

KING'S NEWS

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COMING UP AT CHURCH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

8:00am Worship
9:30am Sunday School/ Adult Bible Study
9:30am Foundations - Intro to Lutheran Faith
10:30am Worship + Livestream
1:15pm Sr. Youth Serve Homeless

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

6:00pm Handbell Practice
6:30pm Men's Basketball
6:30PM Young Adults Trivia Night

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

12:00pm Tuesdays@Noon
6:00pm Long Range Planning Meeting
7:00pm Young Leaders & Ice Cream Bar

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

6:00pm Confirmation Classes
6:00pm Women's/Men's Bible Studies
7:15pm Choir Practice - Choir Loft

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

9:30am Young Families Nature Walk

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:00am Worship w/ Holy Communion
9:30am Sunday School/ Adult Bible Study
9:30am Foundations - Intro to Lutheran Faith
10:30am Worship w/ Holy Communion + Livestream

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

YOUNG FAMILIES NATURE WALK

SEPTEMBER 30 @ 9:30AM

All families with children 0-5years old (and siblings) are invited to join together for a family walk and playtime at Hobby Hill West Park, located at 7700 N. Broadway. New families welcome! Contact Amie Graybill for questions.

THIS WEEK

YOUNG ADULTS EVENTS

Our Young Adults group (20 & 30-somethings) connects in faith and friendship. This group often joins the city-wide group for events. Bring a friend. Register online.

TRIVIA NIGHT @ BREW LAB Overland Park

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 @ 6:30PM



1,000 YOUNG LEADERS & ICE CREAM BAR

TUESDAY, 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 - Mission Campus.



COMMUNITY EVENT

THE FENTANYL EPIDEMIC PARENT & YOUTH INFO SESSION

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

1:30PM @ BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN - OLATHE

King of Kings families and youth are invited to an information session regarding the Fentanyl epidemic facing our country and local area. It only takes one pill to kill — with 6 out of every 10 pills containing Fentanyl at a potentially lethal dose. (source: DEA) Parents, grandparents, friends, and youth are invited and encouraged to attend. Hosted by Beautiful Savior Lutheran Olathe Youth Board.

Presenters will include Captain John Diaz of the KCK Police department, and Libby Davis founder of Keepin Clean for COOP. For questions regarding the event please contact Pastor Mike Ada at MIKE.ADA@BSLCKS.ORG or Jennifer Bertels at JENNIFERMBERTELS@GMAIL.COM. Learn more at: COOPERDAVISMEMORIALFOUNDATION.COM.

NEXT SUNDAY

LIGHT THE NIGHT FOR LIFE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

4:30-8PM @ PLEASANT VALLEY BAPTIST

This 5K walk/run is a 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! Come and enjoy or register at WWW.LIGHTTHENIGHT4LIFE.COM

COMMUNITY EVENT

SAINT PAUL'S RIVERSIDE CONCERT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8 @ 4PM

EAGLE BLUFF RANCH—WAVERLY, MO

Enjoy the breathtaking autumn colors of the trees overlooking the river while you listen to the beautiful sounds of the 58-voiced Saint Paul Lutheran High School Singing Saints choir as they sing an entire concert of songs themed around water, baptism, rivers, and nature. Hear such favorites as "Deep River", "Shenandoah", "Down by the Riverside" and more. A reception with hot drinks, wine, and fall-themed desserts will be served following the concert.

The choir is under the direction of Dr. Jerrode Marsh, Director of Music at Saint Paul Lutheran High School. No charge for admission. A free-will offering will be taken to help fund the choir's annual spring tour.

COMMUNITY EVENT

PROTECT YOURSELF ONLINE

CYBERSECURITY WORKSHOP

OCTOBER, 26 @ 7PM

Learn how to protect yourself online from hackers, phishers, identity thieves, and scammers through a community workshop right here at King of Kings. Taught by cybersecurity experts from the Department of Homeland Security and Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Kansas City, attendees will gain knowledge on "best practices" and recommendations to better protect and safeguard your valuable information, accounts, and identity from security risks that are so prevalent in today's world. This is a community-wide event and is open to all.

SEMINARIAN UPDATE

FROM ETHAN HARTKEMEYER & FAMILY

"We made it through Summer Greek mostly unscathed and have entered into the fall quarter. Summer Greek pushed us together with many incoming families, several of whom are also second-career seminarians. We are grateful to have such a wonderful, God-centered atmosphere in which to cultivate new, supportive friendships."

"We are slowly but surely adjusting to seminary life in a new city. Edmund and Ezra love the park at the seminary and the fully fenced in yard at our new home that allows them to run and roam to their hearts' content. Emma is busy getting ready for baby boy number three to arrive in December, and she is happily carting the boys to chapel and play dates. I am re-learning what it means to be a student while still holding the titles of "husband" and "dad." The learning curve is proving steeper than anticipated, but the courses are well worth the effort! I recently received my field study placement at Bethany Lutheran Church here in Fort Wayne. For the next two years, this is where we will be attending church as a family and I will be carrying out my field work studies."

"We are beyond grateful to our King of Kings family for your various forms of support. Your prayers certainly have a tremendous impact on our lives. Additionally, we have deeply appreciated the cards and letters we have received. Please continue to keep us in your prayers as we continue through the fall quarter."

GIFTS FOR GUATEMALA

FOR YOUR SPONSORED CHILD

DUE NOVEMBER 1

When Pastor Frank and Jenny Crouch visit Guatemala in November on the Global Missions Exploratory trip, they will visit one of the Compassion International centers that serve children sponsored by many in our congregation. If you sponsor a child from Nueva Jerusalem in Gualan, and would like to send a small gift to your child, please get it to Jenny by November 1. It must fit inside a gallon Ziploc or 9"x12" style envelope and be labeled with your name and sponsor number, and child's name and number.

KING OF KINGS 20TH ANNUAL

Holiday Bazaar & German Lunch

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

SHOP: 10AM-3PM

LUNCH: 11AM-2PM

SUPPORT THE BAZAAR

Help make this year's Bazaar a huge success by donating supplies, crafted items and volunteering your time. This is a BIG event at King of Kings and can only be successful with everyone's help. All proceeds benefit students attending Early Learning Center, Martin Luther Academy and/or Lutheran High School of Kansas City.

DONATIONS NEEDED: Check out the donation board in the Narthex for needed supplies. Baking supply donations help keep our costs down, and maximize tuition assistance.

Supply donations due NEXT SUNDAY, October 1.

KEEP CRAFTING: Please start/continuing making your handmade items (wood items, holiday decor, jewelry, sewn items, knitting, paintings, craft specialties & other hand-made items) to help make the Bazaar a huge success.

Craft donations drop-off begins October 9.

2023 CHRISMON

BAZAAR FEATURED ITEM

King of Kings Bazaar Crafters are introducing a new tradition this year at the Holiday Bazaar — an annual *Chrismon* (Christian ornament). The first King of Kings *Chrismon* is the Christian ichthus (fish). These beautiful ornaments are made of white felt, adorned with gold sequins and beads, and hand-sewn with Christian love by the women of this congregation. Each year will feature a new design. The limited-edition 2023 *Chrismons* will be available at the Bazaar — arrive early to purchase your *Chrismon* and start a new collection.

HISTORY OF THE CHRISMON

The word *Chrismon* comes from the words Christ and monogram. *Chrismons* were first developed by Frances Kipps Spencer in 1957 at Ascension Lutheran Church in Danville, Virginia. Frances set out to create ornaments that were Christ-centered and appropriate for the church sanctuary, as opposed to the bright, colorful, secular ornaments that are commercially available. Since that time, *Chrismon* trees are widely seen in churches during Advent and Christmas.

This Christmas season, spend some time studying the *Chrismons* hanging on the King of Kings tree in the sanctuary. Many of them were created years ago by youth or given as gifts to the church. Each of them is a symbol to turn our attention toward the Lord as we celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.



LUMA LUNCHEON RECAP

Last week, LUMA held their monthly meeting and luncheon at King of Kings. A busy morning was had for the 43 attendees from area Lutheran churches. Pastor Frank offered an opening devotion, followed by a presentation by Jenny Crouch about Compassion International and our Global Missions Ministry. After the LUMA business meeting, the ladies enjoyed a delectable lunch of pulled pork nachos and dessert. Thank you to the LWML ladies and LUMA representatives for hosting.



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.

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.



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MLA UPDATE

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OUTDOOR WORKDAY

Saturday, September 30th starting at 8 am, led by Chris Ohlde. Please help if possible as your time allows.

HIRING

- Two after-school workers for 5 afternoons a week.
- Classroom assistants - days/times vary.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- Kitchen help to serve lunch on Tuesdays
- Kitchen substitutes

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept. 30 - Volleyball @ MLA - 5/6 @ 5pm; 7/8 @ 6pm
- Sept. 30 - 8th Grade Sports Recognition @ 5:45pm
- Sept. 29 - MLA Walk-a-thon 12pm-3pm
- Sept. 30 - Volleyball @ MLA - 5/6 @ 9am; 7/8 @ 9:45am

◀ Last Sunday, two Junior Youth groups competed against each other at Breakout KC. Both groups finished all of the challenges in under an hour, with the Szechuan Secret team coming out first. Thank you to the congregation for your continued support of our Youth ministry, including team building activities.