

THE ROYAL MAIL

The Official Newsletter of King of Kings Lutheran Church

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Reformation Day comes every year at the end of October.

Dr. Martin Luther wrote, "The true treasure of the Church is the Holy Gospel of the glory and the grace of God." [Wittenberg Thesis #62] The glory and the grace of God are given to us; and we are saved: By grace alone; through faith alone; according to the Scriptures alone; by Christ alone. There are many important theological truths taught by Luther, the reformers and our Lutheran theologians today; but none of them are contrary to the Scriptures and they all focus on the person and work of Jesus Christ. Luther writes, in the explanation to the Second Article of the Creed,

"I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord. Who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity." Amen.



Faithfully,

P. Birner



FROM PASTOR BOTH -

Grace, Mercy, & Peace from God the Father, our Lord Jesus Christ & the Holy Spirit Amen!

When I was Omaha on 9/11, at Hope Lutheran Church where were Sudanese and Angelo's worshipped together, I preached on Good News. I also visited many Sudanese families, doing bible study & discussing songs of the Master & what they mean.

Visiting my daughter, Nyamal, & her daughter Mer, went very well. I got to see them four times. I went to court with Nyamal & everything went well, by the will of God the Father.

Before I left for NE, I recorded my sermon for the KOK Sudanese service. I always record it, if I'm planning to go somewhere. I really like that I get to preach God's words in Nuer, which is such a blessing. Thanks be to God for letting me do it.

Wow. I love helping the Sudanese who don't speak English. Last month, I helped some of them work towards US citizenship. I love that God uses me for blessing others with help in the English language.

I'm working with Pastor Paul for teaching Lutheran Doctrine on commandments. Next month, I will be starting Old Testament classes. Lastly, we have some Sudanese who want to be members here at KOK because they love ministering together as brothers & sisters in Christ, showing the love of God.

Shalom & peace be with you—a male teke yien dial. May God Bless us all. 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:

Jennifer Y Kim P April Ken S Katie Alli Tony Cody Rita Jim

All who stop by the Prayer Tent. All who have cancer. All who come to the Food Bank.

All mourning the loss of a loved one.

OUR SHUT INS:

Ella Aprill Marlene Lutthans Paul Steinback Will Wilkinson Irene Lenz

****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

In spite of the fact that it was 82 degrees yesterday, on the last Sunday in September, summer is over & fall is here! I was at Costco yesterday & they already have Christmas decorations on display! It's time to change out the wardrobe, prepare the yard for fall, get used to school traffic again, & think about Christmas presents already. Lots of changes....

In Bible Study Fellowship, we are studying the Old Testament kings & prophets. Although the tribes of Israel & Judah often failed to be committed to God, He did not fail to be committed to them, giving them many chances for redemption. That's what He does for us every day. God is faithful to call His people back to Him!

God continues to be very faithful to KOK to provide what we need to continue carrying out our mission statement: "A Christian community that gathers people to Jesus, enables them to grow in faith & equips them to serve – all to the Glory of God". He has provided bible studies, worship & sacraments to growth our faith, opportunities to serve in ministry & leaders to be about the business of the church.

In December, we will electing new positions on the Mission Leadership Group & the Elders. Would you pray about how you might serve in this way? Please reach out to Victoria Cameron, our MLG Vice President and Nominations Committee Leader, to let her know of your interest. God needs you!!

KING OF KINGS PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN



The 2022-2023 school year is off to another interesting start. We actually have more students at this time this year than we did last year, so thank you for your prayers! We still do not have enough to cover expenses, so we have cut our program to morning only for the time being. As enrollment increases, we will see about opening up afternoon classes.



This year we have combined our Kindergarten and Pre-K classes which has been working out wonderfully thanks to Miss Gorman and Mrs. Chan's ability to multitask. I have been assisting Mrs. DaCosta in the morning Pre-II class, which has been a great joy to be able to spend time with the children.

I would ask for your prayers for energy and God's leading in how to encourage growth in our program. We will be attending the last Renton Night Market of the season on Tuesday, September 27th from 6-9 with information about our program, little gifts to hand out and coloring sheets and crayons etc. I am open to any ideas from you all on what we can do to grow. What we have to offer is not only an excellent curriculum from a dynamite staff but the life delivering message of the Lord our God. Which we all know is the most important part of what we do here.

The teachers, parents and children who are engaging in classes with us are getting into a fun and busy routine. We welcomed back parents as volunteers this year which has been a great experience as well! We would love to have you all come and join us whenever you are available! The month of October looks to be full of learning and exciting adventures. We will be studying about Moses, Joshua, Samuel, David & Goliath, as well as fire safety, pumpkins, night-time, sizes & weather.

We will start off the month with our first show and tell of the year. It is always fun to see what the kids bring from their homes. We will have chapel in the pumpkin patch, rain, or shine. We are praying for sunshine! We will celebrate the fall harvest with parties on October 27th & 31st.

We invite you to come to our pumpkin patch chapel on October 17th & 18th at 9:30. Also, please come by the church on October 27th and/or October 31st. Our children will be dressed up in their costumes and will parade up to the church office. It is so much fun to see them!

Thank you so much for your continued prayers and again for your such generous donations. We truly would not survive without you!



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



**Glory in his holy name; let
the hearts of those who seek
the Lord rejoice.**

1 Chronicles 16:10



**When you pass through the waters, I
will be with you; And through the
rivers, they will not overflow you.
When you walk through the fire, you
will not be scorched, Nor will the
flame burn you. Isaiah 43:2**

A MESSAGE FROM OUR FOODBANK

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!



I want to send a big huge thank you to our wonderful congregation, for always supporting Food Bank, for everyone who stepped up & gave food for the families of kids whose teachers were on strike & for all the needy families in our area that we're able to provide for because of the generous donations by the congregation. I also want to say thanks to my fantastic volunteers. They have been out there every Saturday rain or shine doing everything they can to help provide for our community. The last few weeks we've been completely out of food boxes, even before the line is gone. Last week we had a record number of cars & it was difficult to get them off the street in a timely manner. Food insecurity is still a very real thing. Food prices continue to rise. Even if families are able to pay rent or make car payments they can't always provide food. There's no line that you can get in to pay your car payment but they can get in line for food. We are honored & blessed w/ the chance to help people. With the congregation support & the fantastic volunteers, we continue to provide for about 2400 people/week. Thank you also for everyone who turned out for the barbecue last Saturday. It was very much appreciated! This month I'm looking for more dry goods to provide boxes at elementary schools for families in need. Thank you for the generous donations of cereal. This month we are asking for canned chili & canned fruit & any type of snack foods that would be good for kids or people in shelters. Thanks again for your support & everything you do to make FB such a success. I appreciate every single thing.
Questions? Call: KimPetz Food Bank Director 206.390.1322

Voters Meeting coming up in December!

Nominations for MLG and Elders:

The following positions will be voted on at the December Voters Meeting:

- ◇ For the MLG - Secretary, Treasurer & 2 Member-at-Large positions.
- ◇ For the Elders - 3 to 4 elder positions.
- ◇ Prayerfully consider if you would be willing to serve in any of these positions or if you would like to nominate someone else. Contact Kristi Dyson or Victoria Cameron.

OLDER WISER LUTHERAN SENIORS - OWLS

Questions: Bob Bliesner: 253-778-5974

10/7 Breakfast @ Gaters

9:00 AM

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

10/10 Lunch @ Bahama Breeze in SouthCenter

11:30 AM

The address is 15700 Southcenter Parkway . The cost will be in the \$15-\$17 range.

10/24 Lunch @ Gaters in Kent

11:30 AM

The address is 21609 84th Ave S . The cost will be in the \$14- \$17 range.



LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

LWML SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022

Want to know more about LWML? Stop by the display and check out the material. Want to visit a meeting? Guests are always welcome. Take to a member and consider joining a circle.

LWML LAKE WASHINGTON FALL RALLY - AT TABLE WITH JESUS

Saturday, October 22, 2022; 9:30am @ Bethlehem Lutheran Church; 1024 Monroe Ave, Renton, WA, 98056. Registration is \$5.00 w/ breakfast items served. Come enjoy fellowship with other Lutheran women. Bring a Friend!

WHAT'S YOUR 80?

Have you been working toward your 80? LWML turned 80 this year. 80 years of serving God by serving others. Ideas for your 80 may include: 80 items donated or 80 hours of serving at the Food Bank, 80 large, dark hand towels or help sew them into adult clothing covers, 80 hours of Bible reading, 80 hours of prayer, \$80 of something donated to Mites. You choose your way to serve God and serve others. Take a picture of your 80 if you are able.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas cards are coming in the mail. If you will not be using them, consider donating them to brighten the life of someone in a care home. The more cards we get the more homes we can bless. A decorated shoe box is in the Narthex.

CIRCLE NEWS

Faith Circle: Oct. 4th at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall with lunch.

Hope Circle: Oct. 4th at 7pm in the Upper Ed.

Charity Circle: Oct. 6th at 10am in the Upper Ed.

Peace Circle: Oct. 8th at 10am in the Library.

In everything I showed you that by working hard in this way you must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35



Eric Preuss	10/1
Mike Preuss	10/2
Brandon Bail	10/5
Keith Line	10/5
Paige Morris	10/5
Ryan Lui-Kwan	10/6
Diane Huff	10/8
Michael Kutschara	10/8
Ella Aprill	10/10
Jan McCormick	10/11
Tyler Heimsoth	10/13
Mut Chuol	10/14
Judy Schreiner	10/14
Allison Akahoshi	10/15

Andrew Gregory	10/16
Claudia Dahlen	10/17
Inette Wolff	10/17
Union Carter	10/18
Tim Harlan	10/18
Greg Sippy	10/20
John Hennig	10/21
Cassie Petz	10/23
Anna Samudre	10/26
Myron Hovland	10/27
Reid Grothen	10/28
Kewan Chuol	10/29
Scott Edwards	10/29
Craig Perry	10/29
Don Fink	10/30
Sheryl Zayic	10/30
Jeff Swanstrom	10/31
Casey Whited	10/31



Neal & Shirley Sorensen

10/1 45 yrs.

Dan & Valerie Dumas

10/9 12 yrs.

Tim & Stephanie May

10/14 33 yrs.

Vince & Nancy Johnsen

10/19 37 yrs.

Shane & Elizabeth Bunker

10/22 6 yrs.

Scott & Julie Arndt

10/24 30 yrs.





MONDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP

Monday nights: 7-8:30

**Oct. 31st—Costume Party @ Suzy's: 7-8pm. Dress up!
Games & snacks!**



**In the Youth Room -
See you there!!**



Family Space

Wed's @ 6:15

Beginning 9/21

Join Zoom Meeting:

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Family Trivia Night

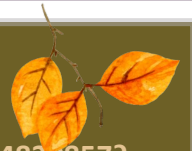
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Meeting ID: 851 2483 0857

Passcode: 478683



PUMPKIN PATCH

October 14-31

Pumpkins available by donation w/
proceeds benefitting our youth trips.

Sign ups will be available in the narthex
but feel free to just pop in to work a
shift whenever possible. Watch for
delivery & unloading information.

Payment in cash, checks (made to KOK)
or through the following link: [https://
givebutter.com/youthpumpkins](https://givebutter.com/youthpumpkins)

Trunk or Treat

October 29th—4-5pm

Bring your vehicle to the lower
parking lot w/ decorations & candy
or prizes to hand out! We are
inviting the kids of our school and
community to join us. There will be
some decorating materials
available.

Sign up in the narthex.

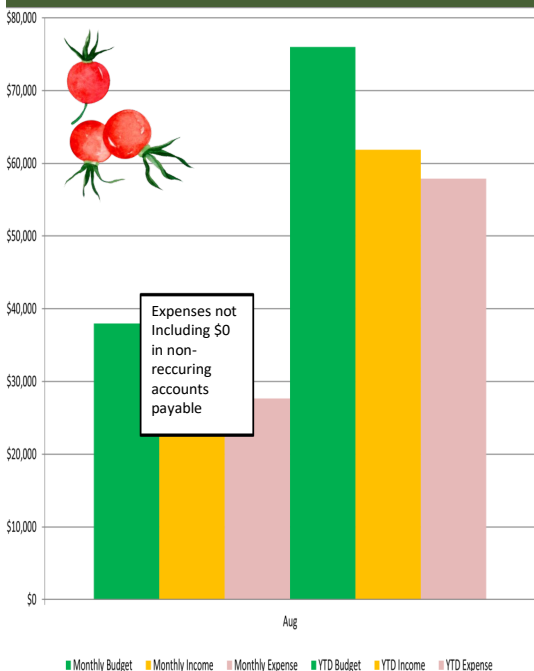
Questions: Call Suzy.



MINISTRY ACTION TEAMS (MAT)

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, Praise Band, Nursery, Organists, Visuals, Flowers, Banners, Decorating			Corinne Young, Terri Hahn, Barb Bruce, Mo Kutschara, 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	

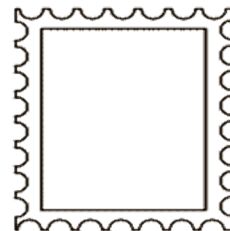
FINANCIAL REPORT



		Mo. Bud.	Mo. Inc	Mo. Exp	YTD Bud	YTD Inc	YTD Exp
2022	July	\$37,992	\$31,027	\$30,252	\$37,992	\$31,027	\$30,252
	Aug	\$37,992	30,832	\$27,656	\$75,984	\$61,859	\$57,908
	Sept						
	Oct						
	Nov						
	Dec						
2023	Jan						
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	June						



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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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Secretary—Gretchen Johnsrud—office@king-of-kings.org

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Facilities Use Superintendent—Kim Petz—office@king-of-kings.org

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