

THE MESSENGER

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 September—Pastor Ben (255-4533)
 October—Pastor John (509-3791)



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WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

*Seniors' Small Group—
 Power for Daily Living*
 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

*Adult Bible Study
 "Experiencing the Heart of Jesus"*
 by Max Lucado
 Sundays, 6 – 7:30 PM
 King of Kings Library
 Led by Jane Glandorf

SEPTEMBER 18, 2011

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

"THE LOVE CONNECTION"

MARK 12: 28-34

8:15 am Classic Service (Luther Chapel)

9:30 am Sunday School (See map located at both entrances and near gym entrance)

11:00 am Fusion Service (Large Worship Center)

PLEASE JOIN US FOR BIBLE CLASS

Colossians and Philemon

Library

Led by Dr. Bill Polzin

Senior High

Pulse

Room 100

Led by Pastor Ben

Junior High

Growing in Christ

Discovering the Christian Faith

Led by Pastor John
 Conference Room

Growing In Christ

Various Leaders
 Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY SCHOOL

"Joseph and His Brothers"

See map for classroom locations

**Preschool—Kindergarten
 Grades 1—5**



	Income	Expenditures	Net Gain/(Loss)
ECEM Actual August	\$31,423	\$26,622	\$ 4,801
ECEM Year to Date	\$49,834	\$49,708	\$ 126
ECEM Budget Year to Date	\$53,920	\$52,894	-
General Fund August	\$41,838	\$64,919	(\$23,081)
General Fund Year to Date	\$108,636	\$110,791	(\$2,155)
General Fund Budget	\$54,167	\$ 57,267	\$

Stewardship Thought:

Philippians 1:12-14; 19-30: St. Paul saw the hand of God in everything that happened to him. When he wrote the letter to the Philippians he was in prison, not for any crime he had committed, but rather for his bold witness to Jesus Christ! What an encouragement for us to stand up for our Christian faith by words and actions and be good stewards of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world!



Jack Mitchell 9/18
 David Bair, Jr. 9/19
 Clara Bernhardt 9/19
 Erik Pedersen 9/19
 Bridget Casey 9/20
 Nancy Hoopes 9/20
 Christina Thomas 9/20
 Stephanie Schoenlein 9/20
 Samantha Bair 9/22
 Matthew Fischer 9/22
 Mary Goepper 9/22
 Joanne Biedinger 9/23
 Rachel Whitaker 9/23
 Ray Hamilton 9/25

 Brian & Julie Haas 9/18
 Glenn & Lori Schlake 9/18
 Paul & Clara Bernhardt 9/25

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FALL SEASON FOR CLASSIC SERVICE MUSICIANS!

Just a reminder that the Classic and Handbell Choirs will resume rehearsal on Thursday, September 22 with handbells meeting from 6:30 – 7:15 pm and classic choir meeting from 7:30 – 9:00 pm. Both the Classic and Handbell Choirs prepare music for our 8:15 and holiday services. If you have any questions or would like more information, please get in touch with Debbie Billman (398-6089 ext. 325, worship@koklclms.org).

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@koklclms.org). Whether you'd like to play one song, one Sunday, or regularly, we'd love to have you join us!

SETTING MEETING TIMES AND DATES

Just a reminder that if you have a group or team that plans on meeting at King of Kings, please contact the church office (e-mail: office@koklclms.org) or via phone (398-6089) and ask that your meeting or activity be placed on the KOK calendar. With your request please also coordinate the location of your meeting with the office administrative assistant (New administrative assistant starting soon).

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.

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.

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 started 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's 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.

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WORSHIP SERVERS NEEDED — 11:00 SERVICE

We are in need of assistance with worship at our late service, particularly in the areas of usher, greeter, and KidsConnection adult and student helpers. If you would be willing to serve in one of these capacities, please get in touch with Debbie Billman (398-6089 ext. 325, worship@koklclms.org).

CONNECTING PEOPLE TO CHRIST THROUGH PRAYER

One of the greatest privileges we have as Christians is lifting one another up in prayer. As part of our focus to connect people to Christ, we would like to offer a time of personal prayer after each worship service for those who feel the need for additional prayer support. If you would be willing to be a “prayer partner” after the Classic or CrossConnections service or would consider it with more information, please get in touch with Debbie Billman (398-6089 ext. 325, worship@koklclms.org).

“THE ART OF MARRIAGE” EVENT!

This is a fantastic opportunity for all couples to enrich your relationship in light of God’s design for marriage. It’s a Friday evening and Saturday event that is being hosted by Royal Redeemer Lutheran and several other local churches. The experience includes video-based teaching, stories, testimonies, and interviews that lead couples through the conference. I should say -- these are really well done video segments too.

Cost is \$45 per couple, which includes materials for both of you. Child care is provided! Also included are snacks and a Saturday morning continental breakfast. The only piece left for couples is lunch out on Saturday. Whether your marriage relationship is fantastic, you’re looking for a little rekindling, or you want to find healing from past experiences, this weekend will make a positive difference in your relationship!

Location: West Chester Church of the Nazarene

Dates: Friday, Oct 7 2011, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Saturday, Oct 8 2011, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

For more details and to register online, visit:

https://westchesterohio.webconnex.com/art_of_marriage

HELP SERVE STUDENTS AT UC WITH A MEAL

We are looking for 9 more individuals or groups from area congregations to provide meals for students at UC during the fall quarter. These meals are a great time to build community and encourage students in their faith. If you or a group from your church would be able to supply a simple meal to serve 12-15 students on either a Tuesday or Thursday in October or November, please contact Jamie Noyd at 859.802.4515 or jamie.noyd@gmail.com

DINE FOR DONATIONS

I hope you have marked your calendar and will join us at Chick-fil-A tomorrow evening for our second annual King of Kings Chick-fil-A fundraiser. It does not cost you any more than what you would spend when you go there as a family to eat. This time when you let them know you are eating there for King of Kings Early Learning Education Ministries we will receive a donation from them that is a percent of what you spent. I look forward to seeing many of you tomorrow evening. Thank you for dining with ECEM.

SPANISH FOR KINDERGARTEN AND ENRICHMENT CLASSES

Throughout the school year the Kindergarten class has a ‘special’ each day of the week. On Wednesdays they have Spanish. For the first 10 weeks Maria Mezcuca, the Spanish teacher, will be teaching them the names of colors, numbers, greetings, phrases, shapes, family, and body parts in Spanish. They are going to be singing songs and playing games that reinforce what they are learning this quarter. In the Spanish Enrichment class they will be learning the words for colors, numbers, and body parts as well. Games and songs will be included in the curriculum to help them learn these Spanish words. Maria is an Early Learning teacher that speaks fluent Spanish and English. She has taught group and private Spanish lessons for over 10 years working with children and adults. This is her 9th year of teaching at King of Kings.

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GREETINGS FROM THE ALL-DAY EARLY LEARNERS!

On Tuesday September 6 Jean Farr and I welcomed 8 precious 3-year-old children to the all day class. Our first unit has been “All About Me” where we’ve talked about how God made us special, each one different. On Tuesday afternoons we go to Chapel, this month with Pastor Ben, and on Thursdays we have Jesus Time in the classroom. Mrs. Billman has chosen our Chapel Songs. This month we are doing “Jesus Loves Me” and “Love in a Box”. Our 2 Bible Lessons so far have been “Jesus Knows My Name” and “Jesus Promises To Be With Me”. The children are learning their ABC’s and this week did the letter A page for their Alphabet Book. Next week when we do the letter B we will start sending home the sound box for the children to take turns bringing in items that start with the letter of the week. The children also rotate a take home bag. In the bag is a book, a stuffed animal, and a journal for the students to write their adventures. We read “The Kissing Hand” and have made our own classroom Kissing Hand Book (each mom drew an outline of her hand that we placed a heart in, wrote a short note to her child, and sent a family picture) which sometimes helps to take away sad moments. We use “Handwriting Without Tears” so the children have been introduced to big line, little line, big curve, and little curve and used them to do the Hokey Pokey! We sing a lot, have fun a lot, and learn a lot. Stop in and see us any Tuesday and Thursday between 9am and 3pm when we are in session. We’d love to have a guest reader or a chapel buddy!

-Judi Schepmann

KINGS LOCAL FOOD BANK PROJECT

Last Sunday you heard about the critical need facing Kings Local Food Pantry and other food pantries in the area. These are difficult times. Donations coming into the food pantry are declining while the number of people in our community needing help is increasing. The situation is critical.

The ABLAZE Team has developed a plan to reach out to those in our community who need help. On Sundays September 25 and October 2 we will be receiving food and non-perishable items along with monetary contributions at our church. Look for the marked containers in the church hallway. A list of suggested food & non-perishable food items is available at the Welcome Center. Offering envelopes are also available at the Welcome Center.

Also, we will be going out into the community to gather food, non-perishable food items, and monetary donations in October at two Kroger locations. On Saturday, October 15th we will be at the Mason Kroger at 5010 S. State Route 741 from 10 AM to 4 PM. On Saturday, October 29th we will be at the Rivers Bend Kroger at 5705 S. State Route 48 in South Lebanon from 10 AM to 4 PM. Please put these dates on your calendar. Volunteers are needed for both dates. Thank you to those who have already signed up. We need helpers to receive donations at the store entrances, helpers to move the donated items to a staging area, and help in hauling and unloading the items collected at the food bank. Please plan on helping and connecting with our community. Call or e-mail Dick Kothrade at 398-4867 or rckothr@aol.com.

The ABLAZE Team

THANK YOU!

I want to thank all my King of Kings Family for the prayers, cards, phone calls, and meals which I received during my surgery and recuperation. I deeply appreciate the love that was shown to me. --Carol Mann

MARKET DAY

New this month: Turkey Chili, Sweet Potato Fries, General Tso’s Chicken. Free trial pack of French Breadsticks with any \$40 purchase; Free 60 count cheese ravioli with any online order of \$90 (enter promo code OCTBONUS).

Starting in October you can qualify for the Freequent Buyer Program and earn a free insulated bag. Make 2 purchases of \$40 each between October and December. When you place a \$40 order in January you will receive your free bag at pickup. Orders are due in the box in the narthex by Tues. Oct. 11 or online that evening by midnight. Pickup is Sat. Oct. 15 from 9-10am. Questions? Call Judi Schepmann (754-2293) or Barb Casey (683-8637).

CALENDAR
Connecting People to Christ Now and Forever

September 18—September 25, 2011

September 18— 8:15 am Classic Service
9:30 am Sunday School
11:00 am Cross Connections Service (Worship Center)
3:30-6 pm Jr High Youth
6-7:30 pm Confirmation & Adult Bible Study

September 19— 7:00 am Men's Morning Bible Study
6:30 pm Volleyball

September 20— 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study

September 22— 6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

September 24— 7:15 am Men's Bible Study
8:00 am Men In Step

September 25— 8:15 am Classic Service
9:30 am Sunday School
11:00 am Cross Connections Service (Worship Center)
6:00—7:30 pm Confirmation & Adult Bible Study

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, September 11, 2011

8:15 Classic Service — 149
11:00 CrossConnections— 95



The Altar Flowers are given by the Casey Family in celebration of Bridget's birthday.

WORSHIP SERVER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2011

8:15 am

Elder: Rick Bohnke
Usher: Barry Schweinfest, Brandon Schweinfest, Erick & Jacob Schepmann
Liturgist: Pastor John
Reader: Paula Schepmann
Sound Tech: Steve Yates
Acolyte: Andra Malburg
Greeters: Chuck & Karen Meutsch
Communion Assistant: Mike Billman
Prayer Partner: Debbie Billman

11:00 am

Elder: Tom Larkin
Usher: Scott Krawec, Chris, Rachel, Emily Whitaker
Reader: Ginger Scaife
Sound Tech: Matt Antal
KidsConnection: Heidi & Ashley Antal
Prayer Partner: Debbie Billman
Welcome Table: Bob and Carolyn Styers
Nursery Attendant: Peggy Babb
Worship Assistant: Albright-Haas family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2011

8:15 am

Elder: Doug Thomas
Usher: Stu & Sherry Long, Denis Lucas, Greg Leist
Liturgist: Gil Schepmann
Reader: Bill Polzin
Sound Tech: Su Polzin
Acolyte: Katie Frazier
Greeters: Dick & Mary Kothrade
Prayer Partners: Debbie Billman

11:00 am

Elder: Bob Styers
Usher: Scott Krawec, Chris, Rachel, Emily Whitaker
Reader: Marcy Schaeve
Sound Tech: Kevin Billman
KidsConnection: Amy Timler & Emily Swanson
Prayer Partner: Debbie Billman
Welcome Table: Lyle & Mary Jo Pagel
Nursery Attendant: Peggy Babb
Worship Assistant: Timler Family
Communion Assistants: Pastor Ben, Martin Eger