

THE MESSENGER

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WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES



King of Kings Lutheran Church

Connecting People to Christ Now and Forever
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NOVEMBER 27, 2011 1ST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

“ANTICIPATION!”
 MARK 13:24 – 37

10:00 am Combined Service (Large Worship Ctr)

CALENDAR

Connecting People to Christ Now and Forever
 November 27 - December 3, 2011

November 27	10:00 am	Combined Service
	2:00 - 5:00 pm	Holiday Decorating
November 28	9:30 & 11:00	Chapel - Preschool
November 29	9:30 & 1:00	Chapel - Preschool
	6:00 - 8:00 pm	Engstrom/Sports Conditioning (gym)
	7:00 - 9:00 pm	Stewardship Meeting (conference room)
November 30	7:00 - 8:00 am	Men's Morning Bible Study at Bob Evan's Pfeiffer Road
	9:30 & 1:00	Chapel - Preschool
	9:30 - 10:30 am	Women's Bible Study at Mimi's Café
	2:00 - 3:00 pm	Kindergarten Native American Life Program (fellowship hall)
	7:00 - 8:00 pm	Advent Worship (Luther Chapel)
December 1	9:00 - 11:00 am	MOPS
	6:30 pm	Handbell Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	FMT Sign Meeting (library)
	7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
December 2		No Activities
December 3	8:00 - 9:30 am	Men In Step at Bruegger's Bagels Arbor Square
	9:30 - 11:30 am	Cantata Rehearsal (Luther Chapel)
	11:30 am - 1:30 pm	Leadership Council (library)

Please contact the
 Church Office to
 schedule meetings
 and activities on
 the calendar.
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*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

Stewardship Thought:
1 Corinthians 1:3-9

*Watch and wait with joyful expectation!
 Modern day Christian stewards are like the
 Corinthian Christians of St. Paul's day. Like
 the Corinthians, we have been enriched in every
 way and equipped with spiritual gifts so that we
 can join with other Christians in building up our
 fellow stewards in God-pleasing and people-
 blessing ways.*



	Income	Expenses	Net Gain/(Loss)
ECEM Actual October	\$31,576	\$26,572	\$5,004
ECEM YTD	\$107,802	\$105,978	\$1,824
ECEM Budget YTD	\$107,840	\$105,788	
General Fund October	\$56,317	\$47,936	8,381
General Fund YTD	\$209,475	\$209,751	(\$276)
General Fund Budget YTD	\$216,667	\$229,067	



Anniversaries

Bill & Su Polzin 11/29
 Jim & Donna Chilcote 12/3

Birthdays

Aaron Antal 11/28
 Dave Porembka 11/28
 Paul Texiera 11/28
 Joyce Duell 11/29
 Jean Alder 11/30
 Bret Arnone 11/30
 Samantha Vogel 11/30
 Kyle Arp 12/1
 Anita Mitchell 12/1
 Rebecca Pedersen 12/1
 Kelley Droemer 12/2
 Jonathan Wilkens 12/3

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Special Worship Events at King of Kings

Midweek Advent Services – Wednesdays, 7:00 pm, Luther Chapel

“Come, Lord Jesus”

Wednesday, November 30: “Come Help Us Prepare!”

Wednesday, December 7: “Come Bring Your Light!”

Wednesday, December 14: “Come Guide Our Journey!”

Wednesday, December 21: “Come Take Us Home!”

Sunday, December 11

8:15 am Classic Worship (Luther Chapel)

11:00 am Sunday School Christmas Service

“The Mystery of the Manger – it’s the Gospel Truth!” (Worship Center)

Sunday, December 18, Worship Center, 8:15 and 11:00 am, Worship Center

“Light Came Down” – A Morning of Worship through Song

Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24, 5:00 and 7:00 pm, Worship Center

Carols, special music and candlelight at both services

Christmas Morning, Sunday, December 25, 10:00 am, Luther Chapel

Festival Worship with Communion

New Year’s Eve, Saturday, December 31, 7:00 pm, Luther Chapel

Communion Service

New Year’s Morning, Sunday, January 1, 10:00 am, Luther Chapel

Communion Service

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!

HOLIDAY DECORATING TODAY

The holiday decorating has been rescheduled to **today** from 2:00 to 5:00 pm.

NO ACTIVITIES THIS EVENING

There will be no confirmation or Adult Bible Study class this evening.

CANTATA REHEARSAL THIS SATURDAY – DECEMBER 3RD

Just a reminder that we will rehearse this Saturday, December 3rd, at 9:30 am in Luther Chapel. Bring your books and your best singing voices! If you have questions, please get in touch with Debbie Billman (398-6089, ext. 325; worship@koklcms.org).

VOTERS’ MEETING & LUNCHEON – DECEMBER 4TH

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. 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.

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 6th 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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM - IMPORTANT INFO

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) or Debbie Billman at church (398-6089). May God bless the time of preparation and performance by the wonderful children of our congregation.

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.

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.

Any questions contact Carol at 513-494-2568 or cmann17@cinci.rr.com or Carolyn Styers at 513-398-1578 or cstyvers@cinci.rr.com.

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 13th, 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.

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 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.

MARKET DAY

Thanks to all who order in November! We made over \$300! It's the Holiday Season! Setck up by doing your shopping at Market Day!

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. 10th from 9-10am. Questions? Call Judi Schepmann (754-2293) or Barb Casey (683-8637).

KINDER-READY UPDATE

This has been a busy month for the Kinder-Ready students. On November 1 we took a fabulous hands-on field trip to Gorman Heritage Farm with the Kindergarteners. We saw chickens, turkeys, pigs, goats, a miniature horse named Huckleberry, a dwarf miniature horse named Shorty, a donkey named Stormy, and the farm cat whose name we can't remember.

We spent a couple of weeks on Pumpkin Math (look for our bulletin board in the south hallway). We weighed our pumpkins, measured each circumference, made estimates, and sorted by both weight and circumference.

Corn bread mini-muffins were the end result in our Kitchen Science experiment this month.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The King of Kings MOPs group would like to send out a huge THANK YOU to all of the individuals who donated to the Operation Christmas Child project. With you generous donations of supplies, money and completed shoeboxes, we were able to provide 43 filled shoeboxes to the organization for distribution to poverty-stricken children all around the world. Thanks to you, these children will have a brighter Christmas!



Sunday, November 20, 2011

8:15 Classic Worship - 109
11:00 Cross Connections - 86

*The Altar Flowers are given
by Bill & Su Polzin in celebration of their
wedding anniversary.*

WORSHIP SERVER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2011

10:00 am

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2011

7:00 pm

Elder: Tom Larkin
Ushers: Tony & June Cantor, Stu & Sharry Long
Liturgist: Pastor John
Reader: Stu Long
Worship Assistants: Arnie & Marcy Schaewe
Acolyte: TBD
Sound Tech: Denise Lucas
Greeter: Tom & Ruth Larkin

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2011

8:15 am

Elder: TBD
Ushers: Stu & Sharry Long, Tony & June Cantor
Liturgist: Mike Billman
Reader: Jane Glandorf
Acolyte: Katy Glandorf
Sound Tech: Steve Yates
Greeters: Joanne & Dick Biedinger

11:00 am

Elder: Tom Larkin
Ushers: Kirk, Valerie, Sierra & Dylan Whittemore
Reader: Mike Billman
Worship Assistants: Timler family
Sound Tech: Mark Robinson
KidsConnection: Leah Nelson & Katie Shearer
Greeters: Tim & Ginger Scaife
Communion Assistants: Martin Eger & Tom Larkin