



# King's Quill

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Pastor's Corner

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## The Answer to Grandma's Prayer?

Thirty-five years ago, on the first day of our honeymoon, Corinne and I were headed out of Spokane, Washington, for a few days on the Pacific coast before we headed to Minnesota. Before long, we saw a car that was pulled over. The hood was up and steam was pouring from the radiator. ***"Pull over!"*** she said. (I know we hadn't been married long, but she knew me well enough to know that my skill set could never be described as automotive.) As we pulled over, I saw what she had seen moments before: the car belonged to her Uncle Clyde. Grandma was sitting in the back seat and Corinne's brother Royce was along for the ride as well. Grandma laughed and said, ***"I was just sitting here praying the Lord would send help. I never dreamed it would be you!"***

Most of us don't consider ourselves to be the answer to someone's prayers, but why not? When we think of the vast array of people God has sent into our lives, we shouldn't be surprised that He would use us to help others, especially in light of the ***"good works prepared in advance for us to do."*** I'm not saying that God made the radiator hose on Clyde's car spring a leak that day, but that He gives us ample opportunities to help each other in the course of our days. Some opportunities may be more obvious or urgent than others: ***"Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world"*** (James 1:27).

This may seem to be a strange sentence, but the two things go together. In the ancient world, widows and orphans would be among the most marginalized groups of people one could imagine.

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### Weekly Sunday Services

8:30 am – Classic Worship

9:45 am – Adult Bible Study

Sunday School (Sept. 10)

Confirmation (Sept.

High School Bible Study (9/17)

11:00 am – Alternate Worship

### Live Stream Worship

[http://www.kingofkingsroseville.org/  
online-worship.html](http://www.kingofkingsroseville.org/online-worship.html)

Use the above link to access  
the live stream of all services  
(recordings available)



### Weekly Office Hours

8AM to 4PM Monday – Friday

***The office will be closed on  
Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup> in observance  
of Labor Day.***

In grateful response to God's grace and empowered by the Holy Spirit through Word and Sacrament,  
making known the love of Christ by word and deed within our church, community and the world.

They had no one to care for them. There were no state or federal agencies they could turn to. James calls us to help those who need our help, echoing Jesus' words to help those who can't repay the favor. We are called to operate differently than the world does.



We may not be called on in the sense of the Good Samaritan that Jesus once described, but we certainly have opportunities to show God's love to our neighbors, whether they are known or unknown to us. Taking the time to listen. Sharing produce with a neighbor or local food shelf. Taking an elderly friend to an appointment. Getting acquainted with someone you have never seen in worship before. Visiting the widow. Mowing the neighbor's yard while they are at the hospital with their newborn. We live in a generation where people seem to have to be told, "Be kind." Have you noticed that, too? A very little kindness goes a long way these days. Random acts of kindness may set us apart these days, and open the door for a conversation about why we live the way we live: to give honor to God, who made us for His glory and to bless our neighbor.

Do what you can, even though it may not be perfect and even though it may not be well-received. If God could send me looking for auto parts on a Sunday in Spokane, He might use you in ways you never imagined, too! You might just be His answer to someone's prayers!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Steven Bielenberg

**WHEN WE REACH OUT TO OTHERS, OUR LIVES ARE HEALTHIER AND MORE FULFILLED.**

"For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another" (Galatians 5:13).



**Church Directory Update** The new photo directories are here! Please use the list on the table in the narthex to help us keep a record of who has picked up their copy (1 per family). Contact Deb Gogins or Katie Miller in the office with any questions.



**King's Ringers and Rejoice Choir** will be starting practices **soon!** Practices will be at **6:15 (Choir) and 7:00 PM (King's Ringers) on Thursdays, beginning Sept. 7.** If you're interested in learning more about either group, connect with Rebekah Jorgensen in church, or by email or phone: [rjorgensen@kingofkingsroseville.org](mailto:rjorgensen@kingofkingsroseville.org) 651-357-6008.

## News and Notes

Attached to the Quill are *Barb's Bulletin*, from King of Kings supported missionary Barb Rebentisch. Please keep her and all missionaries in your prayers!



Everyone's Invited!



**Ministry Celebration Potluck** Save the date! We will be having a potluck on **Sunday, September 10** (following the 11:00 service) in recognition of Pastor Bielenberg's 35 years of ministry. Please plan to attend as we gather as a full congregation to congratulate Pastor for achieving this milestone. Everyone is invited to bring their potluck favorite--entree, appetizer, salad, or dessert. Contact Michael Boll with questions or to let him know you can help [mboll@kingofkingsroseville.org](mailto:mboll@kingofkingsroseville.org)

**North Parking Lot LCEF Loan Update:** The Lutheran Church Extension Fund loan balance for the north parking lot project is down to approximately \$47,328.63. The original loan was for \$300,000. If you would like to contribute to this project, make out your check to King of Kings and put "Parking Lot" on the memo line or use your Joyful Response online account and click on "Building Fund." Thanks to everyone who has given so generously toward this project!

Thank  
You!

**This week - International Potluck!** The St. Paul circuit church community is invited to enjoy and bring a dish to a free, international potluck on **Friday, September 8 at 6:30 PM** as the kickoff to the fall programming for the new St. Paul Outreach Center (located in Jehovah Lutheran Church, 1566 Thomas Ave). This dinner is a welcome event for immigrants to the Concordia and Midway communities, co-sponsored by The St. Paul Outreach Center (St. Paul Circuit LCMS Churches) and CSP Ministry

Please fill out the form at this link indicating what food item you can bring to share:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1AATECQo27\\_0KVKhsxKFFL1rkZ91iwYpBbD3MNErk5ow/viewform?edit\\_requested=true](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1AATECQo27_0KVKhsxKFFL1rkZ91iwYpBbD3MNErk5ow/viewform?edit_requested=true)



Or use this QR Code to get to the link:

The St. Paul Outreach Center is a joint mission supported by the LCMS MNSouth District, POBLO, and St. Paul Circuit LCMS churches. The meal is co-hosted by the Outreach Center, Jehovah, and CSP Campus Ministries. For more information and/or to find out how to get involved, contact Dr. David Mennicke at [SPOC@jehovahlutheran.org](mailto:SPOC@jehovahlutheran.org)

### Membership Updates:

**In by Baptism** – Ivy Ann Farley, daughter of Patrick & Ashley

**In by Transfer** – Rebecca Jahr (5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher)

**Out by Transfer** – Matthew Boll, Doraska Family

### Address Updates:

Shirley Buerkle has moved to 2540 Kenzie Terrace #422, St. Anthony, MN 55418, Phone 651-354-7521

Kao Yang at Walker Methodist Transitional Care, 61 Thompson Ave W, West St Paul, MN 55118 (Rm #314)



**Night to Unite Update** We had approximately 100 people who attended and enjoyed Culver Frozen Custard and ice cream, despite the rain that ended just before we started serving. Those attending were a mix of church and school members, as well as Roseville neighbors who engaged in friendly conversation. A special thank you to the twenty adults and children who helped with serving and the set up and clean up!

# Education and Youth News

**Register for Sunday School** We will begin class on **September 10<sup>th</sup>**. Register for the new year at [www.kingofkingsroseville.org/children](http://www.kingofkingsroseville.org/children).



**Volunteer Opportunities** Are you interested in working with elementary-aged children or teenagers? There are opportunities to teach the faith, prepare supplies, build relationships, teach cooking skills, etc. Contact DCE Sally Schuster at [sschuster@kingofkingsroseville.org](mailto:sschuster@kingofkingsroseville.org) for more information.

**Home Grown Faith** Are you a parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, or have another connection with children? On Sunday mornings, we will be starting a study of the book, Home Grown Faith. Please contact Gina Tupper ([gina.tupper@concordiaacademy.com](mailto:gina.tupper@concordiaacademy.com)) or Sally Schuster ([sschuster@kingofkingsroseville.org](mailto:sschuster@kingofkingsroseville.org)) if you are interested in participating.



## Youth Ministry

- We have events for Middle School (MS), 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade, and High School (HS), 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade.
- **Youth Night** is on Sundays from 6-8 pm beginning September 17. It will include gym time and small group time (devotion, highs/lows, and prayers).
  - **1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month:** High School Youth invited to arrive at 4:30 pm to cook dinner for the group to be served at 6 pm. Begins on October 1.
  - **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month:** Game and Snack Night – bring your favorite board game and a snack to share. Begins on October 15.
- **Fundraiser at Trunk n Treat:** While the cars are handing out candy outside, we will be in the gym with a carnival and concessions. Families buy red tickets to play games and earn yellow tickets to redeem for prizes. We will need youth and parents to run games, sell tickets, and work concessions.
- **Sign Up for Text Alerts!!!** We use Remind to communicate what's coming up! Text the following codes to the number 81010 to sign up:
  - **MS Youth:** @27c366
  - **HS Youth:** @h8e247
  - **If you have kids in both groups, please sign up for both! Add your kids to the appropriate group as well!**



Our main mode of communication is the Weekly Update e-newsletter that comes out on Wednesdays and is sent to all parents of 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders. If you are not receiving it or have any questions, please contact Sally Schuster at [sschuster@kingofkingsroseville.org](mailto: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.

**Confirmation for all 7th and 8th graders** will begin soon! Watch for more information in the next few weeks!





## King of Kings Preschool Aide Position

Qualifications:

- An aide must be 16 years of age or older.
- An aide who is under 18 years of age must be directly supervised by a teacher or assistant teacher at all times except when the aide is assisting with the supervision of sleeping children or assisting children with toileting and washing.
- Successfully completed CPR and first aid training, and all other courses required by the DHS.
- Pass the Net Study Background Study processed by DHS.
- Must be able to work between 10-30 hours per week between 7:00am - 5:00pm.

If you or someone you know would like to apply, visit [kingofkingslutherschool.org/employment](http://kingofkingslutherschool.org/employment) and send the specified documents to Mrs. Adkins, Preschool Director [aadkins@kingofkingsroseville.org](mailto:aadkins@kingofkingsroseville.org)

## Substitute Teacher Position

Requirements:

- Great organization and communication skills.
- Ability to communicate effectively with all staff and faculty.
- Flexibility and high adaptation skills to work successfully in a Lutheran school setting.

Preferred:

- Bachelor's Degree in Education.
- Good interpersonal skills with students ages 3-14.

Please send a cover letter, resume and references to [Principal Jay Schutte](mailto:Principal Jay Schutte). When sending this information, please list the age levels you prefer to work with and any particular strengths in academic courses.

**MAKE KNOWN THE LOVE OF CHRIST  
BY WORD AND DEED WITHIN  
OUR CHURCH, COMMUNITY,  
AND WORLD**

**King of Kings Tailgating Party:** Everyone is welcome to kick off the school year at this fun event on **Friday, September 15 at 5:30 PM**. Come enjoy some food and fellowship before Concordia Academy's football game at 7pm. Tickets to the game are \$10/family and include free popcorn. You can purchase tickets in advance at the office or at the tailgating party. If you are able to volunteer or donate items, please sign up using the QR code. We appreciate your help in making this annual event a success.



Questions?  
Contact [boosterclub@kingofkingsroseville.org](mailto:boosterclub@kingofkingsroseville.org).



**Parkway Pizza Dine Out for Schools Night Returns! Beginning on Sept. 14,** the second Thursday of each month is the night in which our school will receive 5% of all sales (no coupon

required!). Put it on your calendar for each month! Parkway Pizza is located at 1909 Lexington Ave N, Rv 651-493-4360

**Thank you to everyone who participated last year--over \$1000 was raised!**

## Upcoming Dates

- Sept. 5** – No School
- Sept. 14** – Dine Out For Schools @ Parkway
- Sept 28** – PM Parent/Teacher Conference
- Sept. 29** – No School – Parent/Teacher Conferences

**KING OF KINGS  
TAILGATING PARTY  
FRIDAY, SEP. 15TH @ 5:30PM**

**Home Football Game  
at CA @ 7:00pm**

JOIN US FOR FOOD AND FUN IN THE KOK PARKING LOT BEFORE CHEERING ON THE CONCORDIA ACADEMY FOOTBALL TEAM AT 7:00PM.

FOOD: \$5/PERSON SUGGESTED DONATION  
TICKET TO GAME + POPCORN: \$10/FAMILY

Facebook is a great way to network and keep connected to church/school. Please find us at the following link and 'like' our page:  
[www.facebook.com/kokroseville](http://www.facebook.com/kokroseville)

We also are on [Twitter!](#) [Instagram](#) and [Youtube!](#)

## Other News

### MN South District Business Manager Position

The Minnesota South District office is seeking a full-time Business Manager. This individual is responsible for managing the resources of the Minnesota South District, LCMS, to their full potential in support of the district's mission, cultivating leaders intentionally engaged in the mission of God.



Visit <https://www.mnsdistrict.org/classified-ads/2023/6/2/seeking-business-manager-mn-south-district-burnsville> for the job description. To be considered, send a completed application and resume to [sean.martens@mnsdistrict.org](mailto:sean.martens@mnsdistrict.org). All of this information is also available on the district website.

**Relief for Hawaii!** If you would like to assist with the relief efforts for those who have been afflicted by the recent fires in Hawaii, you may want to consider working through Emmanuel Lutheran Church (LCMS) in Maui. Their website can be found at [elc-maui.org](http://elc-maui.org). Donations will be used to assist those in need and First Responders.

### SAVE THE DATE:

To see the most recent version of upcoming events, visit; <http://www.kingofkingsroseville.org/events.html>

**Beacon Buddies 1st-4th Grade Soccer** Concordia Academy's Beacon Buddies soccer program is a six-week Saturday morning soccer camp **starting in September**. Girls and boys in Grades 1-4 will learn basic soccer skills and techniques in a fun, supportive environment! To get more information or register, go to [www.concordiaacademy.com/beaconbuddies](http://www.concordiaacademy.com/beaconbuddies).

**Growing Through Loss** is a series which provides an opportunity for individuals to obtain information and support for a variety of loss and grief issues. The next series will be held at Centennial United Methodist on Monday evenings from 6:45 to 9:00 PM. Sessions will run from **Sept. 11 to Oct 16**. There will be six speakers on a variety of topics. For more information, contact the church office or [www.growingthroughloss.org](http://www.growingthroughloss.org).



**Dementia: Caring & Coping presentations.** Hosted by The Roseville Alzheimer's & Dementia Community Action Team announces a new series of in-person events. These topics are intended to actively improve the quality of life for persons living with dementia and their care partners. A panel of experts will discuss their experiences and insights followed by a question and answer session. Presentations will take place in person at the Roseville City Hall - City Council Chambers at 2660 Civic Center Drive, Roseville, MN. They will be available later as recordings. Presentations are free and no registration is required.

**Dementia Research: What's Happening Nearby and What's in It for Me? September 12, 2023 | 1:00 - 3:00 PM CDT** Dementia research isn't just about clinical trials! Many studies and projects are aimed at finding out what can make daily life better for care partners and persons living with dementia. Our panelists, from the University of Minnesota's Families and Long Term Care Projects & Research Studies, are Katie Louwagie, DNP, project specialist, Robyn Birkeland, PhD, study interventionist and coach, and Ashley Millenbah, MPH, research coordinator. They will demystify the topic of dementia research and talk about what is available in and around the Twin Cities, the benefits of participating, and how to identify reputable research opportunities.

**Born to Run** 5k Run/Walk Event & Family Fun Day on **Saturday, September 23** at Central Park, West Entrance, 2495 Victoria St. North. Same-day registration opens at 8:15am; Run begins at 9am, Walk begins at 10am. FREE EVENT! Donations welcome! Kid-friendly activities throughout the morning. For more information, check the poster in the narthex or go to [WWW.WOMENSLIFECARECENTER.ORG/NEW-EVENTS/BORN-TO-RUN](http://WWW.WOMENSLIFECARECENTER.ORG/NEW-EVENTS/BORN-TO-RUN).

**Concordia Academy BEAMS Middle School Basketball** Registration is open for Concordia Academy's BEAMS Basketball program for girls and boys in Grades 5-8. This modified traveling program is designed to give students opportunities for athletic growth and competition that will complement...not replace...the sports offerings at their current schools. **Practices start in October**. Get details and register at [www.concordiaacademy.com/beams](http://www.concordiaacademy.com/beams).

**LWML Fall Rally** The St. Paul Metro zone will be the hosts for the Capitol Conference Fall Rally on **Saturday October 14, 2023** at Gathering Place Lutheran Ministries (3245 New Brighton Road, Arden Hills). 9 am registration, 9:30 - 11:30 program followed by lunch "A Taste of SE Asia". The presenter will be Pastor Yia Lor—"Mission Impossible: The Upside-Down Mission to the Lost in the Mountains of Southeast Asia". Registration \$10. Collections will be taken for offering, and Gifts From the Heart: items for homeless shelters/homeless. Join us for food, fellowship, singing, Bible study, convention re-cap and LWML news.



**October 2023 & April 2024 VOCATIO Retreat:** Are you a college student or second-career adult interested in full-time ministry? Check out Vocatio: Retreat, an opportunity to rest in God's Word and learn more about serving as a pastor, deaconess, missionary, or chaplain. For more information: <https://www.csl.edu/admissions/visit/vocatio-retreat/>

**Mark Your Calendars! Concordia Academy Craft Fair** returns this fall on **November 11 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm**. This event features dozens of crafters and vendors, a café with delicious treats, hourly prize drawings, and fun for everyone. More information at [www.concordiaacademy.com/craffair](http://www.concordiaacademy.com/craffair) Registration is now open to all crafters and vendors! You can go to the website to register and complete your payment online (preferred method)

**January 2024 – Journey with Jesus & His Disciples** Have you ever wanted to see where Jesus and His disciples carried out their ministry? Join Pastor Mark Shockey and his wife Joann on an exciting and educational 10-day journey to Israel in January 2024! Many more details available in a full-color brochure on the bulletin board and table in the narthex.



**DID YOU EVER CONSIDER SERVING IN THE CHURCH OR AT AN LCMS SCHOOL?**

**Are you thinking about a second career in full-time church work?**  
 Many LCMS pastors, teachers, deaconesses and commissioned church workers held other successful careers before pursuing a second career in service to Christ's church. You could do the same!  
 Have you been praying about a full-time vocation in the church? You can use your experience and skills from your current work as a second-career church worker.

Ready to learn more about opportunities to pursue a second career in full-time church work? Our seminaries and Concordia universities are happy to answer your questions. Visit [lcms.org/sas](http://lcms.org/sas) for more information.  
 Our Lutheran schools, located all around the country, are seeking educators who are interested in a Lutheran school setting. If you are interested, speak with a local LCMS school administrator about open positions in your area.

**FIND SCHOOLS IN YOUR AREA.**

Interested in SEMINARY EDUCATION?



[weareyourseminaries.org](http://weareyourseminaries.org)



Interested in TEACHING?

[locator.lcms.org/school](http://locator.lcms.org/school)

**King of Kings Online Giving**

You can use the gold button on the King of Kings website homepage set up regular or one-time giving:

<http://www.kingofkingsroseville.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

