

KING'S NEWS

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COMING UP AT CHURCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

LAST SUNDAY OF CHURCH YEAR

- 8:00am Worship
9:00am Coffee & Fellowship: Gym & Welcome Center
9:30am Sunday School for 3yrs-5th grade
Jr. Youth Confirm. Class // Sr. Youth Study
Adult Bible Study // Parent Study
10:30am Worship + livestream
11:30am Distribution of Thanksgiving Meal Baskets
4:30pm Young Families Friendsgiving
6:15pm Confirmation Classes

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25

- 10:00am ELC Thanksgiving Feast
6:00pm Handbell Choir

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

- 10:00am ELC Thanksgiving Feast

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

- 7:00pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28 - THANKSGIVING

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

- 9:30am Welcome Center Decorating
11:00am Sr. Youth Decorate Church

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1 - FIRST DAY OF ADVENT

- 8:00am Worship with Holy Communion
9:00am Coffee & Fellowship: Gym & Welcome Center
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL (PreK—Sr. Youth)
9:30am Adult Bible Study
10:30am Worship with Holy Communion + livestream
2:00pm Advent by Candlelight

NO CONFIRMATION CLASSES

LOOKING AHEAD

DECEMBER 4 ADVENT DINNER & MIDWEEK

**DECEMBER 7 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM REHEARSAL
BREAKFAST IN BETHLEHEM**

All ladies invited

Advent by Candlelight

NEXT SUNDAY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

2:00-4:00PM

Women of all ages, are invited to join us for **Advent By Candlelight** where we will focus on God's purpose for Christmas. This year, table decorations and a dessert buffet will be provided by the LWML. We hope you will join us during this busy time of the year, as we calm our hearts, quiet our souls and focus on the coming of Christ. RSVP in the Narthex.

YOUNG FAMILIES FRIENDSGIVING

TODAY - NOVEMBER 24 @ 4:30PM

It's not too late to make plans to attend! Bring your favorite dish and meet our Young Families group for Friendsgiving. This year, the Clemens family will host at their home. Young Families ministry brings together families with children birth to 7 years (plus older siblings) for faith, fun and fellowship. [RSVP to Amie Graybill](#). Please include number of adults/children and the dish you plan to bring.

THIS WEEK

THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27 AT 7PM

Let Thanksgiving Eve worship set the tone for your Thanksgiving holiday. The altar is set with a cornucopia of breads and produce as we give thanks to God for all the goodness and generosity He provides. Invite a friend, out of town guests or family to join you.

KING OF KINGS LUTHERAN CHURCH

GATHER | GROW | GIVE | GO

GUATEMALAN STUDENT TUITION SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

SPONSORSHIPS DUE NOV. 30

8 STUDENTS IN NEED OF SPONSORSHIP: \$650/each

Our friends at the Resurrection Lutheran Church & School, in Gualán, Guatemala have identified EIGHT elementary students who would greatly benefit by having their school tuition partially sponsored by our members (\$650/ea).

Needs are based on the families' ability to pay for full tuition and uniforms. This new sponsorship program will pair each student in need with a tuition sponsor. Sponsors will be able to write/receive letters from their sponsored student several times a year. In addition, if you attend the 2025 Guatemalan mission trip, you will have opportunity to meet with your sponsored student in person, or send a package with the mission team.

Please contact Jenny Crouch or a Global Missions member to offer tuition sponsorship for a child that may not be able to go to school without assistance. Due Nov. 30.

2025 MISSION TRIP - SPOTS AVAILABLE

COMMITMENTS DUE DECEMBER 5

JUNE 7 — JUNE 16, 2025

Spend a week next summer on a short-term mission, serving the children and people of Guatemala. Visit Gualán and Los Limones. Trip runs from June 7 through June 16, 2025. There are a few spots left, with deposits (\$300) due December 5. Contact Jenny Crouch, a member of our mission team or the church office for more information.



DECORATE FOR CHRISTMAS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

ADULTS: 9:30AM // SR. YOUTH: 11AM

Join John and Kathy Cunningham NEXT Saturday to put up the Welcome Center Christmas Tree and nativities. Sr. Youth will put up the Sanctuary tree beginning at 11am.

LIGHT ADVENT CANDLES

Each season of Advent, we invite individuals and families to participate in Sunday and midweek services. Volunteers light the candle(s) and read scripture at the start of our worship services. If you or your family are interested in participating, please contact the [church office](#).

NEXT WEEK

ANNUAL BEANS & RICE OUTREACH

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4 AT 7:45PM

For more than forty years, King of Kings has provided beans and rice to inner city Lutheran ministries for those in need at Christmastime. On December 4, our church family will come together, once again, to repackage 1000 pounds of beans and rice into family-size portions, helping serve the needs of those less fortunate in our community. This ministry project takes only about an hour to complete and is possible thanks to a Thrivent Action Team. To participate, meet in the Fellowship Hall after midweek worship.

SIGNUPS NEEDED ASAP

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

REHEARSAL: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7 @ 8:30AM

PROGRAM: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 @ 10:30AM

Children aged 3 years through 5th grade are invited to participate in the annual Christmas program. Rehearsals will take place during Sunday School openings and the morning of December 7, prior to *Breakfast in Bethlehem*. Parents, please consider helping—at rehearsal and on program day. Scan QR code or contact the [church office](#) to sign your child up. www.KingofKingsKC.org/signup

SIGNUP



CALL FOR YOUTH MUSICIANS

Music students in 3rd-12th grade with instrumental skills are encouraged to give a holiday instrumental offering in our pre-service music. Signup thru QR code above.

SIGNUPS NEEDED ASAP

CHRISTMAS CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE ON WEDNESDAYS DURING ADVENT

Our choir director, Emily Rowland, is forming a seasonal Children's Choir for students in 3rd-5th grades. Children will practice on Wednesday evenings during Advent from 6-7pm, and offer choral offerings in the 10am Christmas Eve service. Scan QR code or contact the [church office](#) to sign your child up.

Note: The Children's Choir is a vocal choir only.

SIGNUP



BREAKFAST IN BETHLEHEM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

9:30AM-11:30AM

Celebrate the birth of Jesus at King of Kings' annual children's Christmas event. A favorite for the whole family with pancakes, crafts and holiday merriment. Wear your PJ's and bring your camera for a Nativity photo. Bring a friend!

"I learned that helping people is fun and it feels good to know that I could help them out while their child was in the hospital."

— BEKAH H.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE PROJECT & PRAYERS FOR CHILDREN

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE - KANSAS CITY

Last Saturday, November 16, several of our junior youth girls—Natalie, Kianna, Gracie, Liala, Maddie, Lucy and Bekah—provided a meal and snacks to the families staying at the Ronald McDonald House in downtown Kansas City. The girls shopped, prepared and served two kinds of soups, sandwiches and snacks.

The Ronald McDonald House serves families whose children are hospitalized or undergoing treatment at Children's Mercy Kansas City, providing families with food, accommodations, respite and hope near the hospital. Our girls had the opportunity to talk to several of the families, hear their personal stories and offered to pray for the sick children. Please join the girls in praying for these children, their families and the medical teams caring for them:

- Miracle, who was born at 34 weeks in the bathroom
- Lucas, who just had brain surgery
- Lucy, Julian and Amira
- All local children hospitalized and in need of healing



"I'm really grateful for this experience because it showed me how truly fortunate I am. I am grateful to have the opportunity to help others as well."

— KIANA H.

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS

ORDERS DUE WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

Help decorate the chancel this Christmas by ordering a poinsettia. Plants are \$8.50/ea.

1. Complete order form and include it with your payment (cash or check). Checks made payable to King of Kings Lutheran Church.
2. Place in an envelope marked POINSETTIAS and submit in offering plate or to church office.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

WORSHIP: 10AM, 3PM, 6:30PM

Christmas is just a few short weeks away. King of Kings holds services on Christmas Eve at 10am, 3pm and 6:30pm each year. Each service will offer special music offerings, Holy Communion and a candlelit *Silent Night*. Invite a neighbor, friend or family to join you this Christmas Eve as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior.

YOUTH GROUP HAPPENINGS

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

JUNIOR YOUTH (6-8)

DECEMBER 7 Volunteer at Breakfast in Bethlehem (9a-1130a)

DECEMBER 8 Jr. Youth Christmas Party (4:30p-6p)

SENIOR YOUTH (9-12)

NOVEMBER 30 Decorate church for Christmas (11a-1p)

DECEMBER 4 Prepare and serve Advent meal

DECEMBER 7 Volunteer at Breakfast in Bethlehem (9a-1130a)

DECEMBER 15 Sr. Youth Christmas Party (4:30p-6p)

LUTHERAN SCHOOLS

ELC THANKSGIVING FEASTS

Our Early Learning Center will hold their annual Thanksgiving Feast programs this Monday and Tuesday. Families will join their preschool students for a short gobble-gobble program, followed by the feast of [kid] favorites — a spread of mac 'n cheese, goldfish, hot dogs, pizza and donuts. Take notice of preschool students' wonderful turkey art on display in the Narthex.

MLA COOKIE WALK

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7 - 9AM-2PM

All are invited to the MLA Cookie Walk and Vendor Fair on Saturday, December 7, from 9 am - 2 pm. To donate cookies for the Cookie Walk, please deliver your home-made cookies to MLA on Friday, December 6, on a tray. To be a vendor at this event, please call Stephanie Parker at 816.590.1518 or email jayhawkfan@att.net.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

GERMAN CHRISTMAS SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7 AT 4PM

Attend a local German-language Christmas service of lessons and carols, at Kansas City United Church of Christ, in Brookside (205 W 65th Street, KCMO). Lisa Erickson, from Redeemer Lutheran Olathe, is the music coordinator for the KC German-language Christmas service. The bulletin will be in English and German, so you can follow along. While you're there, you can also visit the Kristkindl Markt (German Christmas market).

CHRISTMAS AT HEIT'S POINT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7 — 11AM-2PM

Take a drive down to Heit's Point for some time in the great outdoors. Enjoy a day full of Christmas festivities at our favorite Lutheran camp, including:

- Christmas music by Cole Camp's German Men's Choir
 - Feast on a brisket luncheon
 - God's Word, fellowship and photos of the past 45years
 - Help start a time capsule to be planted this summer
- Reserve your spot at 660-668-2363. Freewill donations