

# THE MESSENGER

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## King of Kings Lutheran Church

*Connecting People to Christ Now and Forever*  
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### NOVEMBER 20, 2011 THE SUNDAY OF THE FULFILLMENT

“KEEP IT UP!”  
 JUDE 18 – 25

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 CrossConnections Service (Large Worship Ctr)

#### 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**  
 Grades 6-8 gather in Worship Center for opening  
 with “Growing in Christ” Adult Bible Class

**Discovering the Christian Faith**  
 Led by Pastor John  
 Conference Room

**Growing in Christ**  
 Various Leaders

#### Stewardship Thought:

*1 Corinthians 15:20-28*  
 In this great resurrection chapter of the Bible, St. Paul affirms that because of the resurrection of Jesus we are changed people who seek to use all we are and have to give a bold witness to the hope we have in Christ. The life, death and resurrection of Jesus have changed all of human history and we are privileged to be His agents who proclaim this change in a world darkened by Sin!

At the start of Bible Study Hour, the Adult “Growing in Christ” Bible Study Group along with all Sunday School & Jr. Youth Students are invited to the Worship Center for a short time of praise.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

“God Provides  
 Manna, Water, and Quail”  
 Exodus 16 - 17

Preschool—Kindergarten



	Income	Expenses	Net Gain/(Loss)
ECEM Actual October	\$31,576	\$26,572	\$5,004
ECEM YTD	\$107,802	\$105,978	\$1,824
ECEM Budg- General Fund October	\$107,840	\$105,788	8,381
General Fund YTD	\$209,475	\$209,751	(\$276)
General Fund Budget YTD	\$216,667	\$229,067	

#### 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 Bible Study**  
 Wednesdays, 9:30 am  
 at Mimi’s Café

**Women’s Morning Bible Study**  
**The Patriarchs**  
 by Beth Moore  
 Thursdays, 9:30 am  
 Resumes January 5th  
 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

**Adult Bible Study**  
**Sundays, 6:00 pm**  
 King of Kings’ Library  
 “Experiencing the Heart of Jesus”  
 by Max Lucado  
 Led by Jane Glandorf



**Birthdays**  
 Tim Casey 11/20  
 Arnold Schaeve 11/20  
 Mark Senne 11/20  
 Elina Huculak 11/21  
 Hayley Chalk 11/23  
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## SPECIAL SERVICES COMING

Please join us as we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving by gathering to worship our God and thank Him for His faithfulness Wednesday, November 23 at 7:00 pm in Luther Chapel. We will celebrate the First Sunday in Advent by having a combined worship service Sunday, November 27, at 10:00 am in the Worship Center. The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated at both of these services.

## PREPARE FOR HIS COMING!

### 2011 ADVENT DEVOTIONAL GUIDES AVAILABLE!

God is prepared to bring to you the best of all Christmas's even if you are struggling with many challenges at the moment. Feel free to pick up a 2011 Advent Devotional Guide entitled "Transforming This Christmas" which is available in the church hallway! Don't hesitate to pick up a copy for a searching friend!

## GETTING READY FOR CHRISTMAS AT KOK

You are invited to enjoy beautifying our facilities as we decorate for Christmas on Saturday morning, November 26 from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. We welcome any new decorating ideas. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

## LEADERSHIP COUNCIL NOMINATIONS DUE TODAY VOTERS' MEETING & LUNCHEON – DECEMBER 4TH

The nominating committee is accepting nominations today for Leadership Council positions. Submit nominations to the box located on the church office window ledge today.

Please make plans to attend the Voters Meeting on December 4th at 12:30 pm. The offices of Vice President, Treasurer, and three at-large positions will be elected after the late service. The agenda items are: 1) Approval of 6/5/2011 Meeting, 2) Election of Leadership Council, 3) Financial Update, 4) Housing Allowance, 5) Status of the Church, 6) Capital Expenses - Facility, & 7) Announcement of the Election Results. A light lunch will be provided. Any questions please don't hesitate to contact a member of Leadership Council and please keep the nomination process and our future leaders in your prayers.

For information, Leadership Council has received several inquiries about absentee voting. Although the constitution and bylaws don't forbid this, we don't currently have a clear policy for implementation at this time. Leadership Council will take this request into consideration and evaluate policy options to conduct future elections outside of a Voters' Assembly meeting.

## SHARE SOME CHRISTMAS JOY @ MASON HEALTH CARE CENTER SERVICE ON SUNDAY, DEC. 4TH

All families are invited to come and share some Christmas Joy with the residents of Mason Health Care Center on Dec. 4th at our Special Christmas Service and Caroling beginning at 2:30. (This will mark our 6<sup>th</sup> year there!) We would love for you to join us! Directions are on the STMO Board. Thanks!

## AUXILIARY COOKIE PACK TIME

YES, it's that time already. The annual FEDERATION AUXILIARY COOKIE PACK will be held at Christ Lutheran Church on Monday, Dec. 5 at 9:30 and you are invited to bake small cookies (without nuts) and either bring them to the small kitchen (please mark "for Auxiliary" on the box) by 11:30 AM on Dec. 4 or bring them to the cookie pack and help with the packing. These cookies are distributed to the area nursing homes, University Hospital and other locations where the Chaplains visit. The packing is a great time for Christian fellowship and we are usually finished by noon.

Questions? Please ask Sharon Nobis.

## CHRISTMAS TREATS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday school students are busy rehearsing the Christmas program that will be presented on Sunday, December 11. It is traditional that we provide a small "Goody Bag" after the program for each of the students. If you can contribute a treat (small wrapped candy) please leave it in the Fellowship Hall kitchen marked "Sunday School". We will assemble the bags on December 10 during the final rehearsal; if you are available to help the work will proceed much faster! Thank you for your continued support of the Sunday school program at King of Kings! If you have questions, please call Denise Lucas at 513-677-2771.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Sunday School Christmas program, "The Mystery of the Manger," is scheduled for the 11:00 a.m. service on December 11th. Dress rehearsal for Preschool through 8th grade is scheduled for Saturday, December 10th, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Grades 1-8 will meet in the Worship Center; Preschool and Kindergarten will meet in their Sunday School classroom. Children have already started learning some of the music during Sunday School opening and will continue to do so each Sunday through the day of the program. Please encourage your children to participate and attend Sunday School and the rehearsals.

Parents, your help is needed for the Sunday School Christmas Program. Help is needed for packing goody bags to be given to our Sunday School children during the Dec. 10 rehearsal. Contact Paula Schepmann or Debbie Billman to volunteer, or just stick around when you drop off your children that morning. Donations for the goody bags are also appreciated, and can be dropped off behind the Welcome Center. Assistance is also needed prior to the Dec 10 rehearsal for the set, props and costumes. Volunteers are also needed to work with our preschool and kindergarten angels during rehearsal time on Saturday, and to sit with them during part of the service. If you are willing and available, your help will be very much appreciated; you can contact Paula Schepmann by phone (583-1581) or email ([schepmann@gmail.com](mailto:schepmann@gmail.com)) or Debbie Billman at church (398-6089). May God bless the time of preparation and performance by the wonderful children of our congregation.

## OWLS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON – DECEMBER 13TH

OWLS Christmas Luncheon will be Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2011 at the Shaker Run Golf Course, at 4361 Greentree Road, Lebanon, OH. Menu: Rerun of last year. It was so good! Cost: \$20.00 per person. Reservations and checks made out to Carol Mann by Dec. 6th.

Bring a white elephant gift. We will be collecting coffee, white crew socks for men and women Veterans. Also, anything else you might like to contribute to the VA Hospital in Cincinnati.

## THE GIFT OF GIVING

This Christmas season you have the opportunity to enjoy the gift of giving to people who are in need in the Over-the-Rhine area. On Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> the Sr. Youth will be serving supper at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church's gift giving day. We are asking you to considering donating any of the following items to be shared: **mittens, hats, and scarves for men, women and children!**

*Bring all donations to Pastor Ben's office, or to the donation box located on the table in the narthex.*

Also, more hands could be used to serve an estimated 100 people who will be gathered at Prince of Peace. If you are an adult interested in driving, chaperoning, or just being another set of helpful hands, **please contact Pastor Ben (513-255-4533).**

## HE GAVE! HE GIVES! WE RESPOND WITH JOYFUL GIVING!

When we stop and really think about all the blessings God continually gives to us each day, we cannot help but to respond with joy and thanksgiving. On November 13<sup>th</sup>, our congregation celebrated God's grace and goodness by responding with a promise to give a portion of our financial blessings back to Him during the coming year. If you missed out on this opportunity and would like to participate, please fill out a Response Card, seal it, and address it to our Financial Secretary (Karen Greive). You may put it in the offering plate or place it in her mailbox. If you need a blank Response Card, you may find them by the Welcome Center.

## HAPPY THANKSGIVING FROM THE ALL DAY 3'S!

Where has the time gone! We've been busy with our Thanksgiving projects and learning our songs for Thanksgiving Feast on Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>. One song we will be singing is "We are Thankful for the Ways" and so we talked about all of the ways that God blesses us each day. We have also been "clapping" some fall words and putting together those that are alike: one clap for leaf, two claps for pumpkin, etc. The children "clapped" their names to see if they were 1 clap, 2 claps, or maybe more. Soon we will start practicing our songs for the Christmas program that will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm – Come and join us as we sing songs and do finger plays of the Christmas Story. We will also be making a manger ornament for one of the trees in the hallway so see if you can find them. If you would like to come and visit on a Tuesday or Thursday, would like to come to chapel with us at 1pm on Tuesdays, or read a story to the class you would be most welcome. Happy Thanksgiving from Mrs. Schepmann, Mrs. Farr, and the All Day 3-year-olds!

## MARKET DAY

### THANKS FOR THE PIES!

59 pies went to John Suguitan for Building Hope in the City! Thanks to those of you who ordered. You will receive an acknowledgement of your donation.

**New this month:** Variety cheesecake; Stuffed rigatoni with Italian sausage.

**Cookie Month:** Let Market Day help with your holiday baking and help us sell 100 boxes of cookie dough!

Orders are due in the box in the narthex by Tues. Dec. 6th or online that evening by midnight. Pickup is Sat. Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> from 9-10am. Questions? Call Judi Schepmann (754-2293) or Barb Casey (683-8637).

## LOCAL INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK (IHN) PROJECT

On November 5, 2011, King of Kings conducted a workday at Interfaith Hospitality Network's facilities in Lebanon, Ohio, as an outreach initiative. Eighteen members from our congregation, including four from our senior high youth group, performed a number of maintenance and repair tasks, including: painting two rooms, installing a new kitchen ceiling, fastening wall hangings, installing new molding, cleaning and repairing gutters and flashing, raking leaves, weeding, pruning, trimming shrubs, cleaning and storing children's toys, and repairing playground equipment. Those participating received a pizza lunch and special heartfelt thanks from IHN's director, Linda Rabolt.

In addition to the workday efforts, King of Kings also collected \$681 in donations. Thrivent provided \$510 in matching funds, plus covered the cost of the workday expenses (\$335.48). A check totaling \$1191 will be forwarded to IHN to help support their ministry efforts in our local community.

Dear Folks of King of Kings Church,

On behalf of the current and future guests of Interfaith Hospitality Network of Warren County, I want to thank you for the amazing painting and fixing-up jobs you completed at our Day Center.

The rooms look so much brighter and more cheerful and that has lifted the spirits of all of us here. Your support of our guests and the work we do here is very much appreciated.

Again, than you on behalf of the families we serve.

Sincerely,

*Linda Rabolt*

Executive Director

Interfaith Hospitality Network of Warren County

## HEALTH FOCUS

Psalm 51:1-2 *Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.*

Most of us are filled with joyous anticipation of the celebration of our Savior's birth. It is a time of special church services, fun activities and happy get-togethers with friends and family. Who of us wants to worry about eating healthy, exercising or getting adequate rest during such a busy, exciting season? Not me. And, I would suspect, not you. But if we don't apply some precautions, we could end up missing the celebrations because we are laid up in bed with various medical ailments. So, do some monitoring of what you eat, park at the end of the parking lot to allow for more exercise, keep your normal sleep pattern, and try to avoid being around individuals who have colds or the flu. Oh, and WASH YOUR HANDS:

1. Wash your hands when they are dirty and BEFORE eating
2. DO NOT cough into your hands
3. DO NOT sneeze into your hands
4. DO NOT put your fingers into your eyes, nose or mouth
5. Use hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available

Praying you all have a healthy and joyous Christmas, celebrating God's great gift of salvation for us through His Son, Jesus the Christ.

John 3:16 *For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.*

Blessings,  
Deaconess Sharon

Please be sure to check the kitchen for left behind dishes and serving utensils. Because of our potlucks, many items have been left behind. Unclaimed items will be donated to our lost and found.

Also, please make sure items put in the refrigerator are labeled with your name and the date. Thank your for your cooperation.



## CALENDAR

***Connecting People to Christ Now and Forever***

**November 20 - November 27, 2011**

November 20	8:15 am 9:30 am 11:00 am 6:00 -7:30 pm 6:00 -7:30 pm	Classic Service Sunday School Cross Connections Service (Worship Center) Confirmation Adult Bible Study
November 21	10:00 am 10:15 am	Chapel - Preschool Preschool Thanksgiving Feast—
November 22	10:00 am 1:00 - 2:00 pm 6:00 - 8:00 pm 7:30 - 8:30 pm	Chapel - preschool Senior Small Group Engstrom/Sports Conditioning (gym) Council Meeting (library)
November 23	7:00 am 3:30 pm 7:00 pm	No School Men's Morning Bible Study at Bob Evan's Pfeiffer Road Ressler/Young Wedding Rehearsal Thanksgiving Eve Worship
November 24		Office Closed No School
November 25	6:30 pm	Office Closed No School Ressler/Young Wedding
November 26	8:00 - 9:30 am 9:00 - 12:00 pm	Men In Step at Bruegger's Bagels Arbor Square Holiday Decorating & Work Day
November 27	10:00 am	Worship Service

## **ATTENDANCE**

**Sunday, November 13, 2011**

8:15 Classic Worship - 104  
11:00 Cross Connections - 87



*The Altar Flowers are given  
in loving memory of "Luke" Lucas.*

*Please contact the Church Office to  
schedule meetings and activities on  
the calendar.  
Phone: 398-6089*

## WORSHIP SERVER SCHEDULE

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2011**

**8:15 am**

**Elder:** Rick Bohnke  
**Ushers:** Dave & Carol Yates, Chris & Elaine Costeines  
**Liturgist:** Gil Schepmann  
**Reader:** Bill Polzin  
**Sound Tech:** Bobby Frazier  
**Acolyte:** Shelby Malburg  
**Greeters:** Dick & Mary Kothrade  
**Communion Assistant:** Scott Chant

**11:00 am**

**Elder:** Tom Larkin  
**Ushers:** Chris, Rachel, & Emily Whitaker  
**Reader:** Pat Jung  
**Worship Assistants:** Timler family  
**Sound Tech:** Matt Antal  
**KidsConnection:** Amy Timler & Elina Huculak  
**Greeters:** Martin & Helen Eger  
**Nursery Attendant:** TBD

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2011**

**7:00 pm**

**Elder:** TBD  
**Ushers:** Chris, Rachel & Emily Whitaker  
**Liturgist:** Pastor Ben  
**Reader:** TBD  
**Sound Tech:** TBD  
**Acolyte:** TBD  
**Greeters:** Lyle & Mary Jo Pagel

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2011**

**10:00 am**

**Elder:** Tom Larkin  
**Ushers:** Scott Krawec, Chris & Elaine Costeines  
**Liturgist:** Pastor John  
**Reader:** Marcy Schaeve  
**Worship Assistants:** Arnie & Marcy Schaeve  
**Sound Tech:** TBD  
**Greeters:** Karl & Jean Voekel  
**Communion Assistants:** Pastor John and David Billman