

# WEEKLY UPDATE

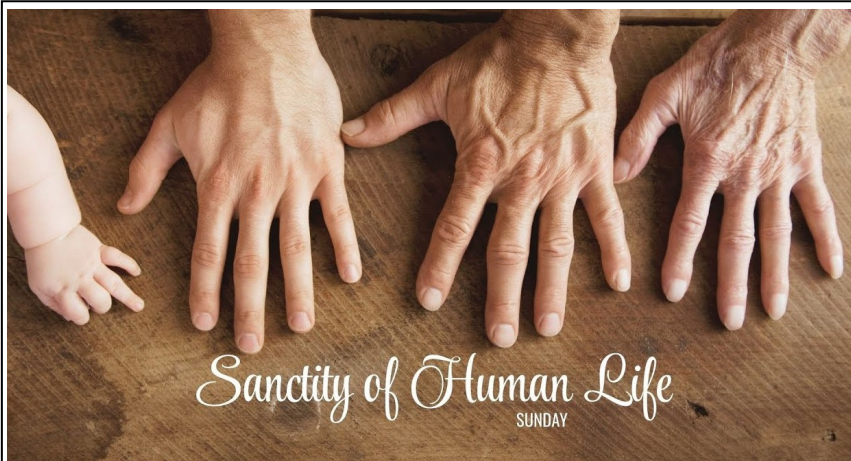
# KOST CHURCH



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2026

LOVE GOD | LOVE PEOPLE | MAKE DISCIPLES



## WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

If this is your first time worshipping with us, thanks for visiting! Please fill out a contact card (in the pew rack or online) and let us know a little about yourself.

**Did you miss a service?** Past sermons are available to watch or re-watch on Kost's YouTube page, at [kostchurch.org](http://kostchurch.org), and on Facebook as well.

Our annual congregational meeting will happen Next Sunday, January 25th during Sunday School time (there will be no SS that Sunday). This will be a time to remember and celebrate what God has done in the last year in our church and look forward to what He may be doing next. Please plan on joining the rest of the Kost family for this important meeting.

You are invited to a traditional game night (not video games) at Kost

**Saturday January 31st**

beginning at 4 pm. Please bring a favorite game and a snack and beverage to share. Direct any questions to the Kottarathil's.



## THIS WEEK AT KOST

<b>Sunday</b>	9:30 am Worship Service 10:45 am Fellowship Time 11:10 am Sunday School
<b>Monday</b>	6:30 pm Pickleball
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:00 am Men's Bible Study 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm Youth Group
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
<b>Friday</b>	5:00 pm Re:Create
<b>Sunday</b>	9:30 am Worship Service 10:45 am Fellowship Time 11:10 am Annual Congregational Meeting (no Sunday School)



Thank you for your faithful financial support of Kost Church.

Gifts can be dropped off in the offering plate or through direct payment from your bank.

## YOU ARE LOVED!

To contact our pastor:

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## EVERY SINGLE LIFE MATTERS

(SANCTITY OF LIFE SUNDAY 2026)  
EPHESIANS 5:1-17

• Be \_\_\_\_\_ as beloved children

• \_\_\_\_\_ of those not imitating Christ:

sexual immorality \\ impurity \\ covetousness \\ filthiness \\ foolish talk \\ crude joking \\ empty words \\ disobedient \\ spiritually and morally dark \\ using the days to do deeds of darkness so much so that the days can be described as evil

• \_\_\_\_\_ of those imitating Christ: walks in love

doesn't partner with the sons of disobedience literally or figuratively \\ walks in the light \\ always considers what is pleasing to the Lord \\ looks carefully how they walk

• To be an imitator of God is to be someone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ by strength, usefulness, cognitive ability, birth status, race, ethnicity, nationality, legal status, or personal choice, because every human life—born and unborn, native and foreigner—is sacred to the God who created it, redeemed it, and calls His people to protect the vulnerable without partiality

• People who within their ability...

• \_\_\_\_\_ carefully what they see and hear, not blindly swallowing everything that is fed to them through media and social media and are careful not to consume too much

• \_\_\_\_\_ all that they perceive and experience through the lens of scripture

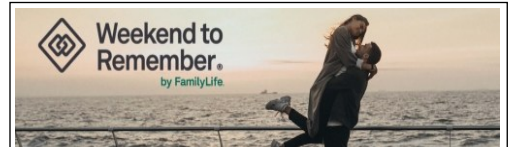
• \_\_\_\_\_ humbly when necessary

• \_\_\_\_\_ fervently and specifically for an end to the evil

• \_\_\_\_\_ when others are out of line with Christ in their speaking or actions

• \_\_\_\_\_ their \_\_\_\_\_ to help further the cause of preserving all life

NEXT WEEK'S PASSAGE: PSALM 135 | JANUARY 11, 2026 | JOSHUA JENSEN



## Weekend to Remember Marriage Conference | March 20-22, 2026

JW Marriott Minneapolis Mall of America

A getaway with a goal: **oneness**. No marriage is static. Each day, each choice — you're either moving closer together, toward oneness ... or drifting farther apart. At the intersection of a faith-based marriage conference and romantic retreat from everyday life, Weekend to Remember helps couples do just that — choose oneness. Whether you're sending up an SOS for marital rescue or looking to foster an already flourishing connection, Weekend to Remember is your best next step toward being, and staying, one.

Register at [events.familylife.com/event/Minneapolis2026](https://events.familylife.com/event/Minneapolis2026) by Jan. 26 to receive 50% off registration price.

**Need to talk? Need prayer?** Our Stephen Ministers provide free confidential emotional and spiritual support. Just speak with an individual with a blue and white nametag.

### FINANCES

Giving as of 1/1: \$0  
Spending as of 1/1: \$0  
Shortfall as of 1/1: \$0

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING: \$5,394

Weekly need to cover budget: \$3,456

### PLEASE PRAY

✚ For the situation in the Twin Cities  
✚ For Kost to be pursuing God's plan wholeheartedly for building His Kingdom in our area in this coming year  
✚ For those in our fellowship with chronic pain

✚ For Sue Stevens  
✚ For Jodi Brask  
✚ For the completion of Northbrook Church's new building  
✚ For us as a church—that we intentionally and boldly live out gospel truth in our families, our communities, our workplaces / schools, and our church

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EXISTS TO GLORIFY GOD BY REACHING OTHERS, SO ALL CAN GROW TO MATURITY IN FAITH AND BEAR FRUIT IN CHRIST'S LOVE

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