

BOLDLY SHARING THE GRACE OF GOD WITH THE WORLD

KING OF GLORY

L U T H E R A N C H U R C H

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
February 1, 2026 ~ 10:15 a.m.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Holy Communion Setting Three

Gathering

Opening Voluntary

Welcome and Community Life

The congregation may stand.

Entrance Hymn 522

As We Gather at Your Table

IN BABILONE

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters.
Amen.

Because God loves us unconditionally, and is eager to forgive, we are given the freedom to confess before God and one another, the ways we fall short of sharing God's love and grace with the world.

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

We begin in silence before God.

Mighty God, lover of justice,

you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in + Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise

[L] Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.
 [C] Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,
 we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,
 you — take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
 you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.
 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 in the glo - ry of God the — Fa - ther. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray: Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice, and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The congregation may be seated.

The First Lesson

Micah 6:1-8

¹ Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. ² Hear, you mountains, the case of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth, for the Lord has a case against his people, and he will contend with Israel. ³ "O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! ⁴ For I brought you up from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. ⁵ O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord." ⁶ "With what shall I come before the Lord and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? ⁷ Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"

⁸ He has told you, O mortal, what is good, and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?

The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

¹⁸ The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." ²⁰ Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scholar? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹ For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of the proclamation, to save those who believe. ²² For Jews ask for signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³ but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to gentiles, ²⁴ but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. ²⁶ Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷ But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸ God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to abolish things that are, ²⁹ so that no one might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰ In contrast, God is why you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹ in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

The congregation may stand.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the fifth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² And he began to speak and taught them, saying: ³ "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. ⁵ "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. ⁶ "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. ⁷ "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. ⁸ "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. ⁹ "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. ¹⁰ "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹ "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation may be seated. Children ages 4 years through 3rd grade are invited to attend the children's sermon in room 115.

Sermon

Pastor Kenny Dickson

The congregation may stand. Children will return from the children's sermon.

Hymn of the Day 710

Let Streams of Living Justice

THAXTED

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day He rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers

... Lord, in Your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

We make peace with God and each other before coming to the Lord's table.

The congregation may be seated.

Meal

Offering

We give back to God out of the abundance with which He has blessed us.

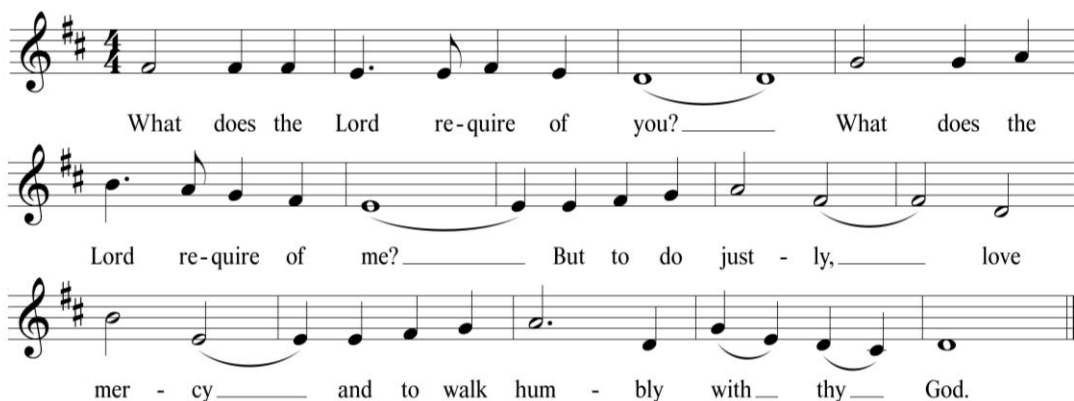
Faithful Ones offerings received during the month of January will support KOG ministry partner Dallas Hope Charities. Dallas Hope Charities is a local nonprofit dedicated to providing food, shelter, and services to LGBTQ+ youth and young adults experiencing homelessness. Our mission is rooted in compassion, dignity, and advocacy, and we strive to create safe spaces for those we serve through our various programs, including the Dallas Hope Center, which proudly stands as the city's first and only LGBTQ-focused transitional living center. If you wish to offer additional funds to this ministry, please use an envelope found in the pew rack or the narthex. checks should be made out to King of Glory with "Faithful Ones" in the memo.



We will now present our offerings. You can share your gifts online at koggives.com or via Venmo @kingofglory. You may also place your offering in the offering plate.

A Prayer for Peace

The congregation may stand.



Prayer

Let us pray: God of majesty,
no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places ... and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus, *Holy, holy, holy*



Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed... Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The congregation may be seated.

Celebrating Communion

At King of Glory we welcome all who believe Jesus Christ is present for and with us in the bread and wine.

If you choose to share in our table of communion while at home, consider that your table is part of ours, and your bread and wine is the body and blood of Christ we all share. Please only use bread and wine (or grape juice) as we remain faithful to our Lord's command.

If you would prefer not to receive wine, simply request white grape juice when served. Gluten-free wafers may also be requested. Children and adults not communing are invited to come forward for a word of blessing. Open hands show you wish to receive communion; folded hands show you want a blessing.

Agnus Dei, *Lamb of God*



Communion Antiphon

What Does the Lord Require of You?

Jim Strathdee

What does the Lord require of you? To seek justice and love kindness and walk humbly with your God.

Communion Hymn

714 *O God of Mercy, God of Light*

JUST AS I AM

The communion table is cleared.

The congregation may stand.

Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Sending

Benediction

Just as we began, we end worship in the Name of the Triune God.

May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise + bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Hymn 669

Rise Up, O Saints of God!

FESTAL SONG

Dismissal

Go in peace. Boldly share the grace of God with the world.

Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary

SERVING OUR WORSHIP

Pastor Kenny Dickson, Pastor Kirsten Wee

Valarie Remmers, *liturgist*

Tad Doering, *reader*

Grace Casper, *acolyte*

Molly Stark, *crucifer*

The King of Glory Choir

Zvony Nagy, *Director of Music and Worship*

Ross Weir, *audio visual*; Brian Berggren, Keith Prim, *av volunteer*

Andy & Kristin Calvert, Cathy & Mark Hinzman, Greg Rico, *ushers*

Elise Dixon, Sandy Horsley, *communion assistants*

Merrie Carter, Marilyn Cupp, *altar guild*

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given by

Laura Berggren, in memory of my father Robert Reed & honoring my mother Grace;

Ernie Davenport and family in memory of Barbara Davenport; Louise McNett and family in memory of Garner McNett.

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Visiting for the first time?

We are glad you are here! Please fill out the **Friendship Pad** or a **Connect Card** so we can get to know you and share more about KOG and our ministries.

Our worship is liturgical; rooted in Scripture. We follow a pattern of worship that embraces the diversity and richness of modern language and traditions.

Listening Devices are available during worship services. Ask an usher to acquire one of these devices.

A **Sensory Room** is located at the back of the Sanctuary. This room is equipped with comfortable seating, adjustable lighting and sound, and is a safe place for those with disabilities.

Children are welcome in worship!

Clipboards with activity pages and fidgets are available in the Narthex. The nursery is available for infants through Kindergarten in the renovated Children's Area Suite 117 Rm. B. The **Cry Room**, where you can sit with your child and watch the service via livestream, is in Rm 116.



FAITHFORMATION

GROWING IN FAITH

[Sunday Mornings at 9:00]

Children's Sunday School (Suite 117)

Preschool - 5th Grade: Room A
Nursery: Room B
Children's Sermon: Room 115
1st - 5th Grade Choir: Room 111

Youth Sunday School

Jr. and Sr. High: Youth Area
Jr. High Confirmation: Wednesdays
@ 6:30 PM
All Youth Hangout: Feb 1 @ 1 PM

Adult Sunday School

Leaping Into the Letters: Room LL18
Ransacking The Bible: Fellowship
In Search of the Gospel: Hall



Faithful Ones: Habitat for Humanity

Faithful Ones offerings received during the month of February will support Richardson Area Interfaith Habitat (RAIH), a longtime King of Glory ministry partner helping build homes and strengthen communities through Habitat for Humanity.

Youth Pancake Fundraiser

Mark your calendar for our Youth Pancake Fundraiser on **Sunday, February 22**. Join us for a delicious way to support our youth—more details coming soon!

Rescheduled Budget Presentation

Please join us for the rescheduled **Budget Presentation** today **following worship**, as we review plans and priorities for the year ahead. A Zoom link will also be provided for those who are unable to attend in person.



GROUNDING IN LOVE

RIC Sunday Rescheduled - Feb. 8

Our celebration of Reconciling in Christ (RIC) Sunday has been rescheduled for Sunday, February 8. Join us as we affirm our commitment to welcome, inclusion, and God's love for all.

Annual Ministry Celebration

Please mark your calendar for our Annual Ministry Celebration, taking place on **Sunday, February 22**. More details coming soon—we look forward to celebrating together as a church family!

Ash Wednesday – Feb 18 | 7:00 PM

Begin the Lenten journey with us on Ash Wednesday, Wednesday, February 18 at 7:00 PM. Through worship, prayer, and the imposition of ashes, we pause to remember who we are and whose we are. All are invited to this meaningful service.

Lent Wednesday Night Lessons: Rolling the Stone

Join us for our Lenten Wednesday Night series, Rolling the Stone, beginning Wednesday, February 25 through March 25. These weekly lessons invite us to reflect, question, and explore what God is moving in our lives as we journey toward Easter.

EASY WAYS TO CONNECT

Joyful Spirit

Sundays at 5 PM

Extend an invitation to this inclusive and uplifting service and join them in worship. Streams monthly, on last Sunday. Find out more at kingofglory.com/joyful-spirit-worship.

Let's Eat Out! (LEOs)

Thursday, February 5th @ 6:30 PM

Join us Thursday, February 5 at 6:30 PM for food, fun, and laughter as we crown Miss Delizioso 2026. RSVP to John Hedeem - jh@jhedeem.com - 785-230-3234

1st Saturday Social

First Saturday of the Month

Young Adults, Young Families, and ACTION Groups gather monthly to connect while having fun. For more information, Email andrea.schweitzer@yahoo.com

Pickleball & Game Night

3rd Thursdays of the Month at 6:30 PM

Pickleball and Game Night - Join us every third Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM in the Activity Center! Contact Ross Weir at mrw@kingofglory.com

Martin's Music Cafe

Friday, February 27 | Doors Open at 7 PM

Join us for Darden Smith on Friday, February 27. Doors open at 7:00 PM. Tickets \$20—text "Martins" to 972-661-9435.

Community Worship Services

3rd Sunday of every Month

Gather with us for our Community Worship Service on the 3rd Sunday of each month—everyone is welcome.

Upcoming Events:

Take a look at our Event Calendar at kingofglory.com/events

Church office hours:

Mondays and Fridays 8:30 - Noon
Tuesdays - Thursdays 8:30 - 3:30

Ways you can give:

Venmo @kingofglory
kingofglory.com/koggives

