

# ***KOG Connection—October 2019***

## ***Pastor's Corner***

Hello dear KOG friends and family!

Happy November! I literally can't believe the words I am typing. It is November! Where did October go? Someone should tell the calendar above my office desk because it is still on September! Well, since it is November now, that means much is upon us for discussing and remembering and celebrating!

Firstly, I want to remind you that this Sunday is our Unity Service to mark the end of our Red Letter Growth Group and Sermon Series. Our 10 am worship will also mark the end of this fall's stewardship campaign and we are asking everyone to bring in their 2020 commitment cards to be blessed during worship and tallied during the Celebration Lunch that follows (as has become our new tradition). Thank you to all who have helped to make this coming Sunday possible (as well as the Growth Group series and stewardship preparations prior to it): Karen and Paul Wallace and our Growth Group leaders, Sam and Catherine Fullerton and our Stewardship committee, and our office staff who worked tirelessly to support both of these efforts! We hope you'll join us this Sunday in celebrating the end of our study and the making of our financial commitments for God's mission in the coming year.

Secondly, this upcoming Sunday is also All Saints Day. We will be praying for those who we have lost in the past year, of which there have been many. Please take this time to reach out to anyone you know who lost someone in the past year to offer a listening ear or supportive shoulder. And if you yourself lost someone, know that our prayers will be with you this Sunday and our Prayer Warriors continue to pray for you weekly.

Thirdly, I wanted to remind you that I will be hosting my forum on the ELCA's recent resolution that passed regarding becoming a Sanctuary church body. I want to extend an invitation for all to come to this forum, whether you have a strong opinion, no opinion or just a lot of questions. The beginning of the forum will be about education. I will discuss what the Memorial and Resolution process is in the ELCA as well as what was the context of this particular resolution's passing (it is far less simple than has been implied on Fox and CNN). There will be time for people to ask questions and share their feelings and experience regarding this issue. What this forum will not be, however, is an attempt to debate the merits of the decision or a time to try to reach any sort of consensus on this contentious and complicated issue. I see this forum as a time to discuss, share and explore not only this decision but also how we can, in general, respectfully and lovingly disagree with one another (or the greater church body) and still be church together. I would love for this to be a first conversation in many where we explore some of the ELCA's Social Statements how they might inform our faith as well as our civic life. Being the Body of Christ, does not mean uniformity in opinion, it means unity in mission, and I think this is a great opportunity for us to experiment and practice together how we can dissent without division. All of our perspectives and opinions enrich the Body of Christ. Though our politics and the ways we live our faith by supporting particular policies may be different (and ever more polarized in the current culture), the central tenets of our faith and our mission in Christ can still hold us together. I hope you will join me in this first step on a potential long and exciting journey we may take here at King of Glory as we consider exploring together this resolution as well as past social statements.

If you'd like to do a little pre-forum reading, the text of the resolution that was eventually passed by the voting members of the ELCA's National Assembly is below.

Always grateful to be serving with you in Christ,

Pastor Kinndlee

#### ELCA 2019 ASSEMBLY ACTION CA 19.03.11 BY MAJORITY

To receive with gratitude the memorial from the Metropolitan New York Synod concerning sanctuary;

To reaffirm the long-term and growing commitment of this church to migrants and refugees and to the policy questions involved, as exemplified most recently in the comprehensive strategy Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities (AMMPARO);

To recognize that the ELCA in congregations, synods and the churchwide organization are already taking the actions requested by this memorial; and

To request that appropriate staff on the AMMPARO team, LIRS and the Domestic Mission, Global Mission, and Mission Advancement units review the existing strategies and practices by the five current sanctuary synods and develop a plan for additional tools that provide for education and discernment around sanctuary;

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America declares itself a sanctuary church body; and

To request the ELCA Church Council, in consultation with the appropriate churchwide units and offices, provide guidance for the three expressions of this church about what it means to be a sanctuary church body and provide a report to the 2022 Churchwide Assembly.

### ***Deacon's Corner***

Dear King of Glory friends,

I want to express my appreciation for the wonderful installation service this last Saturday. It was such an honor to celebrate this day with all of you, and I am very excited to see what new things God will do as we work together for his glory. The deacon's stole that you presented me is gorgeous. It is designed to be worn from shoulder to hip to remind us of the deacon's role in connecting the church with the needs of the world, and the needs of the world with the church. The angel quilt from Happy Hands has a special place in my home and reminds me of the care of this community. To everyone who served and attended this service, and to the entire congregation for the privilege to serve with you, my deepest thanks and gratitude.

In His Service,  
Deacon Leah Lind

### ***Youth On The Go, Grow & Know***

#kogkids November 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/>

Thank you to all of those who helped in making Oktoberfest happen. We will know the total raised soon.



### **November dates to remember:**

*November 6, 6:30 pm* – CPR & First Aid certification, all are welcome to come the price is \$65 per person please contact the preschool to sign up.

*November 11* – school closed

*November 28 & 29* – school closed

Athinia Huber, Preschool Director

## ***Adult Education***

### **Sunday Adult Education Class:**

Pastor Lund's adult education bible class will resume soon, please check the calendar or 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.

### **Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study:**

The Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study meets 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, November 11 at 7 pm in Little Ed.



### **Events and Dates to Remember:**

Joy Circle: Monday, November 25 at 9:30 am, in Little Ed.

Faith Circle: Saturday, November 23 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:**

*Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever!*

Psalm 118:1

Remember Thanksgiving isn't just a holiday for us. It should be a way of life for us. We are thankful to God who sent his Son to die for us....so continue to reflect on what you are thankful for every day but remember to thank God for his blessing of our lives!

Come Mondays at 4 pm in little Ed, to help us pray for our church community. Thank you!

God's blessings to all!!

### **Family Promise in November:**

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 Nov 17th through Nov 23rd. I will be available after services on the patio Sunday, Oct 27th and Nov 3rd to answer questions and receive volunteer sign ups. 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

**"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, November 21. 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.

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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.

**King of Glory Recycles:**

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

**In Memoriam:**

Ron Zellmer.

## ***Other Upcoming Events***

**Property Workday—November 9:**

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—November 10:**

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 November 10, 2019, at Noon. We are reading and discussing Max Lucado's book *He Still Moves Stones*, chapter 19, no need for a book, just come, read and discuss God's word and join in playing games, for a fun afternoon.

**LRC 5th Annual Brew Boldly—November 15-17:**

"I'd rather my people were in the alehouse thinking of church, than in church thinking of the alehouse." - Martin Luther



Fascinated with the unique craft of brewing beer? Interested in the deep connection between Martin Luther and ale? Join Luther Glen Farm for the weekend to Brew Boldly. This will be a fantastic opportunity to gather and brew together, learn and taste, study and explore, worship, wonder, and relax! The event begins on Friday night at 7:00 p.m. and will end on Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Breakfast, Lunch, & Dinner on Saturday and Brunch on Sunday will be provided. Please complete your registration quickly as room in the Retreat Center is limited.

Cost \$189.00. To register, please visit our website at [LRCHome.com/brew](http://LRCHome.com/brew).

**Saved by Grace Covenant—November 16:**

Saved by Grace Covenant will be meeting on Saturday, November 16, 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*.

**Facility Task Force Meeting—November 19:**

The Facility Task Force will be meeting on Tuesday, November 19 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!

**Newsletter Deadline—November 20:**

The deadline to submit articles for the December newsletter is Wednesday, **November 20**. Please be sure to send your articles regarding ministry events to [newsletter@kogchurch.org](mailto:newsletter@kogchurch.org) or drop them by the church office.

**"The King's Kitchen" Community Meals Outreach—November 21:**

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.

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**Date to Remember:**

# Habitat and Thrivent Worldwide



Partners in building better futures

Lend your heart and your hands — make a world of difference

Joshua 24:15 "...But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

You can make a world of difference for a family in need of a safe, decent place to call home. Join my Habitat and Thrivent Worldwide team to Hoa Binh, Viet Nam.

The build will take place in the beautiful mountainous Hao Binh province of Viet Nam. We will assist in building new homes for local families in need.

We will provide a "hand up" to a family by working with them to build a simple, decent home. Like all Habitat homeowners, they will buy their home with sweat equity and a no-profit loan.

You'll be trained and provided with all the tools you need to complete the trips projects. In addition, our team will be immersed in a new culture and share an experience like no other!

Dates: September 19-27, 2020.

Cost to participate in this trip to Hoa Binh, Viet Nam:

- Thrivent Benefit Member: \$920 plus airfare.
- Nonmember: \$1420 plus airfare.

Together, Thrivent and Habitat for Humanity help families in need of a safe and decent place to call home. Be part of the solution to sub-standard housing by getting involved.

Make time for this life changing experience. Visit [Thrivent.com/Worldwide](https://www.thrivent.com/Worldwide) for program details. For more information on this specific trip, or to join the team, contact: Lynn Marecek at [lynn.marecek@gmail.com](mailto:lynn.marecek@gmail.com).

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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.

# November Birthdays...

Heather Schautschick	1
Jeff Elvander	1
Barbara Paulson	1
Robert Frey	3
Judy Bisnar	6
Gerry Marecek	6
Margot Peterson	8
Stephanie Marcos	9
Vicki Bandurian	9
David Schautschick	10
Karen Wallace	11
John Bower	11
Yvette Steinmetz	12
George Woloshun	12
Penny Bates	13
Joy Mangan	13
Edythe Muse	14

Larry Tyson	15
Jodi Coffman	16
Ann Klitzner	16
Evie Isaksen	16
Don Peterson	17
Roberta Osterode	18
Nick Muse	19
Thomas Kelly	20
Lynn Gaede	20
Pat Gordon	21
Julia Kompara	22
Sam Lew	24
Joy Myers	24
Sandy Poteet	25
Darleen Berens	28
Alan Luken	29
Brigette Johnson	30

## Happy Birthday! ...and Anniversaries

Ernie and Joan Butler 56 years on November 3
Allen and Johnita Tyson 25 years on November 5
Bill and Kathy Ault 48 years on November 6
John and Marsha MacWillie 21 years on November 7

Dan and Barbara Shaffer 39 years on November 8
Roger and Debbie Bise 48 years on November 13
Stan and Charlotte Outman 23 years on November 16

## Happy Anniversary!

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