

THE ROYAL MAIL

The Official Newsletter of King of Kings Lutheran Church

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Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

James 1:17

Peace and Justice

The Psalmist writes, "Blessed are they whose ways are blameless, who walk according to the law of the Lord." [Ps 119:1]

In confirmation class you probably learned that the first use of the law is to curb bad behavior. When bad behavior is curbed, we are blessed. But it takes more than the law to curb bad behavior. It also takes law enforcement, because we do not naturally comply with the law. The fear of punishment encourages compliance with the law.

We are blessed when there is good law enforcement and lawbreakers are justly punished. That being said, we cannot police everyone all the time. For our world to be truly blessed with peace and justice, both internal and external controls must be in place. Law enforcement and punishment of bad behavior must be in place on the outside and the love of Jesus Christ must exist on the inside.

The love of Jesus, the love He has for us and the love He instills in us for Himself and for one another, motivates us to control ourselves and to walk according to God's law. [2 Cor 5:14] Self-control is fruit of the Spirit. God has given us a spirit of power, love and self-control. [Gal 5:23, 2 Tim 1:7] Self-control is as essential to peace and justice as the external controls.

Faithfully,

Pastor Birner



FROM PASTOR BOTH (ASSOCIATE PASTOR AND MISSIONARY AT LARGE) -

Grace, mercy, and peace be with us all, Amen:

In June I went to Omaha, NE with the Seattle Sudanese Youth Male group for their North America meeting, June 28th-30th. They appointed me to go with them as their Pastor here in Washington State.



Please pray for my Mother who is very sick. She is wanting to see the family and we hope to go and visit her. Rebecca's family is also wanting to see her as her mother passed away three years ago, and she also wants to see her family. In September there will be two weddings in Iowa. The first for my cousin Chan Bany Pin on Sept 2nd and the second for my friend Pastor Simon Yiech's daughter on Sept 9th.

For the Sundays I am gone I will be recording the Sudanese message. I also have plans with Pastor Paul to commission Sudanese leaders. There are also new members to be confirmed.

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

***Cindy Linnemann, wife of our District President Paul, is battling cancer. Please support them with your prayers. If you would like to support them with a donation, here is a link. <https://gofund.me/ca3abbca>**

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CONGREGATION PRESIDENT - JACKIE KINUNEN

Grace and peace to you from God our Father! What a busy month June has been! It's that month when there are graduations to celebrate (and we had four!), wedding anniversaries (we have one tomorrow) the end of spring and the beginning of summer (theoretically) and vacations! Flower baskets are out in people's yards and it is generally a happy time for most folks.

In my small group, we have been talking about joy and happiness. How can we find joy in the middle of difficult circumstances? And what's the difference between joy and happiness? In my devotion this morning, it focused on thanksgiving. That when we lift our hearts in praise and thanksgiving, no matter the circumstances, then God will show us where joy can be found! Sunday in church, we sang "Give thanks with a grateful heart" and I think that is surely the place to start!

We have some challenges that we're going to be working on over the summer in our congregation. We will be working on grants for the food bank to replace the ones that have run out; our preschool play area needs a new fence; our preschool needs new students and there is the ongoing challenge of revenues sufficient to meet the budget. But over it all, we can give praise and thanksgiving to God for His faithfulness to meet all the challenges in our church and in our lives and to find great joy in the midst.

Enjoy summer! Stay immersed in the Word, worship, and prayer! Stay safe as you vacation and travel. And while you are enjoying the summer, look around and be grateful for all the beauty that God has given!!

Jackie Kinunen

KING OF KINGS PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN

Thank you for another wonderful year for our preschool!

The staff are off work for the summer. We will return on Mon., August 21st to prepare the classrooms. We will have Orientation on the evening of Thurs., August 24th at 6pm.

I am available if you need anything. The best way to reach me is by email – rebekka@kingofkings.school I will be around this summer for tours and cleaning etc.



HELP NEEDED:

- Volunteers for summer playground flooring change and possible new fence (Date TBA)
- Substitutes for 2023-2024 school year
- Volunteers to support willing preschool families for the 2023-2024 school year through prayer and communication.

PRESCHOOL ITEMS NEEDED:

- Copy paper
- Colored Copy Paper
- Paper Towels
- 1" Hard White Folders with clear plastic covers (as many as we can get – we need 1 per student to create portfolios at the end of the year)
- Construction Paper – especially white
- A few extra plastic 2 pocket folders (any color) to have for students who cannot afford supplies.
- Workbooks for graduating Pre-K students (Bible Discovery Devotions by Martha Larchar) Walmart has it online for \$5.42 We need 5 more.



PRESCHOOL PRAYERS NEEDED:

- Housing for (preschool mom) Jannica and her children
- High enrollment for the fall for the preschool (we are higher than we were at this time last year, wahoo!)
- Josephine's (staff member) husband, Ricky, was let go from his job. Prayers for financial provision for the family and thanksgiving that Josephine will be able to continue with the preschool next year.

Job Opportunity—Sunbeams Lutheran School in Kent, WA, is seeking a kindergarten teacher for a full or part-time, job-sharing position. Sunbeams is a hand's on, project-based Christian school, welcoming a diverse population of students. Work hours to be mutually agreed upon. Salary will be determined based on years of experience and education. If interested, contact: Denise Pacilli, dpacilli@sunbeamslutheralschool.com. 253-854-3240.

Plant Volunteers

- ♦ Please help water our outdoor church plants during the dry season this summer. Many plants have shallow roots and need water to survive. Volunteering just one day a week will make a difference to their wellness and help them survive. Contact Ralph Linderman 253.631.7142
- ♦ Volunteer needed who loves flowers. Will be responsible for maintaining the 3 entry pots near the front door. God's gift of flowers and greenery on our church property brings joy to many, Training and advise available. Joan Linderman

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**Let everything that has
breath praise the Lord.****Praise the Lord. Psalm****105:6****A MESSAGE FROM OUR FOODBANK**

Food Bank is about to have some big changes. The current contract ended June 17. This means no more boxes of fresh produce weekly. We were able to procure boxes through the end of the month. In July, August, and part of September, we will be receiving nothing other than what we can pick up during the week from other donators. The new contract grant applications through WSDA opened yesterday and continues through July 17. We will be notified mid-August as to whether we are on the receiving end of one of those grants. We will be competing with large nonprofits like Food Lifeline, and Northwest harvest. Prayers welcomed. That contract, if we are awarded, probably won't start till mid-September. Therefore, your donations will be more needed than ever during those lean months. We will do the best we can to provide quality food even though the amount we provide will likely be less.

Although school is out and we will no longer be providing daily snacks for the kids, we will still be providing for vulnerable families over the summer. We are again very low on cold cereal. Kid friendly varieties like Froot Loops and Cinnamon Toast Crunch, while still vitamin fortified, are more expensive but attractive to kids. We also need pasta sauce, canned chili, and drinks. Small bottles or boxes of juice like apple or fruit punch would be a perfect alternative to soda for children, who are choosing for themselves during the day. We want to give them healthy options when making those choices. Also, we always welcome things like pop-top soups, easy Mac or cup-o-noodles. Microwavable meals that are safe and easy for kids to prepare.

Thank you as always for your continued support of the Food Bank. You make the difference. You may leave any donations in the box marked food bank in front of the church or inside down by the food bank door. Thanks everyone! We couldn't do it without you! Kim Petz.

Questions? Call: Kim Petz Food Bank Director 206.390.1322

**OLDER WISER LUTHERAN SENIORS - OWLS**

Questions, contact Bob Bliesner: 253-778-5974

7/7 & 8/4 Breakfast @ Gators 9:00 AM

We have a social breakfast @ Gators @ 9:00am— first Friday of the month. Everyone welcome.

7/10 Lunch @ Agave in Kent 11:30 AM

Address: 507 Ramsey Way # 107. Cost: \$15-\$17 range.

7/26 Lunch @ Gene Coulon Park in Renton 11:30 AM

The park is on the Southeast end of Lake Washington. Meet by Ivar's. Cost: \$15-\$17 range or bring your own lunch.

8/14 Lunch @ Countryside Cafe in Renton 11:30 AM

Address: 4004 NE 4th ST. #101. Cost: \$13-\$15 range.

8/23 Lunch @ Old Spaghetti Factory 11:30 AM

Address: 17100 Southcenter Parkway, Suite #160. Cost: \$14-\$16 range.



LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

Rummage Sale

The Rummage Sale garnered \$2424.53. Thank you to everyone who assisted in any way. The Board of Directors voted to spend \$2500 for projects. They are as follows: \$200—Pastor Birner for bark used in our gardens, \$200—Pastor Both for 5 Nuer Bibles for confirmands, \$500—Christ the Son of God Lutheran Church to help start a preschool, \$100—Compass Center, \$100—Vision House, \$300—King of Kings for carpet cleaning, \$1100—Preschool King of Kings for new playground fence.



MITES

LWML is second only to Mission Central, located in Iowa, in funding missions within the LCMS. Your contributions are vital in bringing the message of Christ's love and forgiveness to people around the world. The MITE box is set out on the Welcome Center every third Sunday. Anyone can add their gifts for missions to this box. Saving boxes are available inside the big box.

How are you a witness for Christ?

Are you timid when sharing Christ to others? The summer issue of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Quarterly has three Bible studies that can help give you guidance. Check them out!

Lutheran Ministry Services Northwest (LMS)

LMS has embarked on a mission to provide Portals of Prayer for our prison/jail ministry. Each copy is \$2.13. Thirty devotionals cost \$63.90 per quarter. (\$255.60 annually) If you would like to support this ministry call CPH directly at: 1-800-325-3040, and choose "option 2" for magazine services. Have the devotionals mailed to: Lutheran Ministry Services NW, 7040 36th Ave NE, Seattle, WA, 98115-5998. There is a \$10 charge to set up the mailings at this time for the summer issue which begins in July. It is eliminated for the October and beyond issues. Thank you for choosing to be a part of this ministry.



Jason & Katie Hennig
7/11 3 yrs.

Dennis & Kristi Dyson
7/22 17 yrs.

Scott & Sarah Edwards
7/23 40 yrs.

Jim & Ella Aprill
6/22 66 yrs.

Vinay & Rebecca Samudre
7/29 41 yrs.

Floyd & Joy Skagen
7/31 58 yrs.

Paul & Kirsten Birner
8/5 39 yrs.

Dave & Donna Wenndt
8/7 41 yrs.

Gene & Barbara Bruce
8/22 36 yrs.

Doug & Julie Fischer
8/22 8 yrs

Ryan & Evie Lui-Kwan
8/23 9 yrs.

Roger & Linda Rue
8/26 62 yrs.

Ben Bender & Vickie Haase
8/28 18 yrs.



Tabissa Both 7/2
Wanjang Chuol 7/3
Lisa Cameron 7/4
Michael Shearer 7/4
Marla Trent 7/6
Janice Wrenn 7/6
Deng Wakow 7/7
Heidi Antrim 7/9
Evie Lui-Kwan 7/10
Shannon McAnulty 7/12

Lisa Hogan 7/13
Michael Kuoth 7/14
Luke Lui_Kwan 7/18
Kimberly Post 7/18
Judy Sheets 7/18
Vince Johnsen 7/20
Nyaguich Pal 7/27
Rob O'Farrell 8/1
Teri Aprill-McGourty 8/2
Kim Einarson 8/2
Jennifer Gorman 8/2
Theresa Lui-Kwan 8/2
Pat Gorman 8/3
Cody Hennig 8/4
Sean Rondestvedt 8/5
Linda Rue 8/5

Yvonne Christopherson 8/7
Caroline Gerneglia 8/7
Ian Bruce 8/8
Kara Einarson 8/8
Elaine Kim 8/8
Padiet Thoal 8/8
Julie Cook 8/10
Curtis Harkins 8/12
Natalie Sheets 8/12
DeeDee Morris 8/15
Merlin Pitts 8/15
John Tor 8/15
Ross Skagen 8/19
John Wrenn 8/20
Kim Petz 8/21
Heidi Einarson 8/23

Judith Wilson 8/23
Lisa Stuart 8/24
Paul Birner 8/25
Biel Biel 8/26
Victoria Cameron 8/26
Karen Folkerts 8/26
Grace Arndt 8/30
Nyalong Chuol 8/30
Alexandra Kutschara 8/30
Kelsey Schreiner 8/30

"Thanks be to God for
his indescribable gift!"
2 Corinthians 9:15

MONDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP

7:00-8:30PM

Family Space

6:15PM

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89029530423?pwd=V1F2UmRKQkJNTmxqemgzaKZIMFpTQT09>

Meeting ID: 890 2953 0423

Passcode: 220929

No Youth Group July 3rd & 17th

NIGHT OF SERVICE

July 10th 7-8:30

Join us for an evening of serving



For we are God's handiwork,
created in Christ Jesus to do
good works, which God pre-
pared in advance for us to
do. — Ephesians 2:10



VBS! Aug 7-11th

Join us for a night at the Mariners' game!
Tuesday, Aug. 1 with seating in the No Fly
Zone

Tickets can be purchased at
JROD's Squad | Seattle Mariners (mlb.com)
The game is at 6:40PM

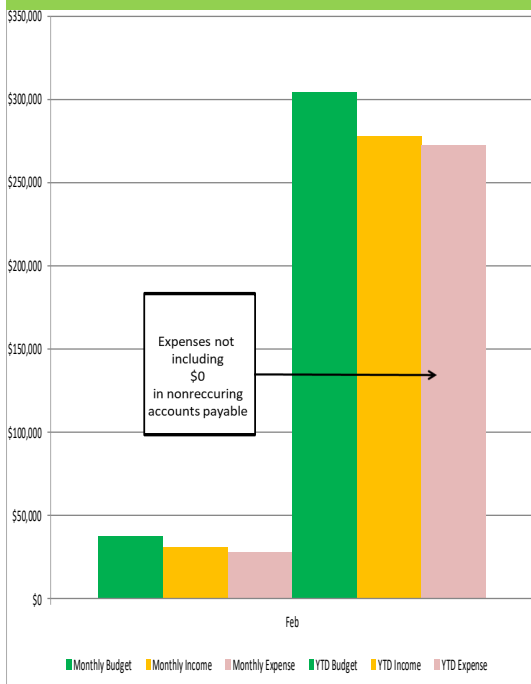
We will be taking the
light rail into Seattle
and will meet at the
light rail station in
Tukwila at 5PM.



MINISTRY ACTION TEAMS (MAT)

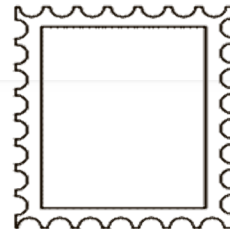
	MAT LEADER	PHONE	AREA TEAM LEADERS
1. Education - Sunday School, VBS, Confirmation,			SS: Jason Hennig, VBS: Suzy Hennig, Confirmation: Pastor Birner, Dennis Dyson, Theresa Lui-Kwan
2. Social Concerns - ARISE, Habitat for Humanity, REACH, Food Bank			ARISE, Habitat for Humanity, REACH: Food Bank: Kim Petz
3. Outreach - Mugs, Greeters, Publicity, Preschool			Greeters and Mugs: Kristi Dyson
4. Stewardship - Ministry Fair, Campaign			Aletha Voges, Pat Gorman
5. Worship - Ushers, Altar Guild, Choirs, Praise Band, Nursery, Organists, Visuals, Flowers, Banners, Decorating			Corinne Young, Barbara Bruce, Mo Kutschara, Donna Wenndt, Theresa Lui-Kwan, Kristi Dyson, Shirley Sorenson, Lisa Stuart
6. Elders	Pat Gorman	253-246--9402	
7. Congregational Care	Kristi Dyson	425-255-8207	
8. Finance	Barbara Bruce	206-747-9933	Leon Kinunen, Teri Aprill-McGourty, Kevin McGourty, Maggie Heimsoth, Lisa Cameron, Gene Bruce,
9. Property	Lisa Stuart Roger Hitzeman	253-797-9468 253-740-5094	Facilities Use Superintendant - Kim Petz Fritz Timm, Dave Wenndt, Art Brockschmidt
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	Saturday tent: Kristi Dyson, Monday Morning Prayer: Kristi Dyson Prayer Shawl Ministry: Jackie Kinunen
15. Youth, Family, Intergenerational			Suzy Hennig, DCE, Gene Bruce: Lego/Robotics Mentor
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

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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.