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From Pastor Ruth Ann

Worship as Ministries of Hospitality and Evangelism

I realize that we might be growing weary of on-line worship and our patience is being tested. For some of us a digital community might not feel like real community. That is fully understandable. I too would love to see all of your faces! Yet, your health and safety continue to be at the top of my and the Leadership Team's mind.

The Leadership Team has authorized a new Task Force which I mentioned in this Messenger. We'll be addressing worship and all the implications of what it might look like to gather in person. That being said, I still believe it may be a very long time until we can gather safely. *This virus does not get impatient and does not live by our timelines.*

I do want to lift up the fact that due to the pandemic, we began, out of necessity, a new ministry of hospitality and evangelism. Our pre-recorded worship services are getting views from all over the country. We estimate that between the Vimeo recordings and our Facebook views, at least 100 more people are 'attending' King of Glory than would otherwise come through our doors on any weekend. This is gift! This is God at work through technology! These are ministries that we fully intend to continue once the pandemic is over. Our home-centered members can see and hear worship – thanks be to God!

We might not think about hospitality as an on-line presence. Yet if you consider what websites you like, I'm guessing you like the ones that give you the information you need on the homepage. They are easy to navigate. They are catered to you the customer. That is hospitality and it's what we're doing – *thanks to Leo Salazar* – with online worship. We the members and friends of KOG might not be able to gather in person, but many people – faces we've never seen and people we've never met – are

gathering in person to worship God. So as you and I might be impatient to 'see' one another, I invite us to pray for all the people God 'sees' coming to worship every weekend. To God be the glory!

Pastor Ruth Ann

Questions?

Do you need a mask?

We have several seamstresses in the congregation who are making masks. If you do not have a mask and would like one, please email Pr Ruth Ann at Ruthann@aplace2grow.org or call her at 303-854-4737. We want everyone to be protected and healthy!

Don't feel safe getting out and about? Need an errand run?

Several people have volunteered to run errands for anyone who needs a little extra help! Email or call Pr Ruth Ann and she'll get you connected!

Do you or someone you know need food?

Right now HNS is offering twice monthly food baskets. You only need to show proof of address and that's it.

*Food baskets – up to 1 week of groceries – 2 times a month

*Toiletries and pet food as available

*Monday – Thursday, 9:00am-3:30pm;

1st Thursday of month, 9:00am-6:30pm

At 1511 E. 11th St. Loveland 970-667-4939

They have a drive-through system in the parking lot and it is simple. Don't go hungry!

Go to the Hospital if you need to!

An ELCA hospital chaplain in Colorado Springs said she had *five preventable deaths* last month. People were too scared to go to the hospital. Be assured, even now, hospitals know how to handle germs. If you think you're having heart issues or a chronic condition flares up, or you need medical help unrelated to coronavirus, please go to the hospital!

New Task Force

Leadership Team has authorized a new task force to continue keeping abreast of any health, safety and re-opening information coming from the RMS ELCA Bishop's office, the county, CDC, and Governor's office. This group would have the power to give recommendations to Leadership Team

regarding re-opening and policies for how long to suspend in person activities. They will also be considering all details in what it would take to re-open the building: social distancing in the sanctuary, hallways, cleaning techniques and new cleaning solutions, etc. It doesn't have a name yet....but keep watching. They will meet soon.

KOG Memorial

The large wooden cross is set up next to the walkway between the church and parking lot. Feel free to come to the church and put near it items that might represent your grief or losses during these last months. There are cards and markers to write messages. Bring flowers or simply come and pray for our church. We grieve but we are not without hope. Our Lord and Savior truly understands pain and loss. He also rose from the grave granting us hope and bringing new life from death, loss and grief. Come and worship!

Habitat for Humanity – Lunch on June 13th

KOG will be providing lunch to the workers on Saturday, June 13th. If you are able or willing to help, please email Pr Ruth Ann at Ruthann@aplace2grow.org. This is another fabulous opportunity to serve our neighbors as Jesus commanded us to do! It will be a small group of 10-12 people. If you've never stepped onto a Habitat site, building a home for a family in need, it truly is a place of hope and new life! Join in!

Counting your Offerings!

During our stay-at-home days, the counters have only been counting and depositing checks twice a month. So if your check normally clears the bank on Tuesday after a weekend, that will be delayed. Please understand, due to receiving checks by mail and health concerns for our volunteers, our new schedule. Thank you!

**You can give on-line thru our website and [VANCO!](#)
Try it out - [Click Here!](#)**

KOG Phone Tree

We are doing our best to physically distance while staying socially connected! Thank you to Susan Chamberlin for organizing the congregation by neighborhoods. Thank you to Sally Specht for organizing our callers. Thank you to all of our household callers. We appreciate you connecting us weekly by phone!

Pastor Deb's Faith Formation Notes

Thank you for practicing faith formation at home! We may not have chosen this time or experience but we trust that each day God works through all things. This time is an opportunity to grow in faith and share our faith with family, friends and strangers.

We can learn a lot about faith formation from Lydia. Pastor Janelle Rozek Hooper writes about Acts 16, "In the book of Acts, Lydia engaged in a **spiritual practice** by regularly joining Paul's Christian community at the river to pray. There by the water, Paul and Silas engaged with Lydia, a worshipper of God, in a mutually **respectful relationship**. With trust established, Lydia experienced the Good News of Jesus through Paul's **guided learning**. She then decided that she and her household should be baptized in that very river. Immediately Lydia invited Paul and Silas back to her house for hospitality in **faith-filled service** to God's ministry.

The ELCA has a vision for lifelong faith formation that guides our congregation. The four central components are **Spiritual Practices, Respectful Relationships, Guided Learning and Faith-filled Service**. Choose one *spiritual practice* to develop this month by yourself or with your family. Keep a prayer journal, pray before a meal, or help a child memorize the Lord's Prayer. Give thanks for a *respectful relationship* you have. Maybe that is a faith mentor or family member. Practice *guided learning* using a favorite devotion resource or read a book of the Bible that is familiar or new. And finally, choose a way to show *faith-filled service* by checking on a friend, donating to World Hunger or Kidspak, or writing encouragement cards. Learn more by visiting www.kingofgloryloveland.com and check out Resources under the Grow tab.

* Families please watch your email each week for the **Faith Formation Tool Box** with resources that you can share with your children and youth as we practice faith formation at home.

* For kids 5th grade and younger please join us for **Children's Check In** every **Saturday morning at 10:00am via Zoom**.

* Our **Middle School** and **High School Youth** are invited to connect over Zoom on **Tuesday nights at 7:00pm**.

For more information or zoom links for any of these activities please contact: *Pastor Deb*
deb@aplace2grow.org 970-817-4407

Holy Communion – June 27-28, 2020



King of Glory, for the first two months of the pandemic we have refrained from partaking of Holy Communion. The reasons for that have been theological, practical and we believed best practice for our community.

Just like we've grieved not being able to worship in person, we've also grieved not being able to partake of this holy sacrament. Likewise, we did not wish to create a hierarchy between those able to view worship online and those we've been mailing sermons to who aren't able to participate on-line in any way. The time has come when we are ready to offer the sacrament of Holy Communion in a way that we believe will be respectful of our Lutheran theology and our community.

On the weekend of June 27-28, individual pre-packaged packets of grape juice and one wafer will be available at the church. We will place them on tables outside for you to come and pick up. You may come and pick up enough kits for your household only, for this weekend only. We will also deliver the communion kits to our home-centered members who aren't able to come and pick them up. This way we will all be able to celebrate Holy Communion on the same weekend.

For those people worshipping online beyond Loveland or for those of you unable to pick up a communion kit, we ask you to be prepared with your own bread and juice. If you are uncomfortable sharing in this meal electronically please join us for worship and receive a blessing.

Jesus commanded us to share this holy meal and remember his promises. In the bread and the wine Jesus gives us earthly elements that we can touch and taste along with the promise of his presence and forgiveness. Holy Communion is a gift that we receive from God and we share this gift together as the church.

During this time we as the church are gathering together electronically through a variety of devices and over the phone. We continue to be the church in this new reality. Jesus meets us where we are! When we share together in Holy Communion Jesus will be present with his love and forgiveness in the bread and the wine in our homes just as he is when we gather together in a church building.

Please join us for worship on June 27-28 as we celebrate Holy Communion. You'll receive a link for worship if you are on our email list or you can go to www.kingofgloryloveland.com and find our worship services under the Worship & Sermon Archives tab.

Don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns you have.

Pastor Ruth Ann & Pastor Deb

Father's Day Pictures

Please send in pictures of your father along with his name and your name. We will share these photos in worship the weekend of June 21. Please send pictures to Leo Salazar at ljsconsultants@gmail.com by **June 14**. Thank you!

Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton – Guest Preacher on June 7

Join us for worship on Holy Trinity weekend and hear the gospel proclaimed by Rev. Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. You can find our worship link on our website www.kingofgloryloveland.com under the Worship tab and then Sermon Archives. Or look for our worship link on Facebook or in your email. If you would like to be added to our email list please send your address to office@aplace2grow.org.

Readings for Worship in June

Following Holy Trinity Sunday on June 7 we will spend three weeks rediscovering stories from Genesis. Whether they are new or familiar to you please read them again and talk about them with your family or friends.

June 14 – Genesis 18:1-15 (21:1-7) - A Son Promised to Abraham and Sarah

June 21 – Genesis 21:8-21 - Hagar and Ishmael Sent Away

June 28 – Genesis 22:1-14 - The Command to Sacrifice Isaac

BBQ AND BLUEGRASS: 12TH ANNUAL SKY RANCH FUNDRAISER – ONLINE!

The time is near for the 12th Annual Sky Ranch Fundraiser BBQ and Bluegrass! Join us for a time of fellowship meeting our 2020 staff, live auction, and bluegrass music from Jerusalem Road. This year's fundraiser will be held on **June 14th @ 2:00–3:00pm** on our website: www.skyranchcolorado.org. COVID-19 has impacted all of us, including Sky Ranch, so please consider supporting our online BBQ & Bluegrass event to keep the ministry alive this summer! Follow our website, [Facebook](#) and/or [Twitter](#) pages for more details about the event. Feel free to email Ally@skyranchcolorado.org with any questions or concerns.

Hymn Hunt

Yes, we are on a "Hymn Hunt"! This hunt is for hymns that are your favorites. Please let us know which ones "speak" to you about your faith and we will be glad to incorporate them into the services. Christopher Smart tells us, "Glorious the song, when God's the theme." And our hymns are the perfect example! Please help us with this project and let us know at jea814@gmail.com or 319-830-7895. Thanks, Dr. Jane



Christmas Bazaar Update

After a great deal of prayer and discernment, we have made the decision to cancel the 2020 Christmas Bazaar. It was not an easy decision, and yet for so many reasons it was the only decision to make. We must first protect the safety of our members, our visitors, and our church property. With the information available to us at this time, we concluded there is no way to adequately assure that protection, given the nature of our bazaar, the number of people crowded together, and the uncertainty of what might be the circumstances in November.

We continue to think of alternative ways to meet our collective desire to help the organizations we have funded in previous years. Ideas are welcome!! We know some of you have already spent valuable time making items for the boutique. Let's figure out a way to still benefit from that hard work.

Thanks for all your support over the years and we hope you understand and agree with the decision. The Holy Spirit will guide us, and we remain confident for the future. God's blessings. Please stay safe and well!
Leo Salazar, Team Leader

King of Glory Garden News

We are off to a great start this spring. Most of the beds for individual members have been planted as well as the extra KOG beds they have adopted. A new bed was built replacing one that had fallen apart using our new method of building beds. Thanks to Susan and Tom Chamberlin and Leo Salazar for doing that. We have flowers in the tires for the pollinators with many thanks to Marty Schmidt and Deb Kocsis for planting them. The Monarch Garden is coming back, and we are adding new flowers too. We saw our first hummingbird in the garden by the apple trees and several butterflies. Hopefully, this will be a great growing season and we are happy to be gardening and



growing vegetables for our families and those in need. We invite you to take a stroll through the garden or just sit on the bench inside the garden and enjoy it. We are very blessed to have such a great group of people who are volunteering to help with our Glory Garden this year.

Bloom where you are planted – be a Glory Gardener! Roxane Salazar

ZOOM- Meet Us On-Line or call in by Phone!

If you would like to join in on the fun of Zoom, but don't know how or are having trouble, we have teachers standing by to provide help. Leave a message at the office or email Pr Ruth Ann to access that help! Don't be left out!

You don't have to use a computer or smart phone or download the ZOOM app, **you can call in on any phone and be a part of it all!** We will provide a phone number, a meeting number and a code for you to enter in order to join each meeting.

Pastor's Thursday Bible Study

Thursday morning Bible study continues at 9:30am weekly on ZOOM! Watch your emails for the texts!

Click/or copy and paste to your browser:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81213673864?pwd=TkdaR3l5VTM2bU50TzdDeFpXaXZnQT09>

Meeting ID: 812 1367 3864

Password: 339274

Manual Dial-in, call +1 346 248 7799 (you will be asked to enter #)

Meeting ID: 812 1367 3864

Password: 339274

or "One tap mobile"

+13462487799,,81213673864#,,1#,339274#



Thursday Afternoon Prayer Time

KOG Glory is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting every week on **Thursdays 2:00PM**

Click/or copy and paste to your browser:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82201129410?pwd=L0ZrK2tubzVYOC9VOWlrZ3dRMk03dz09>

Meeting ID: 822 0112 9410

Password: 352931

Manual Dial-in, call +1 346 248 7799 (you will be asked to enter #)

Meeting ID: 822 0112 9410

Password: 352931

or **One tap mobile**

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Friday Afternoon Club (social time!)

Every week on **Friday 4:30PM**

Click/or copy and paste to your browser:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81336378303?pwd=STIDOHNJYVRJS3p5VWpyeG1YRiMxdz09>

Meeting ID: 813 3637 8303

Password: 799887

Manual Dial-in, call +1 346 248 7799 (you will be asked to enter #)

Meeting ID: 813 3637 8303

Password: 799887

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NEW!- Sunday Morning Coffee Hour &

Adult Bible Study- starts at **9:30am** each Sunday and will continue on into the Sunday Adult Education Hour. Join any time after 9:30am!

Click/or copy and paste to your browser:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85253606275?pwd=dk9tT2FSamZTSkJ2RHc3ell6S0lnQT09>

Meeting ID: 852 5360 6275

Password: 019371

Manual Dial-in: +1 669 900 6833

Meeting ID: 852 5360 6275

Password: 019371

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Sunday Adult Education Hour

KOG Glory is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting every week on Sunday at 10:30am---see above for link and call- in information! **New topic begins May 24! Join us!**

Lectio Divina continues...

Several adults wanted to continue this prayer practice of engaging God's word. Join us on ZOOM, **Fridays at 1:00pm** if you wish! *Click/or copy and paste to your browser:*

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87394140676?pwd=WVRFbXNTWm1CY0Vtd1poVnFDS0ppUT09>

Meeting ID: 873 9414 0676

Password: 549371

Manual Dial-In +1 669 900 6833

Meeting ID: 873 9414 0676

Password: 549371

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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 email the church office office@aplace2grow.org, or Pr Ruth Ann at Ruthann@aplace2grow.org or call (303) 854-4737.



Treasurer's Update

Hello King of Glory!

We want to give you an update on the financial activities of KOG during the days that we have not been able to meet together because of Coronavirus.

We are deeply grateful for the continued commitment of our members to give to the church during the Coronavirus. Your financial gifts were above normal for March and April! Thank you!

This together with support from SBA PPP loan program and generosity from MIF has allowed us as a church to maintain our employees on the payroll, meet our business obligations and maintain insurance coverage for the employees and the church. Importantly, it has allowed to us to continue to work to accomplish our missions and to make changes to how we worship online during this time of disruption.

What do those acronyms mean from the above paragraph? As a part of the CARES Act, the Small Business Administration (SBA) enacted a payroll protection plan (PPP) in the form of loans to support up to 2 ½ months of primarily payroll expenses. These loans are forgiven (doesn't have to be repaid) provided we use them only for the purposes intended. We did apply for and have been approved for a SBA backed PPP loan. We are grateful for the benefit of this.

The Mission Investment Fund (MIF) is an ELCA organization whose mission is to provide mortgage and development loans to ELCA churches as well as manage investments. They have generously offered to defer the principal payments for May and June this year on our MIF mortgage. We have accepted their kind offer and will continue to pay interest only on the mortgage for May and June 2020. We are grateful for our partnership with MIF.

While the support we have received from the SBA and MIF are extremely helpful, the lifeblood of King of Glory continues to be the participation and

support that we receive from you, our congregation.
 Thank you for your ongoing support!
 - Mark Francis, Treasurer KOG Leadership Team

CAMPUS MINISTRY ALL SUMMER LONG!

LuMin-CSU (Lutheran Campus Ministry in Fort Collins, CO) continues all summer long. Every summer, but especially this summer LuMin will be meeting up weekly with young adults electronically. From your parent’s basement, your apartment, or wherever you reside, connect with others from Pennsylvania to Arizona to Madagascar. Just out of high school and going to college in the future?... get connected. Going to college somewhere else in the world?... more than welcome. Not going to college but want to hang out with some other young adults?... all are welcome! Not a young adult but know someone who is? (whether in your basement or not)... give them this invitation. Camp worship, celebrating your half-birthday, faith conversations, electronic service events, compare “Avenue 5” with real pandemic life, a game of global ultimate spoons... we are dedicated to expanding the possibilities of staring at a screen all summer. Text “summer” and your name to 970-482-2160 and **Campus Pastor Paul Judson** will get right back to you! Text or call that number if you have questions.

Thanks to Jim Brossia for donating and planting the planters by the front doors of the church!



Thank you to Darwyn and Jackie Kietzmann for trimming church plants and our lawn mowing crew!

2020 Leadership Team
Officers
 Eric Backsen, President
 Bryan French, Vice President
 Mark Francis, Treasurer
 Judy Richardson, Secretary

Members-at-Large
 Lynn Hamilton
 Ron Lamb
 Roxane Salazar
 Ted Schmidt

June Birthdays

- 2 Olivia Good, Jean Walent
- 3 Tracy Dubovos
- 5 Jim Brossia, Isabel Dubovos, Derek Kalahar
- 8 Stephanie Whitney
- 9 Marvin Greeb, Darwyn Kietzmann
- 10 Don Van Hall
- 11 Eloise Laugen, Steve Thompson
- 13 Greg Warfield, Polly Petersen
- 14 Alex Chapman, Roxane Salazar
- 15 Ginny Crawford, Thomas Dildine
- 18 Elli Auker
- 19 Barb Aune, Caroline McMahon
- 20 Andy Steitz
- 21 Lana Forney
- 24 Carole Lynne Byall, Joe Sayers
- 25 Laurie Johnson
- 26 Jack Dieball, Paul Judson, Bob Lorenz
- 27 Lisa Nuttall
- 28 Gail Bott
- 29 Jerome Beckmann
- 30 Scott Whitney



June Anniversaries

- 1 Eric & Amanda Backsen
- 2 Bob & Linda Bower (30 years)
- 3 Tim & Kris Bohling (14 years)
- 6 Mark & Kim Carson (39 years)
- 10 Randy & Tracy Pfeiff (20 years)
- 11 Jim & Stephanie Brossia (55 years)
- 12 Craig & Julie Wilson (44 years)
- 12 Darell & Suzanne Zimbelman (55 years)
- 13 Bryan & Nancy French (28 years)
- 14 Kathy & Niall McAllister (34 years)
- 15 Greg & Wanda Warfield (35 years)
- 16 John & Betty Becker (47 years)
- 16 Marv & Carolyn Greeb (63 years)
- 17 Pat & Jan DesJardin (59 years)
- 17 Greg & Jean Walent (48 years)
- 18 Darwyn & Jackie Kietzmann (54 years)
- 20 Phil & Sandy Zimmerman (63 years)
- 22 Harlan Terning & Judy Richardson (7 years)
- 25 Tom & Kim Diesing, Sr (15 years)
- 28 Hank & Jan Whittet (45 years)





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Sermon on the web:

www.kingofgloryloveland.com

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



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