

KOG Connection—June 2019

Pastor's Corner

Happy June King of Glory! There are two things I'd like to begin with. First, don't forget to join us on **Sunday, June 9th at 10:00 am** for our **Unity Service** (we only do these twice a year now, so don't miss out!), plus we'll be having our summer kick-off BBQ afterward with lots of good food and fun. Secondly, I wanted to say Happy Father's Day to all the fathers and fatherly folks out there. A free picture awaits you and your family between services that day as well as some yummy pastries. We hope you'll join us and have a blessed day!

It has been such a busy winter and spring hasn't it? Maybe that's why I have recently been pondering a word that occurs in the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament nearly 74 times. It's a word that I first heard about in seminary, when I was studying ancient Hebrew (a requirement for Lutheran seminary students). Although there are many words in Hebrew that are difficult to translate directly into English, this word is particularly fascinating, because it isn't just that we can't translate it perfectly, it's that we can't translate it AT ALL! Why? Because scholars don't even know what it really means. The meaning has literally been lost over the millennia. What is the word? *שֶׁלַח* or *selah*. Nearly all of *selah*'s occurrences are in the Psalms. Maybe you've noticed it there? Or maybe your eyes just read right past it. That's what most people typically do, and what I myself used to do, but as I said, my interest in *selah* has been peaked again recently.

So what do we think *selah* means? One hint we have comes from where it occurs. *Selah* almost always either ends a Psalm (e.g. Psalms 3, 24 and 46) or it comes at the end of a verse in a Psalm, though there are a few exceptions. That particular location is one reason why scholars think that this word was meant to cause people to stop and listen, to pause and let the words they have just heard or read or sung truly sink in. Others however point to how *selah* is similar to another word in Hebrew that means "to hang on" or "weigh". Others think *selah* is similar to the word "amen" in Greek and a comment on the desired truth of the prior words. While others yet say it means "forever" or "always" and is an affirmation of the enduring nature of the words just shared.

Although we can't know for sure *selah*'s intended meaning when it was scribed thousands of years ago, it can still bear great meaning for our lives today. This word can serve as a reminder from God to us all that it is necessary and prudent to allow for moments of *selah* in our day. Much like how God calls upon us to take a Sabbath during the week, with *selah*, God calls upon us to regularly stop and listen throughout our day: to listen to God, one another and the needs of our own hearts. *Selah* asks us to take a pause from the busyness and stress and worry and to remember the enduring truth and weight of God's word for us. *Selah* asks us to hang our hope on God's promises alone. Could you use a little more *selah* in your life? What would your moments of *selah* look like?

As you move into this summer season, may *God's selah* interrupt and disrupt the rhythms and routines of your days and provide you opportunities to stop, listen and hang your heart and hope upon the truth, love and grace of our God alone.

Selah,
Pastor Kinndlee

Youth On The Go, Grow & Know

#kogkids June 2019

Every Week

ALL Ages

Sundays: Services at 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Elementary Kids' Time during the 10:30 am service

Check out our "Pray-Ground" in the front row of the sanctuary. This is an area for toddlers and preschool children to play quietly while being surrounded with worship.

Wednesday Nights:

Youth Group: 6:30-8:30 pm

Middle School (Confirmation): 5:30-7:30 pm (check KOG Kids calendar for details)

How to find out more information

- Church website—<https://www.kogchurch.org/community/cyf-2/>
- Church newsletter
- Weekly Connection
- Social Media—#kogkids
- Contact Amanda by text 714.604.3373 or email kogkids@gmail.com

Preschool News

Please visit our website calendar for future dates and more information about the preschool: <https://kogchurch.org/preschool/>



June dates to remember:

3rd: spring soccer ends
13th: donuts with dad
19th: pre-K send-off
20th: last day of school
21st: school closed for cleaning and in-service
24th: summer session starts

Athinia Huber, Preschool Director

Adult Education

Sunday Adult Education Class:

Pastor Lund's adult education bible class will be in the Fellowship Hall Library at 9:30 am. Each class will be focused on each Sunday's scriptures. Check each Sunday's Weekly Connection for further details.

Men's Bible Study:

The Men's Bible Study group meets on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm in the Fellowship Center Library. Bring your bible in the translation you enjoy and take part in the discussion as we study the book of Genesis. This is a casual study, so you can jump in at any point. If you have any questions, please call Alan Marcum at 714.328.9968 or send an email to wb6rqm@gmail.com.

Women's Fellowship, Prayer Group and Bible Study:

The Women of Spiritual Character meet every Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 pm in Little Ed. Our current study is Daily Discipleship, which is based on Sunday's lectionary texts. For

those who do not like to go out at night, this can be an alternate means for continuing with a Bible Study. Contact Debbie Bise at 714.963.3099 with any questions. All are welcome!

Women of the ELCA Events

(Information regarding Women's Ministry)

WELCA Board Meeting:

Next Board Meeting is Monday, June 10 at 7 pm in Little Ed.



Events and Dates to Remember:

Father's Day Sunday, June 16, between services, we will be taking pictures of "Pictures & Pastries": fathers with their families. Round up your family members – stay awhile after the first service or come early for the second service – and share some pastries with your coffee while pictures are taken. We look forward to seeing you on the patio!

Joy Circle: Monday, June 24 at 9:30 am, in Little Ed.

Faith Circle: Saturday, June 22 at 10 am, at the home of Linda Arnett.

****The WELCA study magazine is Gather****

The subscription office can be reached by calling 800.328.4648 or

<http://www.womenoftheelca.org/gather-magazine-pages-49.php>

Cost: \$19.95 for 1 year/10 issues (free digital access)

General Ministry News

From the Prayer Warriors:

Hope to see some of you on Mondays at 4:30 pm, in little Ed, to help raise up names of those in need to our Lord!

Americans celebrate Father's Day, a holiday that was officially established in 1924 by President Coolidge. We take time to honor and celebrate the gift that our fathers are to us. Fatherhood is a biblical role that God esteems. But we realize no earthly father will ever accurately or completely represent our Heavenly Father. May you be gifted by the Father's costly love for you in giving up His Son for your and my salvation!

Focus on King of Glory Preschool's Open House on April 25, 2019:

April 25, 2019 was the culminating night for the Week of the Young Child. It was Open House at the King of Glory Preschool, and all the rooms were all ready with the children's work artfully displayed. It was a joyful night where the children, their parents and teachers could relax and enjoy the relationships they had built throughout the year. This was a night of fun!

In the weeks leading up to Open House, directions were sent home to each family to procure either an apple or a banana box from their local grocery store. They were asked to decorate it in the fashion of a car in which the preschooler got to sit during that night's featured event: *Disney's Cars* on the big screen. The kids were quite comfortable and of course looked adorable in their cars, and parents and family were comfortably seated surrounding them. Popcorn and drinks were served, and it was a big success.



Director Athinia Huber and the teaching staff of King of Glory Preschool were all present, and proudly showing off each project their kids had made. They work hard to create a warm and stimulating atmosphere for their young charges, and the love of Jesus shows in every way they care for and lead our youngest pupils.

The preschool grew tremendously this year with the addition of the infant room, and it is near full capacity now. They are always looking for those who are called to hold the babies. If you feel called to hold and comfort our infants, please contact Athinia Huber for more information. May God's blessings continue to shower all those who work and play at King of Glory Preschool.

Malinda Willmore, Council Liaison - Preschool

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY JUNE 2019



Our Habitat and Thrivent Worldwide team of nine led by Lynn Marecek, is heading to Budapest in less than a month. We begin our experience Sunday, June 23 as our team meets the local Habitat leader for the welcome orientation, walking city tour and welcome dinner.

Our build team is typical, four women and five men, with a wide range of ages and skills. However, Habitat build leaders are known for matching jobs with skills and past experiences. Everyone will productively contribute to the project during our week together.

Our workweek begins on Monday and a typical day starts immediately after breakfast at the hotel. We will be taking about a half hour tram ride to/from the job site each day and start about 9 a.m. Breaks and a mid-day lunch are provided at the site and we will finish around 4:30 p.m. Upon returning to our centrally located hotel we will clean up then relax and have dinner together at different nearby restaurants. During our time together, we will have opportunities for sharing and reflecting during an evening devotional.

Cultural activities and local tours will be part of our team experience, including a mid-week trip to nearby Szentendre, a Hungarian Folk Culture village as well as a dinner cruise on the Danube. Our last day of building is Saturday, June 29 and the team will celebrate a final dinner together that evening. All of us will either be heading home or doing additional traveling in Europe.

Our project is working on a Soviet-era apartment building, which will provide homes for homeless and low-income people. Social workers provide support, job training and life skills education to help them keep their homes. Habitat for Humanity has been serving families in Hungary since 1996.

Please keep our team in your prayers.

Paul Coulter (Hungary Habitat Trip team member from Lutheran Church of the Resurrection)

Family Promise in June

Family Promise is a partnership of local churches, working together to shelter and encourage newly homeless families, on the journey to gainful employment and a new permanent residence. Each week of hosting is a new opportunity to connect and share Christ's love with families that could really use our help.

We will be hosting our next group of guests from Family Promise from June 2nd through June 8th. Volunteer opportunities include dinner preparation, fellowship time, Saturday morning breakfast preparation, lunch and breakfast food donations, laundering of linens and overnight chaperones. Please see me to sign up for any Family Promise volunteer opportunity. If you are not able to catch me at church, I can be contacted by email at wallace3251@att.net.

As always, I am looking forward to meeting our new guests and the opportunity to work alongside my brothers and sisters of KOG as we model the love of Christ together. If you are contemplating helping, I encourage you to trust in Christ and His guidance as we serve in this community outreach program. You never know how much this can be a blessing to you as well as the families we will be serving.

In His service,
Paul Wallace

Annual Church BBQ

Sunday, June 9, 2019, following the 10:00 a.m. unity service. (The unity service is a combination of the elements of our 8:00 a.m. worship with choir and organ and our 10:30 a.m. worship with the praise band.)

Join us for a BBQ lunch. KOG will provide the meat to grill (hot dogs and hamburgers) and all the fixings. Please bring a salad, side dish, or dessert to share. In addition to lunch, there will be music, games and a bounce house for the kids or young at heart.

In addition to fun times and fellowship, we are also hosting a Thrivent Action Team-sponsored food drive. Did you know that food banks see an uptick in need during the summer months? That's because the children who would normally receive free or reduced-price breakfasts and lunches are not in school. While some schools are able to host a summer food program, many are not. The items that are most commonly sought after during the summer months are:

- Peanut or other seed butters
- Canned fruit (packed in water or juice)
- Natural applesauce
- Canned vegetables (low sodium)
- Rice
- Dried or canned beans (low sodium)
- Whole grain cereal and pasta
- Canned or boxed soup (low sodium)
- Canned meats and fish (in water)
- Healthy snacks (such as low-sugar granola bars, raw nuts, dried fruit)

Please bring something from the list above to the unity service on June 9 and place it in the bins in Little Ed. Please do not bring items that are in glass containers and be sure to check the expiration date.

"The King's Kitchen" Community Meals Outreach:

"But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?"

1 John 3:17

Volunteers and donations are needed for our upcoming King's Kitchen Community Outreach Meal on Thursday, June 20. Cooking and set up begin at 4:00 pm and we are wrapped up by 8:00 pm. Our guests are with us from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. Your presence will be a blessing to you and others!

Please support our BLESSINGS TABLE with donations of personal hygiene items, household cleaners and socks. All may be dropped off in our collection basket in the narthex. Our most urgent needs are for laundry detergent, dark color tarps, aftershave, men's deodorant, and sleeping bags. You can find more details in our binder in the Welcome Place kiosk. This ministry occurs on the 3rd and 5th Thursday of each month, so please plan to join us when you are available. Please also consider activating one of your Thrivent Action Teams to cover the cost of food and supplies. Please see Karen Wallace for questions.

John Borack: 714.716.7780 / popdude@aol.com

Karen Wallace: 714.501.2807 / wallacepark@sbcglobal.net

Karla Bjorklund: 714.757.3134 / uccolor2@gmail.com

Peace and Blessings!

Text Giving Comes to KOG – 714.874.4777

Text giving is a feature of Breeze, the new church management system software KOG is in the process of implementing. Text giving provides a convenient way to give besides cash or check. Text giving uses either a credit/debit card or an electronic transfer (ACH) from your checking account.

The registration process is easy and once you are setup, a transaction can be completed in seconds. To use this feature, you simply text the word "Give" to 714.874.4777 and follow the prompts. Also, there will be complete instructions available on our KOG website. The contribution can be given to the General Fund, Facility Fund, or other funds selected depending on current church activities.

If you're currently enrolled in an electronic giving (transfer of funds) program with KOG such as Vanco or Simply Giving, there is no need to change over to text giving as there are additional fees associated with text giving.

KOG Endowment Scholarship Notice and Application Instructions

KOG members who are attending a Lutheran College or University during the 2019-2020 school year are eligible for a scholarship from the KOG Endowment. The application form is available at: <https://www.kogchurch.org/community/endowment/>. Applications must be completed by each applicant and submitted by July 15, 2019. Information regarding the scholarship and process is included with the application on the KOG website. Scholarships will be awarded in early August.

King of Glory Recycles:

Used ink cartridges, pull tabs and eyeglasses! Please place them in the Welcome Place.

Other Upcoming Events

Property Workday—June 8:

The start time is 9:00 am, and things wrap up around noon. We meet in Little Ed for donuts, coffee and work assignments. We are hopeful our younger members will take time to join us once a month as we continue to keep our facility prepared for both worship and community outreach. Email Alan Marcum at wb6rqm@gmail.com so you can be added to the email group where we share upcoming tasks.

Single Sisters in Christ Covenant Group—June 9:

Attention all single ladies! Are you looking to increase your fellowship with other single women in 2019? Come and join us in Big Ed on June 9, 2019, after the 10 AM Unity Service. We are reading and discussing Max Lucado's book *He Still Moves Stones*, chapter 14, no need for a book, just come, read and discuss God's word and join in playing games, for a fun afternoon.

Happy Hands—June 12:

Wednesday, June 12 Happy Hands will meet at 10:00 am for the third time this year. June is our annual salad luncheon. Our time together begins by tying quilts. We will then share lunch. Please bring some type of salad to share. Drinks will be provided. We have many quilts to tie and hand sew labels, so please come help so we can give these beautiful quilts to those in need. Call Nancy Jaeger at 714.846.6593 for more information.

Saved by Grace Covenant—June 15:

Saved by Grace Covenant will meet on Saturday, June 15, at 6:00 pm in Big Ed., starting the evening with our potluck dinner (please bring a dish to share), followed by our study using Ray Vander Laan's video series *In the Dust of the Rabbi*.

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Newsletter Deadline—June 19:

The deadline to submit articles for the June newsletter is Wednesday, **June 19**. Please be sure to send your articles regarding ministry events to newsletter@kogchurch.org or drop them by the church office.

"The King's Kitchen" Community Meals Outreach—June 20:

5:30 pm – 7 pm. Volunteers are needed, so please consider lending a hand, whether it's helping to prepare a meal, shopping, serving, greeting, cleaning up, or being a table host chatting with our guests.

Facility Task Force Meeting—June 25:

The Facility Task Force will be meeting on the last Tuesday of the month before Property workday at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall Conference Room. This task force is charged with the oversight of projects, major repairs, and equipment replacement on our KOG campus. The task force is always looking for new partners in this ministry. If you are interested, please join us!

Please visit this link <https://www.kogchurch.org/church-events/google-calendar-2/> on King of Glory's website to view a full listing of calendar events.

June Birthdays...

Charlyn Travers	June 01
Cliff Nelson	June 02
Andrew Johnson	June 06
Stan Outman	June 06
Gwen Woloshun	June 06
Bev Nelson	June 08
James Peterson	June 08
Daniel Fisher	June 10
Darren Wight	June 10
Emily Gordon	June 11
Rachel Wallace	June 12
Michael Johnson	June 14
Zachary Luken	June 14

Andrew Marcos	June 17
Holly Leeson	June 18
Gerrit Windhorst	June 19
Glenn Travers	June 20
Lucas Fisher	June 21
James Harrison	June 21
Dale Siegele	June 23
Arlene Luhman	June 24
Shannon Martin	June 24
Jane Harrison	June 26
Diane Myhre	June 28
Lorrie Blain	June 29

Happy Birthday! ...and Anniversaries

Wayne and Laurie Schleicher 45 years on June 08
John and Kelly Lipot 12 years on June 09
Linda and Peter Vanderplas 41 years on June 10
Brent and Anie Cooper 14 years on June 11
James and Margo Peterson 21 years on June 13
Bob and Bev Stolte 51 years on June 15
Gerry and Lynn Marecek 46 years on June 16

Tom and Muriel Fitzsimmons 63 years on June 23
Thomas and Sandra Kelly 27 years on June 27
Jim and Tina Dubuque 33 years on June 28
Judy and Mark Goodman 45 years on June 29
Ed and Nancy Cotta 20 years on June 30
Dan and Tara Hytrek 29 years on June 30

Happy Anniversary!

If we have missed your June birthday (25 years or more) or anniversary, please contact the church office.