King of Glory Newsletter

We are here to worship the living God, receive Christ's gifts, and share God's love.

Pastor's Letter

Dear Friends in Christ at King of Glory,

"For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven..."

That is so true. And it pertains to my departure as your Lead Pastor at King of Glory. That time has come—for me to say farewell and to move into retirement. The last Sunday I will be with you is July 15th.

As I do, I want to thank you for the honor it has been for me to serve at King of Glory. When I came in early 2011, I looked forward to preaching the gospel to you in worship. I was excited to see what we could do together. I quickly learned that KOG is a talented church with many and various gifts to share. It's been fun for me watching what took place and how you stepped forward to offer your gifts to our mission and ministry. And that includes your financial gifts which undergirded our church with the financial gifts needed to do our work.

Along with that, I was privileged to work with many talented staff members over the years. Our staff always sought to serve and do whatever we could in a spirit of cooperation. I always appreciated that.

Finally, I take comfort in the fact that God will see to it that God's Word continues to be spoken and Christ's gifts continue to be given into the future. It was my honor to do so for the years I was here and I trust that will go on into King of Glory's promising future.

God bless you and keep you in His grace!

Pastor James A. Darchuk

July

Mark Your Calendar!!

June 27—July 1—ELCA

Youth Gathering in Houston

July 4—Church Office

closed

July 7—Norwood/Groff

wedding

July 8-14—Family Promise

@ King of Glory

July 12, 19, 26 & Aug 2, 9

St. John's Summer Concert Series

July 13—2018 Mystery Bus

July 15—Pr. Jim's

Retirement Celebration

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A Note from Pastor Jim on his retirement...

My last day as your Lead Pastor is Sunday July 15th. I have been looking forward to my retirement and hope I have a good one. Marijean's and my present plans are to move closer to our three grandchildren in the Portland, Oregon area.

As you may expect, I'm going to take my leave from KOG. That means I won't be in worship or other congregational events at KOG. Along with that I won't be available for any pastoral acts. I want to let your pastors build their own ministry among you. Pastors Jen and Ben are excited about that opportunity.

I have certainly enjoyed being your lead pastor. (I always liked the title "Senior" Pastor better since it is so obvious that I am the "old guy".) Leading worship and preaching have been special. Teaching isn't far behind. And of course there are the kids I'll miss dearly. I've met with you for baptisms, weddings and funerals. I've been there for you in times of struggle, grief and loss. I've given you pastoral care and counseling. I feel privileged to have been in your lives in important times. I want you to know that I will miss that. But us "old guys" have to learn how to let go and turn those important duties over to younger pastors.

If we bump into each other out and about in Billings, I look forward to greeting you. I hope you feel the same. We've shared significant times together and I thank God for that.

Now, as I've said or written so often before, "God bless you and keep you in his grace!"

Pastor Jim Darchuk



READ. REST. REJOICE.

Join us for a Retirement Celebration to honor the 39 years of hard work and service of Pastor Jim.

July 15, 2018 – Worship 9:30 – Celebration 10:45

There will be a blessing and sending in worship followed by an "Old Fashioned Church Picnic". BBQ Brisket, Chicken, Baked Beans and Dessert will be provided. You are invited to bring a side/salad to share.

Congregation members are invited to write cards to Pastor Jim and Marijean thanking them for sharing in our life together. If you would like to make a monetary gift to honor their ministry please include that gift with your card.

King of Glory to Host Family Promise Guests July 8 – 15

The sign up board is up in the Commons. Please stop by and volunteer to help with our hosting of Family Promise. Feel free to call the church office at 652-1690 or Gary Aasheim at 698-4138 if you would like your name added to the volunteers.

For those of you who are unfamiliar with the organization, Family Promise of Yellowstone Valley is the local branch of a nationwide organization whose goal is to minister to homeless families. Our local branch is comprised of (approximately) 24 religious congregations putting homeless families back on the road to financial stability in their own homes. More detailed information can be found on the King of Glory website (kingofglorybillings.com) under Ministries as well as on the Family Promise of Yellowstone Valley website: www.familypromiseyv.org.

Gary Aasheim

King of Glory Family Promise Coordinator

(C) 698-4138



Staffing News

Lead Pastor Jim Darchuk's last day at King of Glory is Sunday, July 15th.

Melodi Drake, King of Glory's bell choir director, has been relieved of her duties as of June 15th.

The Board of Directors, along with Pastors Jen and Ben, will be working on designing a staff for King of Glory for the coming months and years. You'll hear more about that in the near future.

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FELLOWSHIP NEWS

JOY Fellowship—July and August—ALL AGES Welcome!



Iuly get-together: **Tuesday, July 17** We will volunteer at the Family Service warehouse, helping with the commodity program or whatever needs they have that day. We look forward to a morning of service. PLEASE SIGN-UP on the Information Wall, if you can join us. Indicate if you will carpool or meet us at the warehouse.

9:00am Meet at KOG if you wish to carpool.

9:30-11:30am Volunteer time at the WAREHOUSE for Family Service—3927 1st Ave. South—

behind Hose and Rubber Supply; it is the former Intermountain building.

Afterwards We can have lunch together if people wish.

August get-together: Tuesday, August 14, Billings Mustangs game! Game is at 7:05pm. Join us earlier if you wish at about 6:00pm for a concessions dinner and fellowship. Signups and tickets will be available starting July 8. Tickets will be \$6 per person. 36 spots rex served! To purchase tickets see Lorie Hughes or a JOY Fellowship rep on Sunday mornings beginning July 8 or Lorrie Maxwell in the church office during the week.



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☆ June JOY Bus Trip a Success! Thanks, Barb Brady and Shari Sears!

Nineteen people rode a school bus to Pompeys Pillar, lunch at Cowboys Restaurant and Bar, and the Huntkey Museum. JOYful thanks to Barb Brady for organizing and leading this fun trip - complete with door prizes! Everyone had a terrific time. Special thank you to Shari Sears, KOG member, for driving the bus, volunteering her time through First Student!

☆ Contact Information

Please contact Lorie Hughes of the Fellowship Ministry Team, if you'd like to be part of our fellowship efforts or if you have any questions/suggestions/concerns: glsmahughes@bresnan.net, 656-3552(h), or 861-4 2078(c).

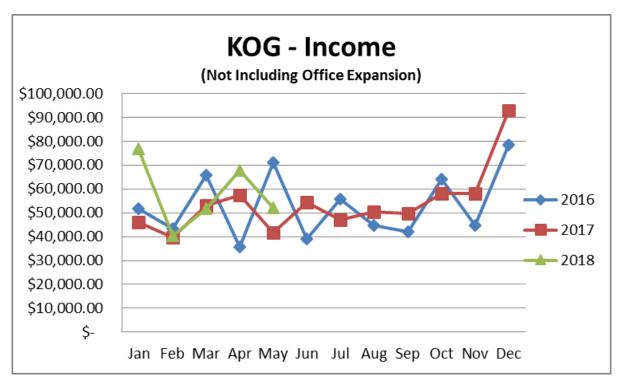
New Church Directory coming this Fall

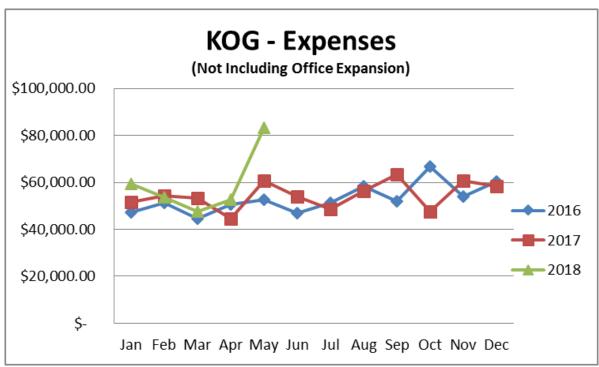
Plan on getting your photo or your family's photo taken in September to be included in the directory! Every Sunday from September 9th thru September 30th we will have photographers taking pictures of our members before, between, and after Sunday worship services. Start looking at your calendars, and when you are in town, to make sure that you make one of these photo opportunities.

More information to come in August's newsletter. Stay tuned.

Call for photographers....

If photography is your passion and skill set, and you might be able to volunteer to take photos on a Sunday in September for our new church directory, please contact Lorrie Maxwell in the church office, 652-1690.





The month of May had a large increase in expenses, primarily from Houston trip payments that were due (approx. \$33k). The good news is the money for Houston has been in savings after successful fundraising and doesn't impact the general funds.

Through the end of May, KOG expenses are roughly \$16k over income, not including the Houston trip. Benevolence gifts to the ELCA Synod for the months of March, April, and May were delayed. However, the Board of Directors have voted to fulfill our commitment to the Synod, practice first fruit giving, and increase KOG's line of credit to make these benevolence gifts. Based on the current financials, the line of credit will be increased by \$26,500, making our total LOC balance \$38k. *Tim Erickson, Board Treasurer*

Christikon Clips

July 2018



We are grateful for all the hard work that our Work Weekend crew accomplished! Great group! Thank you!

Remember to pray for the staff and campers.

It's not too late to register for camp this summer! Space remains in most youth sessions and in those for families and adults. You can register online at www.christikon.org, or use the forms distributed with the youth and family/adult brochures in your congregation. Or call us at the camp office for further information.

Christikon covers the full costs for each at-risk kid participating in Sojourners Camp. (We expect to have 24 this summer) We invite individuals, congregations and their auxiliaries to consider special giving for camp scholarships this summer.

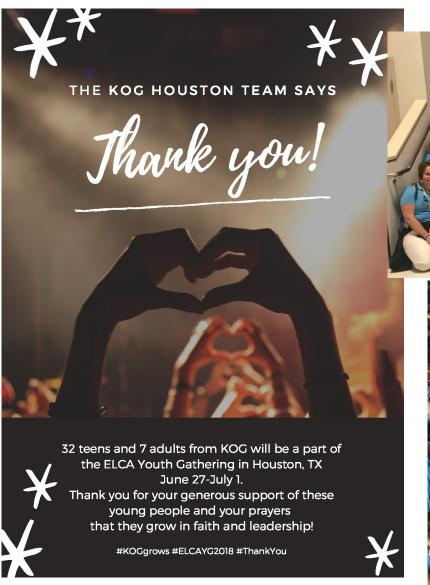
Christikon has registered many newcomers to Christikon and we would appreciate **gifts towards scholarships** if you are able! Wonderful problem to have!

Special guest speakers become part of the Christikon life this summer during sessions for adults and families. During Mountain Weekend 1 (June 29-July1) we feature **Phil Wold** from Trinity Lutheran Church in Sheridan. Continuing Education Retreat (Jul 31-Aug 3) and Mountain Weekend 2 (Aug. 3-5) speakers are **Dr. Phil Jamieson and Dennis Trotter**. Come spend a few days of relaxation, learning, and faith growth with us.

It is the mission of Christikon to awaken and nurture faith in Christ— exploring God's creation and the adventure of life together.

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"Hi" from Houston Youth Gathering 2018

OUR FOOD PANTRY IS EXTREMELY LOW! TUNA, CANNED CHICKEN, VIENNA SAUSAGES, CANNED CHILI, PASTA, PASTA SAUCES, RICE, RAMEN, CUP OF NOODLES, BOTTLED WATER PEANUT BUTTER

Food Pantry @ Tumbleweed needs your help.

Items needed for the Tumbleweed Food Pantry are listed at the left. There is a bin located under the TV screen on the Information Wall for items to be placed in. Thanks to Cheryl Jones, Remi, and Emma for delivering the food to Tumbleweed. Our prayers and condolences to

Susan & Russ Plath on the loss of

Susan's father, Bill Bug.

May God's presence comfort you in your loss.

Sunday Refreshments

Sunday Gathering Time, either before or after worship, is a great time to enjoy a good cup of coffee, conversation, and maybe a snack. If you are willing to provide some cookies or bars for a Sunday or two this summer, please contact the church office.

Jameson Patrick Neal, son of Arianna Leiferman, was born on June 19th. He joins big sisters Eliana, Brielle & Carmella in the family home. Blessings to all on the birth of this newest child of God.





Maylin Kay Bell and Dawsyn Marie Bell, daughters of Meagan and Tyler, were baptized at King of Glory on June 24th. Their sponsors are Joey Lucara, Jennie Bell, Kendall Lucara, Steph Boehm, Matt Groff & Kelsie Norwood. God's blessings to the Bell family on this joyous occasion.

A 🀧 (note) from Susan:

Please contact me at drsuse27@gmail.com if you would like to share your musical talent during worship this summer.

Susan Petersen, KOG Worship & Music Coordinator

Funeral Reception Committee Changes

Karen Honnold and Betty McGarvey, who have been our Funeral Reception Co-chairs for the past several years, have requested to step back from these positions. Thank you, Karen and Betty, for your leadership in this ministry of love.

The tasks associated with providing a reception have been split into set-up, food preparation, and clean-up. If you are interested in serving in one of these areas, please contact Lorrie Maxwell in the church office, 652-1690.

Join Us at The Village....

The Village Afterschool Enrichment Program is a new ministry of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd. The program provides afterschool enrichment for children in grades K-5. It emphasizes a child-centered, faith-based, experiential learning environment. The new facility at LCGS that we call home provides plenty of space, access to a park and green space around the corner, a playground onsite, high quality music and choir enrichment, partnerships with other professionals, and enthusiastic, skilled volunteers.

Transportation is provided from Poly Drive and Burlington Elementary Schools. Students from other schools are welcome to join us at the program. We hope to expand our transportation options as we grow. Our program features full-time enrichment, M-F, from 2:30-6 p.m., during the school year. Tuition is \$225 per month. We are currently accepting applications for a total of 35 students.

The Village includes a weekly chapel experience with Pastor Steve or Pastor Kay, and music training with Music Director Suzanne Purtee. Our program's philosophy is founded on the belief that we are all God's creations, all loved by our creator. We strive to model Christian values as we grow in community together. You see this in action with kind words, loving hearts, open minds, and helping hands. God's gifts have been shared with us, now we share them with one another and our communities – local and global. This perspective contributes to The Village's atmosphere of peace at the end of the day, both for students and families.

To learn more or register for this fall, visit villageafterschool.org, or phone 656-1080 x. 213, or e-mail <u>after-school@goodshepherdbillings.org</u>. Find us on Facebook @villageafterschool.







2018 Mystery Bus

Our first Mystery Bus destination on June 15th was the Pictograph Caves State Park. Several of us had never been to this interesting place.

We were met by Park Ranger Richard Tooke who asked that we help pull non-native weeds that were choking out the native grasses. As you can see by the picture to the left, the weeds had mighty roots!

After pulling weeds, Richard took us on a tour of the caves. We were chased back to the bus by a rainstorm, but great fun was had by all.

Join us for our next adventure on July 13 as we travel to....(ooops, can't tell you—it's a "mystery"). Contact Pr. Jen or Lorrie Maxwell with questions.

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Sunday Morning Worship Assistants at King of Glory for July

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	9:30	9:30 Jessica & Zach	Matt & Kelsie Groff	Chris Farley & Kalia Wall	8	Hayden Trost	lodi Kasamadal	Dennis Bar
7/29/18		Scheer family	Gordon Olson	Beth & Roger Adam		Parker Trost	Jodi Nasellionei	JR Johnston

Marcia & Steven Welliever, Jo Killenbeck, Arlyne Anderson, Gigi Nance, Dee Plew, Karen Honnold, Mikayla Bullman Altar Guild: Adrienne Gibson, Jane Doran, Tami Derrickson, Joan Felke, Donna Sweeney, Laila Nelson, Faith Burrowes, Deb & Tyler Walker, Sharon Paul, King of Glory Lutheran Church

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