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COUNCIL NEWS

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

Isaiah 43: 1

What a blessing to read these words from Isaiah. We know we are God's – whether we speak as individuals or as a congregation. We are here to share God's word and to know we are always his.

Mission/Values/Vision – Boldly Sharing...... *Grounded, Growing, and Generous*

Thanks to all of you who continue to engage in our visioning effort. We are finding our way as we make sure our calling by God is what he wants King of Glory to be. In January, we completed our deep dive into our own data from our congregational survey and we learned what other congregations around the country are doing to spread God's word.

But now – what does it mean for King of Glory – what are we called to do? We are starting our efforts to apply it to our congregation. We have a three-month plan to engage in conversation with you.



Our first step is simply starting to talk – and you will have three opportunities to do so.

On February 10, 13 and 16, we will continue our discussion of KOG's Mission/Values/Vision for the future. This will be a facilitated discussion but also use breakout groups to have smaller group discussions.

Please pick one of the following:

- •**February 10** 6:30pm via Zoom

 <u>**Please click here to register**</u>
- •**February 13** 9:45am In Person in the Activity Center • Please click here to register
- •**February 16** 7:15pm In Person in the Fellowship Hall 6:45pm for meal

Please click here to register

Again, this is only the first step in a series of discussions from now through April to help us collectively discern where we hear God calling us to serve. If you would like, reserve March 20 after worship for our second step.

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February 27 - One Worship, Brunch and Annual Ministry Celebration

What is better than worship, food, and a meeting!? We have a wonderful time planned for February 27. Our schedule for the day will be:

- ·10am One Worship
- ·11am Congregational Youth Brunch
- · 12pm Annual Ministry Celebration

Please plan to join us for all of this. Our Annual Ministry Celebration will celebrate all things King of Glory including updates on ministries in 2021, our investment in our campus, and our 2022 budget. So come and hear how we at King of Glory are called to be God's.

Generosity Team

Many of you are familiar with a congregational stewardship effort. In 2019, we examined our stewardship approach and decided to transition it into a Generosity Team. They will still support and execute our fall stewardship efforts, but they have been asked to go beyond that.

They will help celebrate a sense of generosity year-round. This will include celebrating all the wonderful ministries we do today in a more deliberate way so that we can honor them and be aware of them.

This will include encouraging sharing our time, talent and treasure – so not only financially, but also in giving of time and talent generously. We know our ability to be generous is directly tied to being called by God. So, watch for more from this newly redefined team led by Mark Hinzman and Sarah Schultz. Thanks to all who serve: Mark, Sarah, Nancy Wolff, Julie Brookover, Bob Burton, Phil Thomas, Tad Doering, Pastor Kenny, and Pastor Beth.

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Senior Pastor Call Committee

Our last message communicated we were scheduling a candidate for an in-person meeting. We had the opportunity to finally meet face to face with a strong candidate. The visit left us encouraged and excited. King of Glory and the candidate are in the discernment phase and continuing in hopeful next steps.

We will let you know as soon as we know. Please join the Call Committee and Council with prayers that this candidate and the family agree with us that King of Glory should be their new church home. In the meantime, we continue the search by evaluating new candidates in conjunction with the Synod.

Don't hesitate to contact us at PCC2021@kingofglory.com if you have any questions. We give thanks for all that KOG can offer a new pastor.

Physical Changes to our Campus

As you view online worship or worship in person, you should notice a brighter environment, more crisp camera angles and better sound. Thanks to the sale of one of our rental houses and our Miracle Offering Sunday, you are seeing the outcomes of investing in our campus. A visioning process is underway for our children's and youth ministry areas with more specific actions to come. You will see additional landscaping improvements over the next year. Join us at the Annual Ministry Celebration to hear more.

Remember the words of Isaiah 1 and take comfort that we are called by name to be his.

