood each month. We are placing a prayer message on the church street sign with a selected neighborhood. Please put the people in the SHERRYDALE neighborhood on your prayer list and pray for them to hear the Word, for safety, protection, good health and blessings. Join us at the next Evangelism meeting in March 31 at 7:15pm and pray with us. Questions? Contact Brian Stapleton or Jon Jannings.

## LUMA AUXILIARY MEETING WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19

All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend the Lutheran Urban Mission Agency Auxiliary March meeting. The March meeting will be at Ascension Lutheran Church (Blue Ridge Blvd), with registration at 9:00am and opening service at 9:30am. The program will focus on food pantry updates. The Mission of the Month collection is non-perishable food pantry items and monetary donations. Lunch will be served. Please RSVP by March 16 to Brenda Frolin at frolinbk@aol.com.



# **LENT & EASTER SERVICES**

Join us each Wednesday throughout Lent for dinner and worship. Our sermon series, "*Singing with the Exiles*" will look at Isaiah chapters 40-55, including some of the most well known texts in the Bible. Find daily Lent devotional books on the Communications Counter in the Narthex.

- MAR. 19 5:45pm Enchilada dinner hosted by Global Missions 7:00pm Worship: Marked
- MAR. 26 5:45pm Pulled pork dinner hosted by Social Ministries & Evangelism 7:00pm Worship: Breaking Down the Gates
- APR. 2 5:45pm Taco dinner hosted by the ELC 7:00pm Worship: Get Out
- **APR.9**5:45pm Pasta dinner hosted by Lutheran High<br/>7:00pm Worship: One Little Word Can Fell Him
- APR. 13 8:00am & 10:30am Palm Sunday Worship
- **APR.17** 7:00pm Holy Thursday Worship
- APR. 18 Noon & 7:00pm Good Friday Worship
- APR. 19 8:30am Easter Eggstravaganza
- APR. 20 7:00am, 8:30am & 10:30am Easter Day Worship Easter breakfast, hosted by friends of MLA

# YOUTH GROUP HAPPENINGS

All details and registration information are located on the GroupMe App. Contact Cindy Twillman to be added.

# JUNIOR YOUTH (6-8)

MARCH 21T-Shotz GolfingMARCH 29Our Redeemer - Prepare MealMARCH 30Our Redeemer - Serve Meal

# **SENIOR YOUTH (9-12)**

MARCH 23	KC Wheel & Penway Putt 4pm-5:30pm
MARCH 30	Gathering Bible Study 6pm-7:30pm
APRIL 6	Sr. Youth Bible Study 4-5:30pm
APRIL 13	Easter Egg Stuffing 11:30a-12:30pm



Last Sunday, our Senior Youth worked together to build a 9-Square frame for indoor or outdoor games for youth. 9-Square is a great community game that is a cross between volleyball and 4-square, with the goal to end up in the center square and to remain as long as possible. It has become a favorite for teens at retreats. Thank you Senior Youth for bringing 9-Square to King of Kings to offer additional ways to GATHER and GROW together!

# LUTHERAN SCHOOLS

# ELC HOSTS PARENT/CHILD DANCE

Last Friday, the Early Learning Center hosted a parent/ child dance for all of the ELC students and families. "Never Glow Up" was a smashing success with 100+ attendees in attendance. The Fellowship Hall was decked out with black lights, DJ Chandler spun kid favorites, children danced in the snow globe bounce house, took photos, visited a balloon artist, got their faces painted and played games.

Thank you to our ELC Director, Joan Skare, teachers and staff for making this an amazing experience for our school families to GATHER with one another, and help make memories for parents and kids alike.

## EARLY LEARNING CENTER ENROLLMENT CONTINUES 2025/2026 SCHOOL YEAR



King of Kings ELC continues to add new students daily to the roster for this fall. God willing, we will fill all 4 classes before August. Help support our hidden gen and refer the ELC to your friends!

#### KINGS KAMP - AROUND THE WORLD SUMMER CAMPS FOR AGES 3-12

King's Kamp, our popular summer program, is filling quickly. If you or someone you know is looking for summer fun/care for kids ages 3-12, please tell them about King's Kamp. Extended care available, making this a great option for working parents and busy families.





# MINISTRY PARTNERS

# **HEIT'S POINT SUMMER CAMPS**

#### HeitsPointLutheran.org

Summer camp at Heit's Point is a favorite for many of our King of Kings kids and families. 2025 camps are now open:

- Family Camp: June 8-13
- MS/HS Servant Event: June 15-20
- Overnight Camps: Throughout summer

#### CAMPERSHIPS AVAILABLE

Students can apply for a "campership" (camp scholarship), covering all camp fees. King of Kings kids have been going to camp for many years at no cost thanks to our annual congregational support. Register online at Heit's Point and email Cindy Twillman with your student's camp details, including cost of chosen camp.

#### RING FOR JOY HANDBELL CONCERT SUNDAY, MARCH 30 - 3:30PM

Ring for Joy! The handbell ensembles of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church invite you to their third annual spring concert at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church (13145 S. Blackbob Road in Olathe, Kansas). The bells concert will feature music by all 5 of the church's handbell ensembles. A freewill offering will be taken. Contact Lauran Delancy at Lauran.Delancy@gmail.com with questions.