

THE ROYAL MAIL

The Official Newsletter of King of Kings Lutheran Church

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Epiphany and the season of Epiphany, between Christmas and Lent, Holy Week and Easter, is more than just the afterglow of Christmas. Jesus the Savior remains Emmanuel, “God with us.” God with us with divine love and power to provide light in our darkness, joy amid our sadness, forgiveness for our sins, and victory when we are defeated.

I know its dark and rainy, the various strains of COVID are still dangerous, and we need to be cautious; but we can always be confident in the grace and providence of God.

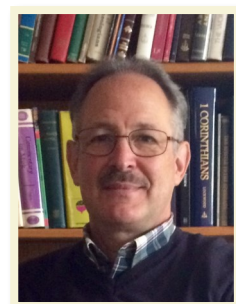
The Gospel Lessons during Epiphany reveal Jesus as the Savior who joins Himself to us in Baptism, takes on the burden of our sin, changes water into wine, replaces the old with the new, casts out demons, heals the sick, and calls us to follow Him.



“I want to walk as a child of the Light,
I want to follow Jesus.
Got set the stars to give light to the world,
The star of my life is Jesus.
In Him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.” [LSB 411]

Faithfully,

Pastor Birner



FROM PASTOR BOTH -

Grace & peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to God for you. Amen. (Col. 1:1-3) I'd like to share with you what a blessing this past Christmas & New Year was. I was able to share the Word of God the Father, to the hearts of the Sudanese people by God's grace, for the birthday of our Lord, Jesus Christ, encouraging them to rejoice in His birth. We had 250 people at our Christmas service here at KOK. Then on January 1st, we were together again with other Sudanese, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. This was the first time for that and the Gospel was spread to many.

On February 20th, right after the 11 o'clock service, we will be having an All Church Potluck, here in the Parish Hall. All are welcome and encouraged to come.

I will be heading to Africa on missions from March 30th through June 30th. I will be sharing information about that at the potluck on Feb. 20th.

May God Bless us all. Amen. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Pastor Matthew Both, Associate Pastor and Missionary at Large – 206-669-319



WE PRAY FOR GOD'S ONGOING MERCY TO ALL AND ESPECIALLY FOR:

THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR HURTING:

Joshua B. Tabissa B. Myron H. Frank F. Kim P. Cody H. Julie F. Verna S. Judy John Janice
Ted Dan Brittney Irene Matthew Angee Luna April Danny Tianna Tyler
Roan Joan L. Rolan Shannon Danny Brent Noelle Melanie Jen Devin Linda

All who stop by the prayer tent. All who had Covid. All who have cancer. All mourning the loss of a loved one.

OUR SHUT INS:

Dwaine Mittag Marlene Lutthans Paul Steinback Will Wilkinson

If you have names that need to be added or removed from this list, please let us know.



A MESSAGE FROM OUR CONGREGATION PRESIDENT - JACKIE KINUNEN

"How Shall They Hear, Who Have Not Heard"

It's Sunday morning at King of Kings Lutheran in Renton. The pews are full, the choir loft is full and the Sunday School classes are bursting with children! Isn't that a lovely picture? It's the picture in my head of what I hope and pray for our church!

"How Shall They Hear, Who Have Not Heard" is a hymn from the Lutheran Service Book, p. 831. The first verse is: "How shall they hear who have not heard news of a Lord who loved and came; nor known His reconciling word, nor learned to trust a Savior's name". The last verse is: "Lord, here am I, Your fire impart to this poor cold self-centered soul; touch but my lips, my hands, my heart, and make a world for Christ my goal".

I am asking that you join me in praying this year for a future where our church is once again full! We have a big mission field in our surrounding community. I hope that as a united church, we will seek the Lord's direction for how we can reach out into our community to reach those who need to hear the truth of a loving God who yearns to reach more of His children.

God calls us to be a light in the world, and I welcome any and all ideas you may have about how we can go beyond what we are already doing with the food bank and the prayer tent, so that we can be an even brighter light in our neighborhood!

I want to welcome Victoria Cameron to the Mission Leadership Group as our Vice President! We'll try to get a new picture done for the welcome table soon!

KING OF KINGS PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN

2022-2023 REGISTRATION

We opened our registration for current preschool and church members on January 24th. Our registration for all other community members begins February 7th. If you know someone who would be a good fit for our program, we would love to speak with them, show them around the school, and have them sign up!



Our preschool is offered to all children 3-5 years of age. Our Kindergarten program is a half-day program for children who are five by August 31. We have a two-day-a-week session for our three-year-old's, a three-day-a-week session for our four-year-old's, and a five-day-a-week session for our older four-year-old's. We also offer a Junior Kindergarten class for children who turn five between September 1, 2021, and December 31, 2021, and who show a readiness for Kindergarten. This class meets every morning, Monday through Friday.

If you, or someone you know who may be interested in our school please contact the preschool office at 425-255-8520 or send me an email at preschool@kingofkings.school for more information.

MID-WINTER BREAK

The preschool will be closed Monday, February 21 – Friday, February 25.

VALENTINE'S/FRIENDSHIP DAY

Our preschool children will be celebrating friendship and giving for Valentine's Day this year. They will have parties on Monday, February 14th for our Pre-II, Pre-K, and Kindergarten classes and Tuesday, February 15th for our Pre-I class.

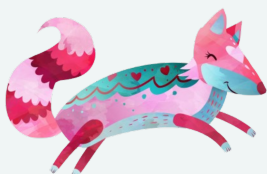
OTHER EVENTS

The children will be learning about "Ten Men with Leprosy" in chapel this month from our very own Pastor Birner (thank you so much!). Feel free to join us on Wednesday, February 2nd at 9:30am or 1:00pm or Thursday, February 3rd at 9:30am for our chapel services. The students will also be sharing special items with their fellow classmates at Show-n-Tell on Friday, February 4th. This is one of those events that the children look forward to just about every month.

BLESSINGS AND THANKSGIVING

You have gone above and beyond what we could have hoped for in your giving to our ministry. We are so blessed by the love and dedication in this congregation. It has shown through at each and every opportunity what a generous Jesus filled people you all are, and I just wanted to say thank you again for all that you do and who you are. Your prayers are lifting the lives of the children and staff daily.

I also want to extend a personal thank you to the Preschool Board without which, this ministry would fall apart. The members of the Board are such an integral part of this work we do with the children and the staff that it could not be done without them. So, thank you to each and every one of you for taking the time and effort to further God's love for his children.



SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30 AM - Service of the Word

9:45 AM—Sunday School

11:00 AM - Praise Alive!

Check out our website: www.King-of-Kings.org**COMMUNION SERVICES**

Feb. 15th @ 3:00 PM

Feb. 16th @ 7:30 PM

Please call the office to reserve your spot.

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR FOODBANK**

Hi everyone. I hope you're having a fantastic start to 2022. If you're ever around church on Saturday afternoon you'll know that food insecurity is definitely not easing up! In fact, it's probably gotten worse. We are so appreciative of everyone's support & donations to Food Bank. Every box or can you bring makes a difference. The last two weeks we've been fortunate & found more than the usual amount of food. This allowed us to help more families. **Last week alone we were able to help over 6000 people.** Crazy but true. I checked the numbers more than once. We delivered to 3 low income apartments as well as the seniors, a few other groups & some shut-ins. We also got extra pallets during the week & distributed it. Tuesday night we were able to distribute food to over 75 low income families. Each family with an average 3 children/family. That's 225 people in 25 minutes. Our first building on Saturday we fed 520 people in just under an hour. That's almost 750 people before Saturday is even a thought. With all the food we received in January, we have already helped over 9000 people. Our highest need since October of 2020. Crazy! We would also like to thank the congregation for the \$1000 endowment fund. That money will help us supply the FB with things like shelving, electrical cords, blackout shades & a few other things needed. All contributions are greatly appreciated. Next month, we are going to be putting together some 'pantry staples' kits. They will contain sugar, flour, baking soda, cooking oil, possibly rice/pasta - things families can use more than once. So... we are looking for the items to make these kits: *small containers* of sugar, flour, baking soda, cooking oil, rice or dried pasta. As always, we are happy to receive any food or monetary donations - perishable or not. We always welcome kid friendly meals. Again, thank you for your continued support! We cannot do this without the continued help from the congregation. Every week we continue our mission to help as many in the community as we can. **Together we make a difference!**

*Questions? Call me. Kim Petz Food Bank Director 206.390.1322***FOOD BANK**

How exquisite your love, O God!
How eager we are to run under
your wings.

Psalm 36:7

**OLDER WISER LUTHERAN SENIORS - OWLS****2/4 Breakfast @ Golden Steer****9:00 AM**

We have a social breakfast at the Golden Steer at 9:00am on the first Friday of the month. Everyone is welcome.

2/14 Lunch @ Jimmy Mac's in Renton**11:30 AM**

The address is 225 SW 7th Street near Walmart. The cost will be in the \$14-\$16 range.

2/28 Lunch @ Wild Wheat in Kent Station**11:30 AM**

The address is 202 1st Ave S., Kent. The cost will be in the \$15 - \$17 range.

Any questions contact Bob Bliesner at 253-778-5974.



LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

Valentine's Cards:

Anyone who wants to make Valentines for the care centers please get them to Aletha by the 6th. I will deliver them during the week.

Lutheran Ministry Services NW

The February Annual Meeting will be held on Zoom on Sunday, February 20, 2022, at 2 PM. Watch for details on how to sign up to be a part of the meeting.

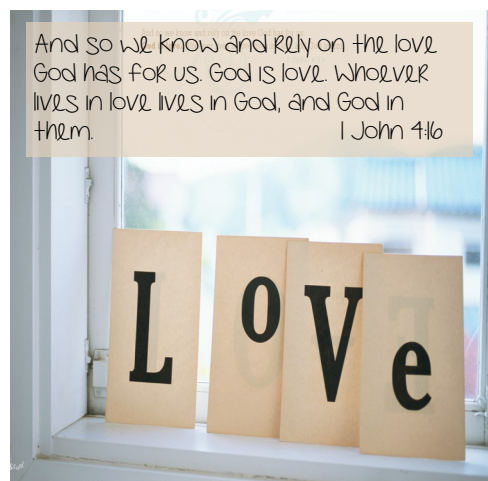
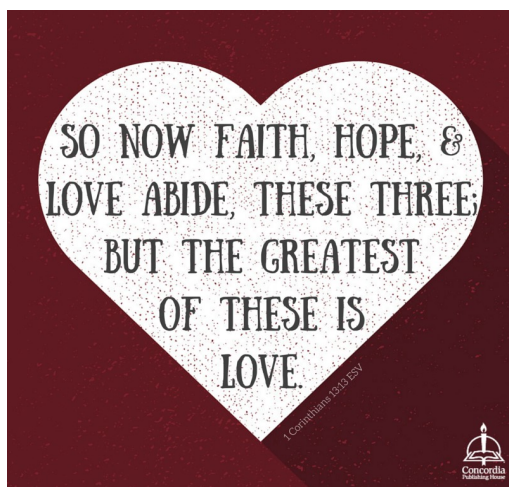
Circle times for November are:

Faith - Tuesday, February 1st at 9:30 am in the Upper Ed

Hope - Tuesday, February 1st at 7:00 pm in the Upper Ed

Charity - Thursday, February 3rd at 10:00 am in the Upper Ed

Peace - Saturday, February 12th at *10:00 am in the Library **Note the new start time.



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



Nyachang Chuol	2/1	Terri Hahn	2/11	Kristi Dyson	2/23
Alizay Khan	2/1	Katrina May	2/13	Erich Perry	2/24
Kaiden Mecham	2/1	Ruth Pitts	2/13	Eric Oliver	2/26
Simon Bol	2/2	Mike Skagen	2/13	Bryan Wolff	2/27
Rebecca Bol	2/3	Megan DeMars	2/14	Valerie Dumas	2/28
Cale Cour	2/5	Alex Sheets	2/14		
Rex Meyer	2/6	Karen Hunziker	2/15		
Tom Steger	2/6	Kelli Perry	2/15		
Ralph Linderman	2/7	Brooke Larson	2/16		
Dwayne Mittag	2/7	Loen Dane	2/18		
Dean Taylor	2/8	Brittany Harkins	2/18		
Bobbea Harlan	2/9	Diana Antrim	2/21		
Sandy Wilkinson	2/9	Brodie Baird	2/21		
Jacob Lul	2/10	Corin Bunker	2/21		



John & Christine Moran
2/18 11 yrs.

John & Kim Einarson
2/22 37 yrs.

Sean & Karah Rondstvedt
2/24 15 yrs.



MONDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP

Monday nights: 7-8:30 in the Youth Room

Feb 14 - Love <3 We will spend the evening doing service projects and learning that love is greater than fear, hate, or anything else.

Feb 21 - No youth group, Presidents Day



Family Space

Wed.'s @ 6:15 pm - Stories of Kindness

Join Zoom Meeting:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89029530423?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89029530423?pwd=V1F2UmRKQkJNTmxqemgzakZIMFpTQT09)

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Meeting ID: 890 2953 0423 Passcode: 220929



Family Trivia Night

No Trivia Night in February

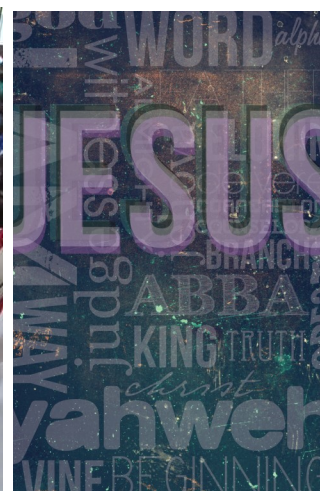
All Church "Potluck" Sunday, February 20th Immediately following 2nd Service

We will be gathering for a meal and to hear about Pastor Matthew's upcoming Missions Trip to Ethiopia. Please come enjoy & support!

Food will be brought in!

Objectives for the trip:

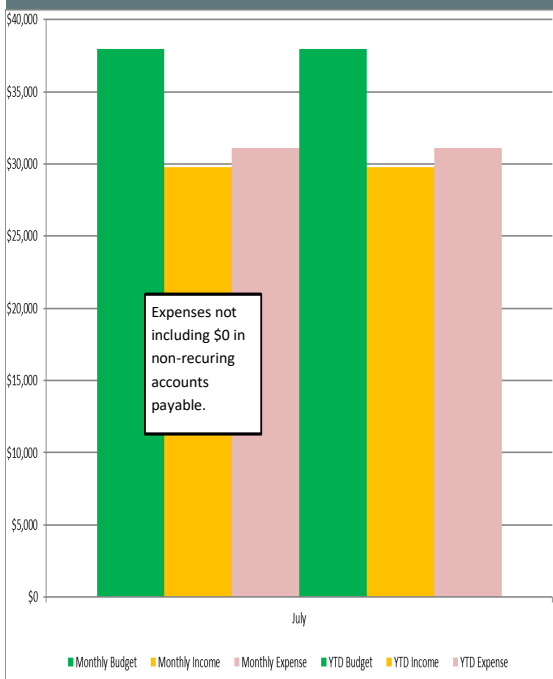
1. Mission Trip with Pat Gorman, Elizabeth Peterson & a few others. Also, celebrating the completion of the ELCE church in Gambella. (see below)
2. Pastor Matthew seeing & teaching with family & friends, some of which he hasn't seen for 30 yrs.
3. Attending the graduation, on June 25th, of students from JackJordan Bible School, who KOK has supported over the years.



MINISTRY ACTION TEAMS (MAT) FEBRUARY 2022

MAT	MAT LEADER	PHONE	AREA TEAM LEADERS
1. Education - Sunday School, VBS, Confirmation, Adult Ed, Library			SS: Jason Hennig, VBS: Suzy Hennig, Confirmation: Pastor Birner, Dennis Dyson, Theresa Lui-Kwan, Adult Ed: open, Library: open
2. Social Concerns -			ARISE, Habitat for Humanity, REACH: Food Bank: Kim Petz
3. Outreach - Mugs, Greeters, Publicity, Preschool			Greeters and Mugs: Kristi Dyson Taproot: Joan Linderman
4. Stewardship - Ministry Fair, Campaign			Pat Gorman, Aletha Voges
5. Worship- Ushers, Altar Guild, Choirs, Nursery, Organists, Children's Church, Visuals, Readers, Banners, Decorating			Corinne Young, Terri Hahn, Barb Bruce, Mo Kutschara, Janelle Heuslein, Donna Wenndt, Theresa Lui-Kwan, Kristi Dyson, Shirley Sorenson
6. Elders	Kevin Kallish	253-631-6065	
7. Congregational Care	Kristi Dyson	425-255-8207	
8. Finance	Barbara Bruce	253-852-5807	Terri Hahn, Leon Kinunen, Teri Aprill-McGourty, Kevin McGourty, Maggie Heimsoth, Lisa Cameron, Gene Bruce, Kevin Kallish
9. Property	Lisa Stuart Roger Hitzeman	253-797-9468 253-740-5094	Fritz Timm, Dave Wenndt, Art Brockschmidt Facilities Use Superintendent: Kim Petz
10. Small Groups Coordinator	Dennis Dyson	425-255-8207	
11. Endowment			Leon Kinunen, Aletha Voges
12. Human Resources	Scott Edwards	253-927-1139	Kevin Kallish
13. Fellowship			
14. Prayer Ministry	Kristi Dyson	425-255-8207	Tues Morning & Eve Prayer: Kristi Dyson Saturday Prayer Tent: Kristi Dyson Prayer Shawl Ministry : Jackie Kinunen
15. Youth, Family, Intergenerational			Suzy Hennig, DCE
16. Technology	Gerald Lui-Kwan	253-630-1899	Gary Blanchard
17. Missions	Pat Gorman	253-246-9402	
18. YouTube Channel	Jason Hennig	425-301-8535	

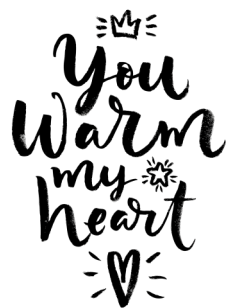
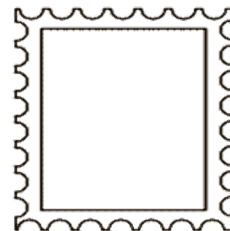
FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2022



		Mo. Bud.	Mo. Inc	Mo. Exp	YTD Bud	YTD Inc	YTD Exp
2021	July	\$37,992	\$28,795	\$31,024	\$37,992	\$28,795,	\$31,024
	Aug	37,992	\$37,358	\$33,258	\$75,983	\$67,130	\$64,376
	Sept	\$37,992	\$37,798	\$33,675	\$113,975	\$104,928	\$98,051
	Oct	\$37,992	\$36,149	\$30,724	\$151,967	\$141,077	\$128,775
	Nov	\$37,992	\$32,331	\$35,380	\$189,958	\$173,408	\$164,155
	Dec	\$37,992	\$39,068	\$27,715	\$227,950	\$212,476	\$191,871
2022	Jan	\$37,992			\$265,942		
	Feb	\$37,992			\$303,933		
	Mar	\$37,992			\$341,925		
	Apr	\$37,992			\$379,917		
	May	\$37,992			\$417,908		
	June	\$37,992			\$455,900		



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YouTube: Something About A Pie

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Sunday Worship Schedule

Service of the Word: 8:30 AM Praise Alive!: 11:00 AM

Nuer Language Service: 2nd & 4th Sundays: 1:00 PM

Christian Education: 9:45 AM Ages 3 through Adult

Office Hours : Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Staff

Senior Pastor—Pastor Paul Birner—pastor@king-of-kings.org

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Family Life Ministry & Youth Director—Suzy Hennig—youth@king-of-kings.org

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OUR MISSION

King of Kings, a Christian community,
gathers people to Jesus, **enables** them to
grow in faith, and **equips** them to serve,
all for the glory of God.