

# **King of Kings Lutheran Church**

*Connecting People to Christ Now and Forever*

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Thank you for worshiping with us at King of Kings! Our prayer is that the Holy Spirit will draw you closer to the living God through your time of worship today and strengthen your connection to Christ our Savior.

### ***PARTICIPATION IN HOLY COMMUNION***

St. Paul urges us to examine ourselves before partaking of Holy Communion (*1 Cor. 11:28*). We urge you to do so, on the basis of these questions.

- 1. Do you believe you are a sinner? (*Romans 3:23*)**
- 2. Are you truly sorry for your sins? (*Psalms 51:17*)**
- 3. Do you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior? (*Romans 5:6-8*)**
- 4. Do you intend with the power of the Holy Spirit, to amend your sinful life? (*Romans 6:1-4*)**
- 5. Do you believe you receive Christ's true Body and Blood along with the blessed bread and wine for the forgiveness of your sins?**

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## Preservice Music

### Welcome

### Opening Song

### True North

Oh You are my true north  
Oh You are my true north

I will not let the darkness steal the joy within my soul  
I will not let my circumstance become my compass no  
I will not let the fears of life and sorrows of this world  
Dictate to me how I should feel for You are my true north

Oh You are my true north  
Oh You are my true north

Oh oh  
Oh oh

I will not let my failures turn into the curse of shame  
I will not walk beneath the clouds that taunt me and condemn  
For I will stand on solid ground the shadow of Your love  
Forgiven changed a heart renamed for You are my true north

Oh You are my true north  
Oh You are my true north

Oh You are my true north  
Oh You are my true north

I will follow You into the dark dark dark  
You are my true north  
I will follow You with all my heart heart heart  
You are my true north

Oh You are my true north  
Oh You are my true north

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### Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Confession and Absolution

**P** The Word of God assures us that the LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. With confidence in His goodness and grace we come to confess our transgressions to the Lord.

**P** Almighty and all-merciful God,

**C** **in wisdom You have created all things, and in grace, You seek the lost and erring. Yet, through our selfish choices and sinful nature, we ignore Your wisdom and refuse Your grace. We prefer our own way, resisting the Holy Spirit and His work of bringing forth the fruits of faithfulness. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, console and correct us, that we might forsake our wicked ways and turn to You, the God who has compassion and abundant pardon. Amen.**

**P** The Lord has brought His righteousness in giving His Son, Jesus Christ, to die for you. Through Him, and Him alone, you have forgiveness, life, and salvation. In the stead and by the command of Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## Song of Praise

## House of the Lord

We worship the God who was, we worship the God who is  
We worship the God who evermore will be  
He opened the prison doors, He parted the raging sea  
My God He holds the victory yeah

There's joy in the house of the Lord  
There's joy in the house of the Lord today  
And we won't be quiet, we shout out Your praise  
There's joy in the house of the Lord  
Our God is surely in this place  
And we won't be quiet, we shout out Your praise

We sing to the God who heals, we sing to the God who saves  
We sing to the God who always makes a way  
'Cause He hung up on that cross then He rose up from that grave  
My God's still rolling stones away

There's joy in the house of the Lord  
There's joy in the house of the Lord today  
And we won't be quiet, we shout out Your praise  
There's joy in the house of the Lord  
Our God is surely in this place  
And we won't be quiet, we shout out Your praise

We were the beggars now we're royalty  
We were the prisoners now we're running free  
We are forgiven accepted redeemed by His grace  
Let the house of the Lord sing praise

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## **Prayer of the Day**

**P** O Lord, our God,

**C** **You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Old Testament

*Isaiah 65:1–9*

<sup>1</sup>I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me; I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here am I, here am I," to a nation that was not called by my name. <sup>2</sup>I spread out my hands all the day to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; <sup>3</sup>a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and making offerings on bricks; <sup>4</sup>who sit in tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat pig's flesh, and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels; <sup>5</sup>who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all the day. <sup>6</sup>Behold, it is written before me: "I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their bosom <sup>7</sup>both your iniquities and your fathers' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they made offerings on the mountains and insulted me on the hills, I will measure into their bosom payment for their former deeds."

<sup>8</sup>Thus says the LORD:

"As the new wine is found in the cluster, and they say, 'Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it,' so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. <sup>9</sup>I will bring forth offspring from Jacob, and from Judah possessors of my mountains; my chosen shall possess it, and my servants shall dwell there."

**R** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Epistle

*Acts 14:1–7*

<sup>1</sup>Now at Iconium they entered together into the Jewish synagogue and spoke in such a way that a great number of both Jews and Greeks believed. <sup>2</sup>But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles and poisoned their minds against the brothers. <sup>3</sup>So they remained for a long time, speaking boldly for the Lord, who bore witness to the word of his grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands. <sup>4</sup>But the people of the city were divided; some sided with the Jews and some with the apostles. <sup>5</sup>When an attempt was made by both Gentiles and Jews, with their rulers, to mistreat them and to stone them, <sup>6</sup>they learned of it and fled to Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and to the surrounding country, <sup>7</sup>and there they continued to preach the gospel.

**R** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 8:26–39*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>26</sup>Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me." <sup>29</sup>For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) <sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup>And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. <sup>32</sup>Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

<sup>34</sup>When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. <sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Children's Message

## Sermon Song

## Way Maker

You are here moving in our midst  
I worship You I worship You  
You are here working in this place  
I worship You I worship You

You are Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

You are Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

You are here touching ev'ry heart  
I worship You I worship You  
You are here healing ev'ry heart  
I worship You I worship You

You are here turning lives around  
I worship You I worship You  
You are here mending ev'ry heart  
I worship You yeah I worship You Lord

You are Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

You are Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

That is who You are, that is who You are  
That is who You are, that is who You are

That is who You are, that is who You are  
That is who You are, that is who You are

Even when I don't see it You're working  
Even when I don't feel it You're working  
You never stop You never stop working  
You never stop You never stop working

Even when I don't see it You're working  
Even when I don't feel it You're working  
You never stop You never stop working  
You never stop You never stop working

You are Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

You are Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

That is who You are, that is who You are  
That is who You are, that is who You are

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## **Sermon**

### **Nicene Creed**

**☐ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Gathering of Tithes & Offerings**

### **Prayers of the Church**

**☐** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord in Your mercy,

**☐ hear our prayer**

**☐** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**☐ Amen.**



## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### Proper Preface

**P** It is truly good, proper, and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by His triumph over sin and Satan has cast out the demons of darkness and has welcomed believers of all nations into His covenant of grace. Crucified, resurrected, and alive forevermore, we anticipate Christ's coming again in glory, when the fruits of His cross will be evident in the redeemed who stand blameless before His throne. Feed us with His true body and blood that our lives might abound in faith and good works, and gather us with the faithful from the ends of the earth, to the marriage feast of the Lamb, our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

**C** **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

### The Words of Our Lord

#### Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** **Amen.**

## **Participation in Holy Communion**

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## **Post-Communion Song of Celebration**

## **Gratitude**

All my words fall short, I got nothing new  
How could I express all my gratitude

I could sing these songs as I often do  
But every song must end and You never do

So I throw up my hands and praise You again and again  
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah hallelujah  
And I know it's not much but I've nothing else fit for a king  
Except for a heart singing hallelujah hallelujah

I've got one response, I've got just one move  
With my arms stretched wide I will worship You

So I throw up my hands and praise You again and again  
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah hallelujah  
And I know it's not much but I've nothing else fit for a king  
Except for a heart singing hallelujah hallelujah

Come on my soul  
Oh don't you get shy on me  
Lift up your song  
'Cause you've got a lion inside of those lungs  
Get up and praise the Lord

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## **Prayer to Depart**

### **Benediction**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C Amen.**

## **Closing Song**

## **Same Power**

I can see the waters raging at my feet  
I can feel the breath of those surrounding me  
I can hear the sound of nations rising up  
We will not be overtaken  
We will not be overcome

I can walk down this dark and painful road  
I can face ev'ry fear of the unknown  
I can hear all God's children singing out  
We will not be overtaken  
We will not be overcome

The same power that rose Jesus from the grave  
The same power that commands the dead to wake  
Lives in us lives in us  
The same power that moves mountains when He speaks  
The same power that can calm a raging sea  
Lives in us lives in us  
He lives in us lives in us

We have hope that His promises are true  
In His strength there is nothing we can't do  
Yes we know there are greater things in store  
We will not be overtaken  
We will not be overcome

The same power that rose Jesus from the grave  
The same power that commands the dead to wake  
Lives in us lives in us  
The same power that moves mountains when He speaks  
The same power that can calm a raging sea  
Lives in us lives in us  
He lives in us lives in us

Greater is He that is living in me, He's conquered our enemy  
No power of darkness, no weapon prevails  
We stand here in victory

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No power of darkness, no weapon prevails  
We stand here in victory  
Oh, in victory

The same power that rose Jesus from the grave  
The same power that commands the dead to wake  
Lives in us lives in us  
The same power that moves mountains when He speaks  
The same power that can calm a raging sea  
Lives in us lives in us  
He lives in us lives in us

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## **Announcements**

### **Sending**

- P** With boldness and courage we go now, believing this eternal truth...
- C** **God has not given us a spirit of fear but of power and authority to do the good works He has prepared for us to do. Amen.**

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