**COUNCIL CONNECTIONS FOR OCTOBER**

**LEAP Information Sessions**

So what’s next for the LEAP Housing Project?

Thank you for attending informational meetings in September. We appreciate our “tech” crew who recorded and made the presentation and PowerPoint by Executive Director Bart Cochran available on-line for King of Glory members to re-view. In October there have been informal “talks” about the LEAP proposal. Thank you for the input you have shared. These ideas and suggestions have been passed on to LEAP.

The next step is to formalize the project by signing an Agreement on the Final Proposal. Congregational approval of this Agreement then begins the transition to actual design, funding and construction. A congregational meeting has been scheduled by the Council for Sunday, November 20 following worship for this approval.

This initiative, “Yes! In God’s Back Yard,” is a unique way for us to be able to partner with an organization that can provide resources and expertise to fulfill the dream of affordable housing in our “back yard.” Thank you for your continued prayers.

To view the Presentation: <https://bit.ly/3eetKJx>

To review the presentation and informational flyer: <https://bit.ly/3yk2254>

**Continued Covid Protocol**

King of Glory currently does not require the wearing of masks and encourages up-to-date vaccinations when attending functions at the church. Monthly review of the protocol behavior is a regular item of business at each council meeting.

Yes! Even though the caseload numbers for Ada County are beginning to rise, safe behavior for all will continue with optional mask wearing and up-to-date vaccinations. Thank you for staying home if you have cold or flu-like symptoms. Sunday worship services are live-streamed at 10 AM every Sunday, and can also be viewed later on King of Glory’s YouTube channel.

Together, we care for each other!

**Communion at the Rail**

Sunday, October 30, communion will once again be offered at the rail. Congregation will have two options: continued use of the communion kits at your seat; or receive a wafer (bread) and an individual cup of wine or juice at two stations at the rail.

**Security**

Now that daylight is shrinking, basic personal safety guidelines recommended by the Council:

* Be aware at all times of your surroundings in the parking lot.
* Always lock your car when you park in the parking lot. Do not leave personal items in plain view in your car.
* Walk briskly to your car when leaving the church, especially if you are alone. At night, walk out with a “buddy.”
* Do not prop open doors. Post a telephone number if waiting for more to attend your meeting.
* Report any lights in the parking lot that may be out.

A reminder that the exterior doors have been re-keyed. If you are currently on the authorized key list and still need a key, make arrangements with Diana Schaefer.

**King of Glory 60th Anniversary**

A 60th Anniversary Task Force is being formed to plan a special year of celebrations. If interested, contact Mary Rickerd.

ALSO FOR THE NEWSLETTER, BUT NOT WITH THE COUNCIL CONNECTIONS:

**From the Columbarium Committee:**

At the July quarterly meeting, the Columbarium Committee voted to increase the cost of purchasing a niche made necessary with increased expenses for maintenance and niche panel engraving. Effective January 1, 2023, rates will be $500 per niche.

As a member of King of Glory, if you have considered purchasing a niche in the Columbarium Memorial Garden, now is a good time to do so. Current niche purchases are $400 per niche. All maintenance and engraving costs are included in the purchase of a contract. All members of King of Glory, which includes immediate family, are eligible to purchase a contract for a niche in the Columbarium Memorial Garden.

 Contact Glen Laushman, Columbarium Chairman, to make arrangements.