KING OF GLORY LUTHERAN CHURCH Sunday December 7, 2025 Second Sunday of Advent



PRELUDE

Chiming of the Hours - Bell Choir

Welcome/Bonjour Bienvenue

Welcome Info

- -Remind online congregation members to gather items for worship
- candle, -celebratory (communion) food (cracker, bread, juice, water, whatever you have) bulletin from our website: koglutheran.org
- -Let us know you worshipped with us! Leave a comment on our social media, or email our church office at kglory@koglutheran.org

Please find the Red folder in your pews, write your name and pass it down the row. If you are a visitor please indicate that on the form and for those who would like more information please let us know on the form.

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that King of Glory Lutheran Church is built on the ancestral lands of the Shoshone-Bannock, Cayuse, Umatilla, Walla Walla and the Northern Paiute tribes. We acknowledge the people of these tribes, and we pay our respects to their elders, past and present. We commit to learning more about the history and culture of the people of these tribes.

(ELCA American Indian, Alaska Native & Trial Nations ELCA desk, Vance Blackfox and Pastor Connie Winter-Eulberg)

GATHERING

Confession & Forgiveness:

Leader: Most Merciful God,

We confess that left to our own devices we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, By what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart,

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of Jesus, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us

So that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways

Amen.

Pastor: I declare to each of you, that through the mercy and love of our Creator, and because of the actions of our Savior, Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven in the name of our Triune God.

AMEN

Gathering Hymn Prepare the Royal Highway

ELW #264

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Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Light One Candle

ELW #240 V 2

(Mary Rickerd)

Light and Peace in Jesus Christ our Lord.

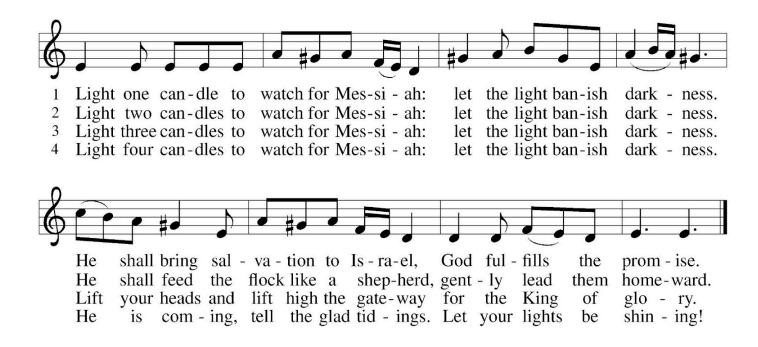
Thanks Be to God

Last Sunday we lit the candle of hope. Today we light the candle of peace. In the light of this candle, we are reminded that Jesus is the Prince of Peace. This peace is the sense of wellbeing that rests in relationship with the Messiah.

Let us Pray: We welcome your presence with the lighting of these candles. The flames bring warmth to our winter and fill this place with hope and peace. Transform our hearts to live in honesty and harmony with each other.

Peace is a light shining in a dark place.

We celebrate the peace we have in Jesus as we wait for the coming King. Amen.



Text: Wayne L. Wold, b. 1954

Music: TIF IN VELDELE, Yiddish folk tune Text © 1984 Fortress Press, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

Pastoral Greeting

L: "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all"

C: And Also With You

men.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A







Prayer of the Day (Mary Rickerd)

Leader: Let us Pray,

On the banks of the Jordan River John the Baptist confronted the crowds with a disturbing, life-changing message. He announced that the kingdom of God was nearby. He challenged the masses to change. Stimulate our hearts to prepare the way for the life-changing gift of the root of Jesse, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

<u>Isaiah 11:1-10</u> (NRSVUE)

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. ² The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. ³ His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see or decide by what his ears hear,

⁴ but with righteousness he shall judge for the poor and decide with equity for the oppressed of the earth;

he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

- ⁵ Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist and faithfulness the belt around his loins. ⁶ The wolf shall live with the lamb; the leopard shall lie down with the kid; the calf and the lion will feed together, and a little child shall lead them.
- ⁷ The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸ The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.
- ⁹ They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. ¹⁰ On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

L: Word of God, Word of Life

C: Thanks be to God

<u>Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19</u> <u>Read Responsively</u>

L: Please help the king to be honest and fair just like you, our God.

C: Let him be honest and fair with all your people, especially the poor.

L: Let peace and justice rule every mountain and hill.

C: Let the king defend the poor, rescue the homeless, and crush everyone who hurts them.

L: Let the king live forever like the sun and the moon.

C:Let him be as helpful as rain that refreshes the meadows and the ground.

L: Let the king be fair with everyone, and let there be peace until the moon falls from the sky.

C: Lord God of Israel, we praise you. Only you can work miracles.

L: We will always praise your glorious name.

C: Let your glory be seen everywhere on earth. Amen and amen.

Romans 15:4-13 (CEV)

And the Scriptures were written to teach and encourage us by giving us hope. ⁵ God is the one who makes us patient and cheerful. I pray that God will help you live at peace with each other, as you follow Christ. ⁶ Then all of you together will praise God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁷ Honor God by accepting each other, as Christ has accepted you. ⁸ I tell you that Christ came as a servant of the Jews to show that God has kept the promises God made to their famous ancestors. Christ also came, ⁹ so that the Gentiles would praise God for being kind to them. It is just as the Scriptures say,

"I will tell the nations about you, and I will sing praises to your name."

¹⁰ The Scriptures also say to the Gentiles, "Come and celebrate with God's people."

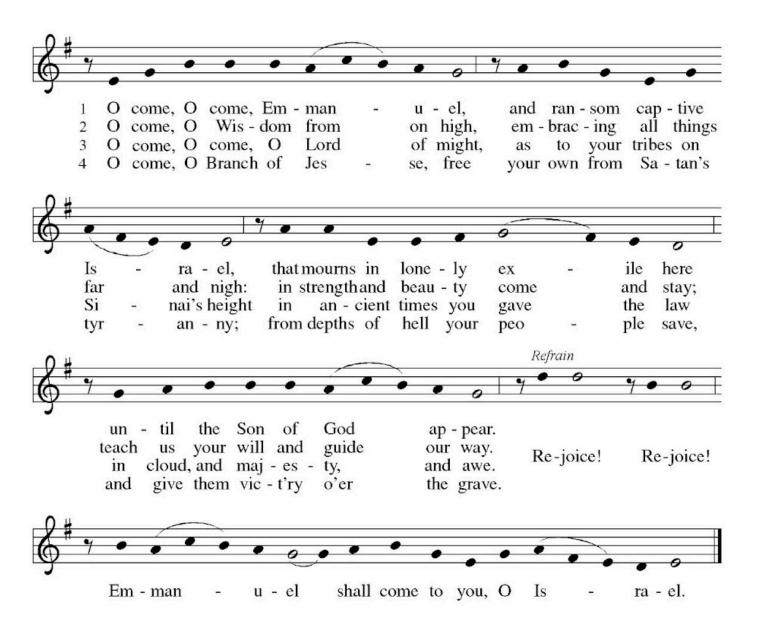
Again the Scriptures say, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles. All you nations, come and worship God." ¹² Isaiah says, "Someone from David's family will come to power. He will rule the nations, and they will put their hope in him." ¹³ I pray that God, who gives hope, will bless you with complete happiness and peace because of your faith. And may the power of the Holy Spirit fill you with hope. ¹⁴ My friends, I am sure that you are very good and that you have all the knowledge you need to teach each other. ¹⁵ But I have spoken to you plainly and have tried to remind you of some things. God treated me with undeserved grace!

L: Word of God, Word of Life

C: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation O Come, O Come Emmanuel V 3&4





Gospel: <u>Luke 3:7-18</u> (NRSVUE)

L: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the third chapter

C: Glory to You, Oh Christ

⁷ John said to the crowds coming out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? ⁸ Therefore, bear fruits worthy of repentance, and do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ⁹ Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

¹⁰ And the crowds asked him, "What, then, should we do?" ¹¹ In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none, and whoever has food must do likewise." ¹² Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" ¹³ He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." ¹⁴ Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages."

¹⁵ As the people were filled with expectation and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶ John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water, but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." ¹⁸ So with many other exhortations he proclaimed the good news to the people.

L: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Alleluia!

Children's Message

Sermon

Hymn of the Day Comfort, Comfort Now my People ELW #256

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Apostles Creed

Leader: We are called to be the Church and to proclaim Jesus crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. Join me in 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,
And is seated at the right hand of the Father,
And will come again 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 of Intercession (Mary Rickerd)

Let us Pray

In Advent, waiting and watching, we come to you God of Hope. We pray for the needs of the church, the world and all of creation *A brief silence*.

With wisdom and understanding,

Grant patience to your church as it waits for the fulfillment of your reign of justice and peace. We give thanks for leaders who inspire, guide and nurture in proclaiming Your Word in the world. Strengthen and sustain the ministries of Bishop Curry, Bishop Meggan, Pastor Mark

Congregation respond to each prayer with:

Come O Come Emmanuel, May the world know your love and peace

With counsel and might,

Nurture and protect creatures and plants that rest in dormancy.

Provide warmth and safe shelter in the cold and damp weather

Come O Come Emmanuel, May the world know your love and peace

With righteousness and faithfulness,

Raise up prophets who communicate the power of your kingdom as did John the Baptist. Guide the deliberations of all government agencies. May they recognize the impact of their actions. We pray for the ministries of Global Relief and Lutheran Disaster Response that reach out to communities devastated by natural disasters. Provide resources of support as they recover and rebuild their lives.

Come O Come Emmanuel, May the world know your love and peace

With devotion and encouragement,

Nurture this community of faith. Encourage and generate joy, and give us insight and patience during this interim period. Fortify our faith that we may walk into the future with courage and excitement. We do not know where we are going but we know your love is supporting us. Inspire us to exercise grace and hospitality toward our neighbors and friends. Yes! We do want to befriend strangers and antagonists, showing no judgment or partiality.

Come O Come Emmanuel, May the world know your love and peace

With welcome and hospitality,

We rejoice that we have been created to praise you. Lift our shared ministries and outreach to overcome that which divides. In acts of repentance, reconciliation, and restitution, we are anxious to serve in the way of Christ

Come O Come Emmanuel, May the world know your love and peace

With joy and peace,

We rejoice that all who die in Christ are raised to new life.

Thank you for the lives of those who have prepared the way for us in the great cloud of witnesses. Their memory reinforces our confidence to be faithful to you.

Come O Come Emmanuel, May the world know your love and peace

Be born again in our hearts and in our world.

Come, Jesus, come. We are ready!

Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you all **And Also with you.**

MEAL

Offering Bell Choir Anthem, Infant Holy Infant Lowly



Offering Prayer (Mary Rickerd)

Leader: Let us pray,

Emmanuel, hear our prayer! May these gifts produce fruits of justice and compassion, hospitality and peace, to support and bring relief to our community and to the world. May our gifts clear a path for hope to be seen and shared. In the name of the one who is coming and is already among us. **Amen**.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

And Also with you.

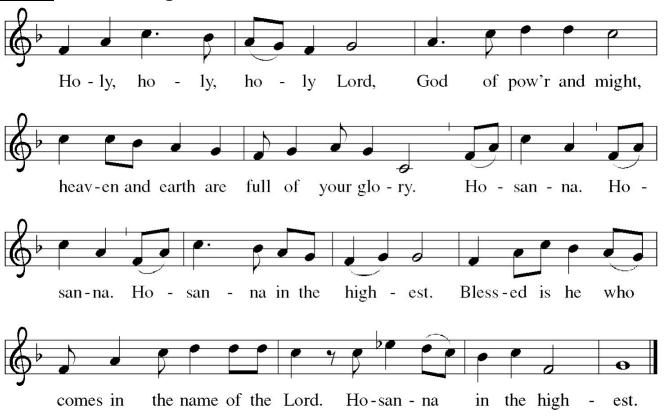
Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise

Holy Holy -ELW Setting 3



Eucharistic Prayer

(Catholic Diocese of Manchester, New Hampshire)

God, because you love us, you gave us this great and beautiful world. Because you have great love for us, you sent us your son, Jesus. Because Jesus came to live among us we can see that he was sent to be the friend of children and adults, and of the poor and wealthy alike. Jesus came to show us how we can love you, O God, by loving each other.

In the night that Jesus was turned in to the authorities, Jesus was at supper with his disciples. Jesus took the bread, blessed it and broke it and said, "Take and eat, this is my body given for you. Eat this bread and remember me." When supper was ended, Jesus took the cup that was filled with wine, he gave thanks, gave it to his friends, and said: "Drink of this and remember me."

Each time that we eat of this meal, we remember the love, compassion, forgiveness and healing that you give us Jesus. **AMEN**

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today 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, the power, and the
glory are yours,
Now and forever. 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 offences 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

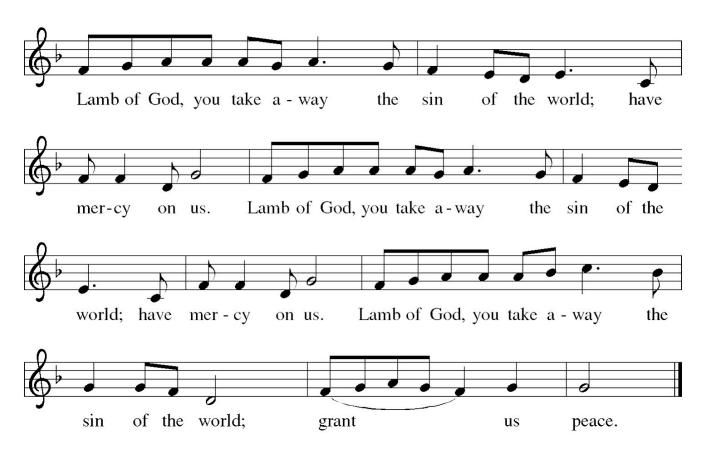
Invitation to the Table

Pastor: This table is not King of Glory's table, or even a Lutheran table. This table is God's table, and Christ is our host. Christ welcomed all, and we do the same. All are welcome to participate.

The meal is prepared and all are welcome to the feast. Come and be fed.

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: ELW Setting 3



Post Communion Blessing

SENDING

Prayer after Communion (Mary Rickerd)

Let us pray,

Nourishing God, You are water in the wilderness and streams in the desert. Thank you for feeding us at your table. You have satisfied the parched places in our lives. Send us with enthusiasm to share the feast, welcome the stranger, and bear good fruit. In the name of Jesus. **Amen**

Announcements

Benediction (Mary Rickerd)

Advent people:

Outside these walls the world needs peace.

First, let peace live in our hearts.

Then, let us share the peace of Christ this week:

We will act out of compassion and not fear.

We will listen to all sides of the story.

We will pray for the needs of the world.

God is in us as Advent people of peace.

Amen and Amen. So be it!

AMEN



Text: African American spiritual, refrain; John W. Work Jr., 1872–1925, stanzas, alt. Music: GO TELL IT, African American spiritual

Dismissal

Go in Peace, Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God!

Allez en paix, vivez par l'Esprit.

Dieu soit loué.

Postlude

Worship Volunteers:

Greeters: Mark Drew & Shirley Engerbretson

Ushers: Dan Price & Abigail Spencer

Lector: Mary Rickerd

Assisting Minister: Shirley Dodson

Children's Message: Andrea Lau **AV Pilots**: Becky Newberry, Wes Lewis

Band: Philip Miller, Sam Alessi, Jorgen Vaage,

Lawson Rocke,



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Music Directors: Krista Jo & Philip Miller

Custodian: Charlene Etoka

Administrative Assistant: Mary Riedl

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King of Glory Announcements

Sunday, December 7th 2025

FRONT PAGE NEWS

No Adult Education 12/7 Navigating the Holidays - resumes 12/14 Holiday Cheer is in the air but it is not always a happy time for everyone - especially if you have experienced changes in your life or the loss of a loved one. Grief can be a response to a death, change in relationship, or change in circumstances. Join Tami Mclaughlin-Husen as we navigate the holidays together with conversation, support, and sharing tools about how to deal with challenges that arise during the holiday season.

12/7 - Today - Adult Ed - Special! Social Media's impact on Christian

Nationalism Mary Riedl is giving a presentation after worship on 12/7 for her Seminary class *History 2: From Reformers to Present*. Pulling from information she has learned in class, and Drew Strait's recent seminar, she will share a small amount of information about a huge topic. Our social media and news consumption, and its algorithms have contributed to the rise of Christian Nationalism. Learn some of the dangers, how to resist, and what we can do. Thank you for your support in completing this required assignment.

Thank You from the Social Justice Committee! A big thank you to those who donated to the Reconciling in Christ sign, replacing the banner out front that was vandalized in October. With money from the Social Justice committee budget line and the added contributions, we were able to purchase a sturdier metal sign from a local business. We will not be intimidated by cowardly acts of hatred as we stand strong as a welcoming congregation to all.

Office Closure 12/11 There will be no in-person office hours on December 11, 2025. In case of emergencies, email and voicemail will be checked throughout the day

Christmas Eve Volunteers Needed We need volunteers for several positions during our Christmas Eve Worship services this year. If you can greet, usher, read scripture, or serve as the assisting minister please contact our church office. See the usher schedule in the office hallway, usher stand or online for specifics about available positions.

New Contact Information for Finance! To get a hold of Carolyn Jean, our Treasurer, there is a new email address for you to use: finance@koglutheran.org. We are working on streamlining our communication channels to make it easier for you to know when it's someone from church contacting you. If you have questions, please contact our church office.

Interfaith Sack Lunch December 9 Come join other people of faith for lunch and informal conversation. Bring your own lunch and a friend. Tuesday December 9, 12:00-1:00 PM Hillview United Methodist Church, 8525 Ustick Rd, Boise Questions? Contact Debbie Mallis debbiemallis@gmail.com

Safe Family Parent Café – December 8th The second Monday of each month, King of Glory hosts Parent Café, a fun space for parents to listen, learn, talk, and support each other. Dinner and Check in begins at 5:30, the Café program goes from 6PM to 7:45PM Call 208-509-2431 for more information

Help Decorate the Church! We have a tradition of placing Creche scenes throughout our narthex. You may see that some are already in the narthex! If you'd like to loan your creche for viewing, please let our office, Nicki Tompkins (208-870-2819), or Patty Larson know. You can take your creche home on 12/21/25 after worship, so that it is in your own home for Christmas!

UPCOMING MONTHLY EVENTS



Food on the 4th – NOW FOOD FOR FRIENDS

We are now accepting weekly donations to help those affected by the government shutdown. Anyone who is food insecure is welcome to take what is needed and the rest will be brought to local agencies that feed the hungry.



Sandwich Sunday, December 14th In November, ten volunteers were able to help make around 350 Sandwiches for the River of Life. 40 loaves of bread into over 350 sandwiches. We need deli meat and cheese for December. Questions contact Val Bridges 208-440-1029.



OWL's-Tuesday, December 16th 11:30 AM

Idaho Pizza Company, 405 E Fairview, Meridian. We'd love for you to join us



Free Meal - Saturday, December 20th

Menu: Ham, au gratin potatoes, dessert, and more! To help serve and clean up please come at 11:30am. All are invited to enjoy this meal served from 12:00pm-1:30pm



Book Club: January 3 9:30 AM Join us on Zoom or in the library to join the discussion of "The Wide Wide Sea: imperial ambition, first contact and the fateful final voyage of Captain James Cook"

OTHER EVENTS & INFO:

Annual Meeting Preparations have begun! There are a number of openings on King of Glory Standing Committees (Columbarium, Mission Endowment and Nominating) as well as Church Council and the newly forming Call Committee (part of the Interim Process). When approached, please prayerfully consider these opportunities to further the ministries at King of Glory

Join our Social Justice Committee at Soldiers of Song Dec 10

Ryan Smith's documentary film Soldiers of Song is a moving testament to the unflinching efforts of Ukraine's most iconic musicians to unite their war-torn nation through the healing power of music. The objective of this event is to raise funds to expand our ability to offer safe and restorative summer camps to more Ukrainian children. All donations are tax-deductible.

Email Scammers Continue! We need to constantly be on guard against scammers trying to solicit our generous church members (YOU!) for gift cards or donations. Scammers are getting smarter about what their emails look like, and they are looking more and more like official emails from our church. Please do not respond to emails that seem off, instead contact our church office via telephone 208-377-0220, or through kglory@koglutheran.org. Email and voicemail are checked for emergencies regularly, even when the office is closed. Please contact our office if you have questions about how to recognize fraudulent emails.

Contact Info for our Music Directors Trying to get a hold of KJ or Philip about Music/Choir/Bell Choir? Their email address is music@koglutheran.org. They'd love to hear from you!

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS... More details and additional announcements can be found online at our website, https://www.koglutheran.org/ or by joining our email list. Church Office In-Person Hours: Mon-Thurs 9AM – 3PM. Available via email Fridays 9AM – 3PM

