

# KENT HAPPENINGS

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*Overlooking the Lake of the Ozarks*

## **Kent Memorial Lutheran Church**

184 Sunset Hill Drive  
P. O. Box 155  
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~ 1951—2015 ~

### **EACH SUNDAY**

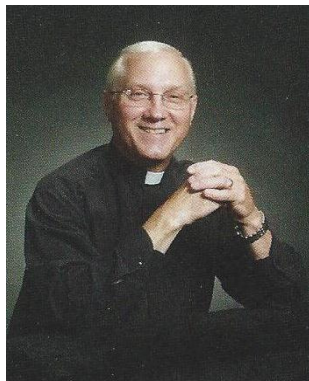
**8:30 AM** Sunday School & Adult Bible Study  
**9:30 AM** Worship Service with Holy Communion

~ David R. Beese, Pastor ~

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A Blessed and Joyous 2016 to each and every one of you!! Nancy and I thank all of the members of Kent for your gracious Christmas gifts, both individually and corporately. We really appreciate all you do for our congregation and for us throughout the year. THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!! THANK YOU!!!! Kent is an amazing community of believers.

2015 was a year most of us would like to forget. It seems like we are now living in a new reality where terror and violence are weekly occurrences around the world. So we continually pray that God will give us the resources of strength, courage, perseverance, and patience to be his faithful and loving ambassadors here in this country and around the world.

Christians (We) need to learn the lesson of the Incarnation over and over again. We need to keep remembering that God came to us, and for a purpose, at Christmastime. His purpose was to join himself to us, so we wouldn't have to walk in the darkness of this world all alone. It quickly becomes clear to us. As soon as we reach the limits of our own strength, our own patience, our frustrations and humanness, the truth comes through that none of us are up to the challenge by ourselves.

We need to permit God to take charge of our present, our future. Christ needs to come into our hearts anew and become incarnate there like Christ came into the flesh at Christmas time. If Christ is at the center and not ourselves, then good things can happen to us and for us as we reflect his light into our world in the year to come.

St. Paul tells us that we need Christ to dwell in our hearts by faith, so that being filled with the fullness of God, it will be God's power at work within us "to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think." (Eph. 3:17-20). God waits with power for those who long for change in their lives.

January is the season of Epiphany. An Epiphany is a revelation which makes things clear by the light it casts upon everything. Christ is our Epiphany. Christ's light spreads, pushing back the darkness every time we declare our faith to one another.

Christ's light works where it counts: In people. It reaches into the darkness of our lives to bring purpose and hope. Epiphany is God's message about his loving, life giving reach into our dark world.

My hope and prayer for 2016 is that we may let Christ's light shine in our lives that it may penetrate the darkness of this world and overcome it.

*Pastor Dave*

**The Light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness did not overcome it.**

—John 1:5

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 Lester Clark, Dan Garrett,  
 Ken Gerardy & Michael Wagner ..... Sound Technicians  
 ..... Webmaster  
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**2016 COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Committee Assignments**

Jim Mellody ..... President  
 Mark Kelly ..... Vice President; Social Ministry  
 Lynn Burke ..... Property  
 Jim Clements ..... Long Range Planning  
 Eldeen Hanke ..... Evangelism  
 Carol Hansen ..... Christian Education  
 Allen Kimberling ..... Mutual Ministry  
 Gail Kruse ..... Youth / Kent Krew  
 Charles Niemann ..... Charles Niemann  
 Don Peterson ..... Long Range Planning  
 Andrew Renken ..... Finance & Stewardship  
 Joyce Wanamaker ..... Worship & Music

**Council Appointed Positions**

Carol Hanson ..... Recording Secretary  
 Gail Kruse ..... Treasurer  
 Warren Pray ..... Financial Secretary  
 Ken Gerardy ..... Building Fund Treasurer  
 Linda Kimberling ..... Building Fund Financial Secretary

**JANUARY SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

**January 3, Epiphany Sunday**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading ..... Jeremiah 31:7-14  
 Psalm ..... Psalm 147:12-20  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading ..... Ephesians 1:3-14  
 Gospel ..... John 1:1-18

**January 10, Baptism of Our Lord**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading ..... Isaiah 43:1-7  
 Psalm ..... Psalm 29  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading ..... Acts 8:14-17  
 Gospel ..... Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

**January 17, 2nd Sunday after Epiphany**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading ..... Isaiah 62:1-5  
 Psalm ..... Psalm 36:5-10  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading ..... 1 Corinthians 12:1-11  
 Gospel ..... John 2:1-11

**January 24, 3rd Sunday after Epiphany**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading ..... Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10  
 Psalm ..... Psalm 19  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading ..... 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a  
 Gospel ..... Luke 4:14-21

**January 31, 4th Sunday after Epiphany**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading ..... Jeremiah 1:4-10  
 Psalm ..... Psalm 71:1-6  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading ..... 1 Corinthians 13:1-13  
 Gospel ..... Luke 4:21-30

**GENERAL FUND COUNTERS FOR JANUARY**

01/03 Michael Wagner, Toni Wagner  
 01/10 Linda Kimberling, Ken Gerardy  
 01/17 Rosie Keeney, Gerry Williams  
 01/24 Don Peterson, Gloria Peterson  
 01/31 Curtis Reams, Diane Reams

# STEWARDSHIP CORNER

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## INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT\*

Offerings and Income for November, 2015 .....	\$14,859
Actual Expenses for November, 2015.....	\$13,551
Monthly Budget Needs .....	\$16,296
Offerings and Income for January-November, 2015.....	\$165,740
Actual Expenses for January-November, 2015.....	\$171,589

Average Sunday Morning Attendance in November was 100

\* Excludes Pass-Through Income/Expenses

## NOVEMBER 2015 BUILDING FUND REPORT KENT MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Bank Balance 11-1-15 .....	\$3,802.73
Deposits, Interest and Adjustments.....	5,991.58
Payment to Mission Investment Fund .....	6,000.00
Bank Balance 12-1-15 .....	\$3,794.31
Mortgage payment to MIF .....	\$6,000.00
Interest Paid.....	370.39
Principal Paid in November .....	\$5,629.61
Mortgage Balance 11-1-15 .....	\$109,992.75
Principal Paid in November .....	5,629.61
Mortgage Balance 12-1-15 .....	\$104,363.14

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### **NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2016**

*Leave your articles in the church office, or e-mail your news to Tracy at [Office@KentMemorial.com](mailto:Office@KentMemorial.com).*

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## MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN NEED OF GOD'S HEALING TOUCH

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Jim Adams  
Ron Baltzer  
Gary Bartness  
Ed Bick  
Lorraine Boyd  
Sharlene Bruhn  
Delaney Brumm  
Mike Cash  
Chessie  
Mike Collins  
Larry Cox  
Darrell Garrett  
Charles Gerardy  
Carolyn Hanke

Minnie Harger  
Jack Hollingsworth  
Hawk Hughes  
Pam Hunt  
Ann Johnson  
Jon  
Jane McKeown  
Mel McKeown  
Madison Mitchell  
Keith Monroe  
Steve Mues  
Charles Niemann

Nancy O'Hara  
Olivia  
Julie Patterson  
Paul  
Ashley Pierson  
Lisa Renfrow  
Maureen McCleary Rice  
Rob  
Regina Robinette  
Sheila Roesler

Lisa Renfrow  
Barbara Schweiger  
Marshall Sherlock IV  
Zach Smith  
Judy Swigart  
Mary Trutwin  
Cheryl Vinkavich  
John Yancey  
Jim Ziehl



## REMEMBER THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY IN PRAYER

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Eric Blomberg  
Ben Brammeier  
Aaron Davis  
Tanner Glodt  
Kristine Hubbard  
Jason Ites



Adam Kralina  
Brandon Labath  
Glenn Maddock  
Joe Marco  
Adam Peterson  
Paul Wiles

## OUR FRIENDS IN AREA CARE FACILITIES

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**Laurie Knolls Assisted Living**  
610 Highway O / P.O. Box 1068  
Laurie, MO 65038

Stanley Field      Bernice Lansing

**Laurie Care Center**  
610 Highway O / P.O. Box 1068  
Laurie, MO 65038

Betty Bennett

**Pleasant Hill Health & Rehabilitation Center**  
1300 Broadway  
Pleasant Hill, MO 64080

Don Hays

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

# JANUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



- 01/01 Toni Carolus
- 01/02 Carolyn Garrett
- 01/05 Don Wilken
- 01/06 Sydney Irwin
- 01/07 Denise Irwin
- 01/09 Ann Johnson
- 01/10 Barb Gidley
- 01/11 Mary Marose
- 01/15 Heather King
- 01/19 Chantal Enriquez
- 01/20 Allen Brumm
- 01/21 Dorothy Engelstad  
Carl Gauck  
Shelly Carolus
- 01/22 Janay Renken
- 01/27 Karen Mellody  
LaRoy Vinkavich
- 01/29 Keith Lingwall  
Bill Blomberg
- 01/30 Ada Terry  
Jeff Carolus

## ANNIVERSARIES

01/03/2009	Vince & Barb Yount	7 years
01/07/1995	Bill & Joy Whitlow	21 years
01/12/1952	Don & Marilyn Hays	64 years
01/21/1962	Bob & Janet Harger	54 years
01/27/1967	Eric & Sue Rosenthal	49 years
01/27/1990	Bob & Lillian Bueker	26 years



### **WELCOME BRIXYN HEAFORD!**

Born December 19, 2015

Grandparents: Katie & Bill Heaford

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

# CHURCH COUNCIL

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## Unapproved Council Minutes - December 15, 2015

**In Attendance-** Pastor Dave, Gail Kruse, Lynn Burke, Joyce Wanamaker, Jim Mellody, Carol Hansen, Bill Blomberg, Mark Kelly, Andrew Renken, Brian Kuckler, Eldeen Hanke, Don Peterson and Allen Kimberling.

**Absent-** Jim Clements and Charles Niemann.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Jim Mellody.

**Dwelling in the Word:** Pastor read from The Lutheran, a devotion entitled "Cross true gift of Christmas" by Elizabeth Eaton.

**Minutes-** Motion to approve November minutes was made by Gail Kruse, seconded by Joyce Wanamaker. All approved.

**Treasures Report-** We reviewed the report given by Gail Kruse. A motion was made to approve the November report by Bill Blomberg seconded by Mark Kelly. All Approved.

**Pastor's Report-** Pastor reported the annual Laurie Care Center Thanksgiving service had approximately 80 in attendance. The Community Thanksgiving Dinner served 252 people with 71 carry out meals for a total of 323. The free will offering collected \$540.00. \$200.00 went back to the Senior Center for supplies. Advent Services had 39 in attendance for the 1<sup>st</sup> service and 52 for the second service. Potluck, set-up and clean-up have worked well.

**Building Fund Report** – Gail Kruse presented. November Building Fund payment of \$6000.00 paid, new balance is \$104,363.14. Nothing to approve.

**Committee Reports-** Property committee: Bill Blomberg reported the front interior doors have been fixed along with the dumpster doors to be kept locked. All outdoor lighting has been repaired or replacement bulbs have been put in, including the steeple lights. The furnace under the sanctuary went out. Mark Kelly made a motion to replace the furnace with the cost not to exceed \$3000.00 Eldeen Hanke seconded the motion and all approved. We discussed changing the times of the Advent and Lent Services. It was agreed not to make any changes at this time. Tractor is in need of some repair. Alan Kimberling will get an estimate of the possible repairs

**Old Business-** Reports are due to Tracy now.

**New Business-** Discuss how Thrivent Choice Dollars will be used. Eldeen Hanke made a motion to use \$3000.00 to replace the furnace. Gail Kruse seconded the motion and all approved. Jim Mellody thanked all outgoing Council Members. The Election of officers for 2016 was held. Andrew Renken made a motion to approve Jim Mellody as Council President and Mark Kelly as Council Vice President. Lynn Burke seconded the motion and all approved. Council appointed positions- Recording Secretary- Carol Hansen, Treasurer- Gail Kruse, Financial Secretary Warren Prey, Building Fund Treasurer- Ken Gerardy and Building Fund Secretary- Linda Kimberling. Andrew Renken made a motion to approve all appointed positions. Motion was seconded by Mark Kelly and all approved. Committee assignments are as followed. Christian Ed.-Brian Kuckler and Carol Hansen, Evangelism- Eldeen Hanke, Finance & Stewardship- Andrew Renken, Mutual Ministry- Alan Kimberling, Property- Lynn Burke, Social Ministry- Mark Kelly, Lang Range Planning- Don Peterson, Youth Ministry- Gail Kruse, Worship & Music- Joyce Wannamaker.

**Correspondence-** None

Motion to adjourn was made by Bill Blomberg, seconded by Brian Kuckler and all approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting: January 19, 2016

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Hansen, Recording Secretary

## **ANNUAL MEETING PART 2**

**Sunday, February 14, 2016**

**10:30 a.m.**

Copies of the 2015 Annual Report will be available by January 24, 2016



## WELCA - Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church

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### WELCA will meet on January 5, 2016

- + 9:30am      Stuff animals for Lake Regional Hospital
- + 10:00am     Altar Guild
- + 11:00am     Business Meeting



### KEEP BRINGING IN THOSE BOX TOPS & LABELS FOR SCHOOLS



**Save the label before you throw that bottle, box, or can into the recycle bin.**

By redeeming the Box Tops & Labels for Education, we help our partner schools, Hurricane Deck Elementary & South Elementary, to purchase things like library books and playground/sports equipment.

December added 78 Box Tops & 55 Labels for Education to our totals. We ended 2015 with 561 Labels & 1727 Box Tops for the year!!



**Thanks for your help!**

## THANK YOU

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A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped with the WELCA Cookie/Candy Sale. We raised \$1,745.46. WELCA added \$419 from the Spring luncheon to make the total contribution to the Nursing Scholarship Fund at Lake Regional hospital \$2,164.47.

To date, WELCA has contributed over \$26,000 to this fund. Pretty impressive!

Thanks!

## SOCIAL MINISTRY

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### BLUE BOX UPDATE

Community for Christ could use items to create warm soups and holiday meals. Personal care items and dish soap are always welcome.

#### **Our January goal is 200 items**

Please add a couple of Blue Box items to your basket when you shop this month.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

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

*Here's how your contributions met some of the need in our community.*

**NOVEMBER, 2015** (number of needs calls):

Electric - 3

Rent - 3

Water - 1

Food Certificates - 30 (for Community for Christ to distribute)

**Total Dollars to our Community for the month: \$922.57**

*We Share Jesus with All!*

# Kids Klub

meets on

**January 20**

**3:15-5:00 p.m.**

**ALL Kids from pre-K through 5th grade**

**SUPER HEROES OF THE BIBLE!**

**There's a special place for you in our Kids Klub!!**

**Kids Klub is free & open to everyone!**

After school snacks

New friends

Loads of fun games & crafts

If you are into Super Heroes then this is for you! Come one come all, we want to

*Share Jesus with All!*

Any questions? Call Diane Ziehl, 372-5223 or 573-480-1271!