

KOG Connection—June 2018

Pastor's Corner...

Dear King of Glory family and friends,

Happy June! Finally, summer is upon us, which means that graduation day, vacations, blooming flowers and brimming vegetable gardens are also just around the corner (although here in California those last two are pretty much year round, which I still can't get over!). For us at King of Glory, the summer months are going to bring some of the usual things—celebrate our graduating seniors, our annual Summer Kickoff Unity Service followed by a BBQ (June 17), hosting VBS for our church and community—as well as some new things.

This month we'll be commissioning our youth to attend the ELCA's National Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas. Additionally, in July I'll be doing two new things: 1) I'm leading a discussion/study group in anticipation of and in preparation for the ELCA's new Draft Social Statement on Women and Justice (more about this below), and 2) I'll be doing another summer film sermon series (remember "God at the Oscars"?), but this time I'd like you all to help me pick the movies! For the next two Sundays, I'm going to have a ballot in church listing some of the year's past movies, and I want you to select from it what you're most interested in hearing a sermon on. Plus there'll be a "write-in" option to add your own favorite film to the mix, so don't miss out! Below are a few (but not all) of the movies you'll be potentially voting on:

<i>Coco</i>	<i>The Shack</i>	<i>Shape of Water</i>	<i>A Wrinkle in Time</i>
<i>Get Out</i>	<i>Dunkirk</i>	<i>The Darkest Hour</i>	<i>Star Wars: The Last Jedi</i>

There are so many great movies out there, so I need your votes to help whittle down the list to just 6 films. Remember, you have to pay to play, or in other words, don't miss worship and getting your counted. I hope to announce the results at our Unity Service on June 17th (which P.S. goes right into our summer BBQ—another reason not to miss out!). This way you'll have a month to rent, buy or stream the films you want to see before the sermon series start date of Sunday, July 15th.

Now back to #1. The ELCA has released a new Draft Social Statement (that's the process used to create policy and discussion points for U.S. churches and leaders on certain topics). The current draft is on "Women and Justice," and the national ELCA office is looking to hear from church members as to what they think of it by Sept. 30. I'd love for us to dig deep into this topic, its biblical basis and its implications for our world (especially given all that has been in the news this past year with #MeToo, human trafficking, etc.). I'm going to do the study on Sundays between services and possibly on Wednesdays during the week. I strongly encourage both men and women and people of all ages to participate, as all voices and opinions are important and should be heard! And truthfully, justice for women has implications for men as well, and is truly an issue of faith for all Christians. So let's explore together how we can live more fully into the vision God has for us all as a Christian community, the Body of Christ. Signup sheets are in the Welcome Place for anyone who is interested and wants to be added to the mailing list.

Last but not least, I want to thank Charlyn Travers for her time in the church office this past year and a half. Her wisdom and work ethic were a blessing. Charlyn has ended her time with us so as to spend more time at home with Glenn (and actually enjoy her retirement! ☺). We had wanted to acknowledge her in worship on her last Sunday, but things did not work out, so please take a moment on your own to thank Charlyn for her service to KOG.

Summer blessings! Pastor Kinndlee

Youth On The Go, Grow & Know...

#kogkids June 2018

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 every week 6:30-8:30 pm

Middle School (Confirmation) 5:30-7:30 pm

How to find out more information

- 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.

<https://kogchurch.org/preschool/>

Dates to Remember:

June 13 - Donuts with Dad @8:30 am

June 20 – Pre-K send off

June 21 - Last day of School

June 22 - School Closed for cleaning & In-Service

June 25 - Summer Session Begins



Athinia Huber, Preschool Director

From the Choir Director

The Sanctuary Choir is back, and we need YOU! Yes, YOU! Don't read music? Not a problem! We always have a great time singing together in church. Why not have even more fun singing in choir, too? Rehearsals have started in the Choir Room from 7:30–9 pm on Thursdays. Don't be shy! Come by and see what singing in choir is like. There are no auditions, and you don't need to bring anything except yourself. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns – I would love to hear from you!

Cell: 714.803.7553 – Call/Text available

Email: kbadertscher08@apu.edu

Katie Badertscher, Choir Director

Adult Education...

Sunday Adult Education Class:

Pastor Lund is continuing to lead an adult education Bible class focusing on each Sunday's scriptures in the Fellowship Hall Library at 9:30 am.

Men's Bible Study:

The Men's Bible Study group meets on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm. Join us in the Fellowship Center Library. Please call Alan Marcum at 714.328.9968 or send an email to wb6rqm@gmail.com if you have any questions.

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 11, at 7 pm in Little Ed.



Events and Dates to Remember:

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

Faith Circle: Saturday, June 30, 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:

KOG is a praying church. Every Monday at 4:30 pm we meet to lift up names to God of those in need. Anyone can join us! We rejoice when we can praise God for the healing of those on our lists. So please keep sending in the names of those who you are concerned over. BUT remember to let us know when recovery takes place, so we can praise too. Thank you.

Good morning God

*You are ushering in another day
Untouched and freshly new
So here I come to ask you God
If you'll renew me too?*

*Forgive the many errors
That I made yesterday
And let me try again dear God
To walk closer in Thy way.*

*But Father I am well aware
I can't make it on my own
So take my hand and hold it tight
For I can't walk alone.*

New Email Address:

Please note that Heather Justine Stolte, who is our new Office Manager, has a new email address: office.manager@kogchurch.org. The old email address was removed. Thank you.

KOG Endowment Scholarship Application Instructions:

KOG members who are attending a Lutheran College or University during the 2018-2019 school year are eligible for a scholarship from the KOG Endowment. The application form is available at: <https://kogchurch.org/community/endowment/>. Applications must be completed by each applicant and submitted to the church office to the attention of Jeff Elvander, President of the Endowment Board, by June 30, 2018. Scholarships will be awarded in early August.

Outreach Liaison:

It is a wonderful and challenging experience serving as Outreach Liaison for our congregation. Our members continue to add worthwhile projects that support the needs of those outside our Church membership. My position is to coordinate the process of project approval, implementation and support from the Council.

We have many willing volunteers who team up to support the ongoing outreach ministries. Whether giving items, financial support, or time, all efforts come to make a difference to someone in need. We need and want YOU to be part of the team for: "God's Work, Our Hands," Interfaith "Community Day of Service," "King's Kitchen," "Family Promise," "GADKenya," LSS Food Bank, Habitat for Humanity, and other ongoing ministries on our campus. We host AA, FA, Boy Scouts, Brazilian Ministries.

Get involved... Let's demonstrate to our community that King of Glory shares God's Love and Blessings with kindness and generosity to others. Ideas are always welcome.

Thanks, Karla Bjorklund

Update from your Congregation Council Regarding the Issue of Campus Security:

At the council meeting held on February 8, 2018, a council taskforce was set up to address the issues raised at the January Annual Meeting regarding campus security in relation to our homeless guests and visitors. On May 10, 2018, after meetings, discussion, discernment, and prayer, the council taskforce brought their recommendations before the council as a whole. At this meeting, the council engaged in a lengthy discussion of the recommendations presented by the taskforce. The recommendations which were adopted by the council as King of Glory's policy moving forward were:

1. We discourage overnight stays by anyone on our campus unless we can provide adequate supervision and access to at least a toilet.
2. We recommend, as a congregation, to explore possibilities to help solve the larger homeless issue in Fountain Valley and to investigate partnering with other churches and organizations within Fountain Valley and the surrounding area to help solve this issue. As part of this more comprehensive view we might be able to develop a way to house the homeless on our and other campuses in the city.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the resolutions adopted by the council or would like to be a part of the exploration set out in No. 2 above, please contact a member of the executive committee (Gerry Marecek, Paul Wallace, Deb Cooper, or Stephen Schwarz).

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne Steinebrunner

"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



We held two King's Kitchen events in May, one on May 17 and again on May 31. On May 17 we were blessed to hold a special drawing for four tote bags we received. The winning tickets were drawn by a young guest, who asked if he could draw the tickets the next time we need him. What joy it is to not just provide a meal, but relationship, compassion, community and kindness. With each new event, we have new volunteers and guests; each being added

to our ever-growing circle of friends and ministry.

Volunteers and donations are needed for our upcoming King's Kitchen Community Outreach Meal on Thursday, June 21. Cooking and set up begin at 4:00 p.m. 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!

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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Karla Bjorklund: 714.757.3134 / uccolor2@gmail.com

Peace and Blessings!

King of Glory Stephen Ministry:

Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide you with the confidential, one-to-one Christian care you need to make it through a crisis or help you through a difficult time.

For more information on receiving a Stephen Minister or if you desire to be trained as a Minister, please contact Pastor Kinndlee @ 714.963.5649, Lorrie Blain @ 949.631.4700 or Deenna Eley @ 714.580.3743.

KOG Weekly Food Donations:

The need for weekly food donations to feed the homeless and low-income families in our community continues to grow. The Lutheran Social Services food pantry in Garden Grove has indicated that food donations of any size would be greatly appreciated. Please continue to bring your weekly donations of canned foods, etc. to church on Sunday.

Grief Loss Groups Available:

At one time or another, everyone suffers an emotional loss that produces pain, loneliness, fear, depression, anger or all five at once. The death of a spouse; the loss of a child, parent, or loved one; the end of a marriage, a career or your independence; a health issue that changes every part of your life. In moments like these, consolation, empathy and sensitivity are crucial. Grief and Loss Support Groups provide a safe, healing, loving and hope-filled setting where those who are hurting, and ache can share in the presence of people who listen, understand and who

genuinely care. You **must** be registered prior to attending. ***You may register and join at any time.***

To register: call Maxine Abbott at 714.534.6450 or email: mabbott@LSSCommunityCare.org

Location: Redeemer Lutheran Church, 13564 St. Andrews Drive, Seal Beach

Time: 1:00 pm-3:00 pm Fridays, with time for individual help

Cost: \$10 per session; \$60 for 8 sessions (10-12 people per group)

Thrivent Action Team Bulletin Board:

We would like to leverage Thrivent Financial Action Team dollars by matching up the needs of our congregation and our community with the passion of our KOG Members (and especially those who are Thrivent Members). Check out the Action Team Match-Up Board currently in the Narthex.

We would also love to know how Action Team dollars are spent and what ministries they support, both within King of Glory and within our greater community. We are asking that those who participate in Thrivent Action Teams self-report to the church office. We would be glad to keep your name confidential if that is your choice. We would love to hear about the projects supported by our King of Glory members with the help of Thrivent's generosity.

If you have any questions, please contact Karen Wallace or Catherine Fullerton.

King of Glory Recycles:

Used Ink Cartridges and Eyeglasses! Place them in the Welcome Place.

Facility Task Force Meeting—June 5:

The Facility Task Force meets on the Tuesday before Property Work Day at 7 pm in the 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!

All Are Welcome Covenant Group—June 8:

The "All Are Welcome Covenant Group" will be meeting on Friday, June 8 at 7 pm in Big Ed with our continuing study of *Animate Faith-Practices* and dessert. Please plan to come. You may contact Charlyn Travers or Jeanne Steinebrunner with any questions.

Property Work Day—June 9:

The start time is 8:30 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 group meetings held for people of all ages.

Single Sisters in Christ Covenant Group—June 10:

SSiCC will be meeting in Big Ed after second service on June 10. Discussion will be on Chapter 4 in Max Lucado's book *He Still Moves Stones*. Bring your own lunch and drink. New members always welcome.

Happy Hands and Hooking KnitWits—June 13:

Our next meeting date is Wednesday, June 13th at 12:00 noon. This month is our salad luncheon. Bring your favorite salad to share. Coffee, tea, and water will be provided. We will begin by tying quilts, finding fabric for a quilt, knitting or crocheting something. If you are not able to tie quilts or don't know how to quilt, knit or crochet, we can teach you. We would like to begin working on some quilts for Kings Kitchen guests.

Come join the fun, remembering these quilts go to those in need. Call Nancy Jaeger - 714.846.6593 or Catherine Marcum 714.328.9975 for more information.

Annual Church BBQ—June 17:

Save the date for the Annual Church BBQ: Sunday, June 17, 2018, following the 10:00 am 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.)

Details regarding the BBQ lunch: KOG will provide the grilled meat (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
- Natural applesauce
- Rice
- Whole grain cereal and pasta
- Canned meats and fish (in water)
- Canned fruit (packed in water or juice)
- Canned vegetables (low sodium)
- Dried or canned beans (low sodium)
- Canned or boxed soup (low sodium)
- 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 17 and place it under the table 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—June 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.

Newsletter Deadline—June 22:

The deadline to submit articles for the July newsletter is Friday, June 22. Please be sure to send your articles regarding ministry events to newsletter@kogchurch.org or drop them by the church office.

Saved by Grace Covenant—June 24:

Saved by Grace Covenant will be meeting on Saturday, June 24, at 6 p.m. at the home of the Osterodes (please note DATE CHANGE). We will start the evening with our potluck dinner (please bring a dish to share), followed by our continuing study of John MacArthur's *Revelation, The Christian's Ultimate Victory*.

Have a blessed Month of June!!!!
Heather Justine Stolte
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June Birthdays...

Charlyn Travers	1
Cliff Nelson	2
David Myhre	3
Bob Foy	4
Gwen Woloshun	6
Stan Outman	6
James Peterson	8
Bev Nelson	8
Darren Wight	10
Emily Gordon	11
Michael Johnson	14
Jodi Dufour	14
Zachary Luken	14

Julie Bryan	16
Andrew Marcos	17
Gerrit Windhorst	19
Glenn Travers	20
Vicki Andersen	20
James Harrison	21
Fred Luhman	22
Dale Siegele	23
Arlene Luhman	24
Jane Harrison	26
Diane Myhre	28
Lorrie Blain	29

Happy Birthday!!

...and Anniversaries

Wayne and Laurie Schleicher 46 years on June 08
John and Kelly Lipot 11 years on June 09
Linda and Peter Vanderplas 40 years on June 10
Brent and Anie Cooper 13 years on June 11
James and Margot Peterson 20 years on June 13
Pastor Richard and Barbara Martyn 48 years on June 13
Robert and Beverly Stolte 50 years on June 15
Gerald and Lynn Marecek 45 years on June 16

James and Sharon Stout 56 years on June 16
David and Mandy Adair 37 years on June 20
Fred and Arlene Luhman 56 years on June 23
Tom and Muriel Fitzsimmons 62 years on June 23
Thomas and Sandra Kelly 26 years on June 27
Jim and Tina Dubuque 32 years on June 28
Judy and Mark Goodman 46 years on June 29
Edmund and Nancy Cotta 19 years on June 30

Happy Anniversary

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