

# ***KOG Connection—November 2018***

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

Dear King of Glory family and friends,

This past month, our Sunday lectionary (the worship schedule we follow for what readings to do on what days throughout the year) skipped over a reading from Mark that I think we all need reminding of. The verses are from Mark 12. When asked which commandment was first of all (a common debate in ancient Judaism), Jesus responded by saying,

"The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

It is important to notice that Jesus' answer starts with the word "hear". Not "see." Not "know." Not "understand." Not "feel." Jesus says, "Hear, O Israel." Following that, his answer can be summed up as love God and love neighbor. What we hear, affects us. Words have power. The old adage "sticks and stones may break my bones but words can never hurt me" is wrong. Not only because words do hurt, sometimes leaving lasting effects far beyond physical scars. But it is also wrong, because as we have all seen recently in the news, hateful words can lead to hateful actions. Many a conflict begins with words before any punch is thrown. And the reverse is true as well. Loving words can lead to loving actions.

Our Jewish brothers and sisters know these words. They are holy to them too, as Jesus was summarizing the Shema of the Hebrew Scriptures. The people of Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh knew these words, held them close to their hearts and tried to live them out. We learn the words of faith, the words of our beliefs, at an early age. But another community member, Robert Bowers, learned different words. He heard words of hate and held them close to his heart. His social media posts were full of anti-Semitic sentiments, misinformation and conspiracy theories. And those words led him to action, a terrible, heart-wrenching, death-dealing action.

In these days when our political identities and partisan rhetoric has seemed to supersede all other desires for civility and character, for speaking and living as Christ commanded, let us revisit this first and second great commandment. Let us remember that our words matter, just as much as our actions. Let us be cautious of the words that we allow into our lives, into our minds and into our hearts. Let us take responsibility for the words we speak to and share with others. Let us hold our friends, our family members, our neighbors and our leaders (on both sides of the aisle) to a higher standard. Jesus Christ was the living Word, wrapped in flesh and bone, Love in Action, who came to show us that the Word and our words together can bring life. May love be our Word. May love be your Word. May we start anew in following Jesus and the words he shared with us.

Serving with you in Christ's love,  
Pastor Kinndlee

P.S. A reminder about **Commitment Sunday, November 4**: Please join us for our Unity Service at 10:00 AM with your Commitment Card. During the Offering time at our worship service, everyone will be invited to place their 2019 Commitment Cards in our Consecration Box to be blessed. After the service we'll gather in Big Ed for our free Celebration Lunch. Thank you to all of the Stewardship Team, especially Vicki Bandurian, the Stewardship Chair, for all of their hard work in helping our church grow in its stewardship of God's many gifts. We hope to see you all this Sunday!

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

#kogkids November 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: 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](mailto:kogkids@gmail.com)

## ***Preschool News!***

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

### November Dates to Remember:

6 – Fall pictures

8 – CPR & First Aid @ 6:30 pm (If you are interested in joining us please contact preschool office for more information)

9 – Cookie dough due

12 – School closed

13 – See's Candy Fundraiser starts

22 & 23 – School closed

30 – See's Candy orders due

T-shirt sales – check website calendar for upcoming dates

### Save the Dates in December:

9 – Christmas program & party with church

14 – Christmas program

Looking for the following donations for infant room: activity play mats, bumbos, boppy pillows and receiving blankets (items can be slightly used)



Athinia Huber, Preschool Director

## ***From the Choir Director***

It's time for singing! The Sanctuary Choir is coming 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](mailto: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](mailto: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, November 12, at 7 pm in Little Ed.



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

**Pacifica SWO Convention:** November 2 - November 3 at Faith Lutheran Church, Menifee, CA, 28200 Portsmouth Dr., Menifee, Calif. 92586  
Contact Karen Ronchetti for more details.

**Joy Circle:** Monday, November 26, 9:30 am, in Little Ed.

**Faith Circle:** Saturday, November 24, 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:**

Everyone is invited to join us on Mondays at 4:30 to raise up names of those in need. Come if you can we can always use more voices.

For positive encouraging religious music tune in to 100.3 FM!!!

### **Council Facilities Liaison:**

Hi everybody! This is Glenn Osterode and I am the council facilities liaison. I would like to bring you up to date on what's happening around our Church campus.

We have many things going on and more in the coming months.

As you all know we've been in the process of sprucing up Little and Big Ed with new flooring and a fresh coat of paint! But there's more to come! We have a design team in place working on the best way to utilize the space in Little Ed and make it attractive. Following this, the team is headed out to the patio area to come up with a plan for the planters and courtyard area.

Another thing coming on soon will be new lighting for the parking lot. Council has approved and set in motion this project and it should be happening in the near future.

The next major project is going to be replacement of the exterior doors around Little Ed, the patio area, and Big Ed. We are currently seeking bids.

We have also recently had the roofs inspected and found them to be in pretty good shape. A few minor details to be dealt with but mostly able to take care of with our facilities team work days!

That brings me to a call out for volunteers! We meet usually the 2nd Saturday of the month to try to maintain our campus and could use more help. There is a signup sheet in the welcome center. I do not mean you have to come to every meet, but the more help, the nicer our "Facility" appears to members and visitors!

I would also like to add that our facilities fund is taking a big hit with the projects currently underway and the ones to come soon. If you would like to contribute to the facilities fund you can earmark to "facilities fund" with your offering.

Lastly, I would like to acknowledge Rich Bandurian for all the time and effort he has put into "3 YEARS" as the guy in charge for making things happen (and bringing donuts) around KOG!

Blessings to all, Glenn

PS: if you have any ideas, thoughts, questions...feel free to see me or send an email to [robnglen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:robnglen@sbcglobal.net)

### **Honoring Our Veterans**

Our congregation is interested in honoring our members that have served our country in the armed forces. This recognition will be on Veterans Day, November 11, 2018.

We are seeking information from each veteran, or their family member, to inform our congregation about their service. There is a post on our website where you can find a link to a fillable Acrobat form for completion and submission. Also, there are copies of the form in the Welcome Place.

Please submit the completed form to the Church Office or email it to Alan Marcum at wb6rqm@gmail.com. Thank you!

**"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 15 and 29. 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!

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.

John Borack: 714.716.7780 / [popdude@aol.com](mailto:popdude@aol.com)

Karen Wallace: 714.501.2807 / [wallacepark@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wallacepark@sbcglobal.net)

Karla Bjorklund: 714.757.3134 / [uccolor2@gmail.com](mailto:uccolor2@gmail.com)

Peace and Blessings!

**Family Promise in December:**

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 December 9th through December 15th. I will be available after services on the patio Sunday November 25th and December 2nd 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

**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 or Lorrie Blain @ 949.631.4700.

**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 aching 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).

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.

## ***Other Upcoming Events...***

### **Facility Task Force Meeting—November 6:**

The Facility Task Force meets on the Tuesday before Property Work Day at 7:00 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!

### **Single Sisters in Christ Covenant Group—November 11:**

Single Sisters of Christ covenant will be meeting on November 11 in Big Ed after second service. Discussion will be on Chapter 9 of Max Lucado's book *He Still Moves Stones*. Bring your lunch and join in the discussion. New members always welcome.

### **"The King's Kitchen" Community Meals Outreach—November 15 and 29:**

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.

### **Saved by Grace Covenant—November 17:**

Saved by Grace Covenant will meet on Saturday, November 17, at 6:00 p.m. We will start the evening with our potluck dinner (please bring a dish to share), followed by our study that is yet to be determined.

### **Newsletter Deadline—November 21:**

The deadline to submit articles for the December newsletter is Wednesday, November 21. 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.

Have a blessed month of November!

*Heather Justine Stolte*

Office.manager@kogchurch.org

# November Birthdays...

Barbara Paulson	01
Jeff Elvander	01
Heather Schautschick	01
Gary Keith	02
Robert Frey	03
Gerald Marecek	06
Donald Beane	06
Judy Bisnar	06
Margot Peterson	08
Vicki Bandurian	09
Stephanie Marcos	09
David Schautschick	10
John Bower	11
Karen Wallace	11
George Woloshun	12
Yvette Steinmetz	12
Joy Mangan	13
Penny Bates	13
Edythe Muse	14
Cameron Keith	14

Larry Tyson	15
Evie Isaksen	16
Ann Klitzner	16
Jodi Coffman	16
Don Peterson	17
Roberta Osterode	18
Nick Muse	19
Lynn Gaede	20
Thomas Kelly	20
Pat Gordon	21
Julia Kompara	22
Sam Lew	24
Joy Myers	24
Carlos Soria	25
Sandy Poteet	25
Jim Bryan	27
Darleen Berens	28
Alan Luken	29
Brigette Johnson	30
Nick Nance	30

*Happy Birthday!*

## *...and Anniversaries*

Joan and Ernest Butler 55 years on November 03
Johnita and Allen Tyson 24 years on November 05
Kathleen and William Ault 47 years on November 06
Marsha and John MacWillie 20 years on November 07

Barbara and Dan Shaffer 38 years on November 08
Debra and Roger Bise 47 years on November 13
Charlotte and Stan Outman 22 years on November 16

*Happy Anniversary!*

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