

THE ROYAL MAIL

The Official Newsletter of King of Kings Lutheran Church

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*For where your treasure is, there
your heart will be also.*

Matthew 6:21

Dear Friends in Christ,

Have you ever broken the law? What happened?

There are laws you cannot break. You cannot break the law of gravity. Eventually, what goes up must come down. Imagine what would happen if you could break the law of gravity, if anyone could at anytime for any reason disregard gravity. The fabric of the universe would unravel.

God does not enforce His moral laws in the same way He enforces the law of gravity; but He does enforce them. We may think we can get away with breaking the law, if no one is watching; but there will be consequences—temporal and eternal. The moral fabric of society is disintegrating. God's judgment looms.

Jesus lived a perfect life according to God's law, but He broke the law of gravity—He walked on water and ascended into heaven after His resurrection. His death is atonement for our sins. His resurrection provides the power we need to escape the consequences we deserve.

Jesus rose from the dead and we too shall rise to eternal life. In the meantime, we follow Jesus and seek to live our lives according to God's law.



Faithfully,

Pastor Birner



FROM PASTOR BOTH -

Grace, Mercy, & Peace to us all. Amen!

2022 passed very joyfully. As David said in Psalms 100:1-3 "Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God."

I come to my activities with the Gospels Matthew and Luke and also the book of Isaiah. We Sudanese celebrated December 17th, 24th, 25th and January 1st. It was a very great blessing to all of us. Amen.

My plans this year are that I am taking a class on the Old Testament books. I will be continuing to do more work for the Sudanese ministry, and my family too for believing in the Gospels.

My Wife Rebecca and I are going to the Midwest to visit her relatives and celebrate her birthday with them. We will leave February 1st and return February 6th.

Thank you all for our administration together at King of Kings Lutheran Church. Thanks be to God again for Patrick Gorman helping our Pastoral continuing education. Thanks be to God Almighty for Suzy teaching the Sudanese kids for Youth Groups.

If you have any questions for the Sudanese Ministry and unity please do not hesitate to call me.

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 Irene Lenz Betty George

**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

One of my favorite daily devotions is "First 15". It came with a little card holder that holds the "card for the day" and each card has a different quote. My card for today says "The choice of how you will spend this year is entirely up to you. The time you spend with God is of eternal value". Did you make a New Year's resolution this year? And how is that going? I decided not to do that, but I did decide that this year I wanted to spend more time in bible study and in prayer. I joined Bible Study Fellowship and we are studying about the kings and prophets of the Old Testament. I visit a 91-year old Christian woman who has gone completely blind in the last couple years. She frequently says, "if I had known this was going to happen, I would have memorized more scripture!" I'm trying to do that but boy, memorization is difficult at this age!

We are blessed to be part of a congregation where prayer and bible study are high priorities. We live in a world that is increasingly indifferent and even hostile to God's Word. We are called to be a light in community, sharing the Gospel in words and actions. So many churches are closing their doors because their congregations just got too small. Our neighbor church, Bethlehem Lutheran is going to be closing their doors this spring, and I am hoping that many of their members might join us a King of Kings. More about that later!



Would you make praying for the future of King of Kings a special priority this year? I hope to spend time this year with the MLG and Elders proactively planning for the long-term future of our church. I know God has a long-term plan for King of Kings, and we need to be ready!
"O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come."

KING OF KINGS PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN

2023-2024 REGISTRATION

We opened our registration for current preschool and church members on January 17th. Our registration for all other community members begins February 6th. 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!



KING OF KINGS PRESCHOOL
PLAY, LEARN AND GROW TOGETHER!

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-olds, a three-day-a-week session for our four-year-olds, and a five-day-a-week session for our older four-year-olds. We also offer a Junior Kindergarten class for children who turn five between September 1, 2023, and December 31, 2023, and who show 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 at 425-243-9589 or send me an email at preschool@kingofkings.school for more information.

MID-WINTER BREAK

The preschool will be closed Monday, February 20 - Friday, February 24.

VALENTINE'S/FRIENDSHIP DAY

Our preschool children will be celebrating friendship and giving for Valentine's Day. They will have parties on Monday, February 13th for our Pre-II class and Tuesday, February 14th for our Pre-I, Pre-K, and Kindergarten classes.

OTHER EVENTS

The children will be learning about "Ten Men with Leprosy" in chapel this month from Mr. Pat Gorman (thank you so much!). Feel free to join us on Wednesday, February 1st or Thursday, February 2nd 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 3rd. This is one of the events that students look forward to just about every month.

PRAYER TOPICS

Housing for (preschool mom) Jannica and her children

Healing for (preschool student) Pavit's throat

Comfort for (preschool student) Madelyn & (younger brother) Marcus during their parent's divorce

A job for (staff daughter) Briawna and comfort for her following the closure of the job she had been promised

An increase in the number of students for the preschool

Patience and Energy for the preschool staff

Wisdom for preschool staff in sharing God's word and interacting with parents and students.





SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30 AM - Service of the Word

9:45 AM—Sunday School

11:00 AM - Praise Alive!

Website: www.King-of-Kings.org

How beautiful on the mountains are the
feet of those who bring good news.
who proclaim peace. who bring good tidings.
who proclaim salvation. who say to Zion.
"Your God reigns!"

Isaiah 52:7



SAVE THE DATE

Lutheran Ministry Services NW meeting at KOK on
Sun., Feb. 19 @ 2 with a Boeing Choir concert
following @ 4. Everyone is welcome!!
Bring friends!

A MESSAGE FROM OUR FOODBANK

Every month you see the food bank article and what item we're requesting. Maybe it's cereal or chili. You think about purchasing some thing but then you remember how Food Bank has exploded. Maybe you have seen the road blocked on a Saturday for people coming to our drive through. Maybe you think your box of cereal doesn't make a difference. Well you're wrong. It makes a huge difference.

In the last month and a half we made 93 non perishable boxes for families in need in schools in our area. That means 93 boxes of cereal, 93 jars of peanut butter, and 93 or more cans of chili or tuna. We provide them pasta and sauce, dry potatoes, milk, canned fruit/veggies and soup. Enough meals for a family of 4 for a week plus. Another new place your donations may go is to the newish permanent residential housing in Kent. They have small apartment like rooms and are responsible for their own food and linens etc. We've helped them set up a small pantry/grocery type store so that residents can 'shop' for things to sustain them for the week. Over 50 veterans live there. Now you have a better idea of what we do with your donations throughout the month.

This month's requested items are canned fruit and rice. . Either brown or white.

Thank you as always for your support. It is vital for our many missions. That box or two of cereal you brought may have provided a meal for a child There's absolutely no way we could ever help as many as we do without? your generosity. Your support and prayers mean a ton.

Thank you so much

Questions? Call: Kim Petz

Food Bank Director 206.390.1322



FOODBANK

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Questions: Bob Bliesner: 253-778-5974

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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.

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Lunch @ Jimmy Mac's

11:30 AM

The address is 225 SW 7th St, Renton . The cost will be in the \$14-\$16 range.

2/27

Lunch @ Wild Wheat

11:30 AM

The address is 202 1st Ave S., Kent. The cost will be in the \$14- \$16 range.



LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

Mission Goal Reached! - Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

As you may know, the LWML Mission Goal for the 2021-2023 biennium is \$2,150,000. We have great news!

We are filled with gratitude and joy as we announce that God has worked through your generosity and stewardship to surpass this goal.

The Mite offerings you have shared now total \$2,154,511!

Thank you for coming alongside LWML as together we proclaim Christ, support missions, equip women, and serve others!

Rummage Sale

The Rummage Sale is planned for the last week in April. We are all getting a year older and cannot do as much as we were. Save the time to help if you are able

CIRCLE NEWS

Faith Circle: Feb. 7 @ 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall with lunch.

Hope Circle: Feb 7 @ 7pm in the Upper Ed.

Charity Circle: Feb. 2 @ 10am in the Upper Ed.

Peace Circle: Feb 11 @ 10am in the Library.

Please park in the back near the Parish Hall or along the back fence if you are able.



<i>February Birthdays</i>		
Nyachang Chuol	2/1	Terri Hahn 2/11
Alizay Khan	2/1	Brittany Harkins 2/13
Kaiden Mecham	2/1	Ruth Pitts 2/13
Simon Bol	2/2	Mike Skagen 2/13
Rebecca Bol	2/3	Alex Sheets 2/14
Cale Cour	2/5	Karen Hunziker 2/15
Rex Meyer	2/6	Nyebol Pal 2/15
Tom Steger	2/6	Brooke Larson 2/16
Ralph Linderman Jr	2/7	Kelly Bunich 2/19
Dean Taylor	2/8	Diana Antrim 2/21
Bobbea Harlan	2/9	Brodie Baird 2/21
Sandy Wilkinson	2/9	Corin Bunker 2/21
Jacob Lul	2/10	Kristie Dyson 2/23
		Valerie Dumas 2/28

February Anniversaries

John & Kim Einarson

2/22 38 yrs.

Sean & Karah Rondestvedt

2/24 16 yrs.



We Love because He first loved
us.

1 John 4:19

HOW TO HELP AT THE FOOD BANK

Hello again, As you may know, Food Bank does many different things to help the hungry in our community. Want to learn more? Interested in helping out but you don't want to stand outside for 2+ hours on a rainy or 100° Saturday loading boxes of food into cars? It's not always easy. However, you do get to see faces of many grateful people. If that's not your thing, don't worry, there are many other opportunities available. Cleaning out fridges, picking up donations, or checking expiration dates on dry goods to name a few. Maybe you'd like to help make or hang signs. Of course Saturday help is always welcomed and appreciated. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me. (Text works best) We would love to have you join our team You'd be joining the absolute best volunteer team around. Just ask them!

Family Space**Join Zoom Meeting:**

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

Meeting ID: 890 2953 0423
Passcode: 220929

Family Trivia Night**Join Zoom Meeting:**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/
85124830857pwd=N3ptRlc1N3RRdTJY
NURzQk9jNDhiUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85124830857?pwd=N3ptRlc1N3RRdTJYNURzQk9jNDhiUT09)

Meeting ID: 851 2483 0857 Passcode: 478683

MONDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP—Monday nights: 7-8:30PM

30 Hour Famine Feb 24-25th

Our youth group is raising money for hungry kids around the world.

Fundraising goal: \$1200



Puget Sound Youth Board
Middle School Youth Gathering
March 11th—12th, 2023
6th-9th Grades
Registration due by Feb. 20th
Cost \$10

**MAT Leaders and Treasurer submit budget proposals for 2023-2024**

All Ministry Action Team (MAT) Leaders and the Treasurer will meet Tuesday February 14 at 7PM to submit their budget proposals for the next fiscal year.

This is an important start in our Ministry Action Team's (MAT) responsibility to be good stewards of our offerings to support our local ministries and missions. After prayerful thought, let our Mission Leadership Group (MLG) and MAT leaders know what you think should be our priorities to fulfill our mission.

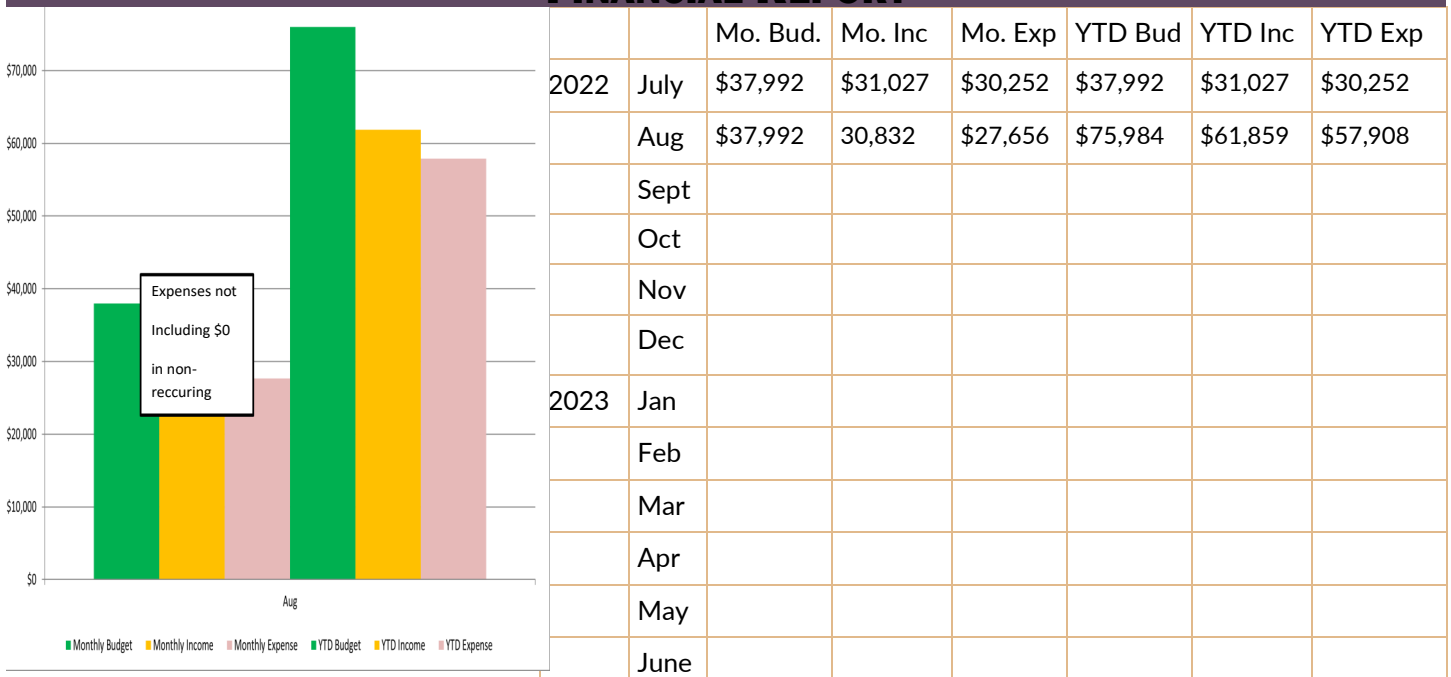
MAT Leaders will review each line item in their budget to determine how well their expenses are meeting their MAT goals over the last 6 months. And they will assess how well they are spending vs their budget. They will make proposed budget adjustments as necessary for the next fiscal year.

Ralph Linderman, Chief Operations Servant will substitute for any MAT Leader not available or assigned to a MAT. Rex Meyer, Treasurer will record the draft MAT budget proposals and print a total line-item proposed church budget for the Mission Leadership Group to approve and/or revise and make available to the Voters.—Ralph Linderman Chief Operations Servant

MINISTRY ACTION TEAMS (MAT)

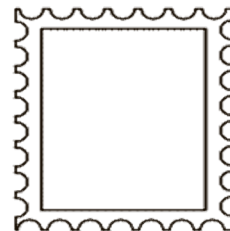
MAT	MAT LEADER	PHONE	AREA TEAM LEADERS
1. Education - Sunday School, VBS, Confirmation,			SS: Jason Hennig, VBS: Suzy Hennig, Confirmation: Pastor Birner, Dennis Dyson, Theresa Lui-Kwan,
2. Social Concerns - ARISE, Habitat for Humanity, REACH, Food Bank			ARISE, Habitat for Humanity, REACH, Food Bank: Kim Petz
3. Outreach - Mugs, Greeters, Publicity, Preschool			Greeters and Mugs: Kristi Dyson
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	253-797-9468	Fritz Timm, Dave Wenndt, Art Brockschmidt
10. Small Groups Coordinator	Roger Hitzeman	253-740-5094	Facilities Use Superintendent: Kim Petz
11. Endowment	Dennis Dyson	425-255-8207	
12. Human Resources			Leon Kinunen, Aletha Voges
13. Fellowship	Scott Edwards	253-927-1139	Kevin Kallish
14. Prayer Ministry	Kristi Dyson	425-255-8207	Mon. Morning & Tues. 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





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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—Karlina Lindeke—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.