

**King of Glory
Lutheran**

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The Miracle of Christmas

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

OFFICE INFORMATION

Hours: Monday – Friday

9:00 am – 3:30 pm

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

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

Church Council 3rd Thursday @ 6:45pm

Preschool Board 3rd Thursday @ 5:15pm

Choir Rehearsal Each Tuesday @ 7:00pm

Hospitality Committee

3rd Sunday after worship

Worship Committee

4th Sunday after worship

It is with sadness that I have resigned from my position on Church Council. This was strictly due to my upcoming move. As most know, my husband was transferred to DC over a year ago, and our hopes of him returning here were recently shattered, I will, therefore, be returning to Albuquerque in the new year, where we will again be reunited. This is not a “good bye”, because I hope to be around for another month and ½.

I have been at King of Glory for less than 4 years, however they have been my best spiritual years ever. I have “belonged” to other churches much longer than this, but never REALLY belonged anywhere. I thank God everyday for the day I walked into KOG. But I thank you for making me apart of a very special group of people so quickly. I thank you for allowing me to serve in so many ways, to include Church council. Thank you for your trust, faith and confidence in allowing me to serve as your church council president after being here for only 2 ½ years. It has been such an honor and privilege. I have put my heart and soul into serving you well. Thank you for giving me the most meaningful, loving Christian experience of my life.

In my adult lifetime, I have never lived around family; had close friends, a sister, Mom, or anyone I could just side down and talk to. Here, I have all of those. I have “moms, sisters”, friends, and even a couple of “brothers or Dads”. What a loss I am beginning to experience. My time here has been short, but everyone has made me feel like I have belonged for a lifetime. Remember the love and connections you have to each other as you move forward. I know I will feel the connection forever.

Yours in Christ,

Rosemary Butler

Outgoing Council President

Worship

	<i>Upcoming in Worship</i>	Readers	<i><u>Flowers</u></i>
12/5	2nd Sunday in Advent	Bob Stine	From all who loved her, In Loving memory of Cindy Crocker
12/12	3rd Sunday In Advent	Dick Schwartz	Bob & Chris Stine for KC's 12th Birthday
12/19	4th Sunday in Advent	Karen Malotte	Ed Carloni, In memory of his mother
12/26	1st Christmas	Sue Messer	Ralph Butler for Rosemary's Birthday & Julie's (21) Birthday
1/2	2nd Christmas		

12/3 Ladies' Christmas party

12/4 TOT DROP & SHOP

12/24 Friday, 6:00pm: CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICE

12/26 Sunday, 9:30am: FESTIVAL OF WORD AND CAROLS



December 2010 Preschool News

We hope everyone had a wonderful and restful Thanksgiving Holiday. It's hard to believe we are already approaching the Christmas Season.

Our Thanksgiving Feasts were fantastic. It was such a joy to share this time of thanksgiving with all our friends and family. Thank you to all our wonderful parent volunteers for all their help and the delicious food we shared at our feast.

We want to thank all who participated in Our Annual Cookie Dough Fundraiser. We also hope everyone enjoyed the Alamo night fundraiser. It is always fun to dine with KOG friends and family. Your participation in these fundraisers is truly appreciated.

We also want to thank everyone who has contributed to the Christmas Shoppe Toy Drive. Your generosity to this toy drive, especially this year, will be a blessing to many families in our local community.

Our Annual Preschool Christmas Program will be on December 9th and 10th at 9:15 a.m. in the Church Sanctuary. We look forward to seeing our all our families and friends as we celebrate "Happy Birthday to Baby JESUS."

Church Member priority registration for the 2011-2012 preschool year will be January 18th – January 31st. The registration fee of \$110 is due at the time of registration. Please call the preschool office @ 498-0567, to inquire on availability and arrange for a tour.

Preschool will be closed December 20th - December 31st. School resumes Monday January 3rd.

We wish you all a Blessed Christmas

And a

Happy New Year

The King of Glory Preschool Staff

Upcoming @ KOG Preschool:

12/9 & 12/10 Pre-school Christmas program

Ministry Announcements

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 Billiart Catholic Church.

On November 20th, we served, Pork Chops, brown gravy, mashed potatoes, vegetable casserole, green salad, fruit salad, 2 gallons milk 2%, 1 gallon of juice, Applesauce, rolls or bread and dessert. Many thanks to the many hands that cooked and served

Please remember to sign up in the church lobby to bring an item for the next meal: December 18th.

Bunko

This group will be meeting the 2nd Saturday, December 11th, at the home of Carole Johnson at 6:00pm. Any questions, call Carmen Barton at (805) 376-2164.

Birthday Club

If you enjoy a good lunch out, great conversations and an opportunity to wish Happy Birthday to the honorees of the month, mark your calendars and join us on the First Monday of the month (December 6th) at Country Harvest in Newbury Park at 11:15am. We celebrate birthdays this month for Donna Kalberg and Rosemary Butler. Let Joann Krebs know if you are going to be there, (805) 498-6029.

COMING SOON!!!

TOT-DROP-SHOP

WHAT: A great opportunity for parents to drop off the kids for a few hours of shopping. The Kids will celebrate the upcoming season with a party, which will include games, Crafts, lunch and more.

**Children will be cared for by very special adults from the congregation.

WHEN: December 4, 8:45 to 1:15

WHERE: KOG

Children must be potty trained.

- Free will offering will be accepted as a fundraiser for the Women's retreat
- RSVP is appreciated by email or calling Rosemary Butler by Friday, December 3, at AlbaRose@aol.com or 805-630-5861.

Registration and Emergency forms are required and can be obtained in the Welcome Center or Church office.

LIFT Study (Women's Bible Study)

Calling all women for a mid-day bible study and fellowship.

Everyone is welcome to the LIFT ladies Bible Study. You are also encouraged to bring a friend!! This month's Bible Study will be at Renate Lee's home on December 13th at noon. Renate's address is: 102 La Fortuna, Newbury Park, CA.

Copies of this month's study magazine will be available in the Church Welcome Center - if you do not get the magazine, please help yourself to the copies.

WOMEN'S RETREAT 2011

Thirty- Sixth Annual Women's Retreat

"Learning from the Wise Women of the Bible"

Speaker: Pastor Marj Funk-Pihi

from Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church, San Luis Obispo

April 8 -10

La Casa de Maria Retreat Center, Montecito

Friday evening beginning at 7:00PM through Sunday lunch

What our retreaters from years past say when asked why they come and keep coming to retreat:

I was convinced to attend my first retreat after numerous invitations. Initially, my hope was to get to know the women of KOG better, and I did! Over the years, I've returned for many reasons. There is always something memorable about each retreat. I love the music, fellowship, food, peaceful atmosphere, hikes, and times for reflection, prayer, and learning.

Nanci Frederick

Dear sisters in Christ,

I waited 30 years to attend my first women's retreat in the tranquil Montecito Mountains. What a shame!!! I missed out on so much: the fellowship with my sisters in faith, the renewal of friendships, the up-lifting worship, the singing, laughing, praying, reflecting, meditating, hiking, and just being at peace with myself. The surroundings are magical and one can feel the spirit moving among us.

Please don't wait as long as I did, join us in 2011! Catch that spirit!!!

Love, Renate Sutton

Hear more next month and **please join us** for this wonderful up-lifting experience

KING'S READERS Book Club

The book club will not meet in December but resume our regular schedule in January 2011. At that meeting we will discuss Stones into Schools by Greg Mortenson. The book should be out in paperback on November 4, 2010.

JOIN IN SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

During 3 workshops last summer, several KOG members and friends brought sewing machines, pins, needles, and scissor skills together. With Chris Stine's organization and guidance, we made over 90 Christmas stockings to be given to U.S. troops abroad. Thanks to everyone who helped with this project. The stockings were blessed during a worship service in October that they will bring comfort and cheer to our service men and women during the holidays.

The following service opportunities are coming up in November. If you'd like to help, contact me or the person in parenthesis:

Make a Difference Day (contact: Melody Faltin) This will be an opportunity to serve our community.

November 21 & 28 + 2 preschool dates: Alternative Christmas (contact: Walt Chandler) This will be an opportunity to support organizations such as Habitat for Humanity, Heifer Project International, and Fair Trade micro businesses in third world countries

Saturday, December 4: TOT DROP & SHOP—Parents, plan to bring your children, Adults without kids and teens, plan to have a fun day playing with the children. This is a service /outreach event to give parents of young children a chance to spend a few hours shopping or whatever while their kids have a great time together. See separate notice in newsletter for more details. Contact Rosemary Butler if you would like to help or have questions.

Friday, December 24, 6:00pm: CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICE—hear the Christmas Story in scripture, choir selections and congregational carol singing. Be part of a moving and sprit-filled celebration of the birth of our Lord.

Sunday, December 26, 9:30am: FESTIVAL OF WORD AND CAROLS This is our special after Christmas worship service devoted to sharing the Christmas story through the Word and though singing our favorite Christmas Hymns.

Saturday, January 8: KOG CHRISTMAS PARTY—relax and enjoy fellowship at our annual after-Christmas family party. Details to follow.



ADOPT AN ANGEL

Adopt an Angel is a program that Lutheran Social Services provides to their clients. This program is an outreach that we here at KOG can be a part of again this year. The program is providing Christmas presents for the children of these families. The number of children we provide gifts for will be up to us. In order to know how many angels to request, we need to know who would be interested in participating in this ministry.

So please sign up on the list in the welcome center or e-mail Melody Faltinca@AOL.COM. Would like to know by November 7th, then the angel's information can be posted for picking by November 21st. After you pick your angel you will bring your wrapped gift to church on or before December 12th. Melody will be taking the gifts to Lutheran Social Services for distribution.

In His service,

Melody Faltin

The Ladies Christmas party will be Dec.3rd at the home of Joann Krebs at 7:00 pm 158 Knollwood Dr., Newbury Park. Please bring a goodie to eat and a wrapped Christmas gift to share. All women are invited to come and get to know each other better, have a lot of laughs and good fun.

I want to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, telephone calls, and dinners after my accident. This is one of the I reason why I love my King of Glory family. I guess I am banned from the pulpit. I don't know how people get through times of trouble without their faith and the support of other Christians.

Your sister in Christ

Joann Krebs

The Men's Breakfast has been suspended through the holidays. We hope to revive it after the first of the year.

MOPS GROUP TO MEET AGAIN IN JANUARY

King of Glory's newly formed "MOP's, Mothers of Preschoolers' Group will meet on Wednesday, January 12, 2011, at King of Glory Church and Preschool. Exact location to be announced.

A breakfast potluck begins at 9:15 am. Please bring a dish to share.

Everyone is invited to join us at MOPS, a place where you can come just as you are to be encouraged, equipped and developed as a woman, mother and leader. Come and find out what it's all about. Spread the word to your friends and neighbors. This group is open to anyone in the community as well as our very own preschool family.

To make our group successful, we really need the help and support of our congregation. We need experienced Moms (any age) to be mentors. We need a team of folks to help provide child care, snacks, and so much more. Contact us to let us know how you can help. Contact Christi Marriner or Rosemary Butler and watch for further details.

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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

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