

**May 31st, 2026 • 9:30am Traditional Worship**

*Sundays,  
Spring 2026* |  **Breaking News**  | *Equip* 

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# WHY FOLLOWING JESUS STILL MATTERS

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## **Baccalaureate Weekend**

Today we celebrate with our graduating seniors as they step into their next chapter! We've celebrated many milestones throughout our student's faith journeys and it's been an honor to watch them grow up through the years at King of Kings. We invite you to join us in praying over them as they discern the plan God has for them next.

Not only do we celebrate our high school graduates, but also those completing college, master's, or doctoral degrees, as well as those who have dedicated themselves to learning a trade or vocation. Each path matters. Each represents discipline, growth, and purpose. Well done.

## Worship Order

## Notes

### Gather and Praise

#### Prelude

*Thy Word*

Drake Werner, Piano

*Great Is the Lord*

Dylan Werner, Piano

#### Welcome & Announcements

#### Scholarship Recipient Presentation

#### Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

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#### Opening Hymn – *Will You Come and Follow Me*

ELW 798

#### Prayer

#### Special Music – *Prelude*

Mason Abrahamson, Viola

### The Word

#### Bible Reading – Matthew 16:24-26

#### Children's Message

#### Message – *Why Following Jesus Still Matters*

Pastor Jon Larson

### Our Response

#### Offering – *You Are Mine*

ELW 581

#### Senior Recognition

*Senior Recognition*

*Laying on of Hands & Sending Prayer*

*Congregational Commission*

#### Special Music

Mason Abrahamson, Viola

#### Prayers of the Church

#### The Lord's Prayer

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### Blessing and Sending

#### Benediction & Sending

**Sending Hymn** – *Lord, You Give the Great Commission* ELW 579 (1,2,5)

**Postlude** – *Organ Voluntary on "Abbot's Leigh"*

**Organist: Jim Lindstrom - Cantor: Robyn Casey**

## Announcements



### Welcome To Our Summer Interns!

Please join us in welcoming Olivia Meverden as our Summer Marketing Intern and Cam Clarke as our Summer Children & Student Ministry Intern!



### Early Bird Registration – Closes Today!

If you'd like to register for our fall Kids of the Kingdom Sunday School or Confirmation programming, today is the last day to sign up with the reduced early bird pricing! Go to our website or scan the QR code to sign up today!



### Career Opportunities

We have two part-time positions available at King of Kings: a Holy Grounds Cafe Manager and Worship Coordinator. Learn more about these roles and how to apply under "careers" on our website or by scanning the QR code.

## Upcoming Events

- **Garden Tuesdays:** Every Tuesday morning from 9:00–Noon – Gardening, socializing, & outdoor fun!
- **King's Sociables Dinner with Friends:** Tue, June 2, 5:30pm, Acapulco's
- **June Community Dinner:** Thurs, June 4, 5:00-6:30pm, Holy Grounds Cafe
- **Celebrating Becky Hagen:** Sun, June 7, before & after worship – Enjoy a sweet treat as we celebrate Becky's retirement as Holy Grounds Cafe Manager
- **Men's Ministry D-Groups:** June 8 or 9, 6:30-7:30 am, Youth Room | June 14, 10:45-11:45am, Fellowship Hall
- **Red Cross Blood Drive:** Mon, June 8, 12:00-6:00pm, Multipurpose Room
- **Men's Bible & Breakfast on Galatians 1-6:** Sat, June 13, 8:30-10:30 am, Holy Grounds Cafe
- **Explore King of Kings:** Sun, June 14, Noon – Register on the website and learn about membership
- **Shred & Share Event:** Sat, June 27, 9:00-10:30am, King of Kings Parking Lot – Bring documents to shred & canned goods to donate!

Visit our website [www.kingofkingswoodbury.org](http://www.kingofkingswoodbury.org) for more events & details

## Give

### Baccalaureate Weekend: Seasons of Growth, Challenge, Discovery, and Faith

As a congregation, we've had the privilege of walking alongside our students through many seasons of growth, challenge, discovery and faith. Today, as they step into what comes next, we don't simply send them off, we continue with them, trusting that what has been nurtured here will carry forward into the world.

It's worth naming something clearly: these students are not here by accident. They reflect this community's commitment to their lifelong journey of faith. Your encouragement, prayers, time and generosity have supported them and have made the ministries possible that have shaped their faith and deepened their relationships.

These ministries exist because this congregation has chosen to invest in them. In giving, you're not just sustaining a church, you're investing in lives, in future generations, and in a faith that continues to grow beyond these walls.

May Goal: \$150,76  
May Actual: \$156,740  
June Goal: \$200,070

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## First Time Visitor?

- Pastor Jon Larson & Pastor Amelia Houdek would love to meet you. Say hello!
- Childcare is provided for infants–3 years in the Nursery.
- Kids of the Kingdom education classes (ages 3–5th grade) are offered during both service hours, September–May.
- Listening devices are available at the Welcome Desk.
- If you want to get involved, submit a Prayer Request, or receive care from a pastor, fill out a "Connect Card" and place it in the offering basket so we can reach out to you.
- For one-on-one prayer, there is a Prayer Minister waiting for you in the Prayer Nook.
- If you have any other questions, we'd love to help you at the Welcome Desk.

## Connect

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