



# THE KING'S MESSENGER

KING OF KINGS LUTHERAN CHURCH • WOODBURY, MN  
FALL 2021 • AUGUST, SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

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## From the Desk of Pastor Jon

I don't know why it is, but whenever people gather to sing "Happy Birthday" the person who's getting all the attention gets this instant wave of embarrassment that floods over them as soon as that first few notes are sung. Granted, it's all worth it when they get cake and presents; but during that moment, all they want to do is sink down in their chair and hide under the table until that last "to

you" is sung. Then of course there's always that one person who either goes into "How old are you now?" or the less popular rendition of "Happy Birthday" which depicts you living in a zoo, looking like a monkey and smelling like one too.

Even as I'm explaining this moment, I'm sure you can not only identify, but maybe it's made you a bit uneasy or brought back some horrible memories from your childhood.

While some look forward to celebrating birthdays, others dread them. There are those who pull out all the stops when celebrating significant milestones, while others downplay them as much as possible. The ones that get me are those who tell you they don't want you to make a big deal about it but then complain when nothing happens. UGH!! Some people not only celebrate the day of, but the entire week in which their birthday falls. I even know one person who celebrates their birthday for the entire month! (If you ask me, I think it's just an excuse to get away with things they're planning to do anyway and justify spoiling themselves a bit more).

No matter how you tend to celebrate birthdays, they are an important part of life. They are opportunities to look back as well as look forward to what is to come. They are a time to be thankful for the blessing of what was and the hope of what will be.

Organized on October 18, 1981 King of Kings will be turning 40! While our tendency may be to celebrate key milestones like 25, 50, 56<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, 75 and 100 year anniversaries, we want to take this opportunity to celebrate the impact that this congregation has had on its community and global partners. We also want to invite the congregation to continue to work together in living out our mission of "Feeding Physical Hunger, Spiritual Hunger and our Hunger to be in Community."

As a congregation, we have much to celebrate and much to anticipate! We are grateful to God for His past faithfulness and blessings and look forward to His future provision and guidance.

In this installment of the King's Messenger you will find all sorts of ways to engage in the life and ministry of your church home, to be blessed by this family of faith and to use your gifts to be a blessing to others.

1 Corinthians 12:4-7 reminds us,

*"Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit;  
and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord;  
and there are varieties of activities, but it is  
the same God who activates all of them in everyone.  
To each is given the manifestation of the  
Spirit for the common good."*

If you think about it, much like going to a party where everyone brings a gift, we are excited to see how God will use our gifts to bless others. Yet instead of singing "Happy Birthday" how about we join in singing the Doxology which acknowledges that God is the true source of all the blessings of life (of all that was, is and is to come) and He is worthy of our praise.

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen"

We join our voices in song and celebration.  
Happy Birthday King of Kings!

In Christ,  
Pastor Jon







## From the Desk of Pastor Scott

Hello! I'm Pastor Scott Jakel. Most people just call me Pastor Scott.

July 1st I began serving at King of Kings as your Interim Associate Pastor. I'm super excited to have been called to serve among you in this capacity!

As an Interim, I will be here on a full-time, temporary basis as King of Kings begins the process of identifying a new long-term Associate Pastor.

I've been a Pastor for 29 years. The last six years I've only served in Interim positions including St. Luke Lutheran in nearby Cottage Grove. It's been a profound joy to be able to enter into many meaningful Pastoral relationships with members of 13 congregations during my nearly three decades of serving.

### What do I typically do when I come into a congregation?

Often in my Interim work, I partner with church leaders/staff, helping them to move toward greater success, solidarity and serenity in their teamwork. As part of this process, I have caring/clarifying conversations which prove to be quite helpful for ministry processing and growth. The key is to be calm and be a careful, humble listener.

As an interim, I help to discern God's intentions for the local congregation and community. I aim to be fully present with the church that I serve. I do so as a non-anxious guide and a willing servant. I try to learn as much from you as possible—even as I share with you what I've learned along the way!

I spend a significant amount of time addressing any anxiety present in the congregational system. These days almost all churches are very anxious especially when discerning direction and where God is leading them. This is an exciting time and I am looking forward to being a part of this process. I can hardly wait to begin!

### What is my ministry like?

In my work as a Pastor, I put a strong emphasis on the faith disciplines of prayer, study of scripture, and worship/preaching. I find that forming relationships of trust is extremely important. At King of Kings I'll be working in complete solidarity with Pastor Jon—forming a strong and united clergy team to help this congregation

move forward in faith—by God's grace.

I especially enjoy helping churches to develop new leaders and to work on life-changing outreach to the local community. That's one of my strongest passions! The Holy Spirit can really make a difference through us—if our hearts are open and our spirits are willing! Along with providing support and supervision to several King of Kings staff, I'll be working in conjunction with the Executive Team of Church Council to enhance/focus their work.

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a difference through us—  
if our hearts are open  
and our spirits are willing!”*

### What am I like?

I have special gifts in the areas of compassion, story-telling, and in speaking in honest and forthright ways without offending. I am decidedly grace-centered in my theology. Though I'm nearing my 58th birthday this autumn, I have loads of energy to expend to assist congregations! Finally, my curiosity and my strong commitment to be a lifelong learner are beneficial assets that I bring to King of Kings.

My wife Cyndi and I have been married for 34 years. We have two daughters who are in their mid-20s. Cyndi and I have lived in Hastings since February of 2016 where she works as a teacher at the Middle School in reading intervention.

I'm an active guy—walking, biking, and playing tennis/pickleball. I love to read, listen to music and sing. I grew up near Willmar. My last interim call was in Park Rapids. (King of Kings is only 18 miles from my home—compared to my last church being 219 miles away. Did I mention that I'm glad to be at King of Kings? ☺)

God has incredible things in store for the staff, leadership, and members/friends of King of Kings. I'm truly humbled to receive this chance to serve you in the Spirit of Christ for as long as I'm called to be here. I firmly believe that this will be a deeply meaningful time for us to be partners in the gospel.

Pastor Scott

AUGUST 8–15



## Supporting Students in So. Washington County

Every year we support students in our communities by collecting school supplies. This year we're continuing our support, but with some new items on the shopping list!

### From August 8 to 15, we are collecting:

- Glue Sticks
- Pink Erasers
- #2 Pencils
- Colored Pencils
- Pens
- Crayons
- Crayola classic colored Markers (Washable)
- Dry Erase Markers
- Rulers with standard and metric measurements
- Wide lined spiral notebooks (Solid colors – red, green, blue, purple, yellow)
- Scissors (all sizes)
- 2 pocket folders (Solid colors –red, green blue, purple, yellow)
- 4x6 note cards

Our goal is to collect 150 of each item. Can you help us reach our goal and support students in our communities?

**Please note—we are not collecting backpacks this year.** The school district receives backpacks from other partners, so we are shifting our collection to supplies only.

*Look for donation bins in the church from August 8 to 15.*

AUGUST 11

## American Red Cross Blood Drive

King of Kings will host an American Red Cross blood drive on Wednesday, August 11 from 1:00–6:00 p.m. Donating blood takes about one hour, and includes a mini-physical and health interview. Actual donation time is typically only 8-10 minutes—and within about 10 days, your blood will have helped save lives in our community!

**To volunteer:** contact Susan Klosterman-Finke at [meditrek@gmail.com](mailto:meditrek@gmail.com)

**To donate blood:** register at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and search by zip code, or call 1-800-733-2767.



## American Red Cross

AUGUST 28 AND  
OCTOBER 23

## CCEFS Produce Fair

Helping at a Christian Cupboard Emergency Food Shelf (CCEFS) produce fair is a short-term volunteer opportunity. This fall's dates will be Saturday, August 28 and October 23 from 8:30–11:30 a.m. The fairs are held at the CCEFS location in Oakdale, next to Guardian Angels Church. Volunteers help to sort and repack the produce which is then served to the customers who attend. To accommodate COVID-related safety measures, all food is now distributed through drive-up service. Other safety guidelines are in place, so this will be a safe experience for volunteers and customers.

This is a fun team-building or family activity for groups ages 10 through adults. 20–25 volunteers will be needed each time.

Registration for each date will open approximately four weeks prior. If you have questions, contact Elizabeth Hendrickson at [elizabeth.hendrickson@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:elizabeth.hendrickson@kingofkingswoodbury.org).





SEPTEMBER 11/12

## Annual Mum Sale

Gorgeous mums fresh from Gerten's will be available to pre-order and purchase for your gardens at home! All are invited to come help with these events—the more, the merrier—so be sure to watch for more information as we get closer to September!

OCTOBER 10



## Encore Wind Ensemble Concert

King of Kings will once again host the Encore Wind Ensemble for a concert on Sunday, October 10 at 3:00 p.m. Encore is a collection of some of the Twin Cities' top instrumentalists dedicated to the performance of traditional and contemporary masterworks for band. Encore is under the direction of Jerry Luckhardt and provides an opportunity for serious wind players and percussionists from the Minneapolis and St. Paul area to share in the highest level of musical expression and artistry. They are a not-for-profit organization that relies on gifts from donors so that it can provide free, quality wind band concerts in our community.

OCTOBER 16

## Fall Garden Cleanup

Come join in the fun on Saturday, October 16 from 9:00–11:00 a.m. as we get the gardens cleaned up and ready for winter! Please be sure to bring your gardening gloves, rake, and clippers. A great family service project...all ages are welcome! October 23 will be the back-up day in case of rain.



*May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

—Romans 15:5-6

OCTOBER 29

## Fall Festival

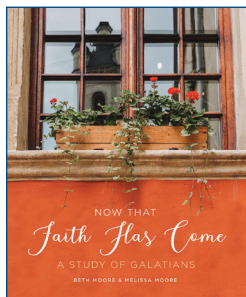
*Dinner served from 5:30–7:00 p.m.  
Children's Games from 6:30–8:00 p.m.*

Be sure to stop by church on Friday, October 29 for our hugely popular Fall Festival! This family-friendly annual event will include dinner with live music from *The Joey Johnson Band*, carnival games, crafts, music, and much more! Children are encouraged to dress in non-scary costumes and participate in the festivities. A free will offering for dinner will be accepted. Mark your calendars and watch for more details to come!



## Gods GALs

God's GALs is a ministry for adult women of all ages who are looking for in-depth bible study, fellowship, service and fun. God's GALs meets every other Wednesday, Friday or Saturday mornings. If you would like more information about how you can get involved with God's GALs, please contact Sue Oberg at [sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org).



### Galatians: Now That Faith Has Come

God's GALs invites you to join us for our fall study of *Galatians: Now that Faith has Come* by Beth Moore and Melissa Moore. This is one of the Apostle Paul's most passionate and fiery letters and yet it is so pertinent to our lives and culture today. This 7-week study will help us see

the freedom we have in Christ and encourage us to stand firm in the truth, stay bold in love and walk in the Spirit. This study will be offered on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday mornings every other week—please check the schedule on our website for details.

**Wednesday 9:30–11:30 a.m. starting September 22**

**Friday 9:30 -11:30 a.m. starting September 17**

**Saturday 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. starting September 18**

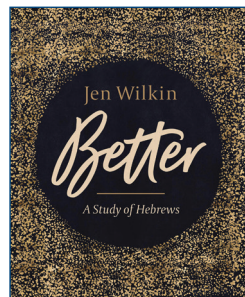
Cost for the study is \$10 and each person should please purchase your own study book on Amazon.com or Christianbook.com

Childcare is available for Wednesdays only. The cost is \$28 total for one child and \$10/additional child (for the entire duration of study). **Please register on our website by September 12.** If you have questions please contact Sue Oberg.



God's GALs

God's Amazing Love Shared



### Better

God's GALs invites you to join us for the in-depth study of Hebrews called *Better* by Jen Wilkin. The book of Hebrews will help us learn how Christ is the substance and fulfillment of the Old Testament and gives us insight into how all scripture points to Him. We will walk away with a refreshed reverence and deeper faith in Jesus who is

better than anything seen before. This 10-week study is for those who would like to meet weekly and who want to study the Bible without a lot of commentary. This type of study helps you learn to read the bible comprehensively, interpret it accurately and apply it to your daily life.

We will meet **Wednesdays 9:30–11:30 a.m. starting September 15.** Please see the schedule on our website for the exact dates.

**Register by September 12.** Please note: this study does have limited space so sign up early as it may fill. The cost of the study is \$10 and each person should purchase their own study guide on Amazon.com or Christianbook.com

Childcare is available. The cost is \$40 total for one child and \$10/additional child. We need the name and age of each child. If you have questions please contact Sue Oberg.

*And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds,  
not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing,  
but encouraging one another.*

— Hebrews 10:24-25a





## God's Dwelling Place

**Tuesdays, October 19–November 16 7:00–8:30 p.m.**

All adults are welcome to join us for a 5-week study of the *Tabernacle—God's Dwelling Place*. A better understanding of the Tabernacle will broaden your knowledge of God's plan of salvation and how He works to continue to be present with His people. You will come away with a deeper love for the amazing connection between the Old and New Testament, greater insight into the fulfillment of salvation through Christ and how this all matters to your walk of faith and worship of God. The study will be taught by Sue Oberg and small amounts of homework will be given each week to add to your learning and help with discussion.

This group will meet at church on Tuesday evenings, October 19–November 16 from 7:00–8:30 p.m. There is no cost to participate and all adults are welcome! Register online by October 1. Contact Sue Oberg at [sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org) with questions.



# 3D

## QUESTIONS

### 3D (Dive Deeper Discussion) Questions

**Beginning Monday, September 27**

Have you ever had questions that you wanted to ask or things you wanted to clarify or talk about from the message you hear on Sunday?

We are making that super easy for you! Starting September 27 we will have questions available for those deeper dives into the Sunday messages. You can access those questions on the app or on our website and utilize them to begin a discussion with friends, family or with a small group!

Let's take what we hear on Sunday and dive deeper through discussion with others! It's a fun and easy way to bring those messages to life in a new way!

### Calling All Small Group Leaders

One of the best ways to grow spiritually is in a small group! Leading a group or a discussion group is easy! It takes a pinch of time, and a scoop of hospitality that is sprinkled with love. Small group leaders are welcoming and willing. Willing to learn, willing to serve and welcoming to new friends. Regardless of what you think, small group leaders don't have all the answers—but rather they have a lot of questions that they are willing to discuss. A small group can meet anywhere...a favorite restaurant, a home, church, or even a local brewery. If you are interested in creating a new group to help deepen your faith and the faith of others, please contact Sue Oberg at [sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

## MOPS and MOMSnext

Are you looking for connection with other moms? Join MOPS and MOMSnext at King of Kings! Our group is a chapter of MOPS international, ministering to moms of children ages newborn through elementary school. This year the theme is "All for Love." We will explore putting fear aside to walking in power, loving your neighbors and leaving a legacy of love.

MOPS/MOMSnext meet twice a month on Monday evenings from 7:00-9:00 p.m. throughout the school year. Please see the schedule on our website for more details.

Cost is \$30 per semester and \$32 yearly for MOPS International. To register:

**Step 1:** Register for MOPS International (\$32+)

- Please pay for your MOPS International fees by visiting <https://www.mops.org/join/> and entering the code K8UK. This allows you to be linked with our group.

**Step 2:** Register with King of Kings Woodbury (\$30 per semester)

- Download the King of Kings Woodbury app or go to <https://pushpay.com/g/kingofkingslutheranchurch>
- Type into the amount location: \$30.00
- Under Gift type select: Give one time
- Under fund hit the drop down bar and scroll to MOPS Registration Fee, \$30
- Enter your card information or your bank information and proceed as per usual.

For questions please contact Kellie Hudson at [mops@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:mops@kingofkingswoodbury.org). We are excited to experience motherhood with you!

## King's Daughters

King's Daughters is a monthly Bible study for women of all ages. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. at church. In September we begin a 3 part study: **The Gift of the Spirit** from Pastor Sara-Olson Smith and Gather Magazine. It tracks the Holy Spirit's actions throughout our lives, and how it moves people into lives and adventures we might not risk on our own. If you have questions, contact Carol Berger at [thelma-cb@comcast.net](mailto:thelma-cb@comcast.net).



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## Man Up

Man Up Men's Ministry's vision is to challenge men to be bold and intentional leaders in their home, work and community to create a Godly legacy. This is accomplished by encouraging men to connect with other men of King of Kings and the community through fellowship, discipleship and service. The Man Up 2021-2022 study season will kick-off on Saturday, September 18, and we are excited to announce that we will be returning to in-person fellowship and study!!! We are also exploring ways to accommodate remote participation. Stay tuned as details become available.

The meetings are from 8:30-10:30 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month, September-May, and are centered on fellowship and Bible study. (Fellowship begins at 8:30 a.m. and Bible study is from 9:00-10:30 a.m.)

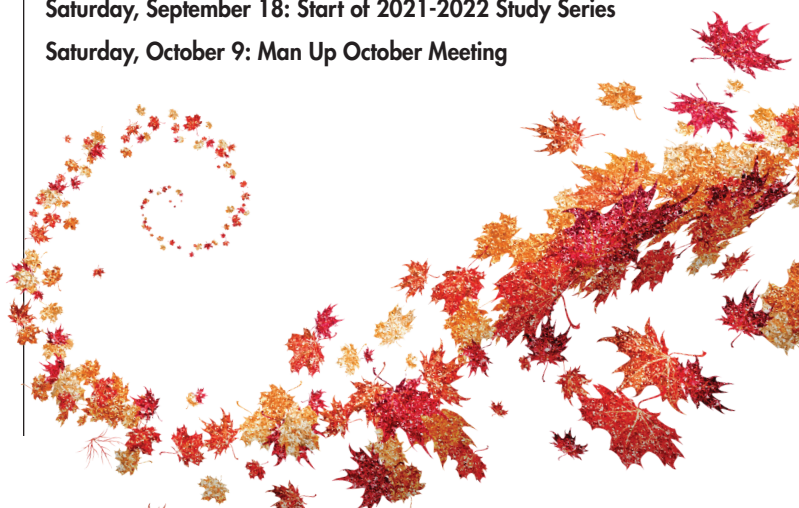
At least twice a year we will connect to the community through service projects. No registration or cost required. If you have questions, please contact [man\\_up@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:man_up@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

### Thursday, August 19: Volunteer Opportunity

King of Kings Man Up Men's Ministry will again be providing man-power for the 2021 Union Gospel Mission Birthday Party on August 19 from 4:45-6:30 p.m. The party is an outdoor BBQ picnic for clients of Union Gospel Mission. We will help with set up/clean up, serve the meal and have fellowship with the men. This event is appropriate for ages 15+. Even if you can't attend the whole event, we'd love to have you join for whatever time you are able.

### Saturday, September 18: Start of 2021-2022 Study Series

### Saturday, October 9: Man Up October Meeting





## Daytime Book Club

The King of Kings Daytime Book Club brings readers of all ages together to discuss books from a Christian viewpoint and grow in faith. The group meets once every two months to join in fellowship and explore books chosen by the group. One member guides each discussion in the book's relevance to Christian faith life.

We meet on the third Monday of odd months. Watch for announcements or contact Peggy Sorensen at [sorensens@comcast.net](mailto:sorensens@comcast.net) to be added to our email list.

## PM Book Club

The PM book club meets on the second Monday of the even numbered months at 7:00 p.m. Interested people are always welcome to join the group and the book discussion. If you have questions, please contact Bev Boyer at [boyer066@gmail.com](mailto:boyer066@gmail.com) or 651-238-7190.

Books on the schedule are:

**August 9:** *How the Penguins Saved Veronica* by Hazel Prior in the South Narthex of church

**October 11:** *Yellow Crocus* by Laila Ibrahim in the Holy Grounds Café at church



## Retired Men's Group

The Retired Men's Group has survived the Covid pandemic and is meeting on the second Tuesday each month at church. They start with continental breakfast at 7:45 a.m. and have a speaker following a short business meeting. During the next few months they hope to have speakers on the Christian Cupboard Emergency Food Shelf, the Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit line and other Metro Transit projects, and Minnesota Transportation projects. All retired men of King of Kings are considered members of this group and are invited to these meetings.

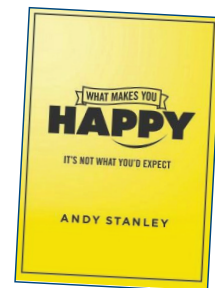
The Retired Men also help missions in our area by working carry-out at Kowalski's before holidays to raise money for the Salvation Army and Christian Cupboard Emergency Food Shelf. If you have questions, please contact Keith Weber at [keithpweber@gmail.com](mailto:keithpweber@gmail.com), Michael Engh at [enghfamilly@comcast.net](mailto:enghfamilly@comcast.net), John Lenich at [jflenich@msn.com](mailto:jflenich@msn.com) or Richard Boyer at [rbboyer6@gmail.com](mailto:rbboyer6@gmail.com).

## Sunday Forum

Sunday Forum is an opportunity to hear a presentation and participate in a discussion on a variety of timely, thought-provoking topics. This is a drop-in learning opportunity in the West Conference Room on Sundays, September through May, with classes resuming on September 19. The time will be determined—please consult the weekly e-newsletter for information on the starting time. Registration is not necessary and there is no homework. Coffee and treats are provided. If you have questions, please contact Trudy Cowman at [tlcowman@aol.com](mailto:tlcowman@aol.com).

### Upcoming Class:

***What Makes You Happy*** by Andy Stanley  
Many of us will say that happiness is measured in moments. In experiences. But this kind of happiness can be elusive. It is not sustainable. How about you? What makes you happy? Andy Stanley will explore three things that create true happiness.



## ***Congratulations to The King's Speakers Toastmasters on two outstanding achievements!***

First, they celebrated their five-year anniversary, having chartered on June 29, 2016.

Second, for achieving President's Distinguished, the highest available recognition given out by Toastmasters International. In order to achieve President's Distinguished, all club members (from brand new to very experienced) must work together to complete membership goals, education goals, and administrative goals.

## **Toastmasters Club**

Toastmasters is an international organization is dedicated to improving communication and leadership skills. King of King's now has year-round Toastmasters groups for youth and adults! Whether you want to brush up on your public speaking and leadership skills, practice impromptu speaking for an interview or dinner conversation, or join a small group for networking and fellowship opportunities, come and check us out! You may visit as many times as you like and are only required to join when you're ready! If you have questions, please contact Laura Griffith at [tmlg@live.com](mailto:tmlg@live.com).



## **The King's Youth Speakers | Gaveliers**

The King's Youth Speakers is for anyone under 18 years, middle school and high school preferred. They will meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month via Zoom, from 6:00–6:45 p.m. For the 4th week of September, they will meet in-person and online (if there is interest in both).

## **The King's Speakers | Toastmasters**

Toastmasters is for anyone over 18 years. The King's Speakers will continue to meet weekly on Thursdays via Zoom, from 7:00–8:00 p.m. On the 4th Thursday of each month they will have in-person and online.

**September 23:** Open House (both groups)

**October 28:** Fall Festival (both groups)

## **King's Sisters**

The King's Sisters, retired and semi-retired women, get together on the second Thursday of most months for the purpose of fellowship, education and service. We will resume post-pandemic programming beginning in September. We meet for lunch and a program, either at the church or at various community locations. Further details will be provided in weekly bulletins and Midweek Blast. If you have questions, please contact Ruth Kosek at [rlk\\_43@yahoo.com](mailto:rlk_43@yahoo.com), Robbie Hatalla at [rotalla78@gmail.com](mailto:rotalla78@gmail.com), Jan Olson at [jkolson@comcast.net](mailto:jkolson@comcast.net), or Susan Mason at [susandianemason@msn.com](mailto:susandianemason@msn.com).

**September 9:** Festive kick-off with a special European-themed luncheon in the Matterhorn Room of the Lowell Inn in Stillwater.

**October 14:** Lunch at a local restaurant with collection of small items for a local charity.

**November 11:** Lunch at Holy Grounds Café and an afternoon of card-making for local hospices and nursing homes.

**December 9:** Kings Sisters annual Christmas potluck at a local party venue.

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## Visitation Ministry

This trained group of volunteers bring community and spiritual care to those in our congregation who are homebound or who cannot get out easily. If you would like to be involved in this ministry or if you know someone who might

benefit from this ministry, please contact Sue Oberg at [sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org) or call her at 651-289-8032.



## BeFriender Ministry

This highly trained group of volunteers provide a confidential, nonjudgmental listening presence to those who are going through various transitions in life. Things like grief, illness, divorce, job loss, financial difficulties or anything where extra support would be helpful. It can be so useful to have

an outlet that is not a direct family member or friend to talk to during difficult times. The BeFriender Ministers are compassionate, caring individuals who want to walk with people through whatever is going on in your life. If you or someone you know would benefit from a BeFriender, please contact Sue Oberg at [sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

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## Alzheimer's Association® Caregiver Support Groups

Alzheimer's Association® caregiver support groups, conducted by trained facilitators, are a safe place for Caregivers and family and friends of persons with dementia/Alzheimer's or memory loss to develop a support system, and exchange practical information on caregiving challenges and possible solutions. It is a place to talk through issues and ways of coping, and a safe place to share feelings, needs and concerns while learning about community resources. The group meets every third Tuesday of the month from 7:00–8:00 p.m. and is a drop-in group—no registration required. Contact Anna DeCorsey at [anna.decorsey@gmail.com](mailto:anna.decorsey@gmail.com) if you have questions.



## Caring Casserole Ministry

Are you willing to bring a simple dinner to someone in our congregation who is experiencing a recent surgery, illness, new baby or death in the family? These meals are a simple and yet wonderful way to show the love of Christ to someone. If you volunteer to be a part of this ministry, an email will be sent out when we need meals for someone and you have the opportunity to respond if the timing works for you. We just ask that you try to respond to that need at least two times a year and deliver a simple meal to a very appreciative family! If you would like to be involved in this ministry, or would like to receive meals, please contact Sue Oberg at [sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org).



## Prayer Ministers

Prayer Ministers help with Ash Wednesday, Family Blessings, All Saints Day and planning for the National Day of Prayer. If you love to pray and would like to learn more about how you can pray with others and be a part of this ministry, please contact

Sue Oberg at [sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:sue.oberg@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

Do you love to knit or crochet, or would you like to learn how? This group meets to make beautiful prayer shawls and lap blankets that the care ministry and Pastors here at King of Kings can give to people who are hospitalized, homebound or going through a difficult time in life. These shawls are such wonderful gifts of love that show those people how they are covered in our prayers. If you would like more information about this ministry, please contact LeeAnn Behling at [leeann.behling@gmail.com](mailto:leeann.behling@gmail.com)! We even have some yarn for you to use!

## Thank You! From Sarah and Herb Merrill • Grand Rapids, MI



It's been a while!! Our twins, Preston and Emlynn Merrill, attended Ready, Set, Grow! back in 2006-2007 and 2007-2008. This enrollment was one of our best-ever decisions as they LOVED it there and grew so much. Though they learned plenty of "academic" things, in your warm and loving environment I think more than anything they learned to love school. We all look back on those years as very happy ones. We literally still talk about some of the fun things you did, like "Hawaii Day"!

I read an article within the last week or two about a long-term study of preschool. It said that preschool attendance made a large difference in high school and college outcomes. Our own experience confirms that; we owe a lot to you and the love of learning you instilled in our children.

Preston and Emlynn are graduating not only summa cum laude from high school, but are both in the Academic Top Ten of their class at Grand River Prep in Grand Rapids, Michigan. They both received a number of other honors as well! Emlynn will be

attending Wellesley College in the fall. After a gap semester, Preston will be attending Brandeis University.

We are so proud of them both—but not only because of their academic performance. They are heavily engaged in community service (even serving as the first ever student board members in a local nonprofit that works to promote literacy) and are basically just great people. I hope you feel like you had something to do with this, because we think that you did. In fact, we are sure that you did.

We happened to drive through Minneapolis/St. Paul last summer on our way to vacation and were in Woodbury one

evening to peek at all our old places. We stopped by RSG and snapped the attached photo. :-)

I'm sure a lot of kids pass through your doors, and you may not ever know how things turn out for them. I wanted to make sure to touch base and let you know the permanent and positive mark you made on ours. Thank you, again, for investing in our children—and in hundreds more over the years. Your work is so important! May God continue to bless your efforts.

By the way, during the first throes of the pandemic lockdown, my husband was cleaning out old boxes and found a little booklet of dinnertime prayers that the children received from RSG. We really enjoyed looking through it and using some of the prayers, simple as they are, during our lockdown meals. They make us smile. :-)

Sarah and Herb Merrill





## READY, SET, GROW PRESCHOOL

A MINISTRY OF KING OF KINGS LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Ready, Set, Grow Preschool has been King of King's Preschool for 38 years and it is still going strong! Children ages 3–5 are taught by qualified, experienced, loving teachers.**

At Ready Set Grow Preschool, we believe that learning and exploration in a safe, caring environment is essential to early learning and development. Research in child development indicates that children learn as they play and interact with other children, adults and their environment; an active learning process. Our Christian curriculum provides opportunities for children to play, learn and explore through a variety of well thought out experiences in language, literacy, math, science, music, dramatic play and physical movement. We encourage children to process thoughts and make choices and help facilitate problem solving skills in a safe, positive and intentional environment. Each day, we promote independence, healthy self esteem and emotional/social development.

We promise to:

- Support parents in efforts of raising children
- Promote social, intellectual, emotional and spiritual development
- Provide a Christian environment for children to learn, explore, imagine and acquire the essential skills to be life-long learners

Fun facts about Ready Set Grow:

- Ministry of King of Kings Lutheran Church
- Licensed by the State on MN
- Preschool programming is in session September–May
- Teacher/Student ratio is 1:8
- Programs for 3, 4 and 5 year old's
- Many of our very qualified teachers are former parents!

If you are interested in enrolling or would like more information, please contact Andrea Villanueva at 651-738-9346 or email her at [andrea.villanueva@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:andrea.villanueva@kingofkingswoodbury.org).



## CHILDREN, STUDENT & FAMILY MINISTRY

### Fall Classes & Activities

Fall is just around the corner and with it brings the beginning of Christian education classes here at King of Kings. There are many wonderful learning opportunities for children ages 3–high school. Please register NOW for classes.

**Kids of the Kingdom** is education for children in preschool through 5th grade. These classes meet on Sundays at 9:30 or 10:45 a.m. Families are asked to pick a specific class/time when registering.

***A special Kids of the Kingdom (Kindergarten – 5th grade children only) Kick-Off event will be on Sunday, September 12.***

**Middle School Ministry** is for 6th–8th graders. Confirmation is a time for your child to begin to take ownership of their faith, while forming a faith community of peers and adults within our church. It is an opportunity for individuals to take on the promises that were made for them in baptism for themselves. Our goal is to create a community where all are welcome and included—a place where students can grow in their faith, and where students can build, grow, and develop relationships. This age group meets on Wednesday evenings.

***The first day of Middle School Confirmation will be Wednesday, September 22.***

Register for either age group on our website at [www.kingofkingswoodbury.org/events](http://www.kingofkingswoodbury.org/events). For Kids of the Kingdom, please register before September 3. Registrations received after this date will not be processed until September 20.

**High School Ministry** is for 9th–12th graders. Get your student signed up for a connection group today! Connection groups are designed to be a small group experience for students to gather for deeper, faith filled conversations with their peers and the ability to form deeper faith filled relationships with one another. Registration will open in Mid-August, so check the website then for more details!

# SUMMER RECAP

Summer camps were full steam ahead this summer as children and students participated in variety of ways.



## Rocky Railway Vacation Bible School

Rocky Railway VBS transformed King of Kings into a train depot complete with trains as kids learned that Jesus' power will pull them through life's ups and downs. It is one of the highlights of summer

at King of Kings. Having campers back in the building made this VBS a memorable one with over 135 campers and 85 volunteers participating. A huge thank you to everyone who helped make it an amazing experience for our kids—from donating items to praying for our camp to being able to volunteer their time. VBS campers helped raise over \$1424 dollars to help our mission partner Linaje Escogido Church in Honduras purchase supplies for the children's part of their community library. A number of our student leaders had the privilege of getting whip cream pie in the face by campers as a "reward" for not just meeting, but surpassing their offering goal.



## American Girls Camp

American Girls Camp celebrates the values and character that make healthy, strong and confident girls. Each day the girls explored a different time period in America and learned through cooking, crafts, games and history how girls lived and persevered. A few of the highlights included: meeting a dog sled team, making a Victory Garden, creating a neon t-shirt, planning a business and making a terrarium.



## Camp Wapogasset

Camp Wapo in Amery, Wisconsin continued to thrive with over 21 children at Seeds weekend camp, over 65 students attending Youth Camp, and 9 middle school and 18 high school students at Ox Lake. This year, a number of camp staff represented King of Kings throughout the summer. It's so exciting to see our high school and young adults mentor our kids at camp.



## Welcome Back Bonfire

**Friday, September 10 6:30–9:30 p.m.**

Calling all 6th, 7th and 8th graders! Come hang out with your friends from church as we re-connect and share what we did over summer while we have a bonfire, s'mores and some super fun games! The event is totally free—please just sign up on our website!

## Middle School Parent Orientation

**Wednesday, September 15**

Is your student signed up for confirmation this fall? Then save this date and please plan to attend the parent orientation to hear all about all of the changes coming this year! Exact times will be coming soon....but save the date today!



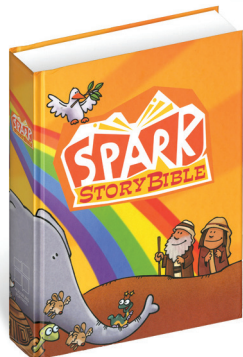
### Faith Milestone Ministry:

#### Connecting Families with their Faith

The Faith Milestone Ministry is a vital part of the education here at King of Kings. Faith Milestone ministry supports parents as they carry out the promises they made at their child's baptism and gives them the tools to incorporate faith into the daily life of their family. Important faith concepts are taught through child/parent workshops, worship experiences and classroom lessons. Families should watch their email for important Faith Milestone information. For additional information, contact Paula Arland at [paula.arland@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:paula.arland@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

#### Upcoming Faith Milestone Events

**September 19:** 3 & 4 year old Preschool: "Welcome to Kids of the Kingdom" (for preschool children who have not yet attended Kids of the Kingdom class—see right)



**September 26:** 2nd Grade: "Kids and Money"

**October 3:** 3rd Grade Bible Blessing in worship (see right)

**October 3:** 3rd Grade "Exploring My Bible" workshop

### Welcome to Kids of the Kingdom Preschool Faith Milestone

**Sunday, September 19 at either 9:30 or 10:45**

**(the class you have registered your child/ren for)**

Is your child turning 3 or 4 before September 1, 2021? Will this be their first time attending Kids of the Kingdom (Sunday School)? You and your child are invited to participate in a special Faith Milestone on September 19 at either 9:30 or 10:45. This milestone is an introduction to Kids of the Kingdom, our weekend education classes for preschoolers–5th graders. Preschool children will be able to visit their classrooms and experience a class. Parents will learn more about our weekend education and Faith Milestone programs. If you have a child that is not registered yet for Kids of the Kingdom, please register at [www.kingofkingswoodbury.org/events/2021-2022-kids-of-the-kingdom/](http://www.kingofkingswoodbury.org/events/2021-2022-kids-of-the-kingdom/). If you have questions concerning this milestone, please contact Paula Arland at [paula.arland@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:paula.arland@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

### Bible Workshop & Presentation for 3rd Graders

**Sunday, October 3**

Our third grade students receive a Spark Bible which is a great beginner student Bible for our children to keep growing in their faith. The Spark Bible corresponds with the curriculum and has special features that engages kids in exploring God's Word. During worship on Sunday, October 3, third grade parents will place in their child's hands their new Bible. Students will also receive a special blessing. Later that day, third graders and a parent will attend a workshop to learn more about their new Spark Bible. Families should watch for an invitation in early fall.

## re·ju·ve·nate (ri-joo-vuh-neyt)

*To give new energy or vigor; revitalize.*

We often get rundown, we lack energy, we start dragging.

Life gets busy and stressful and we get so caught up in life's busyness that we get depleted and run down.

We need vigor. We need new energy. We need some rejuvenation.

## Welcome to Rejuvenate!

**Wednesdays beginning September 22 8:00–9:00 p.m. Youth Room**

*Rejuvenate* is our new High School Youth group opportunity for any and all current 9th–12th graders. This is an opportunity for students to gather, to laugh, to talk and to learn about Jesus—to connect with their peers and talk about life together, and for students to continue to build relationships with one another. There will be games, snacks and lots of fun! And we want YOU to come check it out!

## EVENTS

## Our Annual Fall Festival is on October 29!

*Dinner served from 5:30–7:00 p.m.*

*Children's Games from 6:30–8:00 p.m.*

See page 5 for full details.

## Open Youth Room

**Wednesdays beginning September 22 6:00 p.m.**

Do you have a younger sibling in confirmation? Do you want to come to Rejuvenate but can only get a ride earlier in the evening? Well...come hang out in the Youth Room! There will be adults hanging out starting at 6:00 p.m. each Wednesday that there is programming. There will be a Wii set up on the projector, friends to help with homework, and some snack to eat!

## Fall Festival After-Party

**Friday, October 29 After the Fall Festival**

Coming out to help run the games at the fall party? Then plan to stay after, eat some pizza, hang with friends and watch a great movie together in the youth room! We get started as soon as the Fall Festival ends!

## Supporting Children's Ministry

Children's Ministry at King of Kings requires a lot of hands-on help. For those that are looking for a one-time opportunity you can jump in by helping plan 5th grade events, Fall Festival Children's Party and VBS decorating; join the 5th graders on one of their three fellowship events during the school year; assist the day of the Christmas Program with costumes and helping drama team.

A few seasonal ways to help out is with the Kids of the Kingdom startup during August and helping with VBS in the spring. You would help organize folders, bags, name tags, curriculum and prep for special projects.

Maybe you are looking for a more regular gig but aren't ready to commit to teaching. You can help out 1 time a month in the workroom during a Kids of the Kingdom hour, prep for classes during the week, check on classroom supplies, help keep the workroom organized during the year.

Love being with kids? Join us as a teacher or assist in a Kids of the Kingdom class. This is roughly two times a month commitment as well as some additional prep time outside of class. Our hope is that our classroom volunteers create a safe and welcoming community that our kids want to be a part of.

Maybe you are just not in a place where you can donate your time. We ask you to keep our children and our volunteers in your prayers. Pray for us and this amazing ministry as we help plant the seeds of faith in our youngest learners.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Paula Arland at [paula.arland@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:paula.arland@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

## SAVE THE DATE!

## The 2022 ELCA National Youth Gathering

**Coming July 24-28!** Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through days spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service and fellowship, young people grow in faith and are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives.

**More information will be coming...  
but save the date so YOU can attend!!**



## Quilters

**First & Third Mondays of Every Month 12:30–2:30 p.m. at church**

A very talented group of women from the congregation meet twice a month to work together to create beautiful and useful quilts which are subsequently donated to our global mission partners in Honduras and Tanzania, as well as to Lutheran World Relief and Life Haven. Anyone who has some sewing experience and would like to learn the art of quilting as well as participate in service work, is invited to join the group. If you have questions, please contact Judy Carlson at [isucarlson@msn.com](mailto:isucarlson@msn.com).

## Volunteer Emergency Response Team (VERT)

Volunteers over age 18 from King of Kings register and train to assist the Woodbury Public Safety Department with emergency response. This could include evacuations, shelter operations, sandbagging, debris cleanup, missing persons, and other local emergencies. If you have questions, please contact Chris Gandhi at [christinagandhi@gmail.com](mailto:christinagandhi@gmail.com).

## Loaves and Fishes

**Third Wednesday Every Month**

**Food prep 3:30 p.m./Serve 5:00 p.m.**

**St. Matthew's Church, 490 Hall Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55107**

Loaves and Fishes is a Minnesota based nonprofit that King of Kings has partnered with for many years. Their mission is to serve free, healthy meals at locations where the need is the greatest. The organization is guided by their vision that all people, regardless of socioeconomic, cultural, or ethnic background deserve to have their basic needs for food met. Once a month, King of Kings' members volunteer with Loaves and Fishes at St. Matthew's Church in the West St. Paul neighborhood to assist in making and serving a meal. If you have questions, please contact Jonathan Jordan at [jpjordan@cbburnet.com](mailto:jpjordan@cbburnet.com).

*The Loaves and Fishes team has adapted well to changes that were made in 2020 to keep the guest safe. We have had to limit to a core team of volunteers and all meals are made to-go. We have served outside in 20 below weather and spring showers—with smiles and welcomes to the folks being served. Having King of Kings' support is wonderful. We continue to look for menu tweaks, fresh ideas and collaboration with Loaves & Fishes.*



**School Supply Drive August 8–15**

**Red Cross Blood Drive August 11**

**CCEFS Produce Fair**

**August 28 and October 23**

See page 4 for full details.



## A Note From Chris

I am extremely excited for this fall as we once again refocus our attention on the final objective of our mission statement...to feed our hunger to be in community with one another. For over a year, we have had to take measures that made it difficult for us to be together physically. Our traditional music ensembles have not met or provided music for our church services, communion assistants haven't been needed to distribute communion, and we've had to operate with a smaller number of volunteers. But, in spite of that, we have remained connected in many new and creative ways to keep worship a central focus of the church community.

I'm so grateful for the helping hands that have volunteered as we opened our doors again. Without the efforts of the great team we've had in place, we wouldn't have been able to create a space for all to gather in praise. As we see more and more people returning to worship in-person, our need for volunteers grows.

This King of Kings community is blessed by some truly wonderful people. The importance of community has never been as clear as it is now, and I've learned not to take the privilege of worship for granted. I'm thankful that we can continue to worship together in-person and that we have increased our efforts in making the online worship experience better for everyone as well. The energy and time given by our incredible worship staff and volunteers has been so important and so valued—as has the presence of those gathering together to worship in-person or online. Whether you worshiping in our worship space or watch from the living room, we are united together by our common faith in God's unconditional love for us.

I look forward to the opportunities and growth that we will see in King of Kings' future. I believe God will continue to do amazing work with the community. We are better together!

Chris



## Music at King of Kings

Music plays an integral role in all the worship services at King of Kings. We offer a variety of music to fit the worship style of anyone who walks through our doors. Hundreds of volunteers bring our music ministry to life each week. Read about each of our music groups and learn how you can get involved.

### Jesus Jammers *1st Grade & up*

**Rehearsals: Wednesdays beginning Sept. 1 5:00–6:00 p.m.**

Jesus Jammers bring Jesus into the lives of everyone through music, dance, and joyful spirit. We prepare music to share in worship about once a month. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 5:00–6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary starting September 1. If you have questions, please contact Aimee Pettey at [jesusjammers@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:jesusjammers@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

### The JuBELLation Handbell Choir

**Rehearsals: Wednesdays beginning Sept. 1 6:00–6:50 p.m.**

The JuBELLation Ringers are our hand bell choir that rings up to 3-octaves of bells. This group participates in worship about once a month and plays a variety of music arrangements. We have room for more ringers with plenty of bells to share! No experience is required, just a joy for music in worship! Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 6:00–6:50 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room starting September 1. If you have questions, please contact Jim Lindstrom at [jim.lindstrom@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:jim.lindstrom@kingofkingswoodbury.org).



## Choral Ministry

**Rehearsals: Wednesdays beginning Sept. 1 7:00 p.m.**

Open to singers of all ages (high school and up), our choral ensembles perform special music during traditional worship on Sunday mornings, and may also present special music for special services including Christmas and Easter. Those interested in singing in an ensemble should join practice on Wednesday evenings in the Sanctuary. Our first rehearsal night is on September 1st. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Jim Lindstrom at [jim.lindstrom@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:jim.lindstrom@kingofkingswoodbury.org).



## Worship Band

**Rehearsals: Thursdays 7:00–8:30 p.m.**

We offer contemporary worship services on Sunday mornings. Our dedicated worship team leads in music and praise. Instrumentalists and vocalists are required to audition for positions on the team. Rehearsals are in the Sanctuary on Thursdays from 7:00–8:30 p.m. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Chris Vorrie at [chris.vorrie@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:chris.vorrie@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

## The King's Heralds Brass Ensemble

**Rehearsals: Sundays Noon–1:00 p.m.**

Our brass ensemble is made up of brass musicians from our congregation that play quartet and quintet arrangements of a variety of styles, and will lead congregational hymns with the organ at our traditional services. New musicians are always welcome! Rehearsals are on Sundays from Noon–1:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary starting August 29. If you have questions, please contact Jim Lindstrom at [jim.lindstrom@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:jim.lindstrom@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

## Production & Technical Arts

This team provides technical support during worship services including audio, video, lighting, and our livestream. We are interested in more volunteers—no experience necessary! Training is provided. If you have questions, please contact Chris Vorrie at [chris.vorrie@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:chris.vorrie@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

### Audio Opportunities

- Managing audio for weekend services
- Managing sound for online broadcasts of our in-person services
- Mixing worship music by our worship teams and musicians

### Video Opportunities

- Managing video and graphic elements for worship that are projected on our big screens including lyrics, liturgy, and sermon graphics.

### Livestream Camera Opportunities

- Managing our cameras to broadcast our worship services to those that are joining us online for worship.

## Welcome Ministry

Ushers serve an important role in church by providing an additional point-of-contact and smile as people enter our worship space. They also help to collect our weekly offering, and make worship a great experience for our worshipers by aiding in locating available seating and guidance to our communion stations. If you have questions, please contact Chris Vorrie at [chris.vorrie@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:chris.vorrie@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

- Ushers and Greeters are needed to welcome everyone that comes to worship.
- As we return to in-person worship, these volunteer positions are vital in ensuring the everyone feels welcome and part of a community as they worship with us.

## Readers & Communion Assistants

These are the folks that assist the pastors to ensure that every worship service moves smoothly and efficiently. If you have questions, please contact Chris Vorrie at [chris.vorrie@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:chris.vorrie@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

- Readers – Deliver weekly scripture and other relevant readings from the pulpit during all services. In doing this they give the Word a new voice to compliment the pastor's sermon.
- Communion Assistants – Aid in the distribution of communion during worship services. Working in pairs, communion assistants offer bread wafers and wine with a blessing to worshipers.

## 50's+ Group

The 50+ Group started in 1996 as a social organization for individuals and couples. King of Kings members and friends who are 50 years of age are automatically part of the group and all are invited to join us. There is a planned outing/event almost every month and coffee Friday mornings.

Please join us for coffee and baked goods at the Holy Grounds Café for socializing and "conducting business" Friday mornings at 9:00.

### Planned Fall Events:

#### Wednesday, August 18

"Mystery Mingle and Munch at the Stonemill Community Center. Let's get back together for a casual boxed dinner, mingling and solving a mystery.

#### Wednesday, September 15

The Music Man, (matinee) Chanhassen Dinner Theater.

Details will be posted in the Wednesday blast and 50+ emails. Is there an event you would like to plan? Event suggestions welcomed and appreciated! For questions, contact: Tami Olson at [Tami.J.Olson@gmail.com](mailto:Tami.J.Olson@gmail.com) or Lynne Engberg at [engyhome22@gmail.com](mailto:engyhome22@gmail.com).

To be added to the 50+ Group emails, please send email to [kok50plusgroup@gmail.com](mailto:kok50plusgroup@gmail.com) or email Tami Olson.



*Holy Grounds*  
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Friday morning social coffee 9:00–10:30 a.m.  
Sunday hours to be announced in August.

## King's Sociables

King's Sociables provides an opportunity for active adults to do service projects, to learn and explore, and enjoy a time of fellowship. All are welcome whether you attend as a couple, a single or choose to "come solo" for any given activity. Empty nesters...this may be a good way to ease into this new stage in your life while forming new connections within our faith community. Watch for upcoming events to be posted in the Wednesday blast and weekend bulletins. If you have questions, please contact Nancy Nelson at [nancyfnelson@gmail.com](mailto:nancyfnelson@gmail.com), Mary Beth Johnson at [elandermis@comcast.net](mailto:elandermis@comcast.net), or Rose Swenson at [roseswenson2@hotmail.com](mailto:roseswenson2@hotmail.com).

EVENTS

**Our Annual Fall Festival  
is on October 29!**

*Dinner served from 5:30–7:00 p.m.  
Children's Games from 6:30–8:00 p.m.*

See page 5 for full details.



## Property Ministry

We are a group of people with specific skills associated with buildings and maintenance. Our calling is to assist the church staff when called upon to answer questions and volunteer our time for specific projects in and around the church building. If you have questions, please contact Dianne Johnson at [dianne.johnson@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:dianne.johnson@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

*“The earth brought forth vegetation,  
plants yielding seed according  
to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit  
in which is their seed,  
each according to its kind.  
And God saw that it was good.”*

— Genesis 1:12

## Summertime Thank-You’s... and More Fun This Fall!

A big thank you to everyone who helped in the gardens this year here at King of Kings! What a great summer it’s been! Happy volunteers were busy weeding, trimming, planting, watering, and much more! Many hard-working hands joined in for our big ‘Mulch Madness’ project, spreading mulch and giving plantings a much-needed reprieve from the steamy, hot heat!

The herb garden is still hard at work, providing healthy herbs for the Christian Cupboard! God is so good the way He grows these delicious surprises up! There are always opportunities for people to help harvest and transport the herbs to the Food Shelf, so please let us know if you might be interested in that.

We could use extra help watering containers and a few dry spots until things cool down as well. Or come have fun with us later as we decorate outdoors for the upcoming Fall Festival! We’ll continue working outside for Project Tuesdays from 9:00-12:00 as long as our weather behaves itself. Feel free to come and go as your schedule allows.



## EVENTS

**Annual Mum Sale September 11/12**  
**Fall Garden Clean Up October 16**

See page 5 for full details.



## Baptism at King of Kings

Baptisms are a key component of our walk with Christ. Perhaps you are interested in having a child baptized or being baptized yourself? Please contact Patty at [patty.bishop@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:patty.bishop@kingofkingswoodbury.org) to learn more.

## Membership Class

The Membership Class is a time to connect with others and learn about King of Kings. In this comfortable setting you will hear how others found their way here, what keeps them here, and learn how we worship, learn and serve together. Our goal is that you would feel valued and known within our church community. For more information on Membership Classes at King of Kings, contact Patty Bishop at [patty.bishop@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:patty.bishop@kingofkingswoodbury.org) to learn more.

## Christian Cupboard Donations

King of Kings collects non-perishable food and personal care items for the Christian Cupboard Emergency Food Shelf. Donations are collected in the bins located at the main entrances. Thank you to the Retired Men's Group for delivering the donations every Monday.



## Notary

If you are in need of notary services, Dianne Johnson is a licensed notary. Please call the office to arrange an appointment.

## Recycling Aluminum Cans

Please bring your empty aluminum cans to church for this worthy project of the Man Up Men's group. All funds raised will be returned to the community through service projects done by the group.

## Midweek E-Newsletter

Get the Mid-Week E-Newsletter (often referred to as the *Wednesday Blast*) to stay informed on what's happening at church. Sign up on our website or send your request to Jane at [jane.halbert@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:jane.halbert@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

## Kowalski's Market

Kowalski's has donated over one and a half million dollars to local charities through their Groceries for Good Causes (GFGC) program! The intent of GFGC is to help the community directly surrounding each store. It is meant to help nonprofit organizations like schools, churches, food shelves, youth support groups and animal humane societies, to name a few. You've probably seen this in our local Kowalski's market—customers place their receipts in labeled boxes at the front of the store. Each quarter, King of Kings receives a donation from Kowalski's based on the total number of receipts collected in our bin. So continue to drop off your receipt!



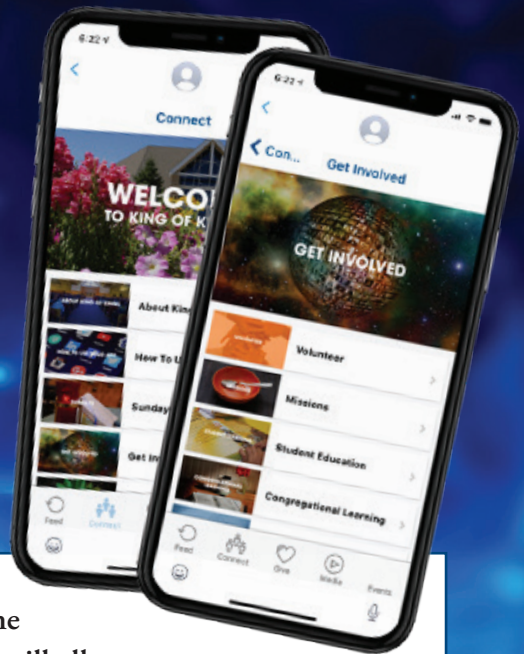
**Invite a friend, neighbor or family member to church!**

*See back for location, worship times and contact information.*



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*Find ways to connect  
while serving and  
helping others!*



Our King of Kings app is available to download! The App is the best way to stay connected to the church outside of Sunday! It will allow you to receive important updates for those ministry areas you're involved with and offers the convenience of taking sermon notes right on your phone or mobile device. It also provides the ability to give a gift online in a safe and secure manner, plus so much more.

To download our app, choose one of the following:

- go to the Apple App store or Google Play store and search for King of Kings Woodbury, or
- text KingOfKingsApp to 833-245-6561, or
- click here to be texted a link for downloading the app

You will have the option to set up your profile immediately, or you can choose to bypass those first steps. If you have questions, please email Jane at [jane.halbert@kingofkingswoodbury.org](mailto:jane.halbert@kingofkingswoodbury.org).

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