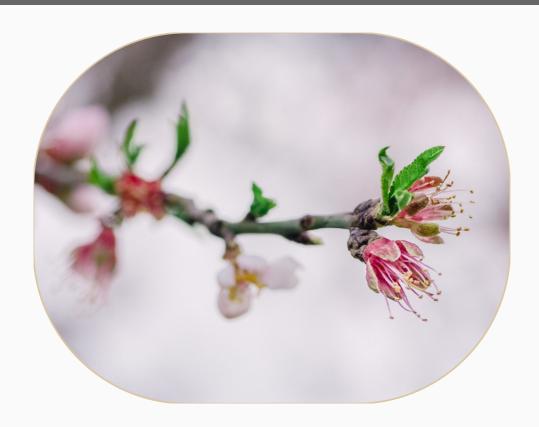
# MARCH 2023 NEWSLETTER



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#### **Church Council**

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# Worship in Person & Online

**SUNDAY 10:00 AM** 

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## **Council Connections**

#### **Council Actions and Information**

#### 2023 Annual Meeting

On January 29, 2023 King of Glory met for the 2023 Annual Meeting. The meeting was hybrid with members attending in the Sanctuary and via a live Zoom connection. Items of business included electing candidates nominated by the Nominating Committee. Elected by acclamation for the Columbarium Board: Jim and Lynda Cambron; Mission Endowment Committee: Stan Fornander; Synod Assembly Lay Delegates: Nick Tinker and Ian Tompkins. A written ballot was required for the election of three Council members to fill three open positions: Paterne Narand, Becky Newberry, Greg Olson, Joel Tompkins. Because this was a hybrid meeting, there was a delay in the results of the election so that the electronic ballots could be included with the written ballots cast by those attending in person. Elected to the council: Fabrice Narand, Becky Newberry and Joel Tompkins.

In other business, the 2023 King of Glory budget submitted by the Finance Committee, and approved by the Council, was approved unanimously by the congregation.

Mary Rickerd, KOG President, updated the congregation on the LEAP project proposal, explaining why the anticipated, and previously announced, vote on the project was postponed.

## **Council Connections**

#### 2023 King of Glory Council

The King of Glory Council met February 13, welcoming the three newly elected members to the Council: Paterne Narand, Becky Newberry and Joel Tompkins. They join Dwayne Gjoraas, Matt Lee, Dan Price, Mary Rickerd, Katie Vaage, and Pastor Connie. Carolyn Jean Smith continues as Treasurer. Elected as officers of the congregation: Becky Newberry President; Dan Price, Vice President; Joel Tompkins, Secretary. The position of Treasurer is elected by the congregation and serves in an ex-officio capacity on the council. Thank you for your prayer support for these congregational leaders.

#### Masking

A continuing item of business on the monthly council agenda for the past year has been review of safe behavior related to pandemic issues. In consideration of Ada County's caseloads of Covid, RSV and flu, the policy of wearing masks will continue to be "highly encouraged" but not required. Thank you for your efforts the past year to enable this community of faith to be together in-person.

#### King of Glory 60th Anniversary

The 60th Anniversary Task Force continues to meet. Watch for displays and celebratory events throughout the year.

## 60th Celebration

King of Glory is celebrating its 60th birthday in 2023! It will be a year-long celebration.
You are invited!

A 60th Task Force has met several times coming up with great ideas and enthusiasm for a special year.

Rather than a sequence of planned events, the celebration will feature displays set up in the Fellowship Hall of "memories" for you to enjoy, articles throughout the year in the newsletter, interviews on our website, and a CornFeed Party on the lawn in August. WELCA is working on a 60th Anniversary cookbook and is soliciting your favorite family recipes. There are also plans to develop a pictorial membership directory.

Do you have memories that would be special to share? Mary Kay Tinker is preparing interviews and stories. Do you have photos? Lisa Kraft or Nicki Tompkins are preparing photo displays. Gabrielle Applequist is collecting correspondence from members who have moved away and will be happy to make copies to share.

Thank you for your interest! Stay tuned for more "celebration" details.

## 60th Celebration

#### KING OF GLORY MEMORIES

#### November 11, 1962:

West Boise Lutheran Church held its first worship service at Koelsch Elementary School on Curtis Road with Mission Developer Pastor H. Stanley Holman. 37 were in attendance.

#### November 3, 1963:

Church.

Organization was officially completed when 72 charter members adopted a constitution and elected their first council. Baptized children and young people brought the total membership to 134.

First order of business was to change the name "officially" to King of Glory Evangelical Lutheran

#### Elected to the first church council:

James Hemphill, Frank Marineau, Roscoe Moore, Leo Alftin, Harold Koch, Reuben Larsen, William Gurley, Donald Irving and William Rowland.

## 60th Celebration

#### Church Cookbook

In celebration of King of Glory's 60th Anniversary Celebration, WELCA is planning on publishing a Church Cookbook.

Submit favorite family and those children's recipes soon! Two ways to submit your recipes:

- 1. Visit TypenSave.com user name KOGEATS password eggs487
- 2. Forms will be available in the Narthex to handwrite your favorite recipes. When completed would you put them in Carol Belangee's Church Mailbox.

#### Birthday Bingo

Bingo is postponed until Sunday, April 16th (the week after Easter.) Please contact Katie Vaage to volunteer.

Save the Date: Sunday August 27th
for a "Welcome Home Cornfeed" celebration

## Church Groups

## Youth Sunday School

Sunday school will be at 11:00, after the church service. Age 3 to grade 6

## The Gather Magazine Womens' Bible Study

All women who enjoy the Gather Magazine are invited to our renewed study for fun, fellowship, refreshments and, of course, the monthly Bible Study. If you don't subscribe to the Gather Magazine, no worries. There will be copies of the current study available for your use.

So, please mark your calendars for the fourth Monday of each month at 2:30 and join us. If you have any

questions, please contact: Patty Larson at (208) 863–9760 Pat Phelps at (208) 890–0706

GATHER SCHEDULE AND LOCATION:

MARCH 27 - IMMANUEL

APRIL 24 - KOG

MAY 22 - IMMANUEL

\*NO STUDY IS HELD

THROUGHOUT THE

SUMMER.

## **Christian Life Study Group**

March 6th & 20th 1:00 PM via Zoom

### **OWLS**

In February, we had 21 OWLS enjoy lunch at Applebee's. It was a very nice gathering and Gary Derr's daughter did an excellent job waiting on us. In March, the OWLS will be meeting on Tuesday, March 21 at 11:30 at Casa Mexico which is in the shopping center on the northeast corner of Fairview and Five Mile Road. See you all then.

## WELCA

King of Glory's WELCA is excited to start 2023 on a wonderful and positive foot. We have met our philanthropies locally, nationally and world wide. We are so fortunate, with the support of King of Glory, to be able to help support many and various efforts. As we look forward to upcoming months, WELCA has several items on the docket that include all members of King of Glory:

SPRING LUNCHEON The annual Spring Luncheon will be held at 12:00 Saturday, April 22nd. Our program will be a presentation from our local Days for Girls chapter with Charlene Etoka providing her personal experience and perspective on the goals of Days for Girls. Ticket sales (\$10.00 each) will commence Sunday, March 19th. Please invite friends and family to a very delicious, fun and educational afternoon. WELCA invites all New American women and girls to attend the Spring Luncheon at no cost. Transportation will be provided so please sign up for carpooling.

\*\*\*\*See the carpooling sign-up sheet on the WELCA bulletin board by the copy room.\*\*\*\*

LITTLE LIBRARY As we continue to be caretakers of the Little Library, it has become apparent that we are low on particular items to restock the library. Those items in need are Elementary Chapter Books, Middle and Senior High Books. As you clean out closets and shelves this coming Spring, please consider donating these types of books to the overflow bins located by the Fellowship Hall.

## WELCA

**CRAFT DAYS** We invite anyone interested in working on crafts to gather at 10:00 on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Ideas and materials are provided, but you may work on your personal creations, as well.

KING OF GLORY COOK BOOK This year is the 60th Anniversary of King of Glory Lutheran Church. As we celebrate this milestone, WELCA will be publishing a church cookbook. We invite you to please share recipes of your culinary delights by two methods: 1. Manually by submitting your recipe written on a form located in your mail box, or 2. Electronically by following the guidelines soon to come to a newsletter near you. Recipes can be submitted from now until mid-June, when they all will be published for distribution. Please consider submitting any historical aspects that may be relevant to the cookbook along with your recipes.

**LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS** The family of King of Glory has the opportunity to gather for a simple soup supper prior to the Lenten Services beginning Wednesday, March 1. Supper will begin at 6:00 with the service scheduled to begin at 7:00. Please be open to bringing a pot of soup, when asked, and coming for a fabulous opportunity for fellowship!! SEE YOU ALL THERE!!!

## **Adult Education**

King of Glory is offering the following adult education opportunities on Sundays at 11:15 am.

March 5 What Did Christ Do On The Cross? How Does My Understanding Of Christ On the Cross Guide How I Live My Life?

Presented by Pastor Connie

March 12 Entering the Passion of Jesus
Presented by Mary Rickerd

March 19 Entering the Passion of Jesus, part 2
Presented by Mary Rickerd

March 26 Tools and Resources To Reach Out and Care For Our Church Members & Neighbors

Presented by Pastor Connie

On the Sunday's after Easter, Bill Amos will present classes on the early church that formed immediately after Christ's ascension.

## **Adult Education**

ENTERING THE PASSION OF JESUS: A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO HOLY WEEK, a study by Dr. Amy-Jill Levine follows Jesus' last days as told in the four Gospels digging into history and literature of the last days of Jesus' life. These are stories of risk and these are stories of meaning for us.

You are invited to join Mary Rickerd during the Adult Forum March 12 and 19 in discussing 2 days of that week:

The triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem on Sunday starts Passion Week. Was this a planned parade? Was there another parade? What were the risks to Jesus and his followers?

Once inside the city of Jerusalem Jesus enters the Temple. Known as the "cleansing of the temple" we see Jesus exhibiting interesting behavior. Did righteous anger overcome Jesus? Was this behavior warranted? On Thursday evening Jesus celebrates the Passover with his friends in a last meal before his betrayal. Jesus is giving up his life and he wants that to be remembered.

After supper, Jesus and his friends leave the upper room and go to the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus is betrayed. Jesus has predicted his death and the time for the road to the cross has come. Jesus does not want the disciples fighting for him and he wants no one injured.

In every good story, there is history and there is risk. This will be a rich and challenging discussion.

(A Note: 3 years ago this class was begun with the first session. Then the church was locked because of Covid 19. Now we finish the discussion!)

## Community

### Sandwich Sunday

#### March 12th

We will be needing all Sandwich Supplies which would include, deli meats, sliced cheese and tubs of soft margarine to fulfill the goal of making forty loaves of bread into sandwiches for the Boise Rescue Mission.

#### Food on the Fourth

#### March 26, 2023

Social Ministry has coordinated a project to benefit the hungry in our community called "Food on the Fourth". We are offering bags that we ask, as you are able, to fill and return on the 4th Sunday of each month which we will donate to the Rescue Mission and local food banks.

## Community



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ALL ARE WELCOME!

JANUARY 28 MARCH 25 APRIL 29 MAY 27 JUNE 24

JULY 29 FEBRUARY 25 AUGUST 26 SEPTEMBER 30 OCTOBER 28 NOVEMBER 18 DECEMBER 16



SATURDAYS - 2023

If you would like to donate ingredients for the meal, we will be posting a list of items on the bulletin board that you can purchase so you can support the free meal this way. All ingredients must be to the church by 2 PM the Friday before the free meal. Thanks to all who support this ministry.

The February free meal was a big success. We served or sent home 64 meals. It was a good thing we had 70 chicken thighs so we didn't run out of food. The dessert was amazing. We had pies and more pies (chocolate macadamia nut, lemon meringue, blueberry, strawberry, cherry, and key lime). All thanks to Nancy Cormier and her granddaughter, Jessie, Sharon Grove, and Diane Weber. There were only a few pieces left. Our next free meal will be on March 25 and will be one of the favorites: corned beef, cabbage, red potatoes, and carrots. We will have an ice cream Sunday bar for dessert. For those who want to help cook, please be there at 9am. Servers can come at 11:30. Thank you to all who donate food for these meals and/or their time. The signup sheet to donate food will be on the bulletin board by the Fellowship Hall.

# Partners in Ministry

# Civic Life and Faith - Coming in April and May on Zoom

How are we as Lutheran Christians called to civic engagement, including in the arenas of government and political life? What is the proper relationship of the church with government, and what is not? What does religious liberty actually include? What are our scriptural and confessional resources for probing such questions about civic life? After Easter, April 9, Pastor Meggan Manlove will lead a six-session Zoom series on "A Study Curriculum on Civic Life and Faith." Date and time TBD. Please contact her at prmanlove.trinitynampa@hotmail.com if you would like to learn more or might be interested in participating.

## **Luther Heights**

Registration opens February 5th for all summer programming, including youth camps and retreats for all ages!

Register online at www.lutherheights.org.

Join our Crew! Luther Heights is hiring motivated, faith-filled young adults for summer positions. Serve a week, two, or the whole summer in the mountains! Find out more at www.lutherheights.org.

# **Birthdays**

- 3/2 ORNELLA BOINDE
- 3/2 ROXANN JENSEN
- 3/3 REBECCA MEYER
- 3/3 CLAIRE VAAGE
- 3/3 ERIK VAAGE
- 3/4 GLEN LAUSHMAN
- 3/7 CATHY INGLE
- 3/9 JAMES CUPPS
- 3/11 CYRIAQUE BONDEDJOUN
- 3/11 WENDY DILLON
- 3/11 D'HAVILLA DJASSERA
- 3/11 GREYSEN MCGHIE
- 3/11 ALEC SARRAZOLLA
- 3/13 LYNNE MEMADJI LE ALLAH
- 3/14 ETHAN MILLER
- 3/17 BARBARA BLASCH
- 3/17 JOANNE TEMPLE
- 3/18 NEEMA ETOKA
- 3/18 DWAYNE GJORAAS
- 3/18 RICHARD GREENUP
- 3/19 PAULINE ALESSI
- 3/20 DALE KNITTEL
- 3/21 MICAH DREW
- 3/23 JOHN JOHNSON
- 3/23 BONITA PFANKUCH
- 3/24 JONATHAN WARGO
- 3/27 KURT BORM
- 3/27 LISA DEAN-ERLANDER
- 3/28 MARTHA PALMER
- 3/29 FRANCESCA JOHNSON
- 3/30 CHAROLETTE EINFALT
- 3/30 DONNA GROTH

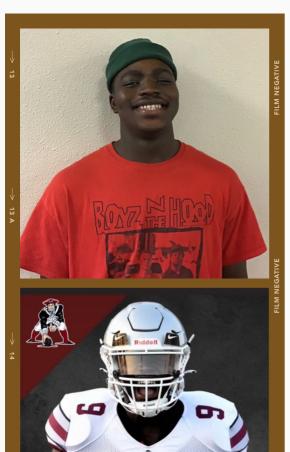
## **Anniversaries**

3/10 ROBERTA & JAMES CUPPS

3/18 JEANETTE & JOHN WALLACE

3/26 STEPHEN & SANDY LIESKE

# Achievements and Accomplishments



#### **Special Invite**

Fabrice Ndaitouroum was one of 26 junior football players invited to spend the day at Boise State University. They learned about the Boise State football program including academics, facilities, stadium, weight room and more. The coaching staff made everyone (including the 4 younger siblings) feel very welcome. Wish Fabrice a great fall season as a senior at Centennial High School.

#### State Champion

Congratulations to Ornella Kero on her state championship title in girl's wrestling! On February 25th she won her final round match over a competitor from Coeur d'Alene, Idaho in the 152 pound weight class. She has worked very hard toward reaching this goal in her senior year at Boise High School.

Way to go Ornella!!

You are invited to send us shout outs for achievements and accomplishments of our fellow King of Glory members. Most people do not like to "toot their own horns", but many folks are doing good things in their schools, jobs and communities. Send a short blurb about the member and include a photo if you have one.



## **Boise Valley Habitat for Humanity**

## Salima's Story

https://hfhboise.org/blog/salimas-story

Salima's siblings were outside building a snowman. With their laughter forming a joyful backdrop, she was inside the house taking a call from Trinity College, receiving the news that she had just been awarded a scholarship. This moment in time captures the dream Asukulu and Charlene, Salima's parents, had for their children: a safe place where life was celebrated, where education was emphasized, and where love abounded.

That's the dream every Habitat for Humanity family has – an affordable home that forms the foundation from which their children's potential could be fulfilled.

Asukulu and Charlene helped to build and then purchased their Habitat home in 2005. Immigrants from Congo, they escaped the Second War of Congo. They did not want to leave, but, after experiencing the painful deaths of close family members to the war, they knew, for the safety of their children, they had to leave.

They spent a year in California in a crowded resettlement community and then learned about Idaho's commitment to being a safe and welcoming place for immigrants and refugees. Though they knew nothing about Idaho, they soon learned that, despite being one of the few African families in the city at the time, Boise was a safe place to raise a family.

"Imagine all of us leaving our friends, the language we spoke, and ending up in Boise, which we didn't even know how to find on a map," Salima says. "But we showed up and just said we're going to do what we need to do. So, we show up every day. My parents would show up at work. I would show up at school and in the community. We did that." Salima has said that their home – and her life and the lives of her siblings – were built on the backs of her parents. Despite being educators in Congo (Asukulu was a school principal and Charlene a teacher), to provide for their family her mother took a job working at an assisted living facility and her father worked as a custodian for Boise School District. They worked hard, long hours to ensure their children experienced stability and safety.

"Home is where my father would come to every night at 11pm, exhausted, because he had just spent eight hours providing for us. And my mother would prepare dinner for us before she left for work. As I got older, I would set dinner for my siblings. Our success was truly built on their backs. I would sometimes ask, why am I setting dinner or planning game or movie nights for my siblings? But it was just the circumstances we found ourselves in. And, thankfully, we had this safe home."

While Asukulu and Charlene embraced being Americans (they became citizens after arriving in Boise), they also loved their African culture. Asukulu says that in African culture home is something that protected family – a place where children learned the values of becoming good people, and, in their home, where education was placed at a premium.

While her parents worked hard to create a home, being the oldest, much was asked of Salima. She cherished the play times with her siblings, the laughter and joy they felt in being together in the safety of their living room or in their back yard. She also set the standard as a role model, working hard in school to the point where she received a full scholarship to Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut; and later she earned a Master's in Public Policy with a concentration in International and Global Affairs from Harvard Kennedy School. She is currently the Chief of Staff for Center for NYC Neighborhoods in New York City. Growing up in a Habitat home, Salima brings unique depth to her role in helping homeowners navigate the housing labyrinth in America's largest city.

"She brings so much insight into the homeowner experience, how we program step-by-step to make an impact." Says Christie Peale, Executive Director for NYC Neighborhoods. "She has a unique gift for seeing the wholistic picture while having intimate knowledge of the mechanics. She walks the walk. It's not just words, it's action. She is very generous with her advice. She wants others to benefit from her experience."

That experience was wrought from the unique journey Salima's family had taken. It wasn't easy. Unlike those families designated as refugees, Asukulu and Charlene entered the U.S. as immigrants, which meant they were not eligible for the wrap-around services available to refugees. While often they felt like they had to do it on their own, they weren't alone. Asukulu had befriended a man from Ethiopia, Tesfaye, whose family had been in their Habitat home for a couple of years. He shared details of the program, and then Asukulu and Charlene pursued the Habitat opportunity – and were accepted into the program.

"As new Americans there was no way we would qualify for a house," Salima says. "There's no way that would have been possible. But with Habitat it was possible. My parents have always paid their mortgage and they've been able to build credit. And I think for me now, working in housing and understanding the challenges people face, I can be effective in affecting change. Hearing from the people we serve that are directly affected is important because I think it is great to give people a voice and to understand that we sit in a position of being able to do something about it."

This positive attitude Salima demonstrates every day in her work was formed early in her life. It is often said that one of the materials used to build a Habitat for Humanity home can't be found on a project spreadsheet or on the back of a flatbed truck. That material is love – and it is love that formed the foundation of the home that Asukulu and Charlene built for their five children.

"You get opportunity to improve yourself," Charlene says. "And then blessings come behind that and transforms."

This wisdom permeated their household. During the Habitat journey this family were immersed into the Habitat experience first-hand as members of their church, regular Habitat volunteers, and groups of people they had never met came together to build their home. "I have people from our church and others who will say 'I painted your room, or they helped install our kitchen'. This has given me the opportunity to see the impact Habitat has had on our lives, and the lives of others. And now I want other families to have the same opportunities that I have experienced."

Early in the Habitat journey, Asukulu's friend Tesfaye told him, "This is land from God for you. This is your village. This is your home. Keep faith."

That encouragement has stayed with Asukulu and Charlene for nearly two decades. They never took for granted the blessings that came with the Habitat opportunity, and they set good examples for the work that would be required to become successful. That began with education. With Salima's journey as a model, each of their children have seen success. Lena, their second oldest, graduated from Occidental College in California and works at a charter school; Therese graduated from University of Maryland and works as a communications associate for a nonprofit; Neema is currently attending the University of Southern California; and youngest child, Ruth, is a high school senior in Boise and wants to study business in college.

For Salima, this piece of the American Dream goes back to that snow day when she received the call from Trinity College. "Looking back on that day, I think about those three kids. They're outside playing as they should as children. I'm in the house getting this opportunity that would change where I would go in life. And my parents, I know they can breathe a sigh of relief because they know that their kid is going to university and it's not going to cost anything because of the scholarship.

"And so, they provided us with a home and a sense of stability. And what's important to me is that, while my apartment in Brooklyn is my home now, my (true) home in Boise is still there – and when I speak of home it is where my parents continue to live."

Her father sums up all of this by saying that "If in yourself you are a good person you will do good things. You just decide and abide, and you are free. We wanted that for our children. If you have potential, you can be someone who does something of consequence."

In that way Salima has realized the dream of her father. She is someone who is good and who is doing something of consequence.

FEBRUARY WORSHIP FEBRUARY ON-LINE ATTENDENCE

**WORSHIP VIEWS** 

**AVERAGE** 

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### **MIDWEEK LENT SERVICES & SOUP SUPPER**

WEDNESDAYS - MARCH 1,8, 15, 22 AND 29 SOUP SUPPER - 6:00 PM | WORSHIP - 7:00 PM

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# March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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#### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

MARCH 1, 9:00 AM

**BOOK CLUB** 

MARCH 4, 9:00 AM

CHRISTIAN LIFE STUDY

MARCH 6, 1:00 PM

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME SANDWICH SUNDAY

MARCH 12

DAYS FOR GIRLS

MARCH 14, 10:00 AM

**CRAFT AND FELLOWSHIP** 

MARCH 14, 10:00 AM

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

MARCH 15, 9:00 AM

#### CHRISTIAN LIFE STUDY

MARCH 20, 1:00 AM

OWLS

MARCH 21, 11:00 AM

FREE MEAL

MARCH 25, 12:00 PM

FOOD ON THE 4TH SUNDAY

MARCH 26

**GATHER BIBLE STUDY** 

MARCH 27, 2:30 PM

DAYS FOR GIRLS

MARCH 28, 10:00 AM

**CRAFT AND FELLOWSHIP** 

MARCH 28, 10:00 AM

## From the Office

- Please check your church mailbox if you are able.
   There are lots of cards, schedules, and more waiting to be picked up!
- Let Diana Shafer know if you need an assigned mailbox/name tag or if anything has changed on your label.
- The KOG Prayer Chain Email has resumed. If you
  would like to subscribe to the email and add a
  prayer request or good news, please email or call
  Diana.

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