KING'S NEWS

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THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

SUNDAY, MAY 19 - PENTECOST

8:00am Worship with Holy Communion

9:00am Coffee & Fellowship

9:30am Sunday School for ages 3yo-5th grade

Confirmation Class // Sr. Youth Class Adult Bible Study // Parent Study

10:30am Worship with Holy Communion + livestream

11:30am Potluck lunch and new member intros

12:30pm Voters Meeting Senior tables on display

TUESDAY, MAY 21

12:00pm Tuesdays@Noon - Final Session/Potluck

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

6:00pm Men's Bible Study - Final Session

THURSDAY, MAY 23

6:00pm ELC Graduation

SUNDAY, MAY 26 - TRINITY SUNDAY

8:00am Worship with Holy Communion

9:00am Coffee & Fellowship
9:30am NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Bible Study

10:30am Worship with Holy Communion + livestream

Senior tables on display

LOOKING AHEAD

JUNE 2 CAR SHOW

JUNE 7-9 LWML CONVENTION

JUNE 8 MISSION TRIP DEPARTS

JUNE 24-27 VBS

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, interested in membership, or would like to learn more about the Lutheran faith, please reach out to one of our Pastors or the church office at 816-436-7680. Find sermons, Bible studies, calendar and more online at KingofKingsKC.org.

TODAY

POTLUCK LUNCH & VOTERS MEETING SUNDAY, MAY 19

Join your church friends after second service TODAY for a potluck lunch, followed by our quarterly meeting. All King of Kings members are encouraged to GATHER to meet our newest King of Kings members and enjoy fellowship with one another. Information packets available in the Narthex.

11:30AM POTLUCK LUNCH Bring an entrée AND side dish/dessert to share. Enough to feed your family. Drinks and table service provided.

12:30PM VOTERS MEETING Attend in-person or online.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINEES:

The following members have accepted nominations to serve on the Board of Directors for a 2-year term.

Vice President Chuck Laughridge
Property Director David Charlton
Education Director Michelle Easterday

ELC Oversight Director Lisa Dolato
Youth Director Julie Galutia
Long Range Planning Director Gary Roepke

A very sincere thank you goes to our outgoing Board of Directors Andy King and Amanda Reichers for their time and talents devoted to guiding King of Kings. Thank you to Andy King for your leadership, knowledge and skill on the Properties Committee. Thank you to Amanda Reichers for your commitment and dedication to our Senior Youth. We have been blessed to have you serve our congregation!

COMING SOON!

KING OF KINGS CAR SHOW SUNDAY, JUNE 2 @ 1-4PM

ENTRY CLOSES AT 2PM

King of Kings Car Show is back for our annual community event. All makes and models are welcome, with no entry fee. People's Choice awards given to top 3 entries. Food available – come for lunch and enjoy all the cars – from antiques and vintage to fun and funky. Many from our own congregation! Contact Travis Bolton with questions.

GOD'S RICHEST BLESSINGS TO THE GRADUATES

Congratulations and blessings to all King of King's graduates - class of 2024! We celebrate YOU and the very big accomplishment of graduation. May God's love and guidance be with you on life's journey. In addition to honoring our students, we also recognize and congratulate parents of the graduates for raising amazing, bright and faithful young adults and guiding them in God's word.

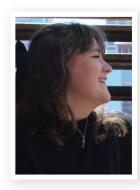
Additional congratulations to high school seniors: Kayden Apple and Ana Williamson. Senior tables will be on display in the Narthex May 19 and 26 for graduating high school seniors.



Jacob Arnold

Son of Anita and Dan Arnold, Jacob is graduating from Faith Christian Academy, where he played soccer for 5 years and excelled in math and sciences, winning first place with his Algebra team at Midwest Christian School Academic and Fine Arts Festival. His favorite class this year has been "Apologetics." He is

thankful for the support of his parents and grandparents. Jacob will attend Avila University this fall to pursue a degree in nursing. The Arnolds joined King of Kings only a year ago, but Jacob has enjoyed his time as a member of the Pancake Brigade.



Stephanie Baker

Stephanie graduated last week from Staley High School and is the daughter of Burrel and Rhonda Baker. Stephanie plans to attend Metropolitan Community College this fall. Her favorite church memory is volunteering for VBS.



Brooks Babcock

Brooks is the son of Amy and Brent Babcock (and twin to Lilly) and is a recent Liberty High School graduate where he was a member of KLHS, Liberty's daily broadcast. As a senior, Brooks was on the KLHS leadership team as Sports Director and was the "voice of the Blue Jays." He won many recognitions at

the local level, multiple state awards and a national "Best in Show" for his feature sports reports and play-by-play announcing. Brooks was also a four-time academic letter recipient. Before heading to the University of Kansas to study sports broadcasting, Brooks will be interning with the St. Joseph Mustangs baseball team this summer. His favorite memory at King of Kings is attending the LCMS Youth Gathering and serving on the Stream Team.



Lilly Babcock

Twin sister to Brooks and daughter of Amy and Brent Babcock, Lilly also graduated from Liberty High School where she excelled in academics and athletics. In swimming, she was a 4-year varsity swimmer and state qualifier, senior spirit leader and named suburban all-conference swimmer. Lilly was also a 4-year

member of the tennis team and a 4-year student council officer. Additionally, she was part of National Honor Society, A+ and participated in the Education Internship Program her senior year, working with second graders each day. Lilly currently works for King of Kings ELC and will be joining her brother this fall at KU to study art education. Lilly has loved becoming close with church friends, attending Heit's Point and being part of VBS as a child—and volunteer.

Congrats Graduates!



Evelyn Crouch

The daughter of Matt and Jenny Crouch, Evelyn graduated from Summit Christian Academy where she earned the honor of magna cum laude and served as captain of her swim team. She also was a member and officer of National Honor Society. At church, Evelyn serves as an usher and is a member of the

Evangelism Committee. She is working at Firehouse Subs this summer and plans to attend Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa, this fall to major in English and history with a concentration in law. Evelyn's favorite memory at King of Kings is Christmas Eve service.



Carolynn Easterday

Carolynn is the daughter of Darren and Michelle Easterday. She recently graduated from Missouri Virtual Academy (MOVA) and has already entered the workforce at Crossroads Couriers as a courier. Carolynn's favorite church memory is making snacks during Vacation Bible School, based on Bible stories.



Natalie Gerdes

Daughter of Cathy and Daryl Gerdes, Natalie is a graduate from Park Hill High School where she excelled in cross country, track and academics. Natalie holds the PHHS all-time records for the 5k and 3200m, received Runner of the Year award, PHHS Legacy award and was named countless times as a runner

for All District, All Conference, and All State teams. In addition, Natalie was a four-time academic letter recipient, completed the A+ program and volunteered at Friends of Parkville Animal Shelter. She plans to attend Southwest Baptist University and run cross country and track while studying to be a physical therapist (tentatively). Natalie's favorite memory at King of Kings is attending Quake in Wichita with Junior Youth.



Bridget Muck

Bridget is the daughter of Amanda and Daniel Muck, granddaughter of Melissa and Leo Slenker, and a graduate from Smithville High School. Bridget was very involved in high school serving four years as the football team manager, four years in yearbook and completed the A+ program. Additionally, Bridget

earned her academic letter each year and was involved in student council serving as VP and public relations.

She plans to attend University of Missouri - School of Journalism this fall. Her favorite memory at King of Kings is attending Heit's Point camp with all of her church friends.



Harper Nielsen

Daughter of Tanya and Mark Nielsen, Harper recently graduated from Staley High School. She plans to continue her education at Maple Woods Community College this fall as she continues to work at Hy-Vee. Harper's favorite memory as a King of Kings Youth was attending the LCMS Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas two years ago.



Abigail Roepke

Abigail is the daughter of Gary and Katy Roepke and recently graduated from Liberty High School where she excelled in both academics and athletics. Abigail was a 4-year varsity soccer player, member of National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, active Key Club participant and was a 4-year student council

member. Abigail graduated as class valedictorian and has already earned her CNA through her internship at Liberty Hospital. She plans to attend Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska this fall to study nursing. Her favorite memory at King of Kings is attending the LCMS Youth Gathering in Houston in the summer of 2022.

DUE TODAY

BUILDING GUATEMALAN HYGIENE KITS



DONATIONS NEEDED BY MAY 19

In a few short weeks, our 2024 Guatemala mission team will be giving personal and dental hygiene instruction to the children in the church plant community. We will also provide hygiene kits for 225 children when we give the hygiene talks. Our team has already purchased/had donated brightly colored canvas toiletry bags, toothbrushes, and combs that we will bring with us.

>> HOW YOU CAN HELP: Donate funds to meet the \$1500 goal to purchase soap, toothpaste, shampoo, and hair gel for 225 kids' toiletry kits. Items will be purchased in Guatemala when the team arrives.

Give on the King of Kings global mission page found through the QR code above and write "toiletry kits" in the memo. Or put cash or check in an offering envelope with a note for "Global Missions - toiletry kits".

BIBLE STUDIES & MUSIC MINISTRIES PLAN SUMMER PAUSE

Our Bible study groups and music ministries take a summer hiatus each year. The last session of Women's Bible Study was May 15. Tuesdays@Noon will wrap up their sessions next Tuesday, May 21 with a potluck lunch. Finally, Men's Bible Study concludes Wednesday, May 22. All Bible study groups resume after Labor Day.

Adult Choir and Handbell Choir completed their spring semester of practices this past week. Music ministries also resume after Labor Dav.

LWML CONVENTION **JUNE 7-9**



Join other Lutheran women to learn about mission programs and refresh and renew your spirit through God's word at this year's LWML District Convention at Stoney Creek Convention Center in Independence. King of Kings chapter is one of the primary hosts and has been busy planning all the details. Registration includes most meals. break-out sessions to hear from in-field missionaries, devotions led by Christian author, Deb Burma, a mission walk and mission fair, formal banquet, and lots of singing! An opening worship service with Holy Communion will be held Friday, June 7th at 7:00pm for anyone (men & women) to attend. Please join us! Learn more about the weekend and register through QR code above or at missouriLWML.org.

NOTES OF THANKS

FROM MARY WORNSON

Thanks to Pastor Frank for his hospital visit, and for all the prayers, cards, calls and good wishes as I continue to heal from my recent back surgery. God bless and thank you.

FAREWELL BLESSINGS TO JANET HARGARTEN

As you and Rob start a new chapter of life in Florida, your church family wants to thank you for serving as an usher for many years, for your volunteer work with the Security team, for your previous service as chairwoman of the Helping Hands committee, and for all the friendship and light you brought to the King of Kings church family. You are already missed by many. May God bless you!

REGISTER TODAY

DIVE INTO VBS THIS JUNE JUNE 24-27, MORNINGS

Dive into friendship with God at this year's SCUBA VBS. This year, kids will be sent on an undersea adventure as they discover the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. VBS welcomes kids 3 years old through fifth grade. Registration and volunteer signup now open! Afternoon care available through our ELC Kings Kamp program. www.KingofKingsKC.org/VBS

TEACHERS NEEDED FOR FALL **ELC & MLA HIRING TEACHERS**

The ELC is looking for a 3 year-old classroom teacher Please submit resumé to ELC Director, Joan Skare.

MLA is looking for a new 4th grade teacher. Please contact MLA principal, Mr. Scott Dixon for more information.

Church Safety Tips

KING OF KINGS SAFETY & SECURITY COMMITTEE

We want everyone to be feel welcome at King of Kings and maintain secure worship environment. On days of worship, the Welcome Center and Narthex doors will be locked approximately ten minutes after the start of each service. If you should arrive later than ten minutes for service and an usher doesn't let you in the Welcome Center door, please come to the Narthex door where an usher will be able to let you in. For questions or concerns regarding these security measures, please contact a member of the Security Committee.