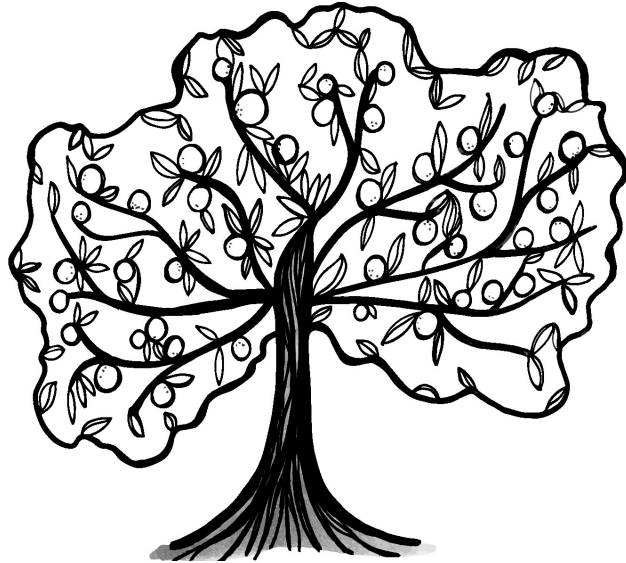


KING OF GLORY LUTHERAN CHURCH

March 23, 2025

Third Sunday in Lent



PRELUDE

Chiming of the Hour - Bell Choir

Welcome/Bonjour Bienvenue

"Welcome to all our friends, both old and new. We are delighted that you have chosen to be with us as we enter into the Lenten journey.

This next several weeks will take us with Jesus as he goes from the Jordan River to the desert and on to Jerusalem where he spoke about peace. May the peace of Jesus be with us and the power of God surround us and the compassion of the Holy Spirit be in our hearts.."

RED BOOK

Please know that you may want to gather a few items for worship, a bulletin from our website, KOGlutheran.org or a lit candle or some celebratory food like wine/juice and some bread, etc for communion later on in this service. We are grateful that you are worshiping with us.

Land Acknowledgement

King of Glory Lutheran Church is committed to working alongside Indigenous peoples and following their lead as they work to uphold their sovereignty, dignity, and identities.

We support and defend the rights of all Indigenous peoples to retain their specific cultural and religious traditions and practices. We strive to honor Indigenous cultures and traditions.

We commit ourselves to Indigenous justice, and we honor all Indigenous people who work tirelessly towards justice and healing.

(The American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California)

Confession & Forgiveness:

Prayer of Confession:

Leader: We turn our thoughts and our minds to the things that we have done or said that we need to turn over to God as we confess our mistakes. Please join with me.

Creative Holy One, you are filled with light and love. We try each day to keep your commandments. We find ourselves making mistakes. This doesn't mean that we are failures, but that at times we fail in our goals to love you and to love our neighbors. Help us to let go of guilt and shame. "Help us to take failing, not as a measure of our worth, but as a chance for a new start." We turn our mistakes over to you and ask that you forgive us. In the name of Jesus we pray. AMEN

Absolution: Jesus gifts us with forgiveness each time we ask. Your mistakes are forgiven by the grace of Jesus Christ. You can leave your guilt and shame in a dumpster. We now all can have a new start. AMEN

(CWE and the Book of Common Prayer)

Gathering Hymn**Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table****ACS #977**

1. Look who gath - ers at Christ's ta - ble!— Hear the sto - ries
 2. Clouds of light sur - round the ta - ble;— an - cient fol - low -
 3. Their sad stor - ies are re - peat - ed— in a thou - sand
 4. Bring your joy and bring your sad - ness,— and pre - pare to



that they bring. Some are weep - ing; some are laugh - ing—
 ers ap - pear, saints con - fess - ing how they wres - tle—
 dif - f'rent ways, but they share one thing in com - mon—
 be sur - prised by the host whose hands are wound - ed,—



some have songs they want to sing. Oth - ers ask why
 with their guilt, their doubt and fear. Pe - ter tells of
 they all end in thanks and praise for the host who
 who will o - pen wide your eyes when he bless - es



they're in - vit - ed, bur - dened by the wrong they've done
 his de - ny - ing Christ was ev - er in his sight;
 has in - vit - ed north and south and east and west
 bread and breaks it— truth and man - na from a - bove!—



Christ in - sists that all are wel - come.— There is room for ev' - ry - one.
 Paul re - lates his fruit - less ef - ferts— to ob - lit - er - ate the light.
 to con - verge a - round this tab - le, where all life is fed and blest.
 and then pass - es wine that wa - kens— in your heart the taste of love.

Pastoral 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.

Hymn of Praise - **Glory To God^f**



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and Peace to God's peo - ple on earth!

1. From the four winds here we gath - er to - geth - er
2. Je - sus of Naz - a - reth is now a - mong us
3. Called by the Spi - rit who gath - ers, en - light - ens

From our la - bors and stud - ies we now step a - way. For the
as we wel - come him in the least of these. Lov - ing
A com - mun - ion of saints stretch - ing far be - yond years. In -

gifts of cre - a - tion The breath that we're tak - ing
jus - tice and kind - ness, our hands turn to heal - ing
spir - ed, en - liv - ened, with hope for the fu - ture

We breathe in this grace and ex - hale our praise!
our feet now are ea - ger to fol - low his way!
The lives that we lead the praise we now bring!

Prayer of the Day

Holy God, we are thirsty. We long for a deep relationship with you.
Lead us to drink from the fountain of living water to quench our thirst.
As the patient Gardener, stimulate our life-nourishing fruits so that many may taste
and see your goodness and grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN. *(Mary Rickerd)*

Isaiah 55:1-9 (CEV)

If you are thirsty, come and drink water!
If you don't have any money, come, eat what you want!
Drink wine and milk without paying a cent.
Why waste your money on what really isn't food?
Why work hard for something that doesn't satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and you will enjoy the very best foods.
Pay close attention! Come to me and live.
I will promise you the eternal love and loyalty that I promised David.
I made him the leader and ruler of the nations; he was my witness to them.
You will call out to nations you have never known.
And they have never known you, but they will come running because I am Adonai,
the holy God of Israel, and I have honored you.
Turn to God! God can still be found.
Call out to God! The Holy One is near.
Give up your evil ways and your evil thoughts.
Return to Adonai, our God.
God will be merciful and forgive your sins.
God says: "My thoughts and my ways are not like yours.
Just as the heavens are higher than the earth,
my thoughts and my ways are higher than yours.

*(*** Adonai is the name of God that comes from "YHWH")*

L: Word of God, Word of Life

C: Thanks be to God

Psalm 63:1-8 (CEV) *Read Responsively*

L: You are my God. I worship you.

In my heart, I long for you, as I would long for a stream in a scorching desert.

C: I have seen your power and your glory in the place of worship.

L: Your love means more than life to me, and I praise you.

C: As long as I live, I will pray to you.

L: I will sing joyful praises and be filled with excitement like a guest at a banquet.

C: I think about you, God, before I go to sleep and my thoughts turn to you during the night.

L: You have helped me, and I sing happy songs in the shadow of your wings.

C: I stay close to you, and your powerful arm supports me.

1 Corinthians 10:1-15 (CEV)

Friends, I want to remind you that all our ancestors walked under the cloud and went through the sea. This was like being baptized and becoming followers of Moses. All of them also ate the same spiritual food and drank the same spiritual drink, which flowed from the spiritual rock that followed them. That rock was Christ. But most of them did not please God. So, they died, and their bodies were scattered all over the desert.

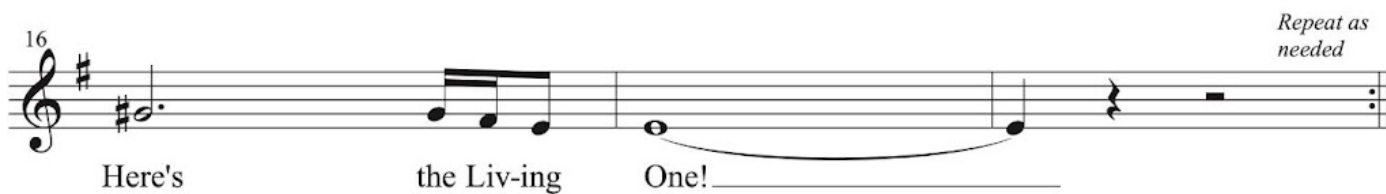
What happened to them is a warning to keep us from wanting to do the same evil things. They worshiped idols, just as the Scriptures say, "The people sat down to eat and drink. Then they got up to dance around." So, don't worship idols. Some of those people did shameful things, and in a single day about 23,000 died. Don't do shameful things as they did. And don't try to test Christ, as some of them did and were later bitten by poisonous snakes. Don't even grumble, as some of them did and were killed by the destroying angel. These things happened to them as a warning to us. All this was written in the Scriptures to teach us who live in these last days.

Even if you think you can stand up to temptation, be careful not to fall. You are tempted in the same way that everyone else is tempted. But God can be trusted not to let you be tempted too much, and God will show you how to escape from your temptations.

My friends, you must keep away from idols. I am speaking to you as people who have enough sense to know what I am talking about.

L: Word of God, Word of Life

C: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation**Living One[†]**
 **Shakers**


Gospel: Luke 13:1-9 (CEV)

About this same time Jesus was told that Pilate had given orders for some people from Galilee to be killed while they were offering sacrifices. Jesus replied:

Do you think that these people were worse sinners than everyone else in Galilee just because of what happened to them? Not at all! But you can be sure that if you don't turn back to God, every one of you will also be killed. What about those 18 people who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them? Do you think they were worse than everyone else in Jerusalem? Not at all! But you can be sure that if you don't turn back to God, every one of you will also die.

Jesus then told them this story:

A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard. One day he went out to pick some figs, but he didn't find any. So he said to the gardener, "For three years I have come looking for figs on this tree, and I haven't found any yet. Chop it down! Why should it take up space?"

The gardener answered, "Master, leave it for another year. I'll dig around it and put some manure on it to make it grow. Maybe it will have figs on it next year. If it doesn't, you can have it cut down."

L: This is the Holy Gospel

C: Praise to you, Christ

Kids Message

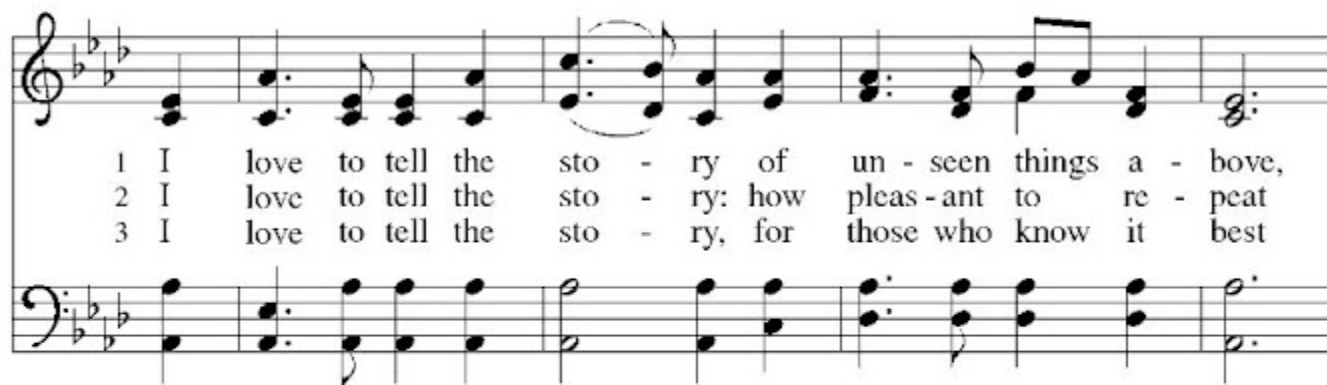
Sermon: Make like a Fig Tree and Leaf – *Mary Rickard*

BEARING FRUIT

A fig tree fruitless;
for three years unproductive
and yet given grace.

Repenting is not
saying "sorry" but living
a new fruitfulness.

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Hymn of the Day I Love to tell the Story***ELW #661***Please help us reduce waste and cost by finding this hymn in the red hymnal or the screens.*


1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst-ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long-ings as noth - ing else would do.
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

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Refrain

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry

to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God who is the creator of heaven and earth and all that makes up the universe. God is known to us in the scriptures, in the answers to our prayers and in the joy that we experience in the laughter of a child, in the kindness of a stranger and in the connections with other divine creations.

We believe in Jesus, who was God's gift to us.

He taught, healed, listened and showed compassion to all he met.

Some people were so afraid of him that they killed him.

God conquered death and resurrected Jesus from the dead.

Jesus is known to us in the scriptures and through others who teach, heal, listen and show compassion.

We believe in the Holy Spirit who is God among us.

The Spirit is known to us in the whispers of messages from God in our ear.

The Spirit speaks to us in dreams and in the work of helpers when we are in distress.

We can feel the Spirit at work when change is happening in our lives and opportunities arise. **AMEN** *(Connie Winter-Eulberg)*

Prayers of Intercession *(Mary Rickerd)*

Loving God,

In this house of prayer, we are refreshed by the living water of your Spirit.

We pray for the hungers and thirsts of the church, the earth, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Spirit of Redeeming Water,

May your church on earth, justified and reconciled through Jesus Christ, be bold in the proclamation of the Gospel. End divisions. Empower all who lead and all who minister. Nurture all who seek the living waters of baptism.

Respond to the spoken prayers with the following response:

Healing River,

Pour down Your waters and restore Your people.

Spirit of Creating Water,

In your hands are the depths of the earth and the seas.

Make us faithful inhabitants of this earth, caring for the waterways and their creatures. In our daily practices may we be mindful and protective of the aquifers of southern Idaho.

Healing River,

Pour down Your waters and restore Your people.

Spirit of Just and Fair Water,

Lead nations of the world away from evil toward the light of love and peace.

Bestow wisdom and understanding of justice to the governing authorities of our nation, our state of Idaho and the communities of the Treasure Valley.

Remind the wealthy and free to uplift the poor and oppressed.

Healing River,

Pour down Your waters and restore Your people.

Spirit of Life Water,

For the ability and will to supply food and sustenance to the world and access to your grace. End our hardness of heart for people we avoid, those we consider ungodly, weird, downtrodden, and enemies. Give sustaining drinks of your water of life to those who are thirsty for love, justice, and belonging.

Bring healing and peace for all who desire health, for those in mental or spiritual turmoil. Sustain all who care for them.

Healing River,

Pour down Your waters and restore Your people.

Spirit of Enlightening Water,

Lead King of Glory in service to others. Animate the faithful here with your promise and your presence so that we can, and will do, what is right and good and true. Guide our ministries of social justice and social action.

Healing River,

Pour down Your waters and restore Your people.

We give thanks for the witness and testimony of the saints who have gone before us into eternal life. Let us boast in the hope they have shared, a hope that does not disappoint us.

Healing River,

Pour down Your waters and restore Your people.

God beyond all we know, God inside the stranger, bring us to where you are.

Merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your steadfast love, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you all

And Also with you.

Offering -

Special Music: Mary Riedl - All Who are Thirsty, (Brenton Brown)

Offertory Song We Have This Treasure†

The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef, key of D major (two sharps), and common time (C). It consists of seven staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words underlined. The score includes a repeat sign at the beginning, a 'Fine' marking, and a 'D.S. al Fine' marking at the end.

We havethis__ trea - sure__ in break - a - ble ves - sels,__ We

have this__ trea - sure__ in jars made of clay__ We have this__ trea - sure__ in

hand-made con-tain - ers__ so it is__ clear__ that the pow-er__ be-longs to God__

1. We do not store up treas-ures__ on__ the earth__

Where moth and rust con-sume and thieves__ will steal__ Our great-est

gift is rest - ing safe in Je - sus,__ for where our

trea-sure is__ our hearts will al - so be.

D.S. al Fine

We

Offering Prayer

Faithful God, in this season of Lent, we remember your call to repentance and renewal.

We offer these gifts to bring hope and light.

We hear the call to new life as we pray in the name of Jesus.

Amen (Mary Rickerd)

Communion

(In consultation with Bishop Meggan Manlove, Wes Lewis has been authorized to preside over the Sacrament of Holy Communion this Sunday.)

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

Eucharistic Prayer

Pastor: Jesus, we are grateful for this meal and those around the world who are eating this same meal as their spiritual practice to remember what you did for us. In thanksgiving and remembrance, we ask you to bless this bread and wine. We share them together with all the Churches on earth and all the saints.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

God, you have reached out to us in this meal.

You have refreshed us at your table.

You supply our deepest needs.

Your love knows no boundaries.

You provide us with courage and joy in the name of Jesus Christ.

May we become bread and peace for one another and for the world. **AMEN**

(Flames of the Spirit pg. 105-6, edited by Connie Winter-Eulberg)

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Ho - san - na, save us now!_____

Ho - san - na, save us now!_____

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive
those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and
deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom and the power and the
glory are yours,
now and forever. AMEN

AMEN

Notre Pere

Notre Père, qui es aux cieux,
Que ton nom soit sanctifié,
Que ton règne vienne,
Que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre
comme au ciel.

Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de
ce jour.

Pardonne-nous nos offenses
Comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux
qui nous ont offensés.

Et ne nous laisses pas entrer en
tentation,
mais délivre-nous du mal.

Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne,
la puissance et la gloire, aux siècles des
siècles.

Amen

Invitation to the Table

Pastor: All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.

There are two communion stations for bread and wine. If gluten free, please ask for a GF wafer. Dip your bread into the wine (red) or grape juice (white), whatever makes you most comfortable.

Lamb of God[†]

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world, Lamb of

God, you take a-way the sin of the world, Have mer - cy, Lord, have mer -

cy! Have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy! Lamb of

cy! Grant us peace, grant us peace. Grant us peace, grant us peace. *Repeat as needed*

Communion Hymn**You Fill our Hunger[†]**

You fill our hun-ger You quench our thirst

so we can do the same for our neigh-bor, so we can do the same. *Repeat as needed*

Post Communion Blessing

May the God of patience and compassion, now send us out into a hurting world to share the healing and forgiveness we have been shown in the life of Jesus and confirmed by the Spirit within us. Let us go with God!

Amen (Mary Rickerd)

Prayer after Communion

Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us. Send us out to set tables of love in our community so that your liberating love may nourish the world to freedom. Keep us in your ways and guide us in your paths. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours.

Amen (*Mary Rickerd*)

Post Communion Hymn **Lord Let Your Servants[†]**

Lord, let your ser - vants go forth in peace

5 your word you've plan - ted deep in our souls.

9 Our eyes have seen the wond - rous sal - va - tion

13 which you pre - pared to make our world whole! You are the

18 light for the world that o - pens ev - e - ry eye You are the

22 hope of each heart, you wipe the tears all dry tears all dry

28 May we live in your ways: with our lives as your praise!

Worship Volunteers:**Greeters:** : Ron Nearman, Patty Larson**Ushers:** Becky & Jack Newberry**Lector:** Kurt Borm**Assisting Minister:** Joel Tompkins**AV Pilots,** Jim Rickerd, Dawn Lewis**Band:** Sam Alessi & Lawson Rocke**Preacher:** Mary Rickerd**Communion leader:** Wes Lewis**Church Staff:****Pastor:** Connie Winter-Eulberg**Director of Music:** Steve Eulberg**Custodian:** Charlene Etoka**Administrative Assistant:** Mary Riedl

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King of Glory
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Announcements

Sunday, March 23rd, 2025

THIS WEEK

PAVING OPERATIONS – Weather Dependent, our North Parking lot is scheduled to be fixed in the coming days. Please refrain from using the North parking lot until work is completed.

Passing of Paul Pfankuch: Pastor Paul Pfankuch died on Sunday, March 16 at 11:16 a.m. at his home. We pray for Pastor Paul's family - Wife, Bonita, Sons: Tim and Dan. Paul had a wonderful life as a leader in Outdoor Ministry at several ELCA camps. Paul was a faithful servant of Jesus Christ and had a great love to read and learn. He will be greatly missed. A Celebration of life will be held April 5 at 1:30 PM in the Sanctuary and Columbarium. Reception will follow.

ADULT EDUCATION - We all have experienced grief at one point or another in our life. Whether it is the death of a loved one or beloved pet, a relationship, a friendship or job. Navigating the grief can be bewildering and lonely, and can be cumulative, you may think that you have healed just to have it resurface. New grief, old grief, it's all grief. Tami McLaughlin-Husen, a Certified Grief Doula with 7 years of grief ministry experience, will lead a discussion sharing the 10 touchstones based on "Understanding Your Grief" by Alan Wolfelt. We will discuss topic such as understanding your grief, common misconceptions about grief and embrace the uniqueness of your grief. For more information contact Tami at tamimclaughlin18@yahoo.com.

LENT DEVOTIONAL Receive a musical devotional for Lent in your email Sundays and Wednesdays by signing up by scanning this QR code or email officekogboise@gmail.com for the link



TRANSPORTATION NEEDED Two of our Newest American members are in need of a ride to church from near the intersection of Overland and Latah in Boise. To help or get more information Please contact Sally Husted (208) 841-5937

ANTI-BIAS TRAINING There was great discussion last Sunday for the "Bias & Its Impact on Welcome" training, so Part 2 will be offered Today following worship in the library. Even if you weren't there on the 16th, you're welcome to come for this session. It's being offered by the Social Justice committee as another way that we can live into our commitment as a Reconciling in Christ congregation. One final session will be offered on Wednesday March 26th at 2:00pm over Zoom.

LENT MIDWEEK DULCIMER-FRIENDLY EVENING PRAYER
Register by scanning the QR code or email officekogboise@gmail.com for the link



LENT Wednesday 11AM WORSHIP at Immanuel Lutheran

707 W Fort Street, Join for 30-45 minutes of contemplative, experiential worship with song and Word.



Food on the 4th – TODAY! Thank you King of Glory and the Life Ahead group for your donations of food in February. We donated 46 pounds of food to the Meridian Foodbank. We also donated many egg cartons which they appreciate.



Free Meal -Saturday, March 29th

Menu: Corned Beef, Cabbage, red potatoes, carrots, green Jello salad. Ice cream sundaes for dessert. To help serve and clean up please come at 11:30am. All are invited to enjoy this meal served from 12:00pm-1:30pm

UPCOMING MONTHLY EVENTS:



Sandwich Sunday – April 13th

We always need deli meat, sliced cheese and soft margarine. Thank you to all who help assemble and donate! *Questions contact Val Bridges 208-440-1029*



OWL's- Tuesday, April 15th 11:30 AM

Location to be determined
We'd love for you to join us!

OTHER EVENTS & INFO:

Stay informed on Legislation The Social Justice committee receives an email each week from the coordinator of our local Interfaith Equality Coalition with updates on current bills being addressed. If you'd like to receive these emails in your inbox to stay informed and take action on the issues, please contact Gretchen Bingea (gretchen.bingea@gmail.com).

Ladies Spring Luncheon: Saturday May 3rd, 2025, 11 am – 2:00 pm \$15

Master Gardener and chairwoman of King of Glory's Community Garden Carolyn Watts will be speaking about what trees, shrubs, fruits & vegetables, and flowers grow best in the Treasure Valley.

Weekly Silent Prayer Vigil at Capitol Show love and support with the Interfaith Equality Coalition and friends each Wednesday for 30 minutes on the steps of the State Capitol building at noon. Our prayers and presence are important for all who are impacted by discriminatory legislation.

Rule Breakers Movie 4/17 6PM Join the Agency for New Americans at The Flicks on April 17th at 6 PM for a powerful evening of film and conversation! Rule Breakers tells the inspiring stories of Afghan women who defy expectations and forge their own paths. Stick around after the screening for a live panel \$15 per person Seating is Limited –
Purchase tickets here:



Craft & Fellowship, 3/25 at 1:30 PM We gather in the fellowship hall at 1:30. Bring your own project, or we have some for you to work on! Contact: Mary Kay Tinker.

SHROVE BREAKFAST THANK YOU! A BIG *THANK YOU!* to all who came to breakfast on March 2nd. Your generous donations raised just over \$1,000 for scholarships for King of Glory youth to attend camp. This will pay for many \$60 bus rides to/from camp OR 2 full weeks of camp for 4th grade and older. Donations are always appreciated as camp draws near. If you'd like to donate, please designate Luther Heights scholarship. **THANK YOU!**

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS.... More details on these announcements as well as additional information, events, and announcements can be found online at our website, <https://www.koglutheran.org/> or by joining our email list.

Need to add an announcement?-

Use the Church Center form, email, or call the Church Office officekogboise@gmail.com
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