

KING'S NEWS

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COMING UP AT CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

8:00am Worship
9:30am Adult Bible Study / Sunday School
10:30am Worship + livestream
6:00pm Sr. Youth Bible Study
***Blessing of confirmation students and teachers*

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

6:30pm Men's Basketball

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

4:00pm ELC Meet the Teacher Night
6:00pm Long Range Planning

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

7:00pm Confirmation Orientation

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

9:00am ELC First Day of School

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

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

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

LOOKING AHEAD

SEPT. 5 - TUESDAY@NOON RESUMES

**SEPT. 6 - FIRST DAY CONFIRMATION CLASSES
WOMEN'S/MEN'S BIBLE STUDIES**

SEPT. 10 - RALLY SUNDAY & CHURCH PICNIC

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 archived sermons, Bible studies, calendar and more on our website at KINGOFKINGSKC.ORG.

THIS WEEK

CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION

AUGUST 30

Our last Confirmation Orientation will be held this Wednesday, August 30 at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Each confirmation student, and at least one parent, are expected to attend an orientation meeting each year. Hear about plans and requirements for confirmation and retreats, pickup your study packs and receive your class assignments.

TONIGHT

SR. YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

AUGUST 27 @ 6PM

All senior youth—freshmen to senior—are invited to join our monthly Bible study TONIGHT. Catch up with friends and kick off your school year with Jesus. Meets in the Youth Room.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

Friendly reminder that Labor Day is next week. Due to the holiday weekend, there will be NO Sunday School on September 3, for ages 3 years old through high school. However, Adult Bible Study will be in session. Additionally, the church office will be closed on Monday, September 4.

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELP NEEDED

We are looking for one more teacher and a few additional helpers (or substitutes) for our Sunday School classes. If you feel led to serve children in ministry, this is a great way to get involved. All materials and lessons provided. Contact the church office or MICHELLE.EASTERDAY to offer help.

BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER

AL WILSON TURNS 96

Long-time member, Al Wilson is blessed to celebrate his 96th birthday on August 30. The congregation is invited to honor him by sending a birthday card to:

Al Wilson

9101 N Ambassador Drive, Apt # 3116

Kansas City, MO 64154

FALL MINISTRIES

Get plugged in at church this fall through a Bible study, small group ministry or church events.
Participating in ministry fosters spiritual growth and Christian friendships.

Annual Church Picnic

POTLUCK, FELLOWSHIP & DESSERT CONTEST

Join us for our congregation-wide potluck picnic to kick off our Fall ministries.
Food, fellowship and games for all. Meet someone new or reconnect with an old friend.
Bring an entrée and side dish - enough to feed your family. Drinks and table service provided.
Invite a friend and grab the folding chairs, too!

Sunday, September 10

4:00PM-6:00PM

HAPPY ROCK PARK, LARGE SHELTER

NEW



Dessert Competition

Do you have the best apple pie this side of the Mississippi? Or maybe your specialty is a rich chocolate sheet cake? Join in on a little healthy competition at this year's picnic and bring your best dessert. The most scrumdiddlyumptious entry wins a prize. We can't wait to taste your sweet treats!

RALLY SUNDAY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 @ 9:30AM

Rally Sunday is around the corner and marks the new school year of Sunday School classes. Please join us for fun and celebrating our new year. All students—preschool to high school—will have a morning treat, meet teachers and participate in a special activity at this fun Back-to-Sunday-School kickoff. Meet in lower level commons.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN

WEDNESDAYS @ 6PM - BEGINS SEPT. 6

All Lutheran students in grades 6-8 begin their year of confirmation study on September 6. Please keep these middle schoolers, and their teachers, in your prayers.

FOUNDATIONS CLASS

**AN INTRODUCTION TO THE LUTHERAN FAITH
BEGINS SEPTEMBER 10**

Our next Foundations session will be held on Sundays at 9:30am, beginning September 10. 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. For more information or to sign up, contact Fran Szarejko, a pastor or the church office. Meets in the Overflow Room.

TUESDAYS@NOON

BEGINS SEPTEMBER 5

Bring your lunch and a Bible, and meet Pastor Frank in the Board Room (lower level), to finish up the Book of Judges. On September 12, Pastor Danny will take over to begin a new book of the Bible (TBD).

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDIES

WEDNESDAYS @ 6PM, BEGINS SEPTEMBER 6

Now is a great time to plug in to our Bible studies and get involved. All are welcome to attend, even if you haven't attended previously. Meet new friends as you study God's word. Come as your schedule allows. No RSVP necessary.

WOMEN: Meets in the Narthex

Take Heart, God's Comfort for Anxious Thoughts
\$14/book - available at meeting

MEN: Meets in the Fellowship Hall

Studying the *Gospel of John*

YOUTH GROUPS

Our youth stay busy and connected through Sunday morning Bible study and monthly events. RSVP to all events on the BAND app. Upcoming events:

JR. YOUTH (6-8th Grades)

September 17	Escape Room
October 21 & 22	Iowa Retreat
November 12	Thanksgiving Feast

SR. YOUTH (9-12th Grades)

August 17 @ 6pm	Bible Study
September 23 & 24	Serve a meal to the homeless
October 29	Pumpkin Painting & Bible Study
November 17-19	District Gathering

YOUNG FAMILIES MINISTRY

Young Families ministry is a small group for families with children 0-5years old (and siblings), sharing in parent-hood, faith and fellowship together. Contact Amie Graybill for questions. Join us for our September event:

SEPTEMBER 30 @ 9:30AM NATURE WALK

MUSIC MINISTRIES

Our talented choirs will begin practice after Labor Day.

ADULT CHOIR: BEGINS SEPTEMBER 6

WEDNESDAYS @ 7:15PM

The choir would LOVE to grow and have new voices in the loft. All ages welcome! Practices held Wednesdays in the choir loft. Contact Emily Rowland for questions.

HANDBELLS: BEGINS SEPTEMBER 11

MONDAYS @ 6PM

Contact [PAULA MEIER](#) if you are interested in ringing,

YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY

Our young adults ministry allows our twenty- and thirty-somethings to connect in faith and fellowship. This group often joins the city-wide group for events. Bring a friends and register for below events online.

TRIVIA NIGHT @ BREW LAB Overland Park

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 @ 6:30PM

1,000 YOUNG LEADERS & ICE CREAM BAR

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 @ 7:00PM

Join KC Young Adult Lutherans Ministry (KCYALs) to learn about spiritual leadership training, *1,000 Young Leaders*. This event is for individuals, between the ages of 21 and 36, who are hoping to strengthen their leadership skills to impact the local community and surrounding areas for God's glory. Hosted at Trinity Lutheran - Shawnee Mission.

HOMESPUN HOLIDAY BAZAAR & GERMAN LUNCH

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

Help us make this year's Bazaar a huge success by starting to make your homemade items. All proceeds benefit students attending local Lutheran schools.

- **FOODS:** salsas, marinara, pear honey, jellies, jams and pickles, soup mix, smoked cheese and baked goods
- **CRAFTS:** floral arrangements, wreaths, wood pieces, crochet/knit goods, holiday decor, jewelry, custom art, soaps... and more!
- **VINTAGE:** glass, cookie jars, ornaments and more

Questions? Contact Barb Ewert or Susan Haerer-Deatherage.

PRAYERS & CONDOLENCES

PASSING OF LUCY KEENER JOHNSON

Earlier this week, our congregation learned that long-time member, Lucy Keener joined our Father in Heaven. Lucy graced so many with her bright smile, easy laughter and her fierce, unwavering faith. We rejoice in knowing Lucy is in the arms of Jesus. Condolences may be sent to:

Emily Keener
3030 Ensign Ave. S
St. Louis Park, MN 55426

AVAILABLE IN WELCOME CENTER FREE BIBLE STUDY BOOKS

Need a new book? We have an overage of Bible study books available for FREE for you to read, share with a friend or add to your personal collection. Find devotional books in the Welcome Center. Take one home today!

NOTES OF GRATITUDE

FROM LUTHERAN URBAN MISSION AGENCY (LUMA)

We received a thank you for our gifts of \$902.68, received during the second quarter of 2023. Additionally, Pastor Phil Cook (Chairman of the Board), shared that LUMA—with the help of financial gifts like those received from King of Kings—is able to support many ministries in the KC area. One of those ministries is tuition assistance for Molalign, the spiritual leader of Ebenezer Oromo Evangelical Church. Molalign is an immigrant from Ethiopia and is enrolled at the Ethnic Immigrant Institute of Theology (EIIT) at Concordia Seminary. His studies will lead to his ordination as a LCMS pastor. Molalign is mentored by Pastor Froiland at Christ Lutheran and shepherds a flock of Oromo immigrants here in Kansas City.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Now is a great time to stock up on school supplies, flip flops, jump ropes, inflatable balls and pumps for our “shoebox ministry” that we participate in each fall. Also, pick up toothbrushes, soap and collapsible water bottles you may find on sale. Stay tuned for complete details on putting together shoeboxes for donation this October. Or, find more at SAMARITANSPURSE.ORG.

URGENT NEED

CLASSROOM AIDES FOR ELC (PART-TIME) 2 OPEN POSITIONS

The ELC is still in need of two (2) Classroom Aides willing to work in our after care program, 3pm-5:45pm. This Aide position offers 10-20 hours per week. Primary responsibilities include supervision of children and engaging them with afternoon fun and games. This position is a great opportunity for high school or college students, retired adults or someone looking for an afternoon job. Must be 16 years old. Apply to ELCDIRECTOR@KOKKC.ORG.

COMMUNITY EVENT

LIGHT THE NIGHT FOR LIFE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

4:30-8PM @ PLEASANT VALLEY BAPTIST

This 5K walk/run is chance for the community and local churches to gather together to celebrate LIFE and all that God is doing through the ministry of Liberty Womens Clinic. Enjoy all the festivities...music, food trucks, games, booths, races and more! Simply come and enjoy, or register for the Fun Walk, Kids Fun Run or 5K Run...strollers and pets are welcome. WWW.LIGHTTHENIGHT4LIFE.COM

HEIT'S POINT FAMILY & ALUMNI OUTDOOR FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

King of Kings members are invited to attend Heit's Point Outdoor Festival and FUNdraiser to celebrate another wonderful year of ministry. RSVP to heitspoint.com or call 660-668-2363.

10:00 am Outdoor games and Bounce House

11:00 am Church Service

NOON TLC Smokehouse Lunch

1:00 pm End of Summer Presentation and Auction

3:00 pm Lake Time, Fellowship and Fun!

SUBMIT TO KINGS NEWS

Need to submit a thank you to the congregation, upcoming event or ministry information? Please send submissions to communications@kokkc.org or contact Amy Babcock by phone at 816-885-7777. Submissions are due each Wednesday by noon.