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“In grateful response to God’s grace and empowerment by the Holy Spirit through Word and Sacrament, the mission of King of Kings Lutheran Church and School is to make known the love of Christ by word and deed within our church, community, and the world”

Pastor’s Corner

June 2019

At the beginning of my ministry, a veteran pastor told me, “When you start getting calls, look at the amount they give to missions. That will tell you where the congregation’s heart is.” I firmly believe that God blesses generous people and generous congregations in any number of ways. Later this month, we will each be asked to consider a special offering to “pave the way” as we continue God’s work here at King of Kings Lutheran Church and School. Renovating a parking lot may not be as exciting as new construction, but it must be done. As you prayerfully consider your regular and special giving, think about these things:

The more we give, the more we receive. A widow once brought a large memorial gift to the Scholarship Fund of a congregation I was serving. With a condition: “Spend it!” she said. “Don’t let it sit there!” Once we started spending the money in that fund, it multiplied. God gives to those who know how to use it to his glory and for the good of his people.

Faithful giving helps us take the focus off ourselves. Just as many of the members of our congregation tithe or give a percentage of their income, so does our church family. Through the work of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, our offerings support new mission starts, campus ministry, ethnic ministries and overseas missionaries. We also support the MN South District in Burnsville. Our District staff is a constant help to us. When I write out the offering check for my family, I don’t think about the things we could have spent it on. Instead, I thank God that He continues to give us more than we need.

Giving makes things happen. As you walk through our building, you can see some of the “footprints” of where our sanctuary and classrooms used to be. It’s fun to hear people talk about the early years or where they went to school or the old church office. How did we ever manage? But we did, and we keep moving forward by God’s blessing!

Enrollment for next year is right on schedule. Our teachers did a great job with our two interim principals this year and we are all looking forward to Mr. Jay Schutte coming on board as our principal on July 1. We are blessed by the ongoing Hmong ministry here at King of Kings. Thanks to your support, we are able to maintain an excellent Christian school and outreach into our community. God has given us tremendous opportunities to share the love of Jesus Christ.

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King of Kings Lutheran Church

Regular Service Times:

Sunday

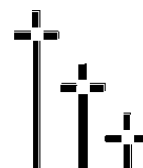
8:30 AM – Classic Worship

9:45 AM – Sunday School and Bible study classes

11:00 AM – Alternate Worship

12:15 PM – Hmong Sunday School and Bible Study

1:30 PM – Hmong (language) Community Worship



Faithful giving encourages others. While we don't know what others give, we do know that our offerings pooled together accomplish the kingdom work to be done here at King of Kings. Confirmation students drop their jaws when they find out the weekly offering is here. (They would drop their jaws again if they saw what the heating bill is in January and February!) A large number of faithful givers have already been giving to the parking lot project – and it hasn't even been asked for yet! (Not officially, anyway!) That encourages me and I hope it encourages you! It shows us that our members are willing to do their part to sustain the ministry of our church and school. We are also able to help with tuition for families who would not be able to afford a Christian education completely on their own. We are also able to occasionally help our families who need assistance when they go through a difficult time. You and I have no idea of all the ways God blesses what we put into the collection plate.

Faithful giving reminds us that God will provide. Even though the members of our congregation are generous in their gifts to God here at King of Kings, we do sometimes experience the “summer slump.” As people travel and spend time away in the summer, we see a decrease in our offerings even though our ministry expenses are constant. God doesn't go on vacation even if we do! Not one of us expects our summer visitors to support the work that is done here in July and August. (If you will be gone most of the summer, consider giving your offering at the beginning of the summer or mailing it in, as do many of our members who travel south in the winter. You may also consider the “Joyful Response” option, which allows consistent giving directly from a bank account. Check with the church office for more information or an application form.)

God has blessed us with so many good things here at King of Kings and I am thankful for your ongoing support of all of them!

*Yours in Christ,
Pastor Steven Bielenberg*

From the Window View of Pastor Lee

“He who has ears to hear, let him hear.” Luke 8:8b

About 15 years ago, I went on a business trip to Boca Raton, Florida. After the leadership training was done, our group decided to go drive around and see what the town had to offer. We ended up in a place where they played their music way too loud. You literally had to yell into each other's ear to hear. By the end of the night, my ears were hurting. I woke up the next morning to pack up for our flight back to California. Something strange was going on with me. I could see but I couldn't hear. It was as if I had been born deaf. As you can imagine, I started to get worried. Was the music too loud? Yes, it was, but why am I the only one affected? I told myself, “I can't do anything about it until I get home to see my doctor anyway.” The trip home was different. Even though I could see where I was going, I followed my group around as if I was a child again. I became dependent on them until I could hear again.



Sometimes in life, we are blasted with the sounds of the world. If we're not careful, we will become deaf to the sound of God, His Word. But thanks be to God that there are Christians that care. Even if you can't hear, you can see and feel the love of God being put on you. They will let you follow them in their group. They will care for you until you can hear again; but this time you will hear the sound of God and not the sound of the world. You used to be deaf to the sound of God until He came seeking for you through His Christian servants. We are followers and leaders at the same time. Followers of Christ and leaders of those who need to hear.

*Blessings,
Pastor Vue Lee*

APRIL GIVING INFORMATION

Regular offering – \$52,455.05;

Parking Lot – \$5,905.00;

other specified offerings - \$843.76

WE WANT YOU

Calling all musicians!! Do you have a musical skill that you could share with King of Kings? We want you!

Summer is a great time to get more information about Rejoice Choir (Adult Choir) and King's Ringers (Handbell Choir) as they take the summer off.

The 11 am Worship Team plays and sings year-round.

We need musicians for offertory and nursing homes (1st Sunday of every month) all year also.

Please contact Gizelle Smothers for Rejoice Choir (mkgizelle@msn.com 651-236-0438); Jackie Larson for King's Ringers (jackielarson@yahoo.com 651-402-0817) & Laura Fritz for everything else (lfritz@kingofkingsroseville.org 651-325-7287)!

Summer Office Hours

Monday – 12 to 4

Tuesday – Pastors Only, Secretary Off

Wednesday – 12 to 4

Thursday – 12 to 4

Friday – 9 to 1

Normal office hours resume mid-August

Stay Tired!

The King of Kings Young Adults Group is taking a break for June.

Watch for more info to come for July!

LOCATION UPDATE! Women's Ministry Dinner

All ladies, please join us for a night out for dinner and fellowship Monday, **June 17 at 6pm** at **China Restaurant**. (The House of Wong is remodeling and will not be open in June yet.) China Restaurant is located at 2811 Hamline Ave. North, Roseville.

We will also review our fundraising and scholarships goals. Sign up on the north bulletin board at church or email Julie at julie@hibbing.us.

Membership Updates For May

In by Holy Baptism: Maxine Xiong, daughter of Moua Xiong & Sao Vang

In by Confirmation: Karmen Bensus, Christian Brown, Aiden Dorn, Ben Dorn, Amelia Flack, Andrew Freudenwald, Hunter Grotheer, Logan Kirchoff, Nora Lynch, Gus Metzsig and Ben Sell

In by transfer: Matt & Aimee Bunker, Jacob & Lydia, Trinity Lutheran, Jefferson, IA

Out by release: Jackie Pickar, Sarah



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Education & Youth News



Our main mode of communication is the Weekly Update e-newsletter that comes out on Mondays and is sent to all parents of 6th-12th graders. If you are not receiving it or have any questions, please contact DCE Sally Schuster at sschuster@kingofkingsroseville.org, cell: 651-341-3830, office: 612-540-0714 or check your junk mail. You can also check the bulletin boards by the sanctuary and youth room and the website for information.

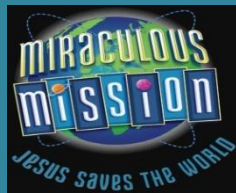
Youth Ministry

- **Volunteer for VBS!** All youth are encouraged to volunteer for Vacation Bible School! Help with stations, lead kids to stations, or help beforehand with decorations! VBS will take place on **June 24-28 from 9 am to Noon**. Your help is needed as our numbers continue to grow!
- **Valleyfair (MS/HS):** Mark your calendar for **July 15**. This will be tacked on to the end of the National Youth Gathering for those participating, but also open to those who are not attending the gathering. Cost is \$25 plus bring money for food. Meet at church at 11 am if not attending the gathering. We will stay until the park closes and return to church at 10 pm. **Must be signed up by July 7th!**

Get Ready for Vacation Bible School!

Only 3 weeks to go! Join us for Miraculous Mission: Jesus Saves the World on **June 24-28, 2019 from 9 AM to Noon!** Visit the church website to register! If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Sally Schuster at 612-540-0714 or sschuster@kingofkingsroseville.org. We are looking for station and group leaders, decorators, and registration help! There will be two options for volunteer training: June 11 at 10 am and June 13 at 6:30 pm. Please plan on attending one of this important meetings!

Also, check out the children's ministry bulletin board by the kitchen for items needed!



Volunteers Needed

"A Minnesota Lumberjack Experience"

Concordia University, St. Paul

July 10-15 (during the National Youth Gathering)

Sign up at www.ave.csp.edu/nygvolunteers



REAL. PRESENT. GOD.

LCMS YOUTH GATHERING | Minneapolis · July 11-15, 2019

The 2019 LCMS Youth Gathering is in 41 days! Make sure you're keeping up with all things Gathering related by following them on Facebook here. If you have any Gathering questions, please contact nygvolunteers@gmail.com.

Please join fellow congregations across the MN South District and beyond on a self-guided prayer walk through beautiful downtown Minneapolis. You can take this walk on your own or with friends. If you can't make it into Minneapolis, you can pray at home or with your congregation. The route highlighted on the map is the route our youth and adults will be walking daily. The hearts on the map represent areas that will be used daily by attendees. Thank you in advance for wrapping this blessed event, its participants, and leaders in prayer!

[Download the prayer walk map](#) | [Download the prayer walk prayers](#)

School News & Notes

A Note From the Principal:

King of Kings Members:

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as your interim principal these last three months. You have an amazing school staff who have shown dedication and leadership above and beyond during a very challenging school year. They are all dedicated servants of the Lord and your children are fortunate to have them as their teachers. You should be very proud of your school. Thank you for your great support for your school. Your congregation and school will continue to be a part of my daily prayers.


God's Blessings! Pastor Juls Clausen

Join King of Kings for the 2019 Rosefest Parade!

The Rosefest Parade is an excellent way for our school and church to get out in the community. Please sign up to walk in the parade on **Monday, June 24!** The parade begins at 5:30PM. If you have any questions or would like to participate, please email Jeni Redlin at jenhredlin@gmail.com or call her at 651-587-8670.

CALL Mr. Schmidtke has a declined the call to serve as the Sixth grade/ PE teacher/ Athletic Director at Grace Chapel Lutheran in St.Louis, MO.

**Please Keep the Endowments at
King of Kings Lutheran Church and School in mind:**
Linda ZumHofe Endowment (Tuition Funding); King of Kings
Elementary Endowment (Tuition Funding);
Member Hardship Endowment

Accredited Parochial School
(Preschool - 8th Grade)

"It's Still All About Jesus"

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Save the Date

Open Prayer Wednesday Mornings The Board of Lay Ministry will be hosting Open Prayer in the sanctuary Wednesday mornings, beginning this week, **June 5th from 7:00 to 8:30 A.M.** We will supply some devotional prayer starters and you may pray individually or invite us to pray for you.

Alaska Mission Team is going to Northway, AK, **June 14 through 22** to hold VBS for children there. Pray for their upcoming trip!

The Gideons Donny Ross will be here at both services on Sunday, June 16th (Father's Day) to share the latest from the Gideons. We will also take a freewill offering to help them distribute Bibles around the world.

Voters' Meeting June 18, 6:30PM.

MORE EVENTS THIS SUMMER

CA Summer Camps Registration is still open for many Concordia Academy summer camps for students entering Grades 3-12, including American Sign Language, Flag Football, Vision4Life Service, and Wrestling, as well as old favorites such as Basketball, CSI, Girls Choir, Art, Youth Worship Team, Softball, G3: Genuinely Great Girls, and many more! Go to www.concordiaacademy.com/camps.

Lutheran Island Camp will host Forgiven – Summer 2019. Bible studies will focus on the Gospels and the miracles of Christ, including the most important, our forgiveness. Visit www.islandcamp.org or call 218-583-2905 or email info@islandcamp.org for more information or to request a brochure.

Peak Challenge Peak Challenge is a men's fellowship mission. It is a chance for men, their sons, fathers, brothers and friends to get out into God's creation in the mountains of Colorado **July 25-29**. This trip will push men physically by hiking one of Colorado's fourteen thousand foot peak mountains.. For more information contact Adam Doraska by phone at (320) 894-3747 or by email at Doraskaa@csp.edu.