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KOG CONNECTION

Events, News and Insights
from King of Glory Lutheran Church

FINDING A WAY

Advent & Christmas at King of Glory



Advent is a time for us to prepare our hearts and minds for Jesus' coming. Journey with us as we delight in these expectant days. Though the way seems rough, we honor tradition and find new ways forward.

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Texas Ramp Project Scores Big Grant

The Texas Ramp Project, a long-time ministry of King of Glory, has been awarded a \$100,000 grant from an East Texas foundation. The grant will be distributed among 19 counties in East Texas, where TRP has been building wheelchair ramps for 12 years. Over the years the combined Texas and Dallas Ramp Projects have provided more than 12,500 free ramps for low-income Texas residents. Over three-fourths of the ramps are for people 60 and above.

Finding a Way

Word and Spirit

Wednesdays, Dec. 1, 8, 15

7:15 to 7:45 pm in the King of Glory Chapel

The pace of our lives can feel relentlessly harried. How do we find sacred time to prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ in the midst of our striving? Join Pastors Don and Beth for a taste of the Word and Spirit on three Wednesday evenings in Advent.

Lessons and Carols

Sunday, December 19

8:30 am and 11:00 am

Lessons and Carols is a beloved Advent tradition where we alternate music and spoken word to reflect on the Great Advent Antiphons in the days leading up to Christmas. Each year, we celebrate all our musical ensembles. At both services, we will feature the King of Glory Sanctuary Choir, King of Glory Ringers, Choral Scholars, our children led by Miss Rainey and Miss Allie, soloist Julia Gmeiner, and soloist Maggie Huddleston. It will be a joy-filled event to usher in the birth of our Savior!

Christmas Eve Worship

Friday, December 24

4:00 pm-Outdoor Family Christmas Eve Worship

We will gather in the west parking lot at 4pm for Christmas Eve Worship accessible for all ages. Bring your families, your camp chairs, and your Christmas cheer as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

7:00 pm & 9:00 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship

Celebration of the birth of the Christ child with Festival Worship Services of carols, candlelight, Holy Communion, and music from the King of Glory Choir.

Sunday, December 26

10:00 am Worship

Festive traditional worship for the entire family with Scripture lessons and reflections on the Nativity from the writings of Martin Luther, with congregational carols and the first Holy Communion of Christmas.

Congratulations Marilyn Cupp on Your 30th Anniversary





KOG SERVES WEEKEND

One weekend, 8 projects and over 75 members and friends served the Dallas area. We cleaned medical equipment, built ramps, stuffed goody bags for first responders, brought hats and gloves to the VA and more. Thanks to all who inspired, led, organized, and participated! What a wonderful response to the call to serve. Our space was limited due to Covid restrictions, but more weekends are to come!

Introducing Our New Interim Pastor



Pastor Kenny Dickson will be joining us on January 1. He is a lifelong Texan born and raised in Dallas. He attended SMU where he majored in Film and Business and later received an MBA. Kenny attended Duke Divinity school in NC where he received his Masters of Divinity.

Pastor Kenny has been a pastor for 24 years serving a variety of congregations in the North Texas area. He has served as a lead pastor (with staffs up to 14 people) as well as an associate pastor. For the last two years Pastor Kenny has been serving Cross Roads Faith and Film, a ministry he founded to help churches utilize film in ministry.

We are blessed to have Pastor Kenny. Uniquely, he is a United Methodist Church pastor – one of the ELCA's full communion partners. Full communion partners are when two denominations develop a relationship based on a common confessing of the Christian faith and a mutual recognition of Baptism and sharing of the Lord's Supper. As the full communion partners are defined, they:

- Denominations worship together
- Exchange clergy
- Share a commitment to evangelism, witness and service in the world.
- Each entity agrees that even with differences, there is nothing that is church-dividing.

We are excited by the adventures this Transitional Pastor experience will bring us – as is Pastor Kenny.