

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

Fifth Sunday in Lent  
March 22 2026 ~ 10:15 a.m.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Holy Communion Setting for Lent 2026

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## Gathering

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Opening Voluntary

Welcome and Community Life

*The congregation may stand.*

Entrance Hymn 712

*Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service*

BEACH SPRING

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, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**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 confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

*We begin in silence before God.*

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you: Gracious God,

**have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word: Gracious God,

**have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

For failing to recognize your coming reign, and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God,

**have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition, and for disdaining the living water Christ offers: Gracious God,

**have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

For disregarding voices from the margin, and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world: Gracious God,

**have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

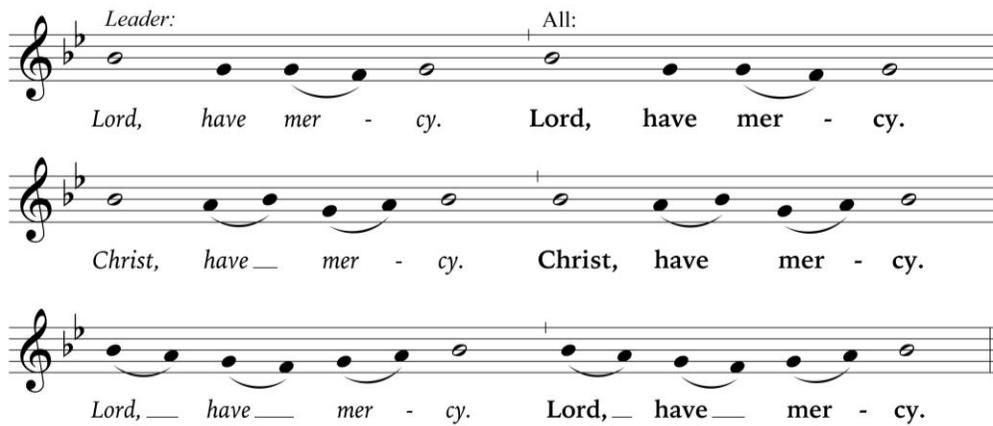
For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent, and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life: Gracious God,

**have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound. Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts, and gives you life and peace.

**Amen.**

## Kyrie



Leader: All:  
Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.  
Christ, have — mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.  
Lord, — have — mer - cy. Lord, — have — mer - cy.

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray: Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*The congregation may be seated.*

## The First Lesson

Ezekiel 37:1-14

<sup>1</sup> The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup> He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. <sup>3</sup> He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." <sup>4</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. <sup>5</sup> Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup> I will lay sinews on you and will cause flesh to come upon you and cover you with skin and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord." <sup>7</sup> So I prophesied as I had been commanded, and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup> I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them, but there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." <sup>10</sup> I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. <sup>11</sup> Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.'" <sup>12</sup> Therefore prophesy and say to them: Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people, and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup> And you shall know that I am the Lord when I open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup> I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord."

## The Second Lesson

Romans 8:6-11

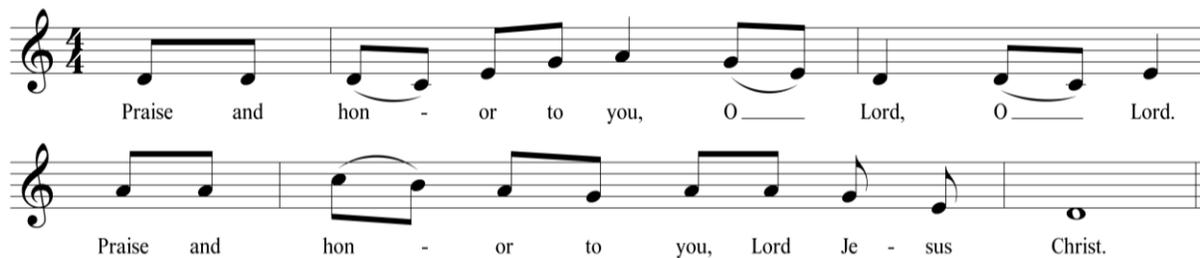
<sup>6</sup> To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup> For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed, it cannot, <sup>8</sup> and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. <sup>9</sup> But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup> But if Christ is in you, then the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup> If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation may stand.*

## Gospel Acclamation



## Gospel

John 11:1-45

The holy gospel according to John, the eleventh chapter.

### Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup> Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup> Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup> So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." <sup>4</sup> But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather, it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." <sup>5</sup> Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, <sup>6</sup> after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. <sup>7</sup> Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." <sup>8</sup> The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" <sup>9</sup> Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble because they see the light of this world. <sup>10</sup> But those who walk at night stumble because the light is not in them." <sup>11</sup> After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." <sup>12</sup> The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." <sup>13</sup> Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. <sup>14</sup> Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. <sup>15</sup> For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." <sup>16</sup> Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." <sup>17</sup> When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup> Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, <sup>19</sup> and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. <sup>20</sup> When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. <sup>21</sup> Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup> But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." <sup>23</sup> Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." <sup>24</sup> Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." <sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, <sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" <sup>27</sup> She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." <sup>28</sup> When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." <sup>29</sup> And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. <sup>30</sup> Now Jesus had not yet come to the village but was still at the place where Martha had met him. <sup>31</sup> The Jews who were with her in the house consoling her saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. <sup>32</sup> When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup> He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup> Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup> So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup> But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" <sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup> When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup> The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." <sup>45</sup> Many of the Jews, therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did believed in him.

The gospel of the Lord.

### Praise to you, O Christ.

*The congregation may be seated. Children ages 4 years through 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 328

*Restore in Us, O God*

BAYLOR

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.*

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Meal

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Offering

*We give back to God out of the abundance with which He has blessed us.*  
Faithful Ones offerings received during the month of March will support KOG ministry partner *Lake Highlands AVID*. AVID is a College & Career Readiness program for first generation, economically disadvantaged students. The funds given through Faithful Ones will be used for college visit buses, AP test fees and cap & gown fees for graduation. There are also volunteer opportunities – if interested, please contact Kerri Macy at [kerri.macy@risd.org](mailto:kerri.macy@risd.org). 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 written 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](http://koggives.com) or via Venmo @kingofglory. You may also place your offering in the offering plate.*

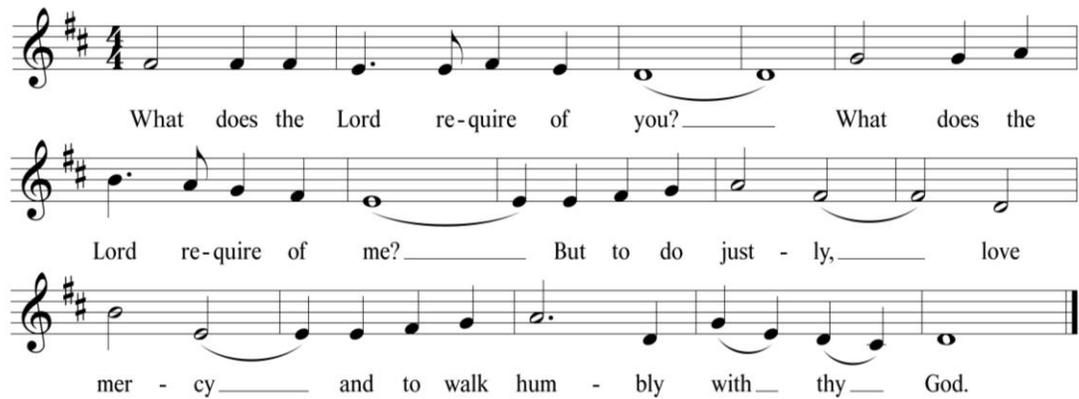
*Thy Perfect Love*

Jesu, my love, my joy, my rest, Thy perfect love close in my breast. That I thee love and never rest; and make me love thee all things best, and wound my heart in thy love free, That I may reign in joy evermore with thee.

John Rutter

*Anonymous, 15<sup>th</sup> century*

*The congregation may stand.*



What does the Lord re-quire of you? What does the  
 Lord re-quire of me? But to do just - ly, love  
 mer - cy and to walk hum - bly with thy God.

**Prayer**

Let us pray: O God, maker of heaven and earth,

**your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work. We ask this in Jesus' name. 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***



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
 might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Words of Institution

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting . . . . . With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## 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*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Hymns

334 *Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery*

THOMAS

773 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

PRECIOUS LORD

*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**

God of our salvation, we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

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**Sending**

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**Benediction**

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

Receive the blessing of the holy Trinity: God, who calls all things into existence, Jesus Christ, who redeems us, and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation, ✠ bless you now and always.

**Amen.**

**Sending Hymn 886**

*Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

AZMON

**Dismissal**

Go in peace. Believe the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Closing Voluntary**

**SERVING OUR WORSHIP**

Pastor Kenny Dickson, Pastor Kirsten Wee

Sara Jones, *liturgist*

Bill St. John, *reader*

Savannah Calvert, *acolyte*

Niko Nagy, *crucifer*

The King of Glory Choir

Zvony Nagy, *Director of Music and Worship*

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

Paul Jentz, Lillian Felekeni, *greeters*

Lyndy Bruner-Nicks & Bill Nicks, Mark & Cathy Hinzman, Betty Keefe, Ron Leeper, *ushers*

Bette Campbell, Tad Doering, *communion assistants*

Lisa Bloodgood, Ann Ploetz, *altar guild*

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given by  
the Merrie Carter in memory of Dave Carter; John and Jane Kelley in celebration of their fiftieth anniversary.

# BOLDLY SHARING THE GRACE OF GOD WITH THE WORLD

## 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  
Part of Lenten Study All Youth Invited @ 6:00 PM

### Adult Sunday School

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



## Faithful Ones: Lake Highlands High School AVID

March offerings support **Lake Highlands AVID**, helping fund college visits, AP exams, and graduation expenses for first-generation students. To give, use a pew envelope and note "Faithful Ones" in the memo. Or, scan the QR Code to give.



## Easter Lilies & Volunteers

Volunteer and help us make Holy Week and Easter welcoming for all—sign up in the Narthex or email [mcupp@kingofglory.com](mailto:mcupp@kingofglory.com).



Purchase a lily in honor or memory of a loved one for \$15.

Scan the QR code to order by March 29.



## Final Lenten Gathering Wednesday, March 25

Dinner 6:00 PM | Devotional 6:30 PM | Lesson 7:00 PM

Join us for the final week of Rolling the Stone. Youth, confirmation students, are all invited.

Our Children's Lent Series meets in Suite 117 with Miss Rainey from 7-8 PM. Join us as we journey toward Easter together.

## Holy Week at King of Glory

Join us for our Holy Week Services:

**Palm Sunday:** March 29: 10:15 AM  
**Maundy Thursday:** April 2: 7 PM  
**Good Friday:** April 3: 7 PM  
**Flowering the Cross:** April 4: 10 AM  
**Easter Sunday:** April 5: 9AM, 11 AM & Joyful Spirit: 1 PM

All are welcome.



King of Glory IS a  
**RECONCILING in CHRIST**  
Congregation

## KOG Spring Carnival March 28 | 10 AM – 1 PM

Net Saturday, March 28, from 10:00 AM-1:00 PM for the KOG Spring Carnival, back in the Activity Center!



**Help us** welcome our community for a morning of fun and connection! **Volunteers are still needed** for games, hospitality, and event support. **Scan the QR code to volunteer.** Volunteers (5th grade through adults).

## Women of ELCA - April 18

Join the Metroplex North Conference for a one-day retreat, 8:30 AM-4 PM at Trinity Lutheran Church in Sherman. Theme: Serve Others with Rev. Cheryl Herreid.



Register by April 11 (\$25) | Early Bird by March 31 (\$20) Scan the QR code to register

## 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](http://kingofglory.com/joyful-spirit-worship).*

### Let's Eat Out! (LEOs)

Thursday, April 9th @ 6:30 PM

Join the KOG LEO's for a night of Greek cuisine at Greek Isles Grille & Taverna. RSVP to Merrie Carter. Email [merrie1225@gmail.com](mailto:merrie1225@gmail.com) or 214-563-1279.

### Martin's Music Cafe'

Friday, March 27th at 7:30 PM

Featuring The John Adams String Quartet. Doors open 7 PM, show at 7:30 PM. Tickets \$20 — text "MARTINS" to 972-661-9435 to reserve your tickets. 🎸

### Young Adult Lunch Gathering

Sunday, March 29, after Worship

Join us today, after worship, at 12 PM at Torchy's Tacos, 5921 Forest Lane. Questions? Email Pastor Wee at [kwee@kingofglory.com](mailto:kwee@kingofglory.com).

### Isaac's Comedy Club Spring Giggles Fest

Saturday, April 18th at 7:30 PM

Doors open 7 PM, show at 7:30 PM. Get tickets by or texting "Isaacs" to 972-661-9435. For questions, contact Jackie Campbell [jacq5013@gmail.com](mailto:jacq5013@gmail.com)

### Christians Against Christian Nationalism

Tuesday, March 24th at 7 PM

Join us Tuesday, March 24 at 7 PM in the Fellowship Hall for conversation and reflection. All are welcome.

## Upcoming Events:

Take a look at our Event Calendar at [kingofglory.com/events](http://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](http://kingofglory.com/koggives)

