



HOLY COMFORTER LUTHERAN CHURCH

HOME OF THE KINGWOOD OKTOBERFEST



ZICKE ZACKE, ZICKE ZACKE, HOI HOI HOI! This is a chant often said at German celebrations and it means “a toast to fellowship” or “a toast, a toast, a cozy place.” Holy Comforter Lutheran Church started The Kingwood Oktoberfest to share the love of Christ by inviting the community to our cozy campus for fellowship and fun! Kingwood’s original Oktoberfest, The Kingwood Oktoberfest (TKO) is quickly approaching, and we will be “rolling out” barrels of fun on Saturday, October 21, 2023, at Holy Comforter Lutheran Church (1901 Woodland Hills Drive). This family fun event will once again feature German inspired food, a children’s play area, polka music from The Texas Sound Check Band and German dancers. As always, there will be games and activities for all ages. The doors will open from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. Admission is \$8.00 for adults and \$3.00 dollars for children 12 and under. Cash and debit or credit cards will be excepted at the front gate, or you can purchase tickets in advance at www.kwOktoberfest.org. All music, games and activities are included in the entrance fee. Listed as one of the top ten events in Kingwood in its inaugural year of 2016, the event attracted more than 1,400 people last year and we expect an even bigger crowd this year, so get your tickets now!

Entertaining the TKO crowd will be The Texas Sound Check Band. Formerly known as the City Polka Boy’s, the Texas Sound Check band has been a staple in the polka community for more than 50 years and as staple at TKO since its inaugural year in 2016. They have played at various festivals around the state, including the National Polka Festival in North Texas. Before the band takes the stage and during their breaks, DJ Rick Janacek of Club Foyer DJ Services will be spinning tunes and getting the crowd hyped with a variety of music as well as emceeing this year’s event.

Dancers from the Kingwood High School German Club, state champions, who have been a fan favorite since the very first Kingwood Oktoberfest in 2016 will be on stage with performances throughout the event. They will also bring their Deutsch mobile to be on display and serve as a photo op.

Our children’s area, which has expanded this year to include Toddler Town and a trackless train, is sponsored by Elton Fritz Realty Group, Heartstrings and First Out Services. We will have face painting, craft stations, multiple inflatables, climbing walls, games and much more!

What Oktoberfest would be complete without German inspired food and beer? We will serve Bratwurst, sauerkraut, pretzels, hot dogs, and this year, due to popular demand, we are adding German potato salad to the menu! We will also have hard ciders, seltzers, and a variety of beer on tap from DECA Beer Company, including DECA’s German Dunkel. We will be selling steins to keep those drinks cold and festive. We will also serve water, soda, and juice for the kids. We have added a drink station and a restroom near the children’s area, to save parents from having to walk over to the other side of campus. Food and drink tickets will be sold separately and may be purchased at the event or online. Items are reasonably priced ranging from one dollar to eight dollars. We will also be selling Kingwood Oktoberfest merchandise and will have a bake sale with hand-made desserts lovingly made by members of Holy Comforter Lutheran Church and School.

Last year we held our first annual The Kingwood Oktoberfest costume contest. Adults and children participated had great fun! This year we have great prizes from Amadeos, The Cove and On the Park toy store, so you won’t want to miss it. The contest is scheduled for 3 p.m. so get here early to fill out your



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entry form. So, break out your lederhosen and dirndls and sign up for the costume contest at www.kwoktoberfest.org or pick up an entry form at the front gate.

Of course, none of this would be possible without the generosity of our sponsors. We are blessed to have an outstanding group of community minded businesses sponsor this event. We are proud to welcome Framestead as our TKO Event Platinum Sponsor this year. Framestead is a locally owned and operated design-build firm for Custom Homes, Remodeling, and Commercial projects. They are more than a fine company that does impeccable work; they are part of the Holy Comforter family! They have been engaged for over a year in helping to renovate the exterior and interior of HCLC, including the newly renovated sanctuary and narthex. Find out more www.framestead.com. We also welcome back HUFECO, a Specialist in Parker Fluid Connections as our TKO Gold Sponsor this year. HUFECO, owned by the Wiesepape family, has been the leader in servicing the entire Gulf Coast Region in fluid power products for decades. Charles, Mary Ann and daughter Stacey Wiesepape are members of Holy Comforter Lutheran Church.

We are also excited to announce our Silver Sponsors: Raymark Air Conditioning Heating Inc., and Sullivan's Advanced Paint & Body are joining us once again. We are pleased to welcome Awaken Wealth Partners and Building Enterprises back to the fold as Bronze+ sponsors this year. Our friends at Kosmin Media (Kingwood.com), The Law Office of Melissa Lanier and Club Foyer DJ Services (DJ Rick) are also back on board as TKO sponsors at the Bronze level and are joined by new sponsors Carpet Giant, Trusted Insurance Group, Fall Creek Family Dental and Orthopaedic Associates LLP. Friends of the Fest Community Sponsors include RE/MAX Associates Northeast, K & M Hardware, The Cove Craft Beer & Wine, Tony Burt – Agent RE/MAX Associated Northeast, and Amadeos. We are thrilled to have these amazing companies support The Kingwood Oktoberfest!

So, join us October 21st, and raise a stein to the often imitated, never duplicated, The Kingwood Oktoberfest! Prost!

What: The Kingwood Oktoberfest When: October 21, 2023

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Where: Holy Comforter Lutheran Church, 1901 Woodland Hills Drive, Kingwood Texas, 77339

Website: www.kwOktoberfest.org | **FB Page:** <https://www.facebook.com/thekingwoodoktoberfest>

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Holy Comforter Lutheran Church, founded in 1966 as a congregation of the Lutheran Church in America, Texas Louisiana Synod, has faithfully served the Humble and Kingwood area in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and was the first church of Kingwood. We believe that we are called to love others as God loves us. We are called to be his hands and feet in the world and called into action to go deeper with Christ. At HCLC we do this by Discovering our Faith, Growing in Community and Living God's Mission! We worship on Sundays at 8:15 & 11 a.m. and have dinner, Bible study and service projects for all ages and abilities on WoW Night Wednesdays – Worship, Word & Witness at 6 p.m. All are welcome!
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