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Lent Line-Up Continues!

Lent at KOG has a tradition of supporting ELCA World Hunger. These monies change people's lives...literally! We are proud of making certain more of our brothers and sisters around the globe have food to eat and opportunities to make better lives for themselves.

As you also know, the ELCA is a public church. By that I mean that we take seriously Jesus' command to love and care for our neighbor as we do ourselves. The witness of the church in society flows from its identity as a community that lives from and for the Gospel. Our faith lived out in action calls for justice in relationships and structures of society. Read more at www.rmselca.org/public-church.

Therefore during Lent we have been reflecting on advocacy, immigration and prison ministry. On April 7, Pr Terry Schjang will join us. She is the pastor of New Beginnings, an ELCA congregation inside the Denver Women's Correctional Facility. New Beginnings received a Domestic Hunger Grant from the ELCA this year.

From the Pastor – Holy Week and Easter

On Thursday of Holy Week, we begin the Triduum, the Great Three Days which form one long worship service. We remember Jesus washing the disciple's feet; reminding them how to love one another. Then we see His great love: redeeming love, outrageous love, unbounded and uncalculating love as Jesus bleeds and dies on Friday. The grave is closed; the disciples have abandoned Him when the women begin to prepare their spices to anoint Jesus' body.

Holy Week we join with Trinity and Zion Lutheran for worship services at noon to ponder these last events of Jesus' life. The noon service offers opportunity if you wish to see old friends or don't

wish to get out and drive in the evening. Maundy Thursday worship will be at Trinity (noon) with Pr Pancoast preaching. On Good Friday, gather at Zion (noon) and I will preach. Then our evening services will both take place at 7:00pm at King of Glory.

After we depart in silence on Friday night, Saturday, the grave remains closed and we weep. But wait! It's the largest surprise the world has ever witnessed and without it we just might not worship today.

Easter morning comes – the sun rises and so does The Son. Alleluia! He will be Risen!

Easter is coming! Saturday and Sunday, April 20-21, we will celebrate our Risen Lord!

Saturday night worship will be an Easter service.

On Sunday, Glory Singers, the Big Thompson Brass, a special drama, KOG guests and friends will worship with music and praise. Dr. Jane has planned a sing along 'Halleluiahs Chorus' as well. Fantastic!

There will be an Easter breakfast, 9:30-10:45am to help our youth go to summer camp at Sky Ranch or attend the L2F2 Mission trip to Montana. Look for sign-ups to donate flowers for the sanctuary.

So for now, keep praying, keep on with sacrificial acts of love, and listen for what God is speaking to you. And we will walk faithfully towards that glorious morning, with a glorious risen Lord! Pr Ruth Ann

We invite ladies to wear their favorite Easter hats for worship on Easter weekend!

APRIL OPPORTUNITIES

Lent: Vittles and Vespers!

Our Wednesday Lenten Soup Suppers continue **April 3 & 10. The evening begins at 5:00pm**, with the short Holden *Evening Prayer* liturgy at 5:30pm. You'll be fed in body and spirit by 6:00pm and on your way for the night. **Soup will be served until 6:30pm** so come join in as you are able!



Rocky Mountain Chamber Singers will be in concert at King of Glory **Sunday, April 7, 2019 at 3:00pm**. Come for "*Sing Joyfully!*" Admission at the door: \$18 for adults, \$5 for students... more info at www.rockymountainchambersingers.org Come hear this fabulous group!

Garden News! Spring is here and it's time to think about the Glory Garden. ANYONE interested in having a garden plot or who is interested in helping with the KOG plots please contact Roxane Salazar at happytrails2u.roxane@gmail.com or please call at 970-691-2663.

We will have working meetings in May to build up the beds, fix the walkway and get the garden plots ready for planting at the end of May/first part of June. These meetings will be announced in the *May Messenger* and in our weekly *Parish Notes*. Bloom where you are planted – be a Glory Gardener!

Mosaic's Annual Luncheon

Mosaic in Northern Colorado invites KOG staff and congregation members to their annual **Partners in Possibilities Luncheon on Thursday, April 25th from 12:00-1:00pm at the Hilton Fort Collins (425 W Prospect Road).**

This FREE event serves as their one and only fundraiser for the year, and is a great opportunity to learn more about Mosaic, the services and the impact they make in the lives of those with intellectual disabilities. There is no obligation to give; we just love sharing our mission!

To RSVP, call (970) 461-4353. We hope you will be able to join us!

*Amanda Hamilton
Community Relations Officer
Mosaic in Northern Colorado*



STUDY & FELLOWSHIP GROUPS



Sonrisers – The men's theological book study group meets **every Thursday at 7:00am** year-round at Perkins on Eisenhower. For more information and the current book title, please contact Bill McDivitt (970-669-4090)

Prayer Shawl



– Knitting & crocheting group welcomes all levels of crafters. We meet on the first Monday of the month, **April 1**, at 1:00pm in the church library. Our snack hostess this month will be Cathy Simmering. For more info please contact Barbara (970-213-3256).



The Glory Crafters – will meet **Wednesday, April 17** in the KOG fellowship room from 10:00am to noon. This is a wonderful time to nourish friendships while learning new craft techniques and creating one-of-a-kind cards to raise money for charities. Come along, and bring a friend, too!



Peace Circle – Peace Circle will meet **at Noon on April 10** for a sack lunch, fellowship and 1:00pm Bible study in the Fellowship Room. Please RSVP to Neva (970) 669-2371. All ladies are welcome!

Glory Readers Book Club – Book Club will meet on Thursday, **April 25** at 12:00pm in the office conference room. The book selection for April is Whiter than Snow, by Sandra Dallas. For more information, call Barb Brackin-Bartel (970-213-3256). New readers are welcome, please join us!

2nd Wind – Retired men, this group is for you! We meet at 9:30am on the 3rd Friday of the month (**April 19**) in the Fellowship Room. This group is open to any retired guy – newly retired or even if you've had the hang of this for years! Snacks and coffee are always supplied. Topics are varied and the conversation inspiring! Call Jerome Beckmann for more information. (970-669-0341).



Call Committee Update

We have now interviewed 5 candidates and are prayerfully considering next steps. Thank you for your patience and prayers as we walk boldly into a new future with God!

Marty Mouse

Marty loves spending time down in the fellowship room. He's constantly surprised by the number of groups that meet in that space: PEO (A women's philanthropy organization), Foothills Service League and HOA meetings.



But he especially likes all of the church groups and classes that meet there. He loves to listen in on Sunday mornings when people are talking about their faith and issues of concern today: fear of aging, or immigration or public advocacy. At Thursday morning Bible study the ladies always laugh! "God must be so proud that people love the Bible and want to grow and learn! This building is used for so many wonderful groups!"

Then one day Marty noticed that a cup of brown liquid got spilled on the rug. After everyone was gone he scampered over to the spot and pressed his tongue against the blue fibers. "This tastes good!"

Then on Saturday Marty saw Darrell the custodian working so hard to try and pull that stain up from the rug. He sang as he worked.

Marty began to notice that it happened more than once. And it's easy to do. A cup gets put on the floor and then someone moves their foot, and down the cup goes.

Darrell and another man work almost every week on these strange brown stains. Marty has noticed the carpet looking older. He has been wondering if people could be careful with their cups and try to put them on tables. "I think I'll pray about it, and ask God to help!"

April NEWS from Lutheran Campus Ministry

Why should you support campus ministry? Campus ministry gives students the opportunity to plan, lead and participate in worship every week. Students lead and participate in Bible studies, small groups, service projects, retreats and community events throughout the semester. Your support raises up leaders of the church who use the gifts God has given them to be a part of God's work in the world. Thank you for supporting this vital ministry!



For more information about Lutheran



Episcopal Campus Ministry at University of Northern Colorado

visit www.lecmgreeley.org



and for Lutheran Campus Ministry at Colorado State

University visit www.lcmcsu.org.

Once a month during the school year we serve a meal and enjoy fellowship with the students who worship at Lutheran campus ministry. If you would like to help with the dinner, please contact Jan DesJardin. The next dinner will be **April 7**.



Sky Ranch Camp is calling you, your child's or your grandchild's name this summer!

One of the things I love about Sky Ranch is hearing the meal bell ring. Campers and their counselors come from all corners of the property. While everyone gathers, the silliest songs you've ever heard get sung with gusto. With huge hand motions and loud, out of tune melodies. And all the way thru the mountains on Friday afternoon when camp is over, campers will sing those songs, again and again.

Would you like your child, your grandchild, a niece or nephew to have an experience of God on the mountain top? Meal songs, worship, arts, crafts, cabins, nice counselors, and fabulous food are waiting for them this summer! Pick up a brochure in the concourse or go to www.skyranchcolorado.org, to check things out! **Our registration code is 19KOGLC.** Plus, KOG will help fund every camper's week. Between the Easter fundraiser and other funds, your child, grandchild, niece or nephew will have financial help. That's our gift to you for giving the gift of camp to a child or youth. Check it out and talk to Pastor Ruth Ann with any questions!

Sky Ranch Work Weekend!

Do you love Sky Ranch? Would you like to be up at camp before all the campers arrive and give a bit of your talents? They are having a work weekend, **April 26th - April 28th.** There are always plenty of spring projects to attend to before staff training happens in May. Look for information at skyranchcolorado.com or call the Sky Ranch office at 970-493-5258.

Spring Work Weekend—April 26 - 28
Memorial Day Work Weekend—May 24 - 27
(Food and Lodging provided for the weekend)



Prayer Requests - If you have a special prayer request please contact the church office and indicate whether you want the prayer to be public or for the confidential prayer chain. You may call or email the church office (970-669-5983); office@aplace2grow.org, or Pr Ruth Ann at Ruthann@aplace2grow.org

A Prayer for Lent: Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
(ELW Hymnal, page 65)

2019 Leadership Team

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Feeding the Community

Recommended Donations for House of Neighborly Service (HNS)
-- April request is **SOUP**. Please drop off your donation in the "House" in the center octagon. Thank you!

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Financial Summary thru February 2019

| | 2018 MONTH | 2018 YTD | 2019 MONTH | 2019 YTD |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| INCOME: | | | | |
| GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS | \$ 25,254 | \$ 46,662 | \$ 26,978 | \$ 48,972 |
| BUILDING USE FEES | \$ 1,280 | \$ 2,414 | \$ 2,045 | \$ 3,070 |
| | \$ 26,534 | \$ 49,076 | \$ 29,023 | \$ 52,042 |
| EXPENSES AND DEBT: | | | | |
| EXPENSES | \$ 29,935 | \$ 82,573 | \$ 21,174 | \$ 53,524 |
| DEBT PAYMENTS | \$ 3,660 | \$ 7,367 | \$ 3,812 | \$ 7,607 |
| | \$ 33,595 | \$ 89,940 | \$ 24,986 | \$ 61,131 |
| ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS: | | | | |
| ELCA World Hunger | \$ 2,440 | \$ 2,865 | \$ 336 | \$ 652 |
| Youth Fundraising | \$ 750 | \$ 875 | | |
| Christmas Bazaar | | | | |
| Total | \$ 3,190 | \$ 3,740 | \$ 336 | \$ 652 |

ELCA World Hunger's
40 DAYS *of Giving*



April 21 - Easter Second Offering!

ELCA World Hunger's *40 Days of Giving* has been a special opportunity for us to come together to lift up the church's hunger and poverty ministry during Lent.

The connections between faith, worship, and justice are central teachings of Martin Luther. His concern for the poor and his sharp rebuke of economic injustice laid the foundation for us to see the many ways our faith calls us to strive for justice in God's world.

Today, 1 in 9 people face hunger and 1 in 7 live in extreme poverty. For the first time in many decades, widespread areas of total famine have been declared. As ELCA Lutherans, we are called to respond. Making sure someone has enough food for the day is not enough.

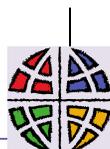
Your Coin Jars, Checks, and Electronic Gifts WILL SAVE AND BUILD LIVES!!

Text a gift to 970-999-1463. Enter \$ and an amount, followed by a space and HUNGER. (Example: \$100 HUNGER). Just follow the directions and you are registered for all future text gifts!

Access the online giving site through the main page of our website, www.kingofgloryloveland.com; or use a QR app on your phone to access our mobile giving page through our King of Glory QR code. You can also set up an account on the *GivePlus* (GIVE+) mobile app downloaded on your phone.



- Our Congregational Goal for this year is \$12,000
- Check out the *40 Days of Giving* section of the Reaching Out bulletin boards for updates...plus read the bulletin inserts and remember the videos and temple talks/faith formation classes connected to ministries supported through contributions to ELCA World Hunger!



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*"As God's People, Graced by Differences, Nurtured by the Spirit,
and Gifted to Serve, We Invite and Welcome All to Grow in Faith."*



April 2019



King of Glory Lutheran Church – April Highlights

- April 7 – Rocky Mountain Chamber Singers in Concert 3:00PM
- April 14 – Palm Sunday
- April 18 – Maundy Thursday worship: Noon at Trinity, 7:00PM at KOG
- April 19 – Good Friday worship: Noon at Zion, 7:00PM at KOG
- April 20 – Easter worship 5:30PM
- April 21 – Easter Sunday! Worship 8:30AM & 10:45AM**
- Easter Breakfast (youth fundraiser) 9:30 - 10:45AM**