

**King of Glory
Lutheran**

Church and
Preschool

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Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.

Adult Bible Study 10:45 a.m.

**King Glory 2013
Council**

Pastor: Steve Simpson

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Mission Statement of
King of Glory Lutheran Church:
**Uniting People,
Uniting Purposes,
Uniting Paths in Christ**

OFFICE INFORMATION

Hours

Wednesday—Thursday—Friday

10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Phone: 805-498-4812 Fax: 805-498-7912

Website: www.kog.cc Email: kog@kog.cc

Church Council

April 18, 2013 7:15 p.m.

Preschool Board

April 18, 2013 5:15 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal

Each Tuesday @ 7:00pm

Worship Committee

April 10, 2013

Message from Our Pastor

“So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.”

2 Corinthians 5.17-19 (NRSV translation)

This little passage from scripture fits perfectly for Easter, doesn't it? During the Easter season we remember that Jesus was put to death on a cross, suffered, and was buried. But this is not the end of the story: three days afterwards the stone was rolled away from his tomb, and Jesus was resurrected to new life. In Christ, we see a foretaste of what is to come. Just as Jesus was resurrected, we can trust that the same will happen to us. This all speaks to the immense grace of God; not even death itself can separate us from God's love.

This is what Paul is describing in his second letter to the Corinthians. We know that we are reconciled to God because of the powerful ministry of Jesus. But notice that Paul also pushes us along to the next step: since we have been reconciled, we have also been given “the ministry of reconciliation.” In other words, since God has treated us with grace, we ought to do the same for one another. One of our central callings as Christians is to bring the love of God to others through our words and our actions. Things such as charity, kindness, and forgiveness make the compassion of God known in the world. And we do this not out of a sense of obligation but because we simply want to share the love of God.

In the church, we celebrate Easter for a full fifty days. I invite you to think about the image of *new life* and *reconciliation* during this time. We are a people who have been reconciled to God and inspired with new life. Let us then heed Paul's words and participate in a ministry of reconciliation. Let us share God's compassion.

I wish you all the best, and I hope you all have a lovely spring!

Peace,
Pastor Steve Simpson



Worship

<i>ate</i>	<i>Worship Season/Color</i>	<i>Readers</i>	<i>Flowers</i>	<i>Altar Guild</i>	<i>Acolyte</i>
4/7	2nd Easter White	Jim Weber	Bob & Christi Marriner celebrating their daughter Marissa's Birthday	Renate Sutton	Abby Provenzano
4/14	3rd Easter White	Tom Dawes	Karen Malotte's Birthday	Renate Sutton	Emily Bryant
4/21	4th Easter White	The Chandlers		Renate Sutton	Abby Provenzano
4/28	5th Easter White	Nanci Frederick		Renate Sutton	Emily Bryant

From the Council

'For God so loved the World that He gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life' John 3:16

"Echo the Son in your prayer, who spent time alone with the Father and was one with Him."

Here are some actions and information from our February Council meeting:

- Lynn will request an estimate and evaluation re: constructing a ramp off the upstairs patio area into the area being used for parking.
- Church grounds work day will be Sat March 23.
- Outreach/Service - Walt proposed participating in 'Baskets of Promise' (through Lutheran World Relief). We will collect used eyeglasses for Father's Day. Walt will get information about Teddy Bears for use by the Police Dept. We discussed possible ways to participate in 'Make a Difference' day.
- Several Hospitality/Fellowship possibilities were discussed.

Your Council is open and eager to hear comments, suggestions or questions from everyone.

Lynn Fallis

Preschool News April 2013



In April we will continue to talk about spring. Our themes this month are Spring, New Life, Nature and Zoo Animals. The Christian theme is - God Gives New Life at Easter - Rejoice and Be Glad.

Mark your calendar, Thursday April 11th is KOG Preschool “**Family Fun-draiser Night**” (flyer required) at Billy D’s, Newbury Park from 10:30 am - 9:00 pm. Join the fun and bring a friend. Watch for flyers in your box the first week of April.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our See’s Candy Spring Fundraiser. We earned \$626 from the candy sale plus \$626 in matching funds from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans for a total of \$1,252.

Cornerstone Photography will be at the preschool on April 10th and 11th for Spring School Pictures. Each child will be photographed individually and in a group class picture.

Registration for the Summer Fun 2013 Program will begin on Monday April 15th. The dates for Summer Fun are July 1st - August 23rd. The Summer Fun hours are 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. for half-day children and 7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. for full-day children. The school will be closed for all children August 26th - August 29th for Teacher In-Service. For more information about the summer program, please call the preschool office @ 805-498-0567.



Ministries

A FEW HAPPENINGS AT KING OF GLORY

LIFT (LADIES IN FELLOWSHIP TOGETHER) BIBLE STUDY

This monthly Bible Study is independent - which means each monthly study is not dependent on a previous study or a following study, therefore, every woman is welcome - come just once or many times, we are sure you will enjoy the get-together. Our LIFT study falls on the second Monday of the month -- APRIL 8TH THIS MONTH. We will meet at Renate Lee's home (805-807-8549 cell) at noon. Our study this month focuses on the Book of Acts, Chapter 14 - when we visit with Paul and Barnabas as they return 'home' to Antioch after spreading the good news of Jesus Christ.

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

The Fellowship Committee is looking for input and participation. In April, we are welcoming new members the Sunday after Easter (i.e., the 7th of April). If you have suggestions or want to help - please contact Renate Lee at 805-807-8549. Would you like to see any other fellowship event later in April or early May?? Please let Renate know.

THRIVENT INFORMATION

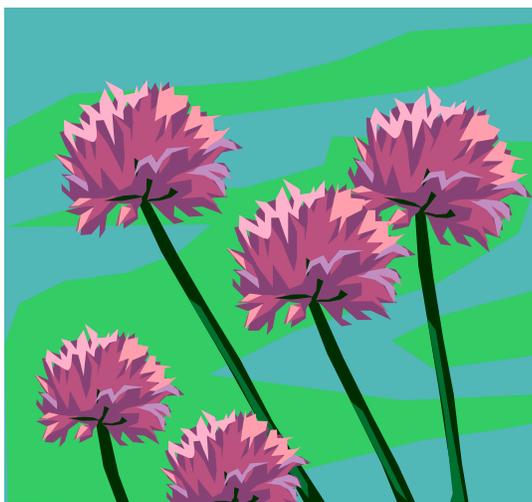
If you are a member of Thrivent, you should have received a letter informing you that you need to re-identify your **Thrivent Choice Dollars** for 2013. We hope you will designate King of Glory as the recipient. (Thank you!!!)

Music Ministry News

Happy Easter! We were so blessed to have a tremendous celebration in song throughout Holy Week. Thanks to all of our KOG music ministry folks for their extra time and dedication in preparing for and leading our sung prayer, especially for the Three Days (from Maundy Thursday through Easter)! Special thanks to our KOG Brass and Winds—Gary Block, Ed Carloni, Jeff Cohen, Doug Hardie, Brandon, Dick, and Jason Lee, and Evan Varns—for the festive touch they bring to our worship!

We were grateful to have Natalie Faltin back with us, sharing her musical talents and her worship leadership, for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday! Evan Varns brought his musical gifts on clarinet to those days as well. And, of course, our "small but mighty" KOG Choir—Tony Borrego, Tom and Nancy Dawes, Karl Hinderer, Carole Johnson, Joann Krebs, Dick Lee, Linda Lian, Meagan Provenzano, Renate Sutton, Lenore Silva, Jim Weber, and Arnie Widofsky—are just outstanding!

Thank you to all our choir members and other music ministers! What a gift and blessing!! If you'd like to be part of our ministry, the choir rehearses on Tuesday evenings, from 7:00-8:30, in the music room. Or if you play an instrument and would like to be part of our worship accompaniment, please see Carol Browning, music director, at church, or call or email her (cell: 310-463-3233; email: outoftheway@earthlink.net).



Worship Notes

"Time is a gift of God's creation. People order time in various ways, often based on the rhythms of nature. The church organizes time by the church year. It tells the story of God, who is beyond time, acting in history - above all through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ."

- *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, page 13

We've just celebrated the high point of the church's liturgical year—Holy Week, culminating in Easter. As a liturgical church, Lutherans, through worship, are on a journey with Jesus, from his incarnation through his ministry, passion, death, resurrection, and ascension, and awaiting his second coming. We follow a three-year lectionary cycle of the Word, seeing Jesus mainly through the lens of the different synoptic gospel writers—Matthew, Mark, and Luke—as well as passages from John's gospel, along with other Old and New Testament readings to give us a fuller picture of God's grace and salvation throughout history, and of our relationship as God's people to God and to one another. We may hear the same scripture passages every three years, or every year for special days like Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, but we, as individuals and as a community, are in a different place and hear them in different ways. This is the strength of God's Word!

When we worship, sometimes called "gathering around the means of grace," God brings us together and speaks to us through the Old and New Testament scriptures, which are broken open by Pastor Steve in his message or set to music and reflected in song, in our hymns and anthems. We are fed at the table in Holy Communion, remembering God's grace and salvation, Jesus present with us through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Easter is such an important moment in our worship year that one day is not enough to contain it. We celebrate the Easter season, or Eastertide, right up through Pentecost, which falls on May 19th this year. The Resurrection is such good news that we celebrate it for fifty days! Alleluia, Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Fellowship

Birthday Lunch

We will be meeting the 1st Monday in April. We will have fun and good time. If you enjoy good conversation and an opportunity to wish Happy Birthday to the honorees of the month, mark your calendars for April. We will meet at **11:15 am**, on Monday, April 1, at Country Harvest to celebrate the birthday of Renate Lee, Lynn Fallis and Karen Malotte. Let Joann Krebs know if you are going to be there.

Bunko

This group will be meeting the **2nd Friday, April, 12th**, at the home of Nancy Dawes. Hostess: Pat Meredith, 281 Eagle Ridge St., Newbury Park. Any questions, please call Carmen Barton at 805-376-2164 or Pat Meredith, Church office, 805-498-4812, or cell, 805-990-1964.

King's Readers Book Club

On Wednesday, April 17, at 7:00 p.m., we will meet at Pam Endo's to discuss **PERFUME** by Patrick Suskind.

On Wednesday, May 15, we will meet at 7:00 p.m. to discuss **THE FRIENDLY PERSUASION** by Jessamyn West. Will let you know where next month --- it still needs to be decided.

Preschool Fundraisers

Mark your calendars for these Preschool Fundraising dates:

April	11th	Billy D's	10:30 - 9:00	20%
May	8th	Toppers	5:00 - 9:00	20%
June	5th	Islands	4:00 to closing	20%

SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

Come Help KOG Serve the Community Meal Each Third Saturday

King of Glory supports the Conejo Valley Shelter Program through feeding our less fortunate neighbors on the 3rd Saturday of each month, across the street in the fellowship hall of St. Julie Billiard Catholic Church.

On March 16, 2013, we served Chicken, rice, green salad, vegetable dish, fruit salad, 1 gallon of 2% milk, 2 gallons of juice, rolls or bread, Fogel's Sweet potato soup & dessert. Many thanks to Ardath & Dick Schwartz, Pam & Walt Chandler, Joann Krebs, Jennifer Caezza, Joel & Kerri Arnold, Linda Lian, Jeanne Bailey, Alta Owens, Renate Lee, Ron & Carol Fogel, and the many other hands that help cooking and serving these meals.

Please remember to sign up in the church Welcome Center to bring an item for the next meal: April 20th.

We have new e-mail addresses to share; please update your address books:

<u>E-Mail</u>	<u>Contact Person</u>
pastor@kog.cc	Pastor - Pastor Steve Simpson
kog@kog.cc	Church Office - Pat Meredith
kingskids@kog.cc	Preschool - Pam Gushue
prayers@kog.cc	Prayer Chain - Walt Chandler
goodnews@kog.cc	Weekly e-mail - Sue Meser
mops@kog.cc	MOPS Group - Christie Marriner
webmaster@kog.cc	Website - Dick Schwartz
help@kog.cc	Infrastructure - Gary Block

Sound System

We're in the process of getting quotes to update our sound system and have started a fund to pay for the updates. If you have fundraising ideas, please talk to one of the Council members. If you'd like to make a donation towards the sound system, please make your check out to King of Glory Lutheran Church and mark "Sound System Fund" in the memo section.

2013 Women's Retreat

All KOG women and their friends are invited to come to the **2013 Women's Retreat** at La Casa De Maria in Santa Barbara (San Ysidro). Mark your calendars for the following dates: **Friday, May 31st**, starting at 6:30 p.m. through **Sunday, June 2nd**, noon.

Any questions, please talk to one of the members of your Retreat Committee: Nancy Dawes, Janet Hinderer, Joann Krebs, Pam Chandler, Renate Lee, Pat Meredith.

MOPS

You're invited to a MOPS Meeting, on **Wednesday, April 10th**, at **9:15 a.m.** We will meet in the church sanctuary. Come and meet our guest speaker, Angie Baccarca, Certified Life Coach. Angie will be speaking on everyday time management and eliminating stress in a mom's everyday life.



KING OF GLORY'S ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT - OUR 38TH!

All ladies and their friends are invited to come to the 2013 Women's Retreat at the Casa De Maria in Santa Barbara (San Ysidro). Mark your calendars for the following dates:

Friday, May 31st, starting at 6:30 p.m. through Sunday, June 2nd, noon

Like in previous years, we have engaged an outside speaker to give us the message and to help us grow spiritually. We are happy to announce that

Pastor Melissa Maxwell-Doherty from CLU will be with us!

The retreat topic is "The Journey of Prayer." Your Retreat Committee is happy to have Pastor Melissa available and willing to bring the message. There will be more detailed information available in the Welcome Center soon - so, Ladies, start saving your dollars!

For pictures and sign-up sheets - please see the display in the Welcome Center.

Another Bagel Fundraiser For Women's Retreat

This is the last bagel sale for the King of Glory Women's Retreat after church on April 28th. Over the years, Casa de Maria has increased the fees for rooms, the increase in the price of gasoline when we compensate the mileage the speaker travels, and helping women of our church learn more about God through financial assistance if their budget is tight. Thank you for participating.

Walt & Pam Chandler
waltchandr@aol.com

King of Glory Church and Preschool Service

Were you inspired Pastor Steve's sermon about acting on your love and faith? Here is your next chance to show your love. We will be collecting personal care items to assemble into kits for people in need due to disasters and poverty. The items needed are simple and relatively inexpensive. We will bring the items and place them in bins and then assemble the items into as many kits as we can. Lutheran World Relief distributes the kits as needed in cooperation with partner organizations.

Include the following items for each "BASKETS OF CARE":

- One light-weight bath-size towel (maximum 52" X 27"), dark color recommended
- Two bath-size bars (4 to 5 oz.) of soap, any brand, in original wrapping
- One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging
- One sturdy comb, remove packaging
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One metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging

Sunday May 5 following service- We wrap the items into a kit in the towel, tie with a ribbon.

Bring \$3.00 per kit for shipping and toothpaste (supplied by LWR). Dedication and send off.

Mother's Day May 12.





EMBRACE YOUR STORY

MOPS MEETING

KING OF GLORY LUTHERAN

APRIL 10TH AT 9:15 AM

Angie Becerra, professional life coach, will be leading the discussion on organizing your life and schedules!

CHILD CARE AND MEETING ARE FREE

KING OF GLORY LUTHERAN

2500 BORCHARD ROAD NEWBURY PARK 91320

9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

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Sunday Schedule:

9:00am	All ages Childcare (until 12 noon)
9:30am	Holy Communion Worship
9:45am	Sunday School (ages 4+)
10:30am	Coffee and Fellowship
10:45am	Adult Bible Study

Newsletter Deadline:

18th of the month