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Members and Friends of Kent Memorial,

I came across this story and thought you would enjoy it and put it to use in your life as we begin the season of Lent.

GOD LIVES UNDER THE BED

I envy Kevin. My brother Kevin thinks God lives under his bed. At least that's what I heard him say one night. He was praying out loud in his dark bedroom, and I stopped to listen, 'Are you there, God?' he said. 'Where are you? Oh, I see. Under the bed....' I giggled softly and tiptoed off to my own room. Kevin's unique perspectives are often a source of amusement. But that night something else lingered long after the humor. I realized for the first time the very different world Kevin lives in. He was born 30 years ago, mentally disabled as a result of difficulties during labor.

Apart from his size (he's 6-foot-2), there are few ways in which he is an adult. He reasons and communicates with the capabilities of a 7 year-old, and he always will. He will probably always believe that God lives under his bed, and that airplanes stay up in the sky because angels carry them. I remember wondering if Kevin realizes he is different. Is he ever dissatisfied with his monotonous life? He is up before dawn each day, off to work at a workshop for the disabled, home to walk our cocker spaniel, returns to eat his favorite macaroni and cheese for dinner, and later to bed. The only variation in the entire scheme is laundry, when he hovers excited over the washing machine like a mother with her newborn child.

He does not seem dissatisfied. He lopes out to the bus every morning at 7:05, eager for a day of simple work. He wrings his hands excitedly while the water boils on the stove before dinner, and he stays up late twice a week to gather our dirty laundry for his next day's laundry chores. And Saturdays - Oh, the bliss of Saturdays! That's the day my Dad takes Kevin to the airport to have a soft drink, watch the planes land, and to speculate loudly on the destination of each passenger inside. 'That one's going to Chi-car-go!' Kevin shouts as he claps his hands. His anticipation is so great he can hardly sleep on Friday nights.

And so goes his world of daily rituals and weekend field trips. He doesn't know what it means to be discontent. His life is simple. He will never know the entanglements of wealth or power, and he does not care what brand of clothing he wears or what kind of food he eats. His needs have always been met, and he never worries that one day they may not be.

His hands are diligent. Kevin is never as happy as when he is working. When he unloads the dishwasher or vacuums the carpet, his heart is completely in it. He does not shrink from a job when it is begun, and he does not leave a job until it is finished. But when his tasks are done, Kevin knows how to relax. He is not obsessed with his work or the work of others. His heart is pure. He still believes everyone tells the truth, promises must be kept, and when you are wrong, you apologize rather than argue.

Free from pride and unconcerned with appearances, Kevin is not afraid to cry when he is hurt, angry or sorry. He is always transparent, always sincere. And he TRUSTS GOD. Not confined by intellectual reasoning, when he comes to Christ, he comes as a child. Kevin seems to know God —to really be friends with Him in a way that is difficult for an 'educated' person to grasp. God seems like his closest companion.

In my moments of doubt and frustrations with my Christianity I envy the security Kevin has in his simple faith. It is then that I am most willing to admit that he has some divine knowledge that rises above my mortal questions. It is then that I realize that perhaps he is not the one with the handicap. I am. My obligations, my fear, my pride, and my circumstances—they all become disabilities when I do not entrust them to God's care. Who knows if Kevin comprehends things I can never learn? After all, he has spent his whole life in that kind of innocence, praying after dark and soaking up the goodness and love of God. And one day, when the mysteries of heaven are opened, and we are all amazed at how close God really is to our hearts, I'll realize that God heard the simple prayers of a boy who believed that God lived under his bed. Kevin won't be surprised at all!!

This Lenten Season, take this story to heart and trust God like Kevin did, then you will be prepared for Easter.

Pastor Dave

WE CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHO STRENGTHENS US!

Philippians 4:13

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2013 COUNCIL MEMBERS

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 Barb Yount Evangelism
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 Pat Larson Long Range Planning
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 Gail Kruse Youth
 Andrew Renken Finance & Stewardship
 Brian Kuckler Christian Education
 Bill Blomberg Property
 Gary Esbeck Social Ministry

Council Appointed Positions

Cindy Curchy Recording Secretary
 Gail Kruse Treasurer
 Richard Strothmann Financial Secretary
 Ken Gerardy Building Fund Treasurer
 Linda Kimberling Building Fund Financial Secretary

GENERAL FUND COUNTERS FOR FEBRUARY

2/3 Bob Kuecker, Janet Kuecker
 2/10 Chuck Wanamaker, Joyce Wanamaker
 2/17 Michael Wagner, Toni Wagner
 2/24 Linda Kimberling, Ken Gerardy

FEBRUARY SCRIPTURE LESSONS

February 3, 4th Sunday after Epiphany

1st Reading Jeremiah 1:4-10
 Psalm Psalm 71:1-6
 2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 13:1-13
 Gospel Luke 4:21-30

February 10, Transfiguration Sunday

1st Reading Exodus 34:29-35
 Psalm Psalm 99
 2nd Reading 2 Corinthians 3:12—4:2
 Gospel Luke 9:28--43a

February 17, 1st Sunday in Lent

1st Reading Deuteronomy 26:1-11
 Psalm Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16
 2nd Reading Romans 10:8b-13
 Gospel Luke 4:1-13

February 24, 2nd Sunday in Lent

1st Reading Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18
 Psalm Psalm 27
 2nd Reading Philippians 3:17—4:1
 Gospel Luke 13:31-35

WORSHIP LEADERS IN FEBRUARY

9:30 AM

Altar Guild Nancy Beese
 Greeters 2/3 Floyd & Carol Waite;
 2/10 Karen Hardwick & Jim Mellody;
 2/17 Richard & Margo Strothmann;
 2/24 Jim & Pat Larson
 Lector Sally Burke
 Ushers 2/3 Joyce Wanamaker & Joyce McHenry;
 ... 2/10 Gerry & Linda Williams; 2/17 Jim & Diane Ziehl;
 2/24 Sheryl & Dennis Boos
 Coffee 2/3 Gerry & Linda Williams;
 2/10 Floralie Harris & Joyce McHenry;
 2/24 Jim & Pat Larson
 Sound Technicians 2/3, 17 Lester Clark;
 2/10, 24 Ken Gerardy

NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE

FRIDAY, February 22, 2013

*Leave your articles in the Newsletter box in the office,
 or e-mail your news to Office@KentMemorial.com.*

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Offerings and Income for December, 2012.....	\$19,994
Actual Expenses for December, 2012	\$17,651
Monthly Budget Needs	\$15,080
Offerings and Income—January-December, 2012.....	\$161,188
Expenses—January-December, 2012	\$168,880
Average Sunday Morning Attendance in December was 130	
Average Sunday School/Bible Study Attendance was 10	
Average Wednesday Evening Advent Service Attendance was 67	
Christmas Eve Service Attendance was 146	

DECEMBER 2012 BUILDING FUND REPORT KENT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH	
Bank Balance 12-1-12	\$4,359.50
Deposits, interest and adjustments.....	9,214.61
Payment to Mission Investment Fund.....	9,000.00
Bank Balance 1-1-13	\$4,574.11
Mortgage payment to MIF.....	\$9,000.00
Interest Paid	1,043.21
Principal Paid	\$7,956.79
Mortgage Balance 12-1-12	\$252,935.33
Principal Paid in December	7,956.79
Mortgage Balance 1-1-13	\$244,978.54

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN NEED OF GOD'S HEALING TOUCH

Julie Anderson
Rita Baker
Ron Baltzer
Gary Bartness
Joe Bergmann
LeeAnne Brumm
Leeann Bunger
Shirley Clark
Courtney Cowan
Estella Cronk
Marnie Cumming

Don Dittmer
Ed Doney
Jan Ellis
Pat Ellis
Luke Emilio
Dane Ferrare
Minnie Harger
Don & Marilyn Hays
Jim Larson
Ken Mueller

Jill New
Nancy O'Hara
Claude Page
Aretha Peterson
Marshall Sherlock IV
Bill Simmons
Tom Smith
Carolyn Stewart
Richard Strothmann

Judy Swigart
Merle Swigart
Dick Taff
Jim Ziehl



REMEMBER THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY IN PRAYER

Ben Brammeier
Aaron Davis
David DeJarnette
Joseph W. Ellis
Sam D. Ellis
Travis Ervin
Brian Fitzgerald
J. R. Frakes
Tom Gidley
Joalene & Joe Grissel, Jr.
Brandon Gronhoff



Jason Ites
Nicole Johnson
Benjamin Kyle Jones
Cameron Keaton
Adam Kralina
Glenn Maddock

Dustin McCormick
Nathan Meir
Shawn Moorhead
Will Pierce
Timothy Price
John Waddell
Eric Weber
Jon Weiss
Paul Wiles
Mark Woodfin
Bryan Wright

OUR FRIENDS IN AREA CARE FACILITIES



Laurie Knolls & Laurie Care Center

610 Highway O
P.O. Box 1068
Laurie, MO 65038

Betty Bennett
Bill Knight

Don Hays

Summit Villa Lifecare

229 Karen Drive
Holts Summit, MO 65043

Lillian Wohlt

Good Samaritan Care Center

403 W. Main Street
Cole Camp, MO 65325

Mary Gordon

If you are aware of anyone being admitted to or discharged from the hospitals or nursing homes, please notify the church office.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



- 02/01 Wendy Blomberg
Teri Stout
- 02/04 Tom Fee
- 02/06 Diane Reams
- 02/09 Don Peterson
- 02/11 Brenna Enriquez
- 02/13 Jerry Brumley
Linda Kimberling
Glenice Gibson
- 02/15 Rick Waite
Jan Gauck
- 02/16 Floyd Wait
- 02/17 Jan Lacas
- 02/18 Dee Hamman
- 02/20 Pat Larson
- 02/23 Alysia LaRock
- 02/24 Marilyn Peterson
Joan Zemke
Margo Strothmann
Carol Ousley
- 02/25 Bud Kidder
Al Diemer
Jim Kruse
- 02/26 Allen Kimberling
Nancy Beese
- 02/27 Linda Williams
- 02/28 Matt Bunger
Shade Bullock



ANNIVERSARIES

02/04/1995	Merle & Judith Swigart	18 years
02/08/1964	Brian & Judy Kuckler	49 years
02/12/1994	Brad & LeeAnne Brumm	19 years
02/19/1988	Bill & Ada Terry	25 years

OOPS!

We missed wishing Pastor Carl Gauck a Happy Birthday on January 21.

And...

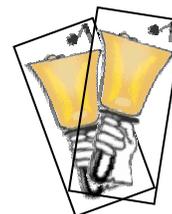
Happy Anniversary to Bill & Joy Whitlow on January 7.

* Psst. This is a BIG birthday!
(5, 13, 16, 21, 40, 50, 65, 70, 75...)

***If your birthday or anniversary isn't listed, please contact the church office
so we can include you in our congratulations!***



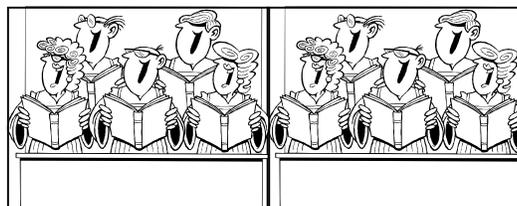
**Kent Handbells
Rehearsals
Wednesdays at 5:30PM
in the Sanctuary**



Note: Rehearsals during Lent (beginning February 12) will be Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m.



**Kent Adult Choir
Rehearsals
Wednesdays at 6:30PM**



Note: Rehearsals during Lent (beginning February 13) will be at 5:00 p.m.

WELCA - Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church

WELCA MINUTES JANUARY 8, 2013

The January meeting was opened by Kathy Fair newly elected president. After prayer, and devotions given by Kathy she thanked the hostess for today Linda Williams and Kathy Fair for a wonderful and healthy desert to start the New Year off right.

Minutes of our last meeting November 2012 were read and approved.

Karen Hardwick gave the treasures report for the last two months. November's balance was \$7,180.82 December's balance is \$6,942.04. The coolie sale netted \$1830.00, a check was sent to Lake Regional Nurses scholarship fund for \$1830.00.

Laurie Care Center Karen reported that the Guild Meeting will be January 10, 2013 at 1PM. everyone is invited to attend.

Karen also reported that she sold her old computer to Welca and will be available as soon as she wipes all personal information from hard drive.

Karen said we need to find a new place to buy name tags as the place where we bought them before has gone out of business.

Christian Action Ann Say reported that there were 7 Stuffers this morning with 56 animals are ready to be closed to send to hospital. She sent 50 animals home with Kathy to be sewed for stuffing.

Signup sheets for Community for Christ and Senior Center (the last week of this month) were sent around and will be on the board.

Kent Klowns Linda Williams said the Klowns are going to Russellville to conduct the services this coming Sunday and have been invited to lunch after by Pastor Moll. The next event will be March 17th at the Lake Regional Children's Fair at the Stone Crest Mall. Linda said they would like more clowns to join

Sunshine Lady Lorraine Boyd sent three get well cards and two sympathy cards since November

Publicity Janet Harger reported that the cookie sale was advertised in the newspapers, the radio and in several bulletins at different churches around the area.

Care Core Gladys Bohling reported that the core has been providing meals to Leanne at least twice a week since her surgery and will be continuing to do that for awhile. One meal was sent to Barbara and George Patterson. She said that volunteers are needed to coordinate for April and May there is a signup sheet. Gladys explained what is involved with being a monthly chairman. She talked about what kind of food should be taken.

Kids Klub Diane thanked the klowns for helping with the December meeting, there were 11 kids there. For the January meeting they will resume the 10 commandments. Eldeen volunteered to do meals for the February meeting.

Correspondence was read, there was no old business.

New Business Barb Gidley made a motion that Welca make a donation to our Social Ministry committee Lorraine Boyd seconded. Karen Pragman amended the motion to read \$500.00 Joyce Wanamaker seconded. Motion carried.

Sheryl Boos made a motion to donate \$50.00 to Ronald McDonald House, Sharon Ballard seconded. Motion carried.

Kathy conducted a quiz "How well do you know Kathy?" She than asked the members to think about several things to be discussed at a later meeting, among topics to be discussed were new members, mentoring our teenage girls, and social activities, buying new long tables for the fellowship hall.



Eldeen will take our recyclable items to the center among items to be recycled are Styrofoam cups and cans.

Help is needed in the kitchen for the Annual Meeting on February 10, and for the memorial for George Patter-son on Saturday. There will be a potluck luncheon items to be in Kitchen by 10:30.

Upcoming: Newcomers meeting on May 15th.

The meeting closed with all holding hands counting off and the Lord's Prayer.

There were 24 members present

Respectfully Submitted
Janet Harger, Secretary

THE NEW WELCA DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!

The 2013 – 2014 WELCA directories are available. Those of you who did not pick up your copy at the January meeting should feel free to take one from the box stored in the WELCA closet. Please take a moment to double check your address and phone number and birthday information. Since all information had to be re-entered after the office computer crashed late last year it would be good to make certain that we have it correct. Please send any corrections or additions to either Tracy in the office or me. Thanks!

Press Release from Lake Regional Hospital

The Women of the Evangelical Church of America organization at Kent Memorial Lutheran Church in Sunrise Beach recently donated \$2,579 to Lake Regional Hospital Auxiliary. The funds were raised through proceeds from the organization's annual cookie sale and dona-tions from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. The sale raised \$1,830, and Thrivent Financial added \$749. The money will go to the Ethel Rayburn Nursing and Health Care Scholarship Fund, which awards scholarships to students pursuing nursing or health care careers. "The Ethel Rayburn scholarship fund provides area health care students financial support to con-tinue their education," said Terri Hall, Lake Regional Health System Fund Development di-rector. "We are grateful for the Kent Memorial WELCA's continued support of Lake Regional Auxiliary." In the past 10 years, Kent Memorial's WELCA organization has raised more than \$10,000 for the Auxiliary. In addition, the organization makes stuffed animals, turbans, hats and booties, which are given to patients and children visiting the hospital. To learn more about the Ethel Rayburn Scholarship Fund or to make a tax-deductible donation, contact Hall at Lake Regional Fund Development at 573-348-8153. To learn more about volunteering with Lake Regional Hospital Auxiliary, visit lakeregional.com/Volunteer.

HELPING OUR YOUNGEST NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS

Have you ever stopped to think about how many ways you help the ministry of our congregation with just a simple trip to the grocery store? By my count, six.

1. The Buddy Pack program
2. Community for Christ food pantry
3. Share the Harvest food pantry
4. Box Tops for Education
5. Campbell Soup labels
6. Best Choice UPC fundraiser

It would be hard to count how many people we have an opportunity to help with a simple trip to the grocery store.

The first three on the list have us buying food to help the less fortunate – grade school kids who otherwise might go hungry over the weekend (Buddy Pack program) and families or single adults who have been hard hit by the economy (local food pantries). We buy groceries and donate part of what we buy to the Buddy Pack program or to the Blue Box to be divided between the food pantries. The last three have us enjoying the food we buy for ourselves but bringing a small part of the packaging to church.

Everyone knows what a UPC is, right? It's the series of lines and numbers that is scanned at the grocery store checkout. Do you know a "Box Top for Education" when you see it? The Box Tops are small, easy to overlook "coupons" on the labels/box tops of Betty Crocker, Pillsbury and other products.

Once the food or other product is gone and you're ready to toss the package into the trash bag (or better yet the recycling bin) you really don't need that UPC or Box Top "coupon" any longer. But if you're getting ready to toss a can of Campbell's soup or products like Swanson's Frozen foods, Prego pasta sauce, Pop Secret microwave popcorn (and there's lots more!) OR any Best Choice product OR a Betty Crocker or Pillsbury package you are tossing away money.

In 2012, WELCA raised \$120.00 by collecting Best Choice UPCs that would otherwise have been thrown away. This money went into the WELCA general fund and was used to support our different activities and ministries.

In 2012, WELCA collected \$20.00 worth of Campbell Soup labels and Box Tops for Education. The money we collect from these little coupons is shared between Hurricane Deck and South Elementary schools and are used to purchase sports and playground equipment.

Now here's where you come in and no, you don't have to be a member of WELCA. The next time you get groceries, fill your cart with Best Choice or Campbell's or Betty Crocker products. Enjoy your meal but before you toss that empty cottage cheese or yogurt container or cereal box, double check for the small Box Tops for Education "coupon" or the UPC. Tear them off and bring them to church. There's a collection basket in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions about these programs, please don't hesitate to ask an officer of WELCA—Kathy Fair, Janet Harger or Linda Kimberling.

Thank you for everything you do to help "**Share Jesus with all!**"

Making Sense of the Cross

Bible Study

When theology is primarily about “believing the right things,” it quickly becomes dry and dusty, but when theology helps us make sense of Scripture and our lives, it’s remarkably helpful.

This is particularly true when we talk about the cross. There are a lot of strong views about the nature, purpose, and effect of the cross, and some Christians have actually made certain propositions about the cross the litmus test for measuring “true” faith. Given the complexity of the biblical witness about the cross, I think this is both unnecessary and unwise. Therefore I think it will be very helpful to invite people to risk their views, their hunches, and their convictions about what is accomplished in the cross and resurrection of Jesus, even if they don’t always agree with each other. The point isn’t to understand the cross once and forever, and certainly not to be able to prove our orthodoxy over others. Rather, the goal for this study and the conversation it engenders is to have a fresh and ongoing understanding and experience of the life-transforming love of God that is poured out for us and all the world in and through Jesus’ cross and resurrection.

Professor David J. Lose - Luther Seminary

“Making Sense of the Cross” invites readers to “listen in” on an open conversation about the cross. Throughout the conversation, readers are encouraged to think about and experience the cross and its meaning for their lives.

I invite you to join us on Sunday morning, February 17 for a 6 week class on “Making Sense of the Cross” We meet in the library at 8:30 a.m. The books are available for \$12.

This will be a great study for the season of Lent as we anticipate the feast of the Resurrection on March 31st.

Pastor Dave

THE SEASON OF LENT

Ash Wednesday comes early this year, on February 13. Our theme this year is “Words That Last Forever.”

Christ had no epitaph. Buried in a borrowed tomb, no words were emblazoned across his grave. Instead, during the final hours of his life, Christ mapped out his way of suffering with seven famous last words - seven phrases, remembered and recited throughout the ages - tiny touchstones along his way of sorrows. We may find that these last words have a lasting impact, even now, for us.

Ash Wednesday’s service begins at 7:00 p.m. The following Wednesday evening services begin at 6:00 pm with a light meal following.

Lenten Supper Schedule

(The following committees will provide the meals following our midweek worship. Attendees are invited to bring dessert to share.)

February 20	Social Ministry & Altar Guild
February 27	Finance & Stewardship, Ministry Fund & Youth Committees
March 6	Worship & Music & Long Range Planning Committees
March 13	Mutual Ministry & Property Committees
March 20	Christian Education & Evangelism Committees

THANK YOU

Dear Friends in KMLC Family,

Thank you so much for the care and love you expressed to our family during the illness and death of our loved one, George. It has been a very difficult six months since we first found out about his terminal illness. A very special thanks to Pastor Dave, who was always willing to come to our home with words of kindness and also, as he told you, bring Communion for us to share with our Lord. These times were very special to us. Also, a very special thanks to Gerry and Linda Williams, who would come to our assistance any time I called them. The cards and notes we received from so many of you were especially comforting. Your prayers were especially comforting to us and felt by both of us. Our family will miss him so much, but we have a sense of peace knowing he died knowing Jesus as his Savior. I treasure all of you as my "Kent Family".

Love in Christ, Barbara and family

Received by the Social Ministry Committee:

I graciously accept your kind donation today on my behalf. I am truly blessed to have met you. I hope someday to pay it forward as you have done for me.



CHURCH COUNCIL

Unapproved Council Minutes - January 15, 2012

In attendance: Margo Strothmann, Gail Kruse, Brian Kuckler, Bud Kidder, Andrew Renken, Don Johnson, David Curchy, Sheryl Boos, Gary Esbeck, Pastor Beese. Absent: Barb Yount and Bill Blomberg.

Meeting called to order at 6:03 p.m.

Dwelling in the Word: Pastor Dave supplied us with a reading from John 2:1-11. We shared our thoughts on which parts spoke most to us and why.

Minutes from December were accepted after a correction to the dollar amount (\$300.00) donation to Social Ministry was noted from Judy Ward's neighborhood watch group. Motion to approve minutes was made by Gail Kruse, second by Andrew Renken.

Motion by Andrew Renken to approve the Treasure's Report, second by Bud Kidder.

Motion by Gail Kruse to approve the Building Fund, second by Andrew Renken.

Pastor's Report: *Pastor reflected about George Patterson's funeral. * Discussion about Sunday's cancelling church services. Agreed by all that it was best to prevent any falls or injuries. Sheryl needs to check with callers about their lists. * This next Sunday Bishop Mansholt will be at the Area 9 meeting in Lohman. We are encouraged to attend this gathering and learn and listen what is happening in other churches and our Synod. Time: 3-6 p.m. with a meal following. Let Pastor know by the 17th if you can attend. * Two Saturday's ago (Jan. 5th) some of the congregation from Kent went to Our Savior's Lutheran church in Jeff City to share our PMC experience with other congregations who are considering the process to become more Missional in their communities. 12 congregations were there and many showed an interest. Next meeting will be May 4th at Trinity in Russellville, when they will make their decisions to go forward with the process. *Lenten services will begin on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 13th. This years' services will be focused on the 7 last words of Christ on the Cross. It will be a 3 person dialogue sermon. *Pastor shared that Major Thomas will be moving back to Owensville where he owns a farm.

Committee Reports: Several committees' did not meet in January so there were no minutes received. Annual reports have been submitted except for 2 committee's. Pastor said that Tracy was expecting them and was compiling the report for the annual meeting.

Old Business: Thrivent Choice Dollars-Discussion as to how to use money. A new copy machine is needed for the church office. Pastor quoted a bid of \$4595 List, \$2987 Sale Price to Kent. Voted and approved to purchase the copy machine from Office Business Equipment of Versailles and to pay off in one year with our Thrivent Dollars available. Discussion was held on the status of the dishwasher and no one has looked at it to give a bid as of to date. Brian Kuckler has someone in mind to take a look at it and assess the possibility to repair. Dishwasher tabled until later date.

New Business: * Annual Meeting (Feb. 10th) after 9:30 church service with a Brunch Potluck. *Lenten Suppers-Tracy will forward the list for committee's assigned to each night for meal preparations. *Lenten offerings-Discussion about where to use offerings. We brought up the Social Ministry fund and how great the needs have been since the first of December. Motion was made by Margo Strothmann to give the Lenten offerings to the Social Ministry Fund, seconded by Andrew Renken. *Pastor also told us that the Easter Pageant would now be sponsored by Kent Memorial only, not the Ministerial Alliance due to poor participation by other congregations. Any offerings from that service will go into the Easter Pageant fund here at Kent. It was discussed that the sound system needs upgrading this year and that there are funds available to accomplish this.

Correspondence: *Thank You card from Jennifer Bolten for Christmas Bonus. *Card from George Patterson's sister with a \$500 donation to the Building Fund. *Thank you card for the generous deliveries of items the last few months from Kent to the Food Pantry. *Letter stating that Community for Christ needs a representative from Kent on the board to replace Nancy Beese because she will become the new Director of Community for Christ. We need a volunteer from Kent.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Gail Kruse and seconded by Andrew Renken.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting: February 19th, 2013 @ 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted for Cindy Curchy in absence by Sheryl Boos.

**KENT MEMORIAL
ANNUAL MEETING PART 2
FEBRUARY 10, 2013**

Part 2 of the Kent Memorial Lutheran Church Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 10, 2013, immediately following our worship service.

We will share a potluck brunch, then begin the meeting.

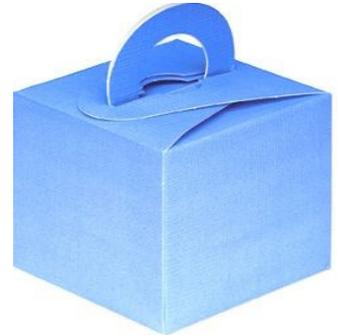
Copies of the Annual Report and agenda are available in the Gathering Place.

Want to know what's going on at Kent when you're out of town?
Check out the Kent Memorial website ~ www.kentmemorial.com!

SOCIAL MINISTRY

BLUE BOX UPDATE

You have been amazingly generous this year! January set another new record — **499 items!** Wow!!! Thank you.



Our goal for February is 200 items

— but let's see if we can keep up the trend!

Keep the blue box in mind as you shop this month.

Hearing God's Call and Responding in Love...

Here's a snapshot of the needs in our community & how we use your contributions.

DECEMBER (number of calls):

Electric - 6

Rent - 5

Water - 1

Gasoline (Lake Oasis) - 5

CADV - 1 (check given for donation for Loving Gifts Tree)

Share the Harvest - Check given for Save a lot (turkey certificates)

Community for Christ - Check given for Save a lot (turkey certificates)

Total Dollars to our Community for December: \$1,755.83

Thanks to everyone - you are a blessing to so many !

We Share Jesus with All!



BLOOD DRIVE

February 8

1:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

at

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church

(no appointment necessary)

Drop in and help a neighbor!

For more information, contact Joyce McHenry, 573-372-2141, or visit The Community Blood Bank of the Ozarks, www.CBCO.org.



BUDDY PACK PROGRAM NEEDS PEANUT BUTTER!

It's time once again to stock up on peanut butter for the Buddy Packs. We are collecting peanut butter now in order to get to the end of the school year. Please pick up the small jars of peanut butter—any brand—and place them in the green BUDDY PACK box in the Narthex.

And thanks for all you do to keep the kids from going hungry over the weekend!





Kid's Klub

Kids Pre-school to 5th grade

February 20 — 3:30 - 5pm

Hey Kids — Come to Kent!

We invite ALL kids from pre-school to 5th grade!! This is open to the community!

Come & have fun & do crafts & play games!

Learn about The Ten Commandments!

An after-school snack & a light supper will be provided!

WE WANT TO SHARE JESUS WITH ALL!!!

Any questions, call Diane Ziehl, 573-372-5223.

P.S.> If anybody wants to come & help, we welcome your support.