

THE MESSENGER

Need Pastoral Care?
August 26 through September—
Pastor Ben (255-4533)



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WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

Seniors' Small Group—

1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 1:00 pm
at Various Locations
Led by Dick Kothrade

Men's Morning Bible Study
Reading the Psalms with Luther
Wednesdays, 7:00 am
at Bob Evans (Pfeiffer Road),
Led by Dick Kothrade

Women's Morning Bible Study
To Live is Christ: the Life and Ministry of Paul
by Beth Moore
Thursdays, 9:30 am
King of Kings' Library
Led by Debbie Billman

Men-In-Step—
Saturdays, 8:00 am
"Courageous Heroes of Faith"
at Brueggers Bagels on
Mason-Montgomery,
Led by Pastor John

Men's Bible Study
Saturdays, 7:00 am
at Bob Evans (Mason-Mont.)
Led by Erick Schepmann

SEPTEMBER 4, 2011 THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

"GOD'S GOVERNMENT?"
ROMANS 13: 1-10

10:00am Combined Service

See back of Messenger for Calendar Details for the week of 09/04/2011

There will be no Sunday School or Bible Class this week.



JOIN US
KICK OFF SUNDAY - SEPT. 11
New Worship Series + New Sunday School
Worship - "A Community of Connections"



Mary Kothrade 9/4
Michael Greive 9/6
Ethan Wells 9/6
Nelson Leist 9/7
Paige Poloha 9/7
Annie Kellerstrass 9/8
Sandy Smith 9/8
Karen Hodge 9/9
Julianne Erickson 9/11
Hannah Rhode 9/12
Olivia Nobis 9/13
Matthew Suguitan 9/13
Jacob Vogel 9/13

John & April Cadwallader 9/7
Jim & Brenda Fischer 9/7
Bret & Lori Arnone 9/9

Stewardship Thought:

Romans 13:1-10: Today's Epistle reading reminds us that as Christian stewards and citizens of this country we owe allegiance and submission to the governing authorities... This means, among other things, that we obey the laws, seek the common good and use our faith and values as Christians to be a stronger influence in moving our nation to higher moral ground.



	Income	Expenditures	Net Gain/(Loss)
ECEM Actual July	\$18,410	\$23,085	\$ (4,675)
ECEM Year to Date			\$ -
ECEM Budget Year to Date	\$26,960	\$26,447	-
General Fund July	\$ 66,798	\$ 45,872	\$ 20,926
General Fund Year to Date			
General Fund Budget	\$54,167	\$ 57,267	\$ -

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PASTOR JOHN AND CAROL OUT OF THE COUNTRY

Pastor John and Carol will be traveling to Greece to celebrate the marriage of our oldest daughter Katherine to Paul Demos on September 2 on the island of Santorini. Pastor John will out of the office from Friday, August 26 through Labor Day, September 5. Pastor Ben will be available for pastoral care. Pastor John and Carol welcome your prayers for safe travel! Note: please send prayer chain requests to Debbie Billman in Pastor John's absence (worship@koklcms.org)

SEPTEMBER OWLS

The La Comedia play "A 2ND HELPING....CHURCH BASEMENT" is Wednesday September 14th. We will meet at church at 9:50 am to carpool. If you plan to go to the theater without stopping at church first please let Lyle or Mary Jo know. If you have any questions please contact Lyle or Mary Jo Pagel at 754-1780.

MASON HEALTH CARE CENTER SERVICE THIS SUNDAY, SEPT. 4

Please consider joining us for our short service this Sun. Sept. 4 @ 2:30 with the residents there. Directions are at the STMO Board. Thanks!

READY TO DISCOVER OR REDISCOVER?

Why not join "Discovering the Christian Faith" (DTCF), a new 10 week small group Bible study (led by Pastor John) which begins Sunday morning, September 11 at 9:30 a.m. (Location = small conference room) DTCF enables you to ask questions you have always wanted to ask about the Christian faith and the beliefs of the Lutheran Church. DTCF will give you an overview of God's salvation activity, how God draws us to Himself via faith, God's gifts of Baptism and Holy Communion, and what it means to live for God and as God's gathered family. DTCF gives you an excellent opportunity to reach out to a "searching" friend so that they can connect to Christ now and forever.

VOLLEYBALL!

Attention all volleyball players. We will once again be having volleyball this fall. You do not have to be an 'expert' volleyball player. Whether you are a 'beginner' or an 'old pro', come out and join us for an evening of fun and fellowship. We will start the season Monday September 12 and play every Monday night. Time is 6:30 – 8:00. You do not have to play the whole night – come late or leave early – that fine. If you are interested, please contact me so we can get an idea of how many people we will have. You do not have to be a member, friends are more than welcome. Contact David Billman (billman.david@gmail.com) for additional information.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AT MIMI'S CAFÉ

Now that our children are back to school, we will begin meeting again weekly at Mimi's Cafe on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Our Women's Bible Study for September will pick up on our remaining devotions from "Out of the Spin Cycle: Devotions to Lighten Your Mother Load" by Jen Hatmaker. We will be selecting our new material for the rest of the fall during the first part of September. This bible study is an opportunity to join in Christian fellowship and provides prayer support as we study how God touches our lives as wives and mothers. Brief devotional reading prior to our meeting time allows for great group discussion and interaction. All women are invited to join us. Please contact Paula Schepmann at schepmann@gmail.com or 583-1581, if you are interested. Unfortunately, babysitting is not provided as part of this Bible study opportunity.

"LIKE" US ON FACEBOOK

King of Kings has a brand-new Facebook page! Please visit us at www.facebook.com/kingofkingslcm. This is a public page, so you do not need a Facebook account to go to the King of Kings Facebook page and read it. However, if you would like to comment, "like" our page or add something else to the page, you will need a Facebook account. It's free and requires an email address and password to create an account. Our administrator is Mike Billman. Please send any questions, comments or recommendations to him at billman@2minutedrill.net.

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CONNECTING PEOPLE TO CHRIST THROUGH WORSHIP — CHANGES IN SEPTEMBER!

Bringing us together as a family – Single Service Sundays

One of our three focus areas of our new vision statement, “Connecting People to Christ Now and Forever”, is “we will strengthen our connection to each other”. One way to accomplish that is to occasionally set aside our regular worship schedule and unite for a single worship service. The following Sundays will have a single service at 10:00 am in the Worship Center:

Sunday, September 4

Sunday, November 27

Sunday, Christmas Morning, December 25

Sunday, New Year’s Morning, January 1, 2012

Sunday, May 27

CHANGES COMING TO WORSHIP BEGINNING *SEPTEMBER 11*

Pastor John, Pastor Ben, and Debbie Billman, director of worship and music, have been taking time this summer to review our current worship practices and see how we might make some changes to assist our people to connect to our Lord and connect others to Him. Based on that study, we are making the following changes in September:

Beginning **Sunday, September 11 (our kickoff Sunday)** the Classic Service time will move from 8:00 to 8:15 am. This will allow a smoother transition between our early service and the Education hour, as well as make it a little easier for some of our members to attend the early service. The Classic Service will continue to be designed based on the liturgies in the **Lutheran Service Book**. We are hoping to include more instrumentalists and other musical offerings in the coming year.

Also beginning **Sunday, September 11** the Fusion Service will be re-named **CrossConnections**.

CrossConnections is a more informal worship setting than our Classic service and will continue to meet in the Worship Center. **CrossConnections** is Christ-centered worship committed to reaching those without Lutheran background or those who prefer more variety in liturgy and music. Music from all ages (including 1-2 hymns a week) will be used, as well as worship leaders, visual media and drama. **CrossConnections** is based on the “Ancient-Future” model of worship designed by the late Robert Webber and seeks to weave old and new worship elements together to tell the wonderful grace of God as revealed in His Son, Jesus Christ.

HELP US OUT WITH MUSIC FOR CROSSCONNECTIONS!

Do you play an instrument (keyboard, guitar, bass, drums, or symphonic instrument)? Do you like to sing? If so, please get in touch with Debbie Billman (398.6089 ext. 325; worship@koklcms.org). Whether you’d like to play one song, one Sunday, or regularly, we’d love to have you join us!

THE ALBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

As we approach the new school year we once again have families who would greatly appreciate having assistance with their child’s tuition for 2011 – 2012 school year. The past school year we awarded over \$12,000.00 to 10 different families. We anticipate the need for this year will be just as great.

You, as a member of King of Kings, can make contributions to the Albright Scholarship Fund. When you make a donation, please mark your donation clearly that it is for this fund, on your check and on the outside of your envelope. May God bless you and your family for taking an interest in reaching out into the community and making it possible to share the Gospel with those who are being moved by the Holy Spirit to hear the Gospel.

If you have any questions you may address them to Gil Schepmann, Dir. of Early Childhood Education Ministries.

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ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP AND MUSIC MINISTRIES

King of Kings is seeking a part time Assistant to the Director of Worship and Music Ministries. The job is six to eight hours a week and would ideally include a portion of the hours on Friday afternoon. This employee would assist with basic administrative duties related to worship such as bulletin preparation, PowerPoint slides for worship, communication with music volunteers, publicity, purchase requisitions, filing, creating rehearsal cds, updating music records, etc. as well as help with setup and maintenance of sound equipment for our Worship Center and Chapel. Interested persons please contact the church office to receive a Position Description and Application.

ECEM SCHOOL BOARD FOR 2011-2012

We have 5 members on the ECEM School Board for the coming school year. Nancy Wasmer will serve as board chairperson with Barb Gasser, Kathy Smith, Chad Thieme, and Kyle Vandegrift as members. Duane Karr will serve as liaison between the board and Leadership Council. The school board is reviewing the board handbook that was adopted several years ago. The board meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7PM, with no meeting in July unless it is found to be necessary to meet. We are looking to add one more member to the board. If you would be interested in serving on the school board please talk with Gil Schepmann, Pastor John, or Pastor Ben and express your interest to them.

ECEM KROGER FUNDRAISER

Help our Early Childhood Education Ministries raise funds by using a “Kroger Neighborhood Reward Program” gift card. The gift card can be used to pay for items when you shop at Kroger – groceries, prescriptions, gas, etc.. Just see Gil Schepmann to get your card and reload it with any amount up to \$500. When you checkout just scan your Kroger Plus Card and then pay for your purchases with the gift card. Your remaining balance will print on your receipt and you can reload at any time. Not a regular Kroger shopper? You can still help the preschool by using a Kroger gift card to shop at Kroger for gift cards to restaurants and other retailers. Any time you pay with your ECEM Kroger gift card, you our helping our school. When the total amount reaches \$5,000 or more in a 4-week cycle the school receives 4% of the total amount. What a great way to earn money for our school that costs us nothing!! See Gil Schepmann to get your card!!

COMING SOON: THE FALL LUTHERAN WOMEN’S RETREAT, SEPTEMBER 23-24!

The 53rd annual Fall Lutheran Women’s Retreat will once again be held at the “Mother House” of the Sisters of Mercy, located across from the University of Mt. St. Joseph in Delhi. Each woman staying overnight will have a private room with sink. Meals are deliciously prepared from local produce. Yum!

The Retreat Leader this year will be **Elaine Bickel**, a wonderful speaker who mixes humor, story-telling and the Gospel in her special delivery. She hails from Middleton, Michigan where she serves as the Principal of a Lutheran Elementary School.

Check-in starts at 4 PM. The evening begins with a lovely dinner by at 6 PM, followed by Elaine’s first “installment”. A Holy Communion Service held in the beautiful chapel will complete the evening. Saturday morning begins with a delicious breakfast (7:45 AM) and Elaine’s sharing around 9 AM. We’ll have Lunch and one more session with Elaine before closing the retreat at 2:15 PM.

Those who would like to **carpool** to Delhi for the Retreat, please contact Rena Haines, 513.984.0368 or email: RLH1945@gmail.com. We hope to have two groups to carpool: one for the entire Retreat and another to drive back to Mason Friday night and return to the Retreat Saturday morning. Questions? Contact Rena.

CALENDAR
Connecting People to Christ Now and Forever

August 28—September 4, 2011



September 4— 10:00 am Combined Service

September 5-

September 6-

September 7— 7:00 am Men's Morning Bible Study

September 8— 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study

September 9—

September 10— 7:15 am Men's Bible Study
8:00 am Men In Step

September 11— 8:15 Classic Service (Chapel)
9:30 Sunday School
11:00 CrossConnections Service (Large Worship Center)

Sunday, August 28, 2011

8:00 am Classic Service— 122
11:00 Fusion Service— 111

WORSHIP SERVER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2011

10:00 am

Elder: Rick Bohnke

Usher: Barry Schweinfest, Brandon Schweinfest, Chris Whitaker, Emily Whitaker

Reader: Laura Pieper

Sound Tech: Matt Antal

Communion Assistant: Rick Bohnke, David Billman

Worship assistant: Antal family

Greeter: TBD

Welcome Table: Lyle & Mary Jo Pagel

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2011

8:15 am

Elder: Bob Styers

Usher: Barry Schweinfest, Brandon Schweinfest, Denise Lucas, Scott Chant

Liturgist: Pastor Ben

Reader: Jane Glandorf

Sound Tech: Bobby Frazier

Acolyte: Katy Glandorf

Greeter: Dick & Joanne Biedinger

Prayer Partners: Pastor Ben, Debbie Billman

11:00 am

Assisting Pastor: Pastor Ben

Elder: Tom Larkin

Usher: Andy, Kathy, Calvin Boedecker, Chris Whitaker

Reader: Kevin Billman

Sound Tech: Malinda Stoner

Communion Assistant: Pastor Ben, Tom Larkin

KidsConnection: Rochelle Flenner, Hannah Smith

Prayer Partner: Debbie Billman

Welcome Table: Kirk and Valerie Whittemore

Nursery Attendant: Peggy Babb

August Altar Guild—Paula Schepmann & Jean Voelkel