KING'S NEWS

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THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

8:00am Worship with Holy Communion
9:30am Adult Bible Study / Sunday School
10:30am Worship with Communion + live-stream*
6:30pm Advent by Candlelight - Doors Open
7:00pm Advent by Candlelight - Program Begins

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5

6:00pm Men's Basketball 7:00pm Handbell Choir

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6

12:00pm Tuesdays @ Noon

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

5:45pm Advent Dinner

6:15pm Confirmation Small Groups

7:00pm Advent Worship 8:00pm Choir Practice

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9

5:30pm Kids Night Out - Grinch party

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

9:00am Children's Christmas Program Rehearsal9:00am Breakfast in Bethlehem setup (Jr. Youth)

10:00am Breakfast in Bethlehem

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

8:00am Worship + live-stream

9:30am Adult Bible Study / Sunday School

10:30am Children's Christmas Program + live-stream

11:30am Elders Meeting

12-2pm Jr. Youth Christmas Party

4:00pm ELC Christmas Program & Cookie Reception

TODAY

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

DECEMBER 4 @ 7PM

DOORS OPEN 6:30PM

Our annual Advent by Candlelight happens TONIGHT! This women-only event is a meaningful event that will ground you in the season and through the bustle of Christmas activities.

THERE ARE STILL TABLES AVAILABLE Sign up on the chart in the Narthex. Invite your friends, family & neighbors for an enjoyable evening to begin the Advent season. Questions? Contact Tammie Popp at 816-517-6205 or Renae DeWald at 402-239-9865.

ADVENT DINNERS

BEGINNING @ 5:45PM

We will have Advent dinners on Wednesday nights throughout Advent. Dinner begins at 5:45pm in the Fellowship Hall. Freewill offering helps each of the ministries serving dinner.

DEC. 7 Chili dinner, hosted by Lutheran High students

DEC. 14 Soup and salad, hosted by Sr. Youth

ANGEL TREE DONATIONS

FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS

Angel Tree donations are being collected in the Narthex for area elementary schools. Our members are always so gracious and these items are very much appreciated. Items are handed out by school counselors to students in need, throughout the year. Place unwrapped donations under the Angel Tree throughout December.

IMMEDIATE NEED New or gently used coats, youth sizes 5/6, 7/8 and 9/10. Plus, new hats and gloves.

DONATIONS NEEDED:

- Boys & girls underwear, youth sizes 12-20
- Grey or black unisex sweatpants, youth sizes 5-14
- Inexpensive tennis shoes Girls 4-6, Womens 5-8, Boys 5-6; Mens 7-8
- Monetary donations are also being accepted. Checks made to King of Kings with "Angel Tree" in memo.

If you know a specific child in need of clothing, please send information to the **CHURCH OFFICE** so that we can help.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS





ORDERS DUE WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

Help decorate the chancel this Christmas by ordering a poinsettia. Plants are \$8.00/ea and available to be taken home after 10:30am worship on Sunday, January 1. Here's how to order:

- 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, by mail, or submit to the church office.

YOUTH GROUP FOR GROWNUPS

DECEMBER 18

This new ministry group for twenty- and thirty-something young professionals is headed out for Game Night & Yahtzee Tourney with St. Stephens. Meet us downtown at 4pm at Pawn & Pint Board Game Cafe, located at Walnut & 7th Street. Meet on the mezzanine level. Friends welcome and encouraged.

NEXT WEEKEND

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

REHEARSAL: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10 @ 9AM PROGRAM: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11 @ 10:30AM

Participants: Reminder to attend rehearsal NEXT SATURDAY, beginning at 9am. Younger children will be released as soon as their rehearsal is complete.

The congregation is invited to attend the Children's Christmas Program during the 10:30am service. Both the 8am and 10:30am services will be live-streamed.

THIS FRIDAY

GRINCH PARTY KIDS NIGHT OUT

All Cindy Lou Who's are welcome! No Grinches allowed!

DECEMBER 9 • 5:30PM - 9:30PM (PICKUP 9-9:30PM)

\$20/CHILD, SIBLINGS \$18

Inviting all kids ages 3 to 10 years old, to a *Grinch Party*. Hosted by the ELC, kids will play games, do a craft, eat a light dinner, and watch *The Grinch*. Wear pajamas, robes, and slippers. All children must be potty trained. RSVP by Dec. 6 to ELCDIRECTOR@KOKKC.ORG

A NOTE OF THANKS

Thank you to all of you who came last week to help decorate the church for Christmas. It looks magnificent! The big tree had more than a dozen helpers – thank you to Jerry Endreson, Martin Oldehoeft, Bob and Sally Vieth, Keith Wornson and grandson, Susan and Lisa Helvey, Renae Dewald, Rhonda Nyquist, Stephanie and Annabelle Stapleton, and John and Kathy Cunningham. Additional thanks goes to our Sr. Youth for putting the tree up in the Sanctuary – Amanda Reichers, Kohen Gibbs, Kyle Hurt and Isabella & Sophia Stairs.

NEXT WEEKEND

JUNIOR YOUTH EVENTS

SERVICE: BREAKFAST IN BETHLEHEM DECEMBER 10 FROM 9AM-12PM

Wear your PJs and volunteer your time and smiles at Breakfast in Bethlehem. Help with crafts, food, face painting and more. Counts as confirmation service hours. RSVP on BAND or by submitting monthly form.

CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 11 FROM 12PM-2PM

Join your church pals for a Christmas party. Lunch provided. Bring a favorite Christmas sweet and a white elephant gift (or item less than \$10). Meet in the Youth Room. RSVP on BAND or by submitting monthly form.

NEXT WEEK

SENIOR YOUTH HAPPENINGS

PREPARE & SERVE ADVENT DINNER DECEMBER 14 FROM 4-7PM

Meet us in the kitchen to prep and cook dinner for the congregation prior to Advent service. Watch your email for details.

CHRISTMAS PARTY & BIBLE STUDY DECEMBER 18 FROM 6-8PM

Celebrate Christmas with church friends. Dinner provided. Bring a favorite Christmas dessert and a white elephant gift (or item less than \$10). Meet in the Youth Room RSVP on BAND or by submitting monthly form.

SENIOR YOUTH TAKE ON IOWA

Almost a dozen high schoolers and three chaperones attended the District gathering in Des Moines, Iowa, recently. The gathering theme, "Say What", focused on how to share the reason we have hope from 1 Peter 3:15. The group participated in a service project for first responders and had a full weekend of fun and fellowship, including games, inflatables and Nine-Square-in the-Air. Thank you for your continued support of our youth programs and encouragement for each of these young people to grow in their faith.



NEXT SATURDAY! BREAKFAST IN BETHLEHEM

DECEMBER 10 • 10AM - NOON

Join us in celebrating the birth of our Lord. This annual children's event is a Christmas favorite and will have crafts, food and fellowship. Wear your PJ's and bring your camera for a Nativity photo. Freewill donation will benefit the Early Learning Center. All are welcome!

SEE YOU SATURDAY

Breakfast in Bethlehem

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

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Children's Christmas Program Practice begins 9am

Breakfast in Bethlehem 10am-12pm *Community welcome*

CARD SHOWER

FOR ESTHER ANDERSON

Charter member, Esther Anderson, turns 96 years young on December 13. Esther is a shut-in, but would love to hear from her church family. Send cards or children's drawings to celebrate this lovely lady on her special day.

> Esther Anderson 9000 N Congress #203 Kansas City, MO 64153

NEXT WEEKEND

3rd ANNUAL SAINT PAUL CHRISTKINDLESMARKT

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9: 4PM - 8PM SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10: IIAM - 7PM

Join St. Paul's Lutheran High School in Concordia, MO for their annual German Christmas Market next weekend. Enjoy traditional German food like brátwurst, kartoffelpuffers, pommes frites, crepes, mutzen and more! Plus, traditional drinks including kinderpunsch, heiße, schokolade, kaffee, glühwein and bier.

Shop the vendors offering handmade goods, listen to the entertainment on the main stage or take a carriage ride around campus. Plus, there will be activities for children including a coloring contest, scavenger hunt, story time with the Christkind, and a visit from St. Nikolaus.

Visit SPLHS.ORG/EVENTS for more information, a map and schedule of events. Follow event on Facebook: 3rd Annual saint Paul Christkindlesmarkt - Concordia, MO.

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are so glad you could join us today. Please fill out a Fellowship Card found on 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 at KINGOFKINGSKC.ORG. We hope to see you soon!

MARTIN LUTHER **ACADEMY NEWS**



MLA CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Over the past eight years, the Lord has continued to bless MLA with a high retention rate as well as bring in new students and families. The next step of their Following His Steps capital campaign is adding seven additional classrooms and bathrooms. Please consider making a donation to this tremendous blessing. The Herzog Foundation is providing a 1 to 3 matching grant for all money raised or pledged. Most importantly, continue to pray for MLA as they seek God's guidance and serve the students and families they are blessed with.

MO SCHOLARS UPDATE

MLA: 10 ADDITIONAL STUDENTS NEED FUNDING

Taxpayers to the state of Missouri—both individuals and businesses—now have the unique opportunity to direct up to 50% of their state taxes to Lutheran Education. This summer, the Missouri State Treasurer's Office launched a new tax credit program called MOScholars. The program allows organizations like the Missouri District to convert these tax dollars into scholarships for qualifying students attending LCMS schools throughout the state.

To date, taxpayers have worked with the District through MOScholars to provide scholarships for 23 students to attend Lutheran schools. These children are now receiving a quality education and hearing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For many, this opportunity would simply not have been possible without MOScholars. There are currently 75 additional students awaiting LCMS scholarships for this school year – including 10 MLA students in need. The deadline for helping these students is December 31, making now a great time for taxpayers to participate in MOScholars.