# KING'S NEWS

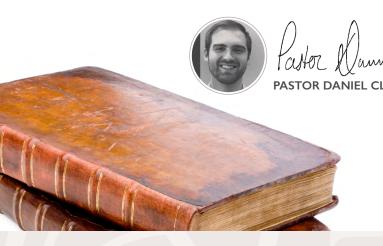
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## **HOLY MOMENTS**

A couple months ago, I bought a two-volume set of books called *Every Moment Holy* by Douglas Kaine McKelvey. These volumes are filled with prayers and short liturgies that can be prayed or spoken in the seemingly mundane activities and moments of life. For example, the author has penned a liturgy for beekeeping, a prayer upon noticing trees blowing in the wind, a liturgy for beginning a book, and even a short order for enjoying that first cup of coffee in the morning (you can bet I've made good use of this one!). By offering these prayers and liturgies soaked in biblical language, McKelvey invites his fellow Christians to make every moment holy by the Word of God and prayer (1 Timothy 4:5).

In his strangely specific list of liturgies is one prayer I didn't think I would be using so soon: "For the Changing of Diapers." As many of you know, Erin and I took in a three-year-old boy as our first foster placement just one month ago. He wasn't quite potty trained, so I quickly learned how to help our little one change his Pull-Ups. To me, this truly is a mundane task. There's certainly nothing glamorous about it. And yet because I am fulfilling my Christian vocation as foster father, it is a moment that is holy to the Lord. The aforementioned liturgy helped me to realize this.

The same goes for all our activities and moments: folding laundry, doing homework, having a garage sale, losing electricity in a storm, waking from a nightmare. Our heavenly Father invites us to sanctify the moments of our lives by hearing his holy Word and by calling upon his holy name. Give it a try the next time you start washing the dishes or when you attempt your next home repair.



## THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

## SUNDAY, JUNE 31

8:00am Worship with Communion 9:30am Education Hour - Summer Sunday School 10:30am Worship with Communion + live-stream

## MONDAY, AUGUST I

6:30pm Men's Basketball

#### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 6**

10:00am Young Families Event - All Aboard!

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

- AUG 7 YOUTH GROUP KICKOFF
- AUG 8 LWML MEETING
- AUG 9 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
- AUG 14 BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS PRAYERS FOR ALL TEACHERS
- AUG 21 INSTALL. & REDEDICATION OF ELC STAFF
  YOUTH GATHERING PRESENTATION
  POTLUCK LUNCH + VOTERS MEETING
- **AUG 24 CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION**
- **AUG 28 BLESSING CONFIRMANDS & TEACHERS**
- AUG 29 FIRST DAY SCHOOL AT ELC
- **AUG 31 CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION**

Bible study and choir small groups are on summer break. These ministries will resume in September.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

# YOUTH GROUP KICKOFF

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7 @ 12:30PM-3PM

We are ending summer with a big splash at The Springs Aquatic Center. Join your friends – middle school through high school – for pizza and fun in the sun. Meet at The Springs (Tiffany Springs Rd & Congress Ave) at 12:30pm. Lunch provided. Bring your water bottle, sunscreen and a towel. RSVP on BAND.

#### **THIS WEEK**

## YOUNG FAMILIES EVENT

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 6 @ 10AM

All aboard! Calling all families with children 0-5yrs (and older sibs). Join other young families and children aboard Kansas City Northern Miniature Railroad (6060 NW Waukomis Drive). Each trip around the park is 75cents per ride. We hope to see all little engineers there!

# **TEACHERS NAMES NEEDED**

#### **SUBMIT BY AUGUST 9**

We will be having a special prayer for all teachers - public and private - on August 14 in both services. Please submit names to the **CHURCH OFFICE** to be included in the prayer.

## PAULA MEIER RETIREMENT

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 @ 3PM

King of Kings members, handbell choir, former co-workers and former students are invited to attend a retirement reception for Paula Meier on Saturday, August 13th at 3pm, at Lutheran High School of Kansas City in the formal dining room. Please bring a card and include a favorite memory.

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

## BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

Can you believe we are already talking about back to school? Mark your calendars and bring your child's backpack to church on August 14 for the King of Kings annual Blessing of the Backpacks and back to school prayers.

# **HEY, COLLEGE KIDS!**

The College Student Prayer Partner Ministry keeps students connected to their home church at King of Kings. Each student - whether living at home or living on campus - is paired with a member of our congregation who will pray for the student and send cards of encouragement throughout the school year.

#### >> COLLEGE STUDENTS (& PARENTS)

Submit your 2022/2023 address, birth date and year in school to Beth Lovesee at BKLUVC@SBCGLOBAL.NET

## CARD SHOWER FOR AL WILSON

#### **TURNS 95 ON AUGUST 30**

Long-time member, Al Wilson turns 95 on August 30. Help us celebrate this special occasion by sending him a birthday card.

Al Wilson

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# **VOTERS MEETING** & POTLUCK LUNCH

#### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 21**

Join your church friends for a potluck lunch, followed by our quarterly meeting. All King of Kings members encouraged to attend. Information packet will be available August 14.

#### 11:30AM POTLUCK LUNCH

Please bring an entrée AND side dish/dessert to share. Enough to feed your family. Drinks and table service provided.

1:00PM VOTERS MEETING Attend in-person or online

## LCMS CONVENTION NOMINATIONS

LCMS has put out a call for nominations for the 68th Regular Convention of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. The nomination process is open to every member of every Synod congregation for the sixty-nine officer, board and commission positions. It is a wonderful opportunity to gather up the great diversity of human gifts in our pews to see how they may be put to the common good in Synod leadership. Read more about the convention and nominations at www.LCMS.org/convention



**NOMINATION FORM** 

# **EARLY LEARNING CENTER**

## PART-TIME AIDES NEEDED FOR FALL

Looking for part-time aides for fall. Our Aid position is a great fit for stay-at-home parents, students interested in teaching or retired persons. Flexible scheduling and great people to work with. Contact Joan Skare at 816-436-3864.

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**VOLLEYBALL CAMP** - August 9-11. For 4th – 8th grade girls Register online