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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

March 2018

The Gospel in Seven Words?

A number of years ago, fifteen prominent theologians were invited to proclaim the gospel as clearly as they could – with a catch. The catch was a seven-word limit. Can you imagine?

Now imagine someone you know – someone unfamiliar with the Christian faith, asking you the very same question. Your neighbor isn’t interested in hearing about Perry County, Missouri or C.F.W. Walther. He wants to know what you believe, to get right down to the nitty-gritty. “In seven words or less,” he says, “tell me what you believe as a Christian.”

What would you say? How would you put it? Are you prepared to confess your faith in Jesus? As we prepare ourselves to celebrate Holy Week and Easter, we are also preparing ourselves to share that Good News with our enquiring neighbors. The Wednesday night response has been great. I’ve been getting emails and scraps of bulletins with members of King of Kings’ putting their own prayerful spin on the “seven word challenge.”

The messages in our midweek worship services will help each of us create faithful Christian confessions of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Maundy Thursday and Good Friday will focus on seven-word confessions reflecting the events of that particular day.

March 7	Midweek 4	Death and Life	John 11:17-27
March 14	Midweek 5	Isolation and Community	1 Corinthians 12:12-27
March 21	Midweek 6	The Gospel in Your Words	Matthew 16:13-17
March 29	Maundy Thursday	Jesus Comes to Feed My Hungry Soul	Matthew 26:26-28
March 30	Good Friday	Jesus is Lord, Even Over My Death	Colossians 1:13-14

(Please note that we will celebrate the Lord’s Supper on Maundy Thursday.)

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Steven Bielenberg



King of Kings Lutheran Church

Service Times:

Sunday

8:30 am – Classic Worship

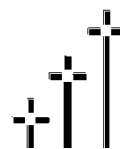
9:45 am – Sunday School and Bible study classes

11:00 am – Alternate Worship

1:30 pm – Hmong (language) Community Worship

Wednesday

7:00 pm – Lent/Advent Services (seasonal)





JANUARY GIVING INFORMATION

Regular offering – \$43,674.00; Roof – \$1,822; other specified offerings - \$317.34
Joyful Response – General \$11,455.00 Roof - \$1,235.00

A Missourian's Insights of Minnesota

Where has the time gone? Surely, I have not been living in the great state of Minnesota for 8 months already? 8 months of which has seemed like I have lived "Snowville" instead of Roseville. See below for more discovery details!

Still Living that Minnesota Weather Life. Remember last month when I mentioned that I was starting to warm up to Minnesota weather? This reflection was quickly dissolved that next week. In my Missourian rebellious way of life, to prove I can still live the Missouri way, I elect to wear flats (without socks) on the day it decides to snow 5 inches. This may have been the worst mistake (experience) of my internship life. I do not think my feet have ever understood how important the invention of socks was until that day. To say my feet were completely frozen is an understatement. Have I learned my lesson? That's still getting figured out.

Seasonal Depression: Who knew that seasonal depression is a real thing? I have never even run into this expression until I got up to the great ol' North. Neither did I think I would experience what people call seasonal depression, until I was reminded of the great weather of Missouri which starts in February. Seeing the warm temperatures of at least 60's is a common occurrence in Missouri (at least the Brunswick area) and I am only too lucky to have family that likes to remind me of such great weather. Looking outside and seeing new powder of white is definitely not what I thought I was signing up for in June. Green grass and the beauty of the buds on trees are just starters to the wonders of spring – and never have I missed that sight until now. I think I can definitely say I have experienced seasonal depression. However, this experience has made me appreciate spring and summer more, along with the wonders of winter clothing. Here's to warmer temperatures, green grass, and the buds on trees!

Stay tuned for more insights as I happily slog my way through this winter!
– Rebecca Drewitz (Your friendly, but very frozen, Missourian DCE Intern)

Vacation Bible School – Register today for AMPED!

VBS will take place on June 18-22, 2018 from 9 am to Noon. Registration is now open! You can register online the church website. This is not limited to church members - invite your neighbors and relatives! Lots of volunteers are needed: station leaders, crew leaders, registration, decorating, etc. Contact DCE Sally Schuster if you are interested (sschuster@kingofkingsroseville.org or cell: [651-341-3830](tel:651-341-3830)).

From the window view of Pastor Lee

If you're a fan of basketball, in particular, there's a time of year that's extra special. It's that time when everywhere you turn, sports fanatics are talking about bubble teams, brackets, and buzzer beaters. What are we talking about? March Madness, of course!

March Madness refers to that time of year (usually mid-March through the beginning of April) when the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) men's and women's college basketball tournaments are held.

Why is it madness? That term somehow captures the excitement that swirls around the sports world as tournament time approaches. In the weeks leading up to the "Big Dance," as it is called, hundreds of college basketball teams from all over the United States fight to earn a spot in the tournament.

What kind of madness do we as Christians have? Our madness is not just a month of March madness. Our madness is an all-the-time madness. To the world, we've gone mad. Believing in something we can't see. Believing in something we can't hear. Believing in something we can't touch: Little does the world know, in our madness, we can See, we can Hear, we can Touch. We can see the Word of God, we can hear the Word of God, and we can touch the Word of God. I think having madness is a must in the life of a child of God.

When you go mad, when you cause commotions, people will circle you, people will stop to see what the fuss is all about. That is when you can share with them how madly Jesus is in love with them. Stay Mad my brothers and sisters.

*Yours in Christ,
Pastor Vue Lee*



Principal's News & Notes

Enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year is in full swing for all grades, preschool through eighth grade. Thank you to all our current families that have committed to King of Kings by re-enrolling their children and a special welcome to all the new families and students that have made application to King of Kings.

Upcoming Open House: Please take a few moments to share King of Kings Lutheran School with your family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors. Word-of-mouth is powerful source of marketing.

Tuesday, April 10th 5:00-7:00 p.m Open House (Preschool – Gr. 8)

Congratulations and Thank You! King of Kings will be saying goodbye to two of our teachers at the end of this school year. Mrs. Jan Schrader has announced that she will be retiring and Miss Emily Meyer is engaged to be married in June with plans to relocate to Ely, MN. Please join us in congratulating them as they enter a new chapter in their lives and thanking them for their faithful years of ministry at King of Kings. We will miss them dearly, but we know and trust that God has great plans for their future.

Teaching Positions Open for 2018-2019 - Kindergarten & Grade 1 King of Kings Lutheran School is seeking to fill two (2) elementary teaching positions for the 2018-2019 school year. The positions are both full-time and would involve teaching either kindergarten or first grade. Applicants must possess a current elementary teaching license; experience teaching in a Lutheran school and a self-contained classroom setting is preferred. Interested candidates should send a letter of interest and resume to Dan Maser, Principal at dmaser@kingofkingsroseville.org. If you have questions or would like additional information, please call 612-540-0713.

Congratulations to the Royals basketball teams for an excellent showing at the Twin Cities Lutheran Athletic Conference Tournaments. On February 9-10 the 5/6 girls came home with the conference championship while 5/6 boys team took home the third place honors. The following weekend, February 15-17, the 7/8 boys team made it to the finals finishing the tournament as the conference runner-up, Meanwhile, the 7/8 girls advanced to the semi-finals and rounded out the season with a strong fourth place finish. The 7/8 boys team also qualified for the State Tournament which was held at Concordia University-St. Paul on February 23-25.

Congratulations to King of Kings' Spelling Bee champion Sarah Lahti! In addition to winning the local spelling bee, Sarah also qualified to compete in the Metro Educational Cooperative Service Unit Regional Spelling Bee to be held on Wednesday, March 27 at St. Catherine University in St. Paul. She is one of 50 metro area students to qualify. The champion of the Metropolitan ECSU Spelling Bee will win an expenses-paid trip to the Washington, D.C. area to compete in the 2018 Scripps National Spelling Bee. Sarah is the fifth King of Kings spelling bee champion in the past six years to qualify for the regional competition.

Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars® by March 31 Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have available Choice Dollars® have until March 31, 2018, to direct them. Don't miss this opportunity to recommend that Thrivent Financial provide outreach funding to King of Kings Lutheran School. Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

The SCRIP Program: A Great Way to Set Aside Money for Tuition Payments!

Through the SCRIP Program, you purchase gift cards from businesses to use for yourself or give as gifts. When you purchase the cards, a certain percentage is set aside in a tuition account for your family. If you don't currently have students enrolled at King of Kings, you can assist other families with funds rolling into our tuition assistance scholarship program. Check out www.shopwithscrip.com for all businesses that are available nationwide. Contact our program coordinator, Sarah Berwald at berwaldsb@yahoo.com with questions and to enroll today.

Keep "Liking" Us on Facebook!

As most of you know, Facebook is a great way to network and share the blessings we have at our church/school ministry. Please find us at the following link and 'like' our page: www.facebook.com/koklutheranschoolroseville Note: this is a separate page from the church.

March Events:

3/2	Early Childhood Educators Conference – No Preschool
3/3	<i>Wine in the Woods</i> 2018 Fundraiser – 5:30-8:30 p.m.
3/7	Lent Worship Service (Concert Band) - 7:00 p.m.
3/11	Worship Service (Preschool /School Choirs) - 11:00 a.m.
3/14	Lent Worship Service (School Choirs) - 7:00 p.m.
3/19-3/23	ITBS Testing (Gr. K-8)
3/21	Lent Worship Service (Royal Bells) - 7:00 p.m.
3/23	End of 3 rd Quarter
3/24-4/2	Spring / Easter Break – No School
4/3	Start of 4 th Quarter



Please visit the school website for calendar updates and a complete listing of all school events and activities:
www.kingofkingslutheralschool.org

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 (Unemployment Assistance)



SAVE THE DATE

SAGES - The new SAGACITY Newsletter has arrived and is available in the narthex.

Dr. Joshua Miller will be our presenter in March. His topic is Luther on Vocation and will explore how Luther viewed the different callings of a Christian. Dr. Miller is a professor of Religion at Augsburg College. Everyone is welcome to attend these presentations.

LLL St. Paul Zone Banquet is right around the corner on **Sunday, March 11th**. This year's event is at King of Kings Lutheran Church (just north of Highway 36 on Dale). Our presenter is Rev. Mark Koschmann, associated with the Hoffman Institute at Concordia University, St. Paul. Arrive sometime soon after 5:00 p.m. to register and find seats. Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. **TO RESERVE A SPOT**, please call **DEL JENTZ @ 651-636-2297** or email **drjentz785@hotmail.com**. Reservations will help immensely. You can pay for the evening when you arrive. The cost for the event is \$11.00 per person or \$20 for couples. Checks can be made payable to the ST. PAUL LLL ZONE. We're hoping you'll join us, Chuck, LaRee, Pastor Jim Vehling, John, Del, and Kevin – Your Zone Officers

2018 CLS Gala: Growing in Faith On Saturday, March 24, from 4 to 7 PM, Central Lutheran School (CLS) in St. Paul will hold its largest fundraiser of the year. We love for you to join us for an evening of food and entertainment, with silent and large auctions benefitting the mission of CLS. There is no cost to attend the Gala. However, in order to plan appropriately, the favor of a reply is requested **by Monday, March 12**. Please RSVP by emailing school@clssp.org or calling the office at **651-645-8649**.

500 Card Night in March will be on **Saturday, March 17th at 6:30 PM**. It will be held in the Jerusalem room at King of Kings and hosted by Deb Gogins. Please bring a snack/appetizer to share. All levels of play are welcome. Sign up sheet is on the Fellowship board or call Deb at **651-628-0641**.

Meals on Wheels: Easter, April 1 King of Kings will again have the opportunity to provide meals for those who may spend Easter alone without a hot meal. For many of the recipients, you will be the only person they see that day, and you will be there with a hot meal. We invite you to consider being a part of this effort to show our Christian love. On Easter Sunday, we will be preparing, assembling, and delivering a hot ham dinner with all the trimmings to the homebound. There are many ways you can help. You can help cook, carve, serve, clean-up, deliver, supply rolls or make a monetary donation for ham and supplies. Beginning Sunday March 11th, watch for your opportunity to sign up for what you might like to do. Volunteer sign-up sheets will be in the Sunday worship folder starting three weeks before Easter.

SAVED BY GRACE 2018 Christus Chorus Home Concert on **Friday, April 6th at 7:30 PM**, Graebner Memorial Chapel, Concordia University, St. Paul. The Christus Chorus is under the direction of Dr. David Mennicke. The concert is free and open to the public.

2018 Spring Recycle Sale Please mark your calendars for **Saturday April 14, 8am – 1pm**. Please remember to start setting aside items for our annual sale ... clothing, household items, small tools, etc. We will need assistance to **set up the event on Friday, April 13th** and to **conduct the sale on Saturday, April 14th**. *What does the Women's group do with the proceeds?* Lots of things! We support the following mission projects: Sandwich project, Christmas Shoebox project, Hmong Ministry, and Concordia University. In addition, we provide a small gift of financial assistance to King of Kings college students going into church work, and support the group that provides funeral lunches. Thanks to all for supporting this important Women's Ministry event! If you have any questions, please contact Peggy or Glenn Matthees, project chairs, **651-647-4434**.

Concordia Academy's summer camps Registration is now open! CA offers over two dozen arts, athletics, and STEM camps for students in Grades 3-12. New camps this year include Duct Tape Art, Bella Voce Girls Choir, Radio-Controlled Airplanes, Fastpitch Softball Catching, and G3: Genuinely Great Girls. Get more details and register at www.concordiaacademy.com/camps.