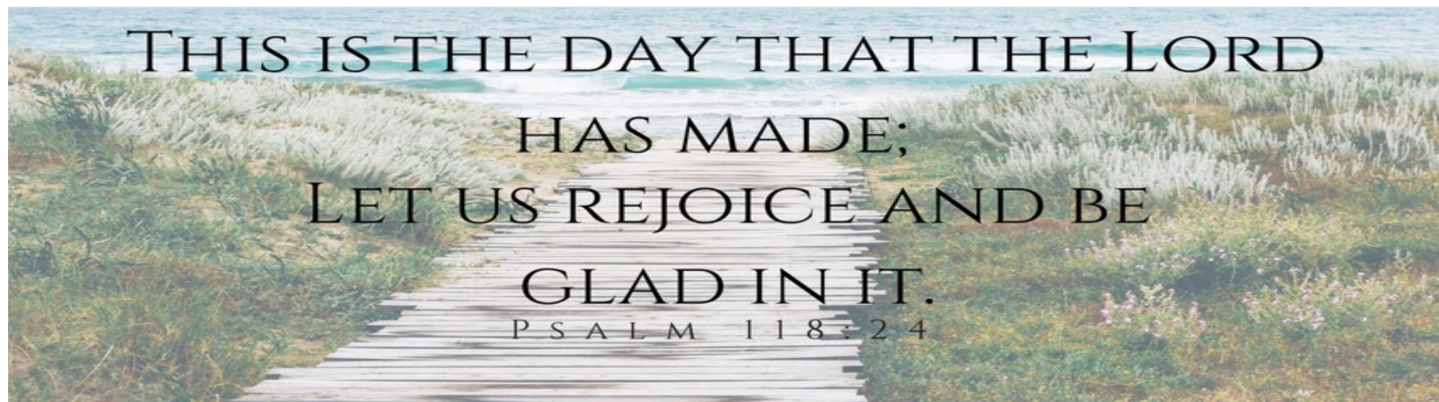


# THE ROYAL MAIL

The Official Newsletter of King of Kings Lutheran Church



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## **Dear Friends in Christ,**

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, March 2. It marks the end of a honeymoon of sorts. Christmas & Epiphany are seasons of joy & light, celebration & victory. Lent stands in stark contrast to such things. The forces of darkness gather; and our Lord carries His cross to Golgotha to die alone in the darkness.

The darkness of sin & death remain around us. We see it. We know it. We experience it in many ways; but we follow Jesus through Lent, marking the events of His Passion, His suffering death & then resurrection.

There were no shortcuts to the resurrection for Jesus. The season of Lent reminds us of the great cost Jesus paid for our salvation. "The wages of sin is death."\* The Day of Easter shows us the completion of the joy & light, celebration & victory of Christmas & Epiphany. I urge you to participate in our Lent & Holy Week services. Don't be tempted to take a shortcut, skip those things & try to go straight to Easter. Acknowledge the darkness of this

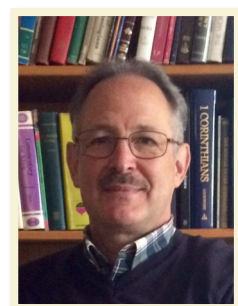
world & the sin that is within you. Repent & believe in Jesus. Take up your cross & follow Him.

"The free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."\*

Faithfully,

*Pastor Birner*

\*Romans 6:23



## FROM PASTOR BOTH -

Dear Sisters & Brothers in Christ,

The potluck was such a blessing! I would like to say a big "Thank You Very Much" for the generous donations from everyone! You gave almost \$3,000. The "Youth Male" choir sang and I shared the history of the church & the first missions I took to Ethiopia & South Sudan, which was in 2001. I'm very grateful for Pat Gorman's family & Gretchen for help organizing it & for all of you.

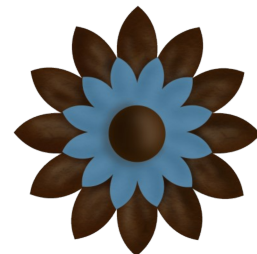
Thanks be to God for the baptisms that took place on 2/13, where the Sudanese choir sang a song. All of these things come out of the mission of preaching the Bible to the world, bringing people to Christ & making disciples, as we're told to do in Matt. 28:19-20.

I would like to invite everyone to come to the Memorial Service for James Guondong Wuol, on March 19th @ 2:30pm, here at KOK.

Shalom & peace be with you—a male teke yien dial.

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

*Pastor Matthew Both, Associate Pastor and Missionary at Large— 206-669-3195*



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

#### THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR HURTING:

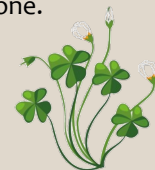
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Joshua B	Tianna	Danny	Irene	Matthew	Angee	Luna	Aiden	Heather	Dan	Tyler	Dane	Ted
Shannon	Vanessya	Roan	Tabissa B	Rolan	Brent	Noelle	Devin	Linda	Susan	Mark	Trish	Jim
Brittney H	Sheryl	Eunice	Nicole	Linda	Andrea	Roger	Aaron	Robin	Bobby			

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

As I was thinking about what to write in this article this year, I looked back at the article I wrote last March. I wrote about optimism, because March is optimism month. I said we were beginning to come out of the pandemic (really?) & that I was optimistic about raising enough money for the roof.

Well, I am still optimistic this March! We continue to work our way out of the pandemic, thankful that the latest virus did not make people so ill. Look at how God answered our prayers for a new roof!! Last Saturday (the 19th), there were 275 cars that came through the food bank. Terri & I were in the Prayer Tent that day & were able to reach many people who needed prayer by posting a picture of the Prayer Tent on Facebook!

Ash Wednesday starts the Lenten season & it is a time of reflection. It's a time we set aside to remember God's love poured out through Christ on the Cross. His death defeated sin for those who believe & Christ's resurrection brings Eternal life to believers. That is a lot to be optimistic about!

Would you join me this Lenten season in especially praying for the future of King of Kings? I continue to look forward to that time when the congregation will once again fill our pews. Christ calls us into fellowship for the building up of our faith & faith builds the church!

I pray that this Lenten season will be especially meaningful & a blessing for you all!

In Christ, Jackie



# KING OF KINGS PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN

## THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR BOOK FAIR

The preschool would like to give a big thank you to all who purchased books and/or donated money at our Scholastic Book Fair. We were able to purchase all the books requested by the teachers and assistants to improve our classroom and school libraries. We are blessed with so many generous church members! **THANK YOU!**



## 2022-2023 REGISTRATION

I know that this has been in the last two newsletters for our preschool, but it is important enough for me to print one more time. **We need more students next year so anyone that you know who has children between the ages of 3 and 5, please encourage them to take a look at our program!** It is very good academically, socially, and spiritually. If you have any questions about our program, please come down and check us out or you can always email me at [preschool@kingofkings.school](mailto:preschool@kingofkings.school) or call 425-255-8520. I am more than happy to chat about any questions or concerns you may have. You can also pick up one of our brochures for the 2022-2023 school year at the Welcome Center in the Narthex.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS TO OUR SCHOOL

I am blessed beyond words by your generous donations to our school. You are very clearly invested in sharing the word of the Lord with the children who attend, and their families. We have received word that the children are singing our praise songs and asking to pray at home even when their parents are not believers. The children are asking poignant questions about baptism, mercy, grace, and whether the events in the Bible truly happened. They are invested and this leaks through to their families. You are making an impact by helping plant seeds that we know the Lord will water throughout their lives. Thank you so much for your support. We appreciate each and every one of you and all that you do.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**SCHOOL PICTURES** – Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>

**PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES** – Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup> and Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>

**SPRING BREAK** – Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup> - Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup> – NO School

**GOOD FRIDAY** – Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> – NO School

**BIKE DAY** – Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> (PRE-II, PRE-K, KG/JR-KG)

**HUMANE SOCIETY MAXMOBILE (Hopefully)** – Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>

**MEMORIAL DAY** – Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> – NO School

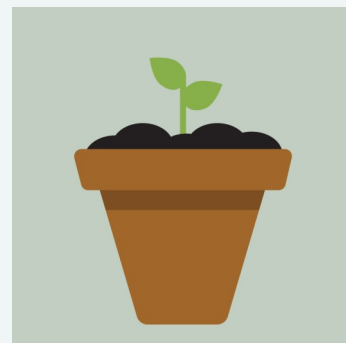
**FIELD DAY** – Tuesday, May 31<sup>th</sup> - PRE-I (3-year-olds)

**FIELD DAY** – Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> - PRE-II, PRE-K, KG/JR-KG

**GRADUATIONS** – June 6<sup>th</sup> (PRE-II AM, KG/JR-KG)

June 7<sup>th</sup> (PRE-K)

**STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCHEON** – Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>



**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](http://www.King-of-Kings.org)**COMMUNION SERVICES**

During Lenten Wednesday Services

12:30 &amp; 7 PM, each Wed. in Lent

Please call the office to reserve your spot.

**WITNESSES  
TO CHRIST****Lent Schedule**EACH WEDNESDAY  
IN LENT:

12:30 PM &amp; 7 PM

ASH WEDNESDAY:

MARCH 2ND

THROUGH WED.

APRIL 6TH

**Altar Flowers**

Please consider signing up to bring flowers for the altar. There are many spots open on the Flower Chart. The chart is in the hallway outside of the office.

If you wish your flowers to be dedicated "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" a special person or event, please contact Gretchen in the office so that she can put it in the Sunday bulletin.

Thanks!

***A MESSAGE FROM OUR FOODBANK***

Food bank is still going strong on Saturday. In fact, in Jan., we fed over 9,000 hungry people. As always, thank you to my volunteers. If anyone would like to help or just want to see what we do, stop by on a Saturday around noon and check it out.

This month we are asking for easy cook items for kids who may be on their own until a parent gets home. Items like easy Mac, pop top soup, granola bars, individual serving applesauce and other snack items. All is appreciated. Thank you for all your support!!

*Questions? Call me. Kim Petz Food Bank Director*

**206.390.1322**



Psalm 16:1 -  
I love the Lord,  
because he has  
heard my voice and  
my pleas for mercy.

**OLDER WISER LUTHERAN SENIORS - OWLS****3/4 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.

**3/14 Lunch @ Duke's in South Center Mall****11:30 AM**

The address is 757 Southcenter Mall, on the south side. The cost will be in the \$16-\$18 range.

**3/28 Lunch @ River Rock in Renton****11:30 AM**

The address is 4050 Maple Valley Hwy. The cost will be in the \$15 - \$17 range.

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





## LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

**Elections:** Positions of President & Vice President are up for election this year. Pray about how you can use your gifts for God, KOK, & the LWML.

Plan to join the Lake Washington Zone Zoom meeting on March 12th @ 9:45am. We will be using the LWML Prayer service. See the flyer.

**Plan ahead:** WA-AK District convention - July 8-10, 2022, in Wenatchee. Early registration ends April 1. The registration form will be included in the copy of the Evergreen Echos sent to each circle, and a copy will be placed on the bulletin board. Read all about the convention in the Evergreen Echos.

### Circles:

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

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

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

**Peace - Saturday, March 12th at 10:00 am in the Library**

### MISSION SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Benson Heights is looking for a group who will either provide a Worship Service or Bible study for their residents. They have had no spiritual enrichment for over 2 years. We can decide when we are able to provide the service. It can be a weekday or a Sunday.

They have one restriction at this time. Volunteers must show proof of vaccination. Hopefully this will be lifted in the future.

If you're interested in working in this ministry, contact Aletha @ 253-639-3719 or [alethan@aol.com](mailto:alethan@aol.com).

Your  
name, LORD,  
endures  
forever, your  
renown,  
LORD, through  
all generations.

### Two Reminders:

**Daylight  
Savings  
March 13th**

**Last month for  
Donations for  
the Vets!**



## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



Anneke Alex	3/4	Delores Dale	3/20
Nyakhat Gach	3/4	Cathy Blan-Davies	3/21
Elysia Gonzales	3/4	John Einarson	3/21
Dan Fink	3/5	Austin Preuss	3/21
Joan Linderman	3/5	Bernadette O'Brien	3/23
Caryn Munkers	3/7	Heidi Peak	3/25
Pal Peter	3/9	Marge Preuss	3/25
Zaire Chuol	3/11	Doug Fischer	3/30
Tom Bennett	3/13	Noah Arndt	3/31
Eric Sorensen	3/14		
Gerald Lui-Kwan	3/15		
Roger Morris	3/19		
Aletha Voges	3/19		



### Tim & Bobbea Harlan

3/2 48 yrs.

### Thomas & Jennifer Youn

3/23 45 yrs.

### Tom & Victoria Bennett

3/26 5 yrs.

### Dan & Debbie Fink

3/26 16 yrs.

### Scott & Karen Hunziker

3/27 40 yrs.





## MONDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP

Monday nights: 7-8:30



In the Youth Room

See you there!!

## Family Space

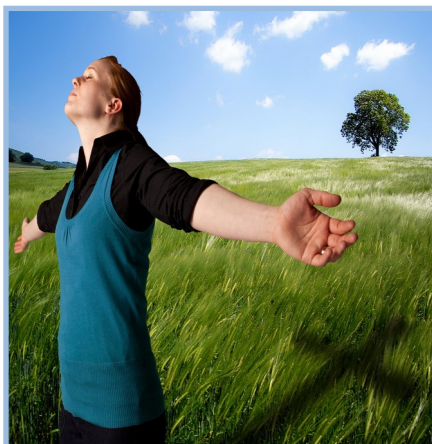
See Suzy for this month's details

Join Zoom Meeting:

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## Family Trivia Night

March 14 7:00PM

Join Zoom Meeting:

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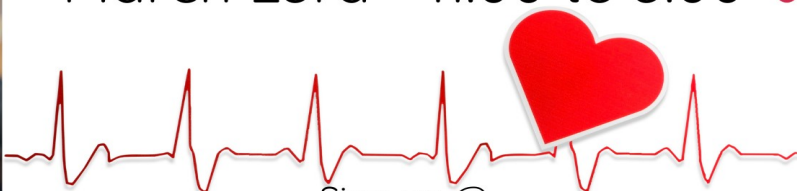
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Blood Drive on Wednesday,  
March 23rd - 11:00 to 3:00



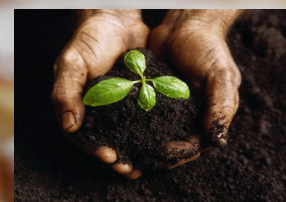
Sign up @

[https://donor.crbs.net/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/33853](https://donor.crbs.net/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/33853) - or scan QR code ➡



## BAKE SALE FOR BEAUTY-SUNDAY MARCH 27TH

BAKE SALE & RIBS! WE WILL BE ADDING PLANTS TO THE CIRCLE WITH THE FLOWERING CHERRY TREE, IN FRONT OF THE MAIN CHURCH ENTRANCE & A FEW PLANTS TO THE GARDEN TO THE WEST OF THE CHURCH ENTRANCE. THESE GARDENS ALREADY HAVE ATTRACTIVE PLANTINGS & ONLY NEED SOME PRUNING, TRANSPLANTING & A FEW NEW PLANTS. ALL MONEY NOT SPENT WILL BE ADDED TO THE LANDSCAPE DESIGNATED FUND. THIS MONEY WILL GO TO FUNDING "THE WALL" THAT IS AROUND THE PRESCHOOL PLAYGROUND. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR SUPPORTING OUR LANDSCAPE BAKE & RIB SALE!!

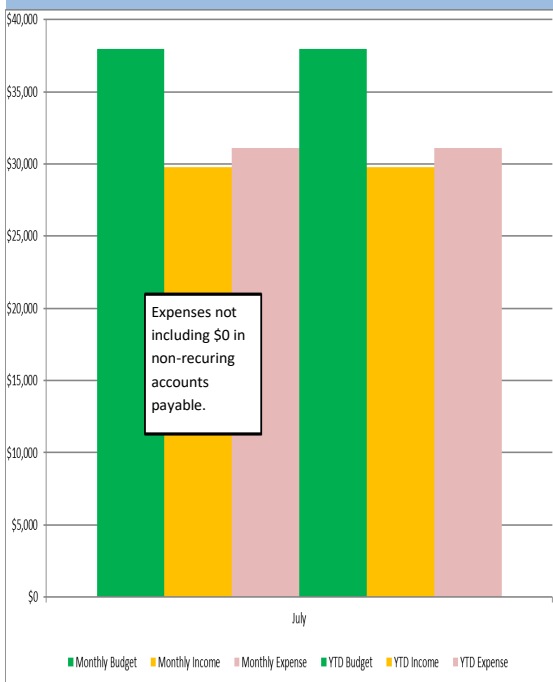




# MINISTRY ACTION TEAMS (MAT) MARCH 2022

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	

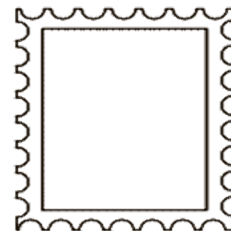
## FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MARCH 2022



		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

**Church Office :** [office@king-of-kings.org](mailto:office@king-of-kings.org)

### **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](mailto:pastor@king-of-kings.org)

Associate Pastor—Matthew Both—[pastormatthew@king-of-kings.org](mailto:pastormatthew@king-of-kings.org)

Family Life Ministry & Youth Director—Suzy Hennig—[youth@king-of-kings.org](mailto:youth@king-of-kings.org)

Secretary—Gretchen Johnsrud—[office@king-of-kings.org](mailto:office@king-of-kings.org)

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Facilities Use Superintendent—Kim Petz—[office@king-of-kings.org](mailto:office@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.