

KOG Connection—February 2021

Pastor's Corner

Dear KOG friends and family,

For this month's article I simply want to do two things. First, I want to thank all of you amazing members who attended the Annual Meeting (including in its near three-hour entirety). You are such an amazing congregation and your dedication to Jesus' ministry and the care of one another is so apparent, especially in times like this. And thank you again to Deacon Leah, Catherine Marcum, Paul Wallace and Gerry Marecek for all their work in helping the meeting run as smoothly as possible.

Second, I just want to remind you all that we are starting our Lenten book study in just a few short weeks. We will be using Rick Warren's "40 Days of Prayer Journal" to help us delve a little deeper into the essential spiritual discipline of prayer. This book can be used in a small group or on an individual basis, so we hope everyone will take part. Don't forget to register if you'd like for us to purchase a book for you (only \$6 each due to a Thrivent Action Team) and to be in a small group. In preparing for this Lenten study, Paul's words from Romans 12:12 have been on my heart:

Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.

The only way we can truly rejoice in hope while simultaneously being patient in suffering (as these are pretty difficult to do at the same time!) is if we have a strong prayer life. Prayer is our way of connecting and conversing with God. Prayer is how we share our joys and sorrows, our hopes and our disappointments, with God. But prayer is not always easy. Sometimes we feel distant from God. Sometimes we just don't know what to say. That's why Paul says we are to "persevere" in prayer or as the NLT puts it "keep on praying." The goal for our Lenten study is to help us all learn a few more tools that will help us persevere not just to the end of this pandemic (though that will be nice too) but persevere in prayer no matter what life may bring us. On Wednesdays for worship, we will be practicing different types of prayer to expand that toolbox even more. Join us for this 5-week study and Wednesday worship, and experience your own prayer life grow by leaps and bounds.

Blessings,
Pastor Kinndlee

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#kogkids February 2021

KOG Family and Friends,

Please continue to stay connected as the new year begins! We will be having a drive-in movie at the end of the month and returning back to our normal group meetings in the middle.

I look forward to seeing what God has planned for 2021 and your beautiful smiles!

New year blessings,

Amanda Pulos

Director of Youth and Children's Ministry

For more information about KOG Kids Ministries please visit the website <https://www.kogchurch.org/community/cyf-2-3/> or email me at kogkids@gmail.com!

Preschool News

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

Kelly Ramirez, Preschool Director



Women of the ELCA Events

(Information regarding Women's Ministry)

WELCA Board Meeting:

Board meetings have been moved to the first Monday of the month and our next Board meeting is Monday, February 1 at 7 pm in Little Ed, the then-current safety rules permitting.



Events and Dates to Remember:

Joy Circle: Monday, February 22 at 9:30 am, on Zoom. Please contact Gwen TeGantvoort for the Zoom meetings details.

Faith Circle: Saturday, February 27 at 10 am, on Zoom. Please contact Catherine Marcum for the Zoom meeting details.

****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:

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:21

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.
Proverbs 3:5

And above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.
Proverbs 4:23

Create in me a pure heart O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.
Psalms.51:10

My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.
Psalm 73:26

I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell your wonderful deeds.
Psalm 9:1

Peace I leave you with; my peace I give you. I do not give it to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.
John 14:24

And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your heart and your mind in Jesus Christ.
Philippians 4:7

Happy heart month!!
Blessings to all!

Happy Hands:

Well, we hope to meet in February, but given the current Covid-19 classification situation, we are not sure it will be possible. We will find out in early February and we will keep you posted— but let's be optimistic!

If you want to sew a quilt top before then, let us know and we will get a kit to you.

Lynn Marecek, lynn.marecek@gmail.com

Property Upkeep:

Thank you again for your support of our monthly Property Workdays. In January we were removed the hedge in the area adjacent to the Office. This is part of our improvement project. The plan is to rework the sprinklers, add a fountain, plant succulents, and cover the area with rocks. We removed the Christmas tree and decorations. The storage area in the Fellowship Hall was reorganized to make room for the Christmas decorations.

We still need replace a number fluorescent tubes around the facility. If this type of work interests you, please let me know by email at wb6rqm@gmail.com.

Alan Marcum

Donate to Lutheran Social Services:

9:00 – 10:00 am, Tuesdays, King of Glory

Want to help others during the COVID-19 crisis? Rich Bandurian will be at the church every Tuesday morning from 9 – 10 am to collect any donations of non-perishable food, diapers, etc. Click [here](#) for a list of needed items.

Thank you to all who continue to care for those in need in our community.

Contact Rich Bandurian if you have any questions.

"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

KOG serves up a free meal to anyone in need on the third and fifth Thursday of every month. Volunteers gather at 4:30 pm, and our "take and go" dinner is served at 5:30 pm. All are welcome. We are grateful for the support from KOG members who support this ministry with their prayer, service and financial support through Thrivent Action Teams. You can help from home by providing us with 30 PB&J sandwiches, baked goods, fruit, packaged snacks, laundry soap, toiletries or bottled water. Contact Karen Wallace for more details.

Mark your calendar now for these upcoming King's Kitchen Meals:

February 18, March 18, April 15 & 29, May 20, June 17, July 15 & 29, August 19, September 16 & 30, October 21, November 18, December 16 & 30

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!

Blanket Donations Needed:

I am accepting new or like-new blankets this week for the HB Homeless Navigation Center. <https://www.hbhomelessolutions.com/>. I would like to get 50 blankets for them. They are needed right now. Please deliver (or ship) to my porch, [11156 McGee River Circle, Fountain Valley](#). Any size, color, or fabric. It is best if they are wrapped in plastic or in a plastic bag.

Specific directions on Justserve.org: <https://www.justserve.org/projects/aa8e2849-a6e3-4c6d-9888-143ed47912aa>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/103456889718435>

Thank you in advance for your service.

Jynene Johnson

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Text Giving Comes to KOG – 714.874.4777:

Text giving is a feature of Breeze, KOG's church management system software. 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.

Other Upcoming Events

Single Sisters in Christ Covenant Group:

SSiC is not meeting at this time, they will resume again as soon as we are able to meet as a group in person. The study is "Every Day Deserves a Change" by Max Lucado. For updates and information call Marlys Buckey at 714.746.1224.

Worship in the Parking Lot—February 7:

Please join us on Sunday, February 7 at 11 am in the church parking lot. Worship in your comfortable chair or worship in your car. Please be sure to [register](#) your presence.

Property Workday—February 13:

Property Workday will be on Saturday, February 13, at 9 am. We meet on the patio. Please join us, even if you only have an hour or so. Contact Alan Marcum at wb6rqm@gmail.com if you have any questions or if you would like to be added to property workday email group.

Facility Task Force Meeting—February 16:

The Facility Team will be meeting on Tuesday, February 16, at 7 pm and **will be held on Zoom**. If you wish to attend, please contact Alan Marcum for the Zoom link. We are looking at projects, both big and small, that we can accomplish in 2021. Contact Alan Marcum at wb6rqm@gmail.com if you have any questions or if you would like to be added to property workday email group.

KOG Connection Deadline—February 17:

The deadline to submit articles for the **March** KOG Connection is Wednesday, **February 17**. During this time, it is particularly important to inform your ministry participants of any changes. Please submit your articles in a timely manner and please be sure to send your articles regarding ministry events to newsletter@kogchurch.org. Thank you!

"The King's Kitchen" Community Meals Outreach—February 18:

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, when we return to serve at tables, being a table host chatting with our guests.

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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.

February Birthdays...

Linda Hill	1
Gary Poteet	7
Marian Westerhold	8
Don Johnson	8
Karie Frederick	9
Karen Ronchetti	9
Debbie Tesla	9
Joanne Woolley	10
Flo Mayfield	13
Elisa Jordan	13
Alex Vercnocke	13
Malinda Willmore	14
Suzanne Kusik	15

David Still	16
Amanda Burwell	16
Bruce Frederick	17
Amanda Pulos	20
Trisha Gable	20
Michele Jensen	23
Keith Watton	23
Bud Potter	25
Deenna Eley	25
Craig Vercnocke	28
Lisa McCrory	28
Judy Bartz	29

Happy Birthday!

...and Anniversaries

Patricia Hann and Steve Boback 38 years on February 05
Barbara and Steve Chakos 40 years on February 14
Edythe and Nick Muse 60 years on February 18

Shery and Stephen Schwarz 41 years on February 22
Marie and Robert Lipot 42 years on February 24

Happy Anniversary!

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